



THE CUPOLA

NEWS FOR MARY BALDWIN COLLEGE FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS

Fundraising Reaches Milestone Despite Tough Economic Environment

Thanks to the faith and support of alumnae/i and friends, Mary Baldwin has reached a fundraising milestone. Since the inception of the Smith Challenge in 2005, contributions have totaled more than \$27 million — above the halfway mark and a sound foundation for the Campaign for Mary Baldwin.

Gifts to the college, especially in this period of economic uncertainty, continue to raise the college's national profile and enhance its reputation for distinctive academic excellence.

Participation is the common thread, as every gift has a multiplying effect upon the values that have guided MBC for 168 years.

"Mary Baldwin is fortunate to have friends who are deeply inspired by our mission of empowering confident, compassionate changemakers and who have confidence in our future," notes President Pamela Fox. "We believe in

Boldly Baldwin — transformatively, distinctively, and enthusiastically."

The generosity of Mrs. Bertie Murphy Deming Smith '48 provided the catalyst in 2004–05, a gift of \$500,000 which was matched 2:1 by the Board of Trustees within a few months. When Smith later donated an additional \$6 million, the college raised over and above Smith's original match, and an additional donation from Smith herself boosted the challenge total to \$17.9 million by the end of 2008.

Since then, supporters like Smith have helped change the face of Mary Baldwin — literally. Not only have their gifts helped refurbish the exterior of several buildings on campus, but they have established new scholarships, recruited new students, and helped to create academic programs which, in turn, brought new faculty and students to the college.

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A Time to Be Bold and Decisive

A message from Board of Trustees chair Lyn McDermid '95



The landscape of higher education has shifted, along with the needs of students and what the world needs of its citizens. To claim our place within this new landscape and sustain all that is best about Mary Baldwin College for future generations, we must be — as I said in my comments in *The Cupola* in September — bold and decisive.

I applaud the work of the faculty and staff in organizing the academic program into Schools of Excellence and in revitalizing the common curriculum. I know how difficult some of this work has been, and deeply appreciate your efforts. I am moved by your passion and excitement in creating the way forward, with innovations that will truly serve students and through them, the greater good. Because of your work, Mary Baldwin truly has an extraordinary contribution to make, not only in the lives of individual students but also in the lives they touch as they make their way in the world.

I also applaud the many alumnae/i who continue to make Mary Baldwin a part of their daily lives, organizing events, serving as class secretaries and class giving agents, mentoring students, talking with prospective students, and contributing expertise and time and resources to this very special college. Your involvement is vitally important to the future of our alma mater.

For our part, the Board of Trustees is also working hard to steward resources and foster policies that will position the college for fiscal

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JULIA'S LIST BOOSTS RETENTION RATE

In spring 2009, Mary Baldwin College President Pamela Fox announced that, instead of

passing the brunt of the economic recession on to students, the college would redirect approximately \$700,000 toward student financial aid. The Boldly Baldwin Stimulus Package, as it was named, was a threefold effort: offering \$2,000 to new students who chose one of the college's signature Leadership Gateways when they enrolled; creating dozens of new, paid Changemaker internships; and providing additional aid to returning students who demonstrated academic excellence and need, called Julia's List.

Julia's List — named in honor of college namesake Mary Julia Baldwin — has already produced measurable results. The group's 92.4 percent retention rate is a noticeable difference from the 88.8 percent retention rate for other non-seniors who started last year with at least a 3.0 GPA.

Those kind of results led college administrators to continue the program for 2010, and they are now finalizing the list of recipients. Students will receive information about their awards this month, according to Brenda Bryant, senior vice president for enrollment management and administration.

"Many of Mary Baldwin's best supporters are eager to assist in the education of our most promising students. They recognize the value we offer as well as the cost to families," Bryant said.

"I was able to afford my first year at Mary Baldwin with the help of student loans, so Julia's List funds have alleviated my loan repayment by \$3,000. I would have returned to Mary Baldwin without the extra scholarship, but I am extremely grateful that I have less debt to worry about after I graduate," said Katharine James '11.

"I liked the way ... that the community pulled together to make the scholarships available to ensure that students continue their momentum of excellence," James said. "Education is such an important part of society, and it is encouraging to know that others are willing to reward students so they may succeed and improve society in the future."



Student financial aid made possible by Julia's List helps boost the college's retention rate and shape confident, compassionate changemakers.

PHOTO BY WOODS PIERCE



In Perfect Formation

Mary Baldwin College's Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL) Corps of Cadets march again in perfect formation in Richmond on January 16 in the inaugural parade for Virginia's new governor, Bob McDonnell, joining 36 other marching units for the event. The corps has marched for inaugural parades for three previous Virginia governors and was the sole college marching unit chosen to perform at the 2003 opening of the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, part of the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum. The VWIL corps and marching band will take their skills on the road March 17 for the annual St. Patrick's Day parade in New York City.

PHOTO BY GEORGE FAIRLAMB

Journeys of All Kinds Shape MBC's 2010 Black History Month Celebrations

By Liesel Nowak

She was born on a farm and started out in the working world as a maid. But Lillian Lambert became the first African-American woman to earn an MBA at Harvard, and eventually she became the head of a \$20 million business.

An author and motivational speaker, Lambert will share her barrier-breaking success story with the Mary Baldwin community February 9 as part of the college's celebration of Black History Month.

"Black History Month is a time when the entire campus and the entire country pauses to celebrate the contributions that have been made by people of African descent — especially those living in America," said Rev. Andrea Cornett-Scott, associate vice president for inclusive excellence.

Lambert, who lives in Richmond, describes her book *The Road to Someplace Better: From the Segregated South to Harvard Business School and Beyond* as "part memoir, part business case study, and part road map." Lambert will also sign copies of her book at the event.

"I hope that my talk at Mary Baldwin College will help students to dream big, act bold, and not be afraid to blaze their own path to someplace better," Lambert said, offering a preview of her talk. "The fact that they are here in college is already a very important step. Getting a good education is still the key to a better future, no matter what twists and turns their road may take."



PHOTO BY MARK MITCHELL

Black History Month at MBC was kicked off January 23 at the college's annual Kwanzaa celebration, at right, and will feature a talk by Lillian Lambert, above, who became the first black woman to earn a Harvard MBA.



PHOTO BY LYNN GILLILAND '80

Lambert travels the country with her positive message. She has been featured in *Time* magazine, *The Washington Post*, and on *Good Morning America*, among other national media.

"I will also encourage [students] to seek out mentors and supporters who believe in them and will help them believe in themselves," Lambert said. "Success is a journey, not a destination, and we never truly walk alone."

Although February marks the start of Black History Month, celebration began early in Staunton with the college's annual candlelight march in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on January 18 (see photo on page 8) and the annual Kwanzaa celebration on January 23.

"Kwanzaa at MBC becomes a pivotal rite of passage and rite of incorporation for our African-American, first-year students," Cornett-Scott said. "Alumnae/i and families gather during Kwanzaa to celebrate students' accomplishments and to embrace them as members of the community."

This year's Black History Month theme is Unchain My Heart, in keeping with the 2009–10 campus theme, Heart.

Tempest Jones '10, artistic director and dancer with Greater Things Dance Ministry, is coordinating a February 6 recital, "A Heart's Journey Through Worship."

"The recital will present different pieces to show the emotions, movement,

and spirituality that go into worship," Jones said. "The ladies look beautiful in practice. I'm sure that it will minister to all who come and join in on this worship experience."

Closing out the month's events will be a Praise House service, open to the community, at Allen Chapel on February 21.

"This becomes a learning exercise for my African-American religion class," Cornett-Scott said. "The service will be filled with music, liturgical practices, and, of course, the oral tradition and clothing from the slave era."

See the college calendar on page 11 for a more detailed schedule of Black History Month events.

College Comes Together for Victims of January Haitian Earthquake

By Melissa Jones

When faced with the reality of the destruction caused by the earthquake in Haiti last month, students, faculty, and staff at Mary Baldwin rallied to raise money and awareness for the victims of the disaster.

"Right away some students wanted to plan a May Term service trip," said Heather Ward, director of international programs. "It was a great impulse, but right now, even some of the best organizations in the world can't get in and be effective because of the country's damaged infrastructure. We may plan a trip for winter or spring break next year. I believe that relief efforts will go on for at least the next five years."

A 7.0-magnitude earthquake rocked Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, on January 12, crippling what is already the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. A week after the natural disaster, officials estimated the casualty count could top 150,000.

On January 20, the Spencer Center for Civic and Global Engagement sponsored a forum about the current

situation in Haiti with Linda Kofeldt, a longtime volunteer with the Haitian Outreach Foundation, Jill Siegal of the American Red Cross, and Naianka "Naka" Rigaud, '11, a native of the island nation. In the forum, Siegal stressed that, for the immediate future at least, money — which will be used for buying food, water, and medical supplies — was the best gift one could give to the people of Haiti.

Taking that message to heart, the Spencer Center started a collection to benefit the Red Cross International Response Fund. Within two weeks of the disaster, the center had donated \$508, including more than \$200 collected at MBC basketball games. Students also raised \$1,149 for the Red Cross during the Martin Luther King, Jr., candlelight memorial service at Central United

Methodist Church. In addition, Professor Allan Moye's band, The Findells, held a benefit concert at Baja Bean in downtown Staunton and the Ida B. Wells Living Learning Community donated \$400 in proceeds from the Kwanzaa Ball to a Haiti relief organization.

MBC IN HAITI

We have heard about two alumnae filling critical roles in Haiti before and in the aftermath of the earthquake:

- **Brittany Bledsoe '07** has worked as a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Haiti since July 2009. She returned to Virginia about a week and a half after the quake due to an illness, but plans to return to Haiti in early February. The alumna stopped by MBC to talk with students in Gordon Bowen's political science courses, explaining her role as a temporary medic and sleeping at her desk — the embassy was virtually undamaged — in the days following the earthquake.
- **Kelly Mann '99** arrived in Haiti January 20 for one week to serve as a pediatrician, traveling with a group of orthopaedic and trauma surgeons from Mt. Sinai Medical Center. According to Martha Gates Mawson '78 and Mann's parents, her primary responsibility was post-operative management of children.





MBC in the World of the New Normal

Like almost all colleges in the aftermath of the global economic crisis of late 2008, Mary Baldwin looks ahead to 2020 and beyond. We make some adjustments to new financial conditions. We see many trends clearly. Above all, we know that the mission of Mary Baldwin College is our greatest asset, as articulated in the draft rewording:

Mary Baldwin College empowers students through personalized, transformative liberal arts education to compose lives of purpose as confident, compassionate changemakers.

Already this academic year, we have coalesced our strengths into a bold new synthesis to distinctly live this mission through our new Schools of Excellence. All our innovative energy has been rooted in our 10-year strategic plan, *Composing Our Future: Mary Baldwin College 2014*.

As this community is fully aware, I have a passion for planning. The first five years of our plan yielded expansive success. Now past the halfway-mark, the

plan will continue to guide us through 2014, as its five main initiatives are still those we need to focus on:

1. Make personal transformation our priority
2. Sharpen our focus on academic excellence
3. Unite and enrich our community
4. Renew our environment
5. Fund our future

Normal modes of operation within higher education are changing, however, and so I have paused to reflect on what strategic planning means in our “new normal.” We used to conceive of a strategic plan as an inward-focused exercise driving the institution toward a “destination” — a point in time when the plan will be fully realized. That concept can no longer hold true, and so we must alter our planning approach. I believe that strategic planning is becoming more dynamic and will now be driven by the recognition that change is constant, that

nimble is the new normal, and that targets and end goals may be replaced by milestones and guard rails. We must focus on our own institution, dependent as it is in many ways on external forces, as part of an interwoven network of institutions in dynamic relationship to one another.

Over the next few months, we will engage in conversation about re-envisioning our own planning processes and expectations in light of this reconceptualization of the nature of strategic planning. Our planning must be as nimble as it is thorough, and our execution as agile as it is exacting.

My passion for composing the best possible future for Mary Baldwin College is stronger than ever.

Dr. Pamela Fox, president



Faculty and Students Demonstrate the Excellence of MBC

The second semester of the 2009–10 academic year is now successfully launched, and it is hard for me to believe seven months have flown past since I joined the Mary Baldwin community. In some ways it feels as though I have worked with the faculty and staff much longer because I have such a strong sense of the important work they do and their unwavering commitment to the success of the institution.

The faculty has applied its collective wisdom and experience to several complex challenges over the last months, including taking the Schools of Excellence model from concept to reality. Through a subcommittee of the Educational Policy Committee, the faculty has also been working to simplify, clarify, and strengthen the common curriculum that anchors the education of all students in the liberal arts. Informed and improved by extensive feedback from the faculty as a whole, a proposal will come before the full faculty this month. This process has been an exemplary one of careful research into national best practices augmented by

commitment to the historic mission of Mary Baldwin and reliance on the wisdom of faculty who have helped to shape this college’s distinctive identity. MBC is a liberal arts institution committed to personalized, transformative education with particular emphasis on preparing women for leadership and educating citizens for the diverse world of the 21st century.

The power of our educational mission is expressed through our students, and it has been a pleasure for me to witness and participate in the events that showcase students. The weeks surrounding the close of last semester and the opening of this one have been special opportunities to see Mary Baldwin students shine in multiple venues. The many musical gifts shared at the Christmas concert and at Christmas Cheer coupled with the community education of Las Posadas ushered in the holiday season in a wonderful way. Students’ celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s life and legacy through song, dance, and eloquent tributes opened this semester on another high note. It was touching to see students

reaching out to victims of last month’s earthquake in Haiti by collecting donations at both the King event and the annual Kwanzaa Ball.

This is also the season when the community has the pleasure of enjoying the skill and success of the Fighting Squirrels on the basketball court. It is a thrill to see the energy on the court matched by the student enthusiasm in the bleachers.

The spirit of MBC is so familiar to everyone on campus that it is worth reminding ourselves how truly extraordinary it is. For a relative newcomer such as myself, the power of this community is a daily source of inspiration and a constant affirmation of the value of the work in which we are all engaged.

Catharine O’Connell, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college



“FUNDRAISING” *Cont. from Page 1*

The Campaign Steering Committee, Board of Trustees, and fundraising staff have set their sights on the next milestone, focusing effort on the college’s most crucial remaining needs. According to Fox, these include scholarships to support talented women of promise entering through each of our distinctive Leadership Gateways; endowment and program support for our new Schools of Excellence and the Spencer Center for Civic and Global Engagement; and transforming the Pearce Science Center, Hunt Dining Hall, and arts and athletic facilities as part of the college’s dynamic living/learning environment.

UNRESTRICTED ANNUAL SUPPORT KEY

Giving to the college’s Annual Fund is an important way for friends of the college to keep building the momentum.

“As the foundation of the campaign, as well as a significant proportion of each year’s college budget, the Annual Fund is essential to our students and to the entire college community,” said Angus McQueen, interim vice president for institutional advancement. “Gifts to the Annual Fund propel us toward realizing not only the campaign’s success, but also the college’s ongoing mission.”

Last year, more than 2,400 donors

supported the Fund with gifts totaling \$1.6 million, providing vital resources for the college’s operating budget during a time when the endowment produced less revenue. This year, the college’s goal is \$2 million, which will help to keep tuition down while maintaining academic excellence.

This year, a group of current and former trustees who are celebrating a reunion have created a \$168,000 challenge to their classmates. In honor of MBC’s 168th year, they will match contributions, doubling the beneficial effect of reunion gifts. For more information on giving, please visit www.mbc.eduliving.com. ▲

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Friday: 7:30-9am; 11am-1:30pm; 5-6:30pm

Saturday: 11am-1:30pm; 5-6:30pm

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STUDENT NEWS

Confidence Leads to Compassion, Then Change

By Linde Bischak '10, SGA Secretary



Where would Mary Baldwin College be without SGA and student leadership?

At the back of the pack. SGA and student leadership are the backbone of Mary Baldwin and

literally make it what it is — a dynamic, collective liberal arts college that is always looking not just to the future, but to a better future. A college is defined by its students, so when you have strong, confident, and innovative student leaders — in student government, athletics, academics, community service, global engagement, etc. — it is completely reflected in the school as a whole.

What has your position as SGA Secretary taught you so far?

Time management and organization are crucial! Other people are often relying on you to complete some task so that they can move forward with their own endeavors; no one can work completely solo. You have to trust your colleagues to get the job done and you must complete the tasks that they expect you to get done as well. I've also learned how to take notes faster and interpret my own version

of shorthand for taking minutes, which tends to be illegible scribbles. Probably the most useful skill I've learned is how to analyze a long discussion and pick out the key points that will need to be referenced later.

What is one way that students can get involved this month?

Run for a position in student government. The first election slate, for Executive Committee positions, is the first week of February. The second week is Slate II, which contains board positions (for BPB and RHA) and class officers. Slate III is the third week and includes positions on HC, JB, and SA boards. For more information and position requirements attend Senate on Tuesdays or contact one of the Board of Elections co-chairs, Megan Pitts at pittsmt3204@mbc.edu or Jasmine Witmer at witmerjr7207@mbc.edu.

With which part of the phrase "confident, compassionate change-makers" do you most identify? Why?

Confident. If you're confident, you don't hesitate to help others and show compassion. And if you're compassionate, you make it a goal to promote change and progress in any way that you can, wherever you can. I believe confidence gives me the courage to try new things, make mistakes, learn from them, and then

move on. You have to be willing to put yourself out there before you can expect to get anything worthwhile in return.

What types of professional development have you participated in recently?

Last fall, I attended the Business Etiquette Dinner and learned a lot of useful tips — the food was pretty fantastic, as well. In the beginning of January, I attended a Graduate Information Day at Ohio State University to learn more about its graduate program in statistics and what kind of opportunities a career in that field could offer me. This semester, I am enrolled in ENG 251, Technical and Professional Writing; good writing skills are a priceless commodity in the workforce today so I need as much of an advantage as I can get.

What is on the agenda for Senate in February?

As mentioned previously, February is election month here at Mary Baldwin, so elections will certainly be discussed at Senate. Also, the SGA constitution is a bit outdated, so we will continue to revise it and present the changes in part to senate for approval. Since February is Black History Month, we hope to have a speaker attend and ignite discussion. Any other club or organization constitutions that need to be approved or need revisions approved will be on the agenda as well.

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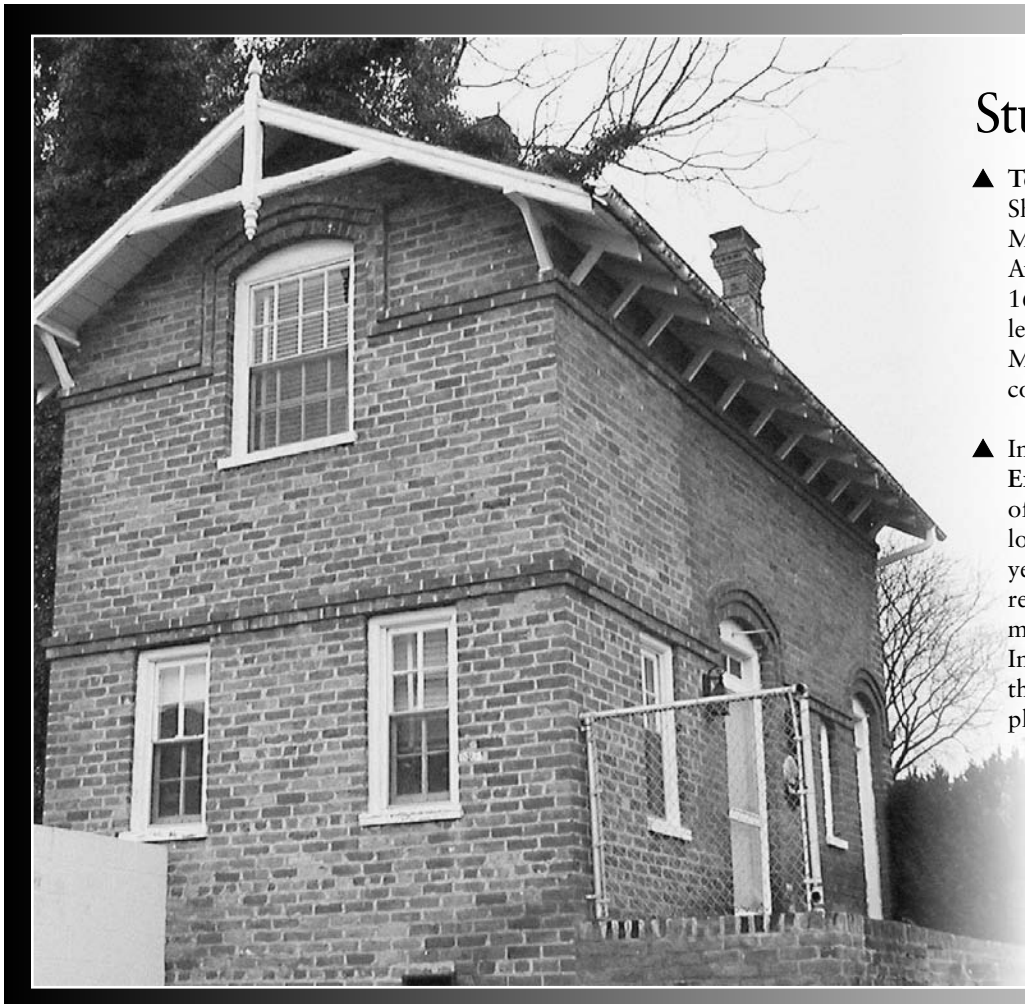
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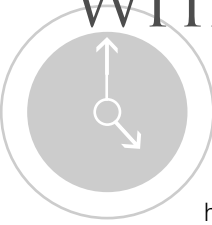
▲ Tempest Jones '10 received the Shenandoah Valley Hit 2010 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Leadership Award at a ceremony on January 16. The award was given for her leadership and community service at MBC and within the Staunton community.

▲ In mid-January, members of SGA's Executive Committee moved their offices into Little House, at left, located next to Rose Terrace. For years, students have raised money to renovate the tiny structure which, most recently, was used for storage. In the past, it provided a home for the junior class president and a place for male visitors to stay.


STUDENT NEWS

Past SGA Presidents ...


WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



There have been 81 Student Government Association presidents in the history of Mary Baldwin College. With annual student elections taking place this month, we caught up with a few former SGA presidents to find out how their experiences helped shape their lives and what advice they have for the next student government leader.

Susan Warfield Caples '60



"I live in Williamsburg and am now retired. After earning a master's degree in medical social work from Fordham University in New York, I practiced for a number of years in the Connecticut area and New York. My husband and I moved to Virginia 18 years ago, and I retired then. I am enjoying being involved in Williamsburg's 'offerings.' They are numerous. As for my Mary Baldwin experience, it was the perfect school for me, and I learned more there about myself than I have learned in any other setting. I owe so much to MBC!"

Elisabeth Truett Greenbaum '78


"I live in Charlottesville, Virginia and love it! I have been a stay-at-home mom, community volunteer, executive director of First Night Virginia, and now with my children grown, I work in the family business"

"I ran against a dear friend for SGA president. I was very surprised when I won and frankly, scared to death. I loved the experience and my board, and am most thankful for that opportunity. MBC purchased Staunton Military Academy so I got to cut the ribbon with our new president, Virginia Lester. Students raided VMI one night and had a water fight in the quad. Some keydets retaliated and raided (I think) Woodson Residence Hall or Spencer and had a water fight. Then a truce was called — they sent red roses and my accepting them made the front page of the Richmond paper!"

Pearls of Wisdom: "Be organized! Remember your position is to build consensus and to listen; enjoy the experience — you will be so glad that you made the commitment."


Catherine Henson Kinniburgh '82


Catherine is a stay-at-home mom in McLean and involved with community Bible study, family genealogy research, volunteer work, and Daughters of the American Revolution.

"My favorite memories are the camaraderie in Hilltop dorm with my roommate, Laura, and all the girls; studying in the newly renovated library; tennis practice with Mrs. Blackburn and the team; Sunday parties; and the beautiful campus."

"Being elected president made me feel very humble to have been chosen by the student body and the sense of responsibility the office held. I gained greater self-confidence during my time at Mary Baldwin College and since graduation have had opportunities to successfully pursue: supporting my husband of almost 28 years in his career in the military and government, raising our four children, banking, teaching, real estate, landscape design, volunteering at the White House, and running a marathon. I look forward to continuing to learn and serve."


Pearls of Wisdom: "Give the position your best effort, be a good role model, learn from the experience and connect with the many people you will meet."

Kristen Barner '90


Kristen is associate pastor at Shepherd of the Hills United Church of Christ in Phoenix. She'll return to MBC in April to preside over the worship service during Reunion Weekend.

"While I was a student there, the Berlin Wall came down and Nelson Mandela was freed from Robbins Island. Today's students are much more internationally aware. There was no Habitat for Humanity campus chapter at that point, so [Professor of Religion] Jim Gilman and I started talking about that."


"We stopped having the tradition of a sophomore show, but we decided to do one and I performed the skit where I played Dr. [Cynthia] Tyson. She was so gracious."

Trish Hylton Rand '93


The SGA president who brought Dave Matthews Band to campus now lives in Raleigh and works as communications director for Raleigh Regional Association of Realtors and as a yoga instructor. She and her husband, Walter, are expecting their first child in May.

"While I was president, we needed to raise money to purchase a TV for the new [Pannill] student center. We wanted to hire Dave Matthews Band but they were too expensive (at the time it was a few thousand dollars, as they were still a local Charlottesville band). But after an intense lobbying effort, the dean of student activities finally agreed to let us have the band. Needless to say, it was a sell out. We made enough to pay for a top-of-the-line TV, a VCR, and had a lot of extra funds!"


Pearls of Wisdom: "In the words of former MBC President Cynthia H. Tyson: 'Work hard; play hard!'"

Emily Alexander Douglas '98


Emily is a stay-at-home mom in Nashville who keeps up with MBC through a local alumnae/i chapter.

"I remember that our voices as students were heard on campus. Mary Baldwin places high priority on its students, and SGA was a terrific laboratory for learning leadership. One fond memory was the inaugural Smyth Lecture when we hosted Geraldine Ferraro. It was an exciting time for me to spend the day with such an accomplished woman.


"As I've compared my student experiences with others and their campuses, I am consistently impressed with Mary Baldwin's commitment to student government. Because of Mary Baldwin, I addressed my career with great poise and confidence. I will be forever grateful."

Erin Kelly Mariscano '01


Erin lives in Palmyra, Pennsylvania. She is a legislative assistant for a state senator and has also launched her own wedding and event coordination business called Blissful Bashes.

"There was an issue with violence towards the lesbian community during the 2000-01 school year. On a campus where we are taught to embrace each other's differences, an act of violence toward one student was an act of violence toward the whole school. We were all very uneasy for quite some time not knowing if there would be another incident, but as is the case at Mary Baldwin, students came together to take a stand against the violence and the sheer disrespect that was shown toward our fellow students."

Pearls of Wisdom: "Enjoy your time as President! Remember that every single student on that campus is a member of the SGA. You are there to serve them all — from PEG to commuters to VWIL and athletes, they all have a voice and want to be heard."

Victoria TenBroeck '05


Now living in Savannah, this MBC alum hasn't slowed down since her days as SGA president. In addition pursuing her MBA at Georgia Southern University, Victoria works for the American Cancer Society and serves on several community boards, charities, and business development groups.

"My favorite memories are from outside of the classroom. Although my professors prepared me thoroughly for the work force and beyond, my greatest preparation resulted from my interactions with the SGA and other groups on campus. The leadership skills we develop while at Mary Baldwin seem to overpower those of all my friends who went to co-ed institutions."

"Mary Baldwin sharpened the skill sets that I use every day. I sit on numerous boards with members twice my age, and they are always pleasantly surprised by my drive and leadership."

Pearls of Wisdom: "Lead with your heart and remember that you can not make everyone happy. You will be elected by your peers, so stay in contact and listen to them."

For a complete list of past SGA presidents, log on to mbc.edu/student/sga/past.php



INSIDE THE SCHOOLS: Shaping Academic Excellence

The Mary Baldwin College Web site and the January 2010 issue of our magazine introduced to the wider college community one of the most significant organizational and academic changes in MBC's history: four distinctive Schools of Excellence. Laying out the basics of the structure and answering questions — which majors are included in each school, how graduate programs are organized, and what are the mutual benefits — was a critical step.

Now, it's time to get to know the people who populate and energize those schools. Faculty like Amy Tillerson, associate professor of history, who lives as a "scholar activist," explains that, "It is not enough just to write books, you need to take that knowledge 'to the streets.' My way of giving back is to preserve their history — our history — accurately, and to help history live." We have space to profile just a few in this Cupola issue, but know that there are so many like Tillerson who touch students' lives, and are, in turn, touched by them.

They are also alumnae such as Robyn Stegman '09, an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer in low-income areas of Lansing, Michigan. "Mary Baldwin instilled in me an innovative spirit. It is one of the few colleges in the nation that connects global and civic engagement and though it seems like such a natural fit, we don't realize how rare it is to have that insight," she says.

And they are students like Martha Jo "MJ" Robinson — a master's degree candidate who founded a nonprofit tutoring program in 1999 — who are the ones the Schools of Excellence are designed to benefit most directly.

Let's take a closer look.



Arts, Humanities, and Renaissance Studies

Creativity is at the heart of the School of Arts, Humanities, and Renaissance Studies. Mary Baldwin has a long history of strong music, arts, and language programs, and today students work side-by-side with artists and scholars who practice their craft and inspire deep, personal reflection.

SCOTT INFUSES STUDIO ART WITH HEART

"I was taken aback by how much I didn't know," said studio art major Hannah Scott '10 after viewing a documentary about artist and human rights activist Claudia Bernardi, *Artist of Resistance*. Bernardi first came to campus through the Elizabeth Kirkpatrick Doenges Artist/Scholar program in 2006 and now serves as MBC Artist-in-Residence. Scott was one of about a dozen students who worked with her on a community mural at a Staunton bakery during her first visit.

Scott made her first overseas trip to El Salvador in 2008 with Bernardi and a group of college faculty, staff, and students. They continued the artist's work in Perquin, a village that was devastated by a mass civilian massacre during the throes of El Salvador's civil war. She continued her involvement with Bernardi as a participant in the creation of a peace mural on campus, and she plans to work in El Salvador again in 2010, when Bernardi leads her second trip.

"My art and art history professors are truly my mentors, not only on a personal level, but also as professionals and artists," Scott said. "I am more informed when doing my work, more knowledgeable about the climate of the art world, and more excited about the art-making process."



Studio art major Hannah Scott '10 poses with children while in El Salvador with MBC Artist-in-Residence Claudia Bernardi and college faculty, staff, and students during Spring Break 2008.



Science

In the School of Science, research is used as a learning tool, in the classroom and in creative and collaborative projects. Students team with faculty to develop senior theses that are presented at premier national conferences and overseas, such as in Portugal and the Netherlands. They are encouraged to investigate and experiment with research instruments usually inaccessible to undergraduates, allowing them to develop skills that give them a clear advantage over their peers in graduate school and professional fields. Laboratory experiences aren't limited to the classroom. Thanks to MBC's unique location, students have the opportunity to work in a lab that's larger than life — the Shenandoah Valley.

BIOLOGY GRAD DEMONSTRATES (FIRE)POWER

Calissa Smith '07 is on her way to becoming the first (and only) female firearms examiner in West Virginia's State Police Forensic Lab. In October 2009, she was one of only 12 applicants from around the country accepted into the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' National Firearms Examiner Academy. Smith will be a certified firearms examiner when she completes the program this summer.

While a biology major at MBC, Smith was inspired by Assistant Professor of Biology Paul Callo's field work analyzing blood samples from birds, and she developed a senior research project on DNA analysis that was selected for the college's elite Capstone Festival. Smith also interned at the Staunton Police Department for hands-on forensics experience. Those projects gave her the tools for graduate school and helped her get her first job as a DNA analyst for a genetics company.

"MBC could not have done a better job preparing me for graduate school," Smith said. "Writing and presenting a thesis gave me an edge over other graduate school applicants and greater confidence in my speaking abilities — an important skill to have in my field."



Calissa Smith '07 tailored an MBC biology degree to propel her toward a career in firearms and forensics. Here, she works in a crime lab as part of her training in the National Firearms Examiner Academy.

NEWS



Education, Health, and Social Work

Commitment to superior professional preparation and community involvement is shared by majors and minors in the School of Education, Health, and Social Work. Pre-professional programs grounded in the liberal arts offer the credentials needed for careers and advanced study. A sought-after offering at MBC's regional centers as well as by the on-campus undergraduate population, the education program prepares more than one-third of Mary Baldwin's graduates with teacher licensure.

TAKING HER EDUCATION 'ONE DEGREE AT A TIME'

When Martha Jo "MJ" Robinson '96 decided to go back to school in 1991 to fulfill her lifelong dream of being a teacher, she wasn't sure if she could balance being a wife and mother of two with the job of a student. Mary Baldwin taught her how.

Robinson served as a volunteer teacher at Wilson Memorial High School in Fishersville for eight years — while studying at MBC — before founding One Child at a Time. The nonprofit organization, which provides tutorial help for area high school students, has helped approximately 900 students from Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County since its creation in 1999.

Robinson just couldn't get enough of the classroom, so she is pursuing a Master of Education at Mary Baldwin. "With my undergraduate degree working toward the graduate degree, I believe I have more credibility with parents, students, administrators, and other teachers. Mary Baldwin has made so many things possible for me," she said.



Master of Education candidate MJ Robinson, right, tutors a student as part of the tutoring program she established in 1999, One Child at a Time.



Social Sciences, Business, and Global Studies

At Mary Baldwin College, students use global challenges such as war, poverty, and human rights as context for the application of theory in practice. Students in the School of Social Sciences, Business, and Global Studies share an interest in current events and often pursue careers in business, law, government, the military, and community development. Motivated to learn more about underserved populations and the world's disenfranchised people, their interests are both local and global.

RESEARCHER HAS 'LICENSE TO BE INTERDISCIPLINARY'

The study of economics at Mary Baldwin College would not be the same without Judy Klein. One of her first major achievements after she arrived at MBC in 1982 was successful internationalization of the discipline. A significant part of the introductory year is now devoted to preparing students to understand the nature and issues of globalization.



Professor of Economics Judy Klein, center front, demonstrates how to read the campus sundial, one of her many unique contributions during her 27 years at Mary Baldwin.

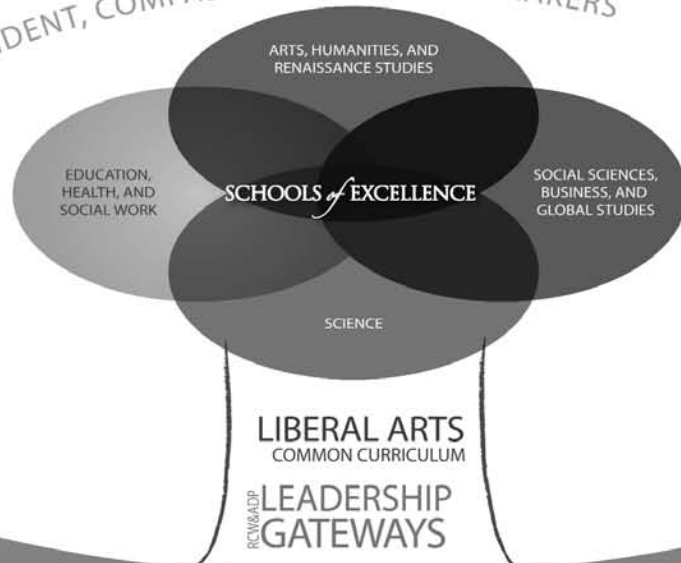
Klein, professor of economics, has long been fascinated by how economics relates to timekeeping and seasonal changes, and the most spectacular physical legacy of her teaching is a large vertical sundial on the south-facing wall of the college's library.

Aided by fellowships and grants from the National Humanities Center and the National Science Foundation (NSF), she is working on her third book, focusing on how U.S. military needs during World War II and the Cold War steered applied mathematics to a science of economizing.

"I have license to be interdisciplinary here ... so I can combine a National Humanities Center Fellowship and an NSF fellowship to culminate in a book," she said.

Grants from the NSF also enable her to employ students as research assistants. Her students worked with primary sources in the Library of Congress and National Archives, translating texts from foreign languages, constructing a bibliographic data base, and performing statistical analysis on historical data.

OUR GRADUATES
CONFIDENT, COMPASSIONATE, CHANGEMAKERS



MISSION

Day Trip Planned to Holocaust Museum

Tolerance through education.

That's the motto of the Virginia Holocaust Museum and a philosophy shared by many within the Mary Baldwin community. This month, Quest, the Spencer Center for Civic and Global Engagement, the philosophy and religion programs, and the peacekeeping minor are sponsoring a trip to the museum.

The daylong excursion on February 22 costs \$10 and is open to all interested students. Contact the Spencer Center for more information about the trip.

"It's another reflection of this small college's recognition of global citizenship," said Roderic Owen, professor of philosophy and one of the trip coordinators.

Although the Richmond museum is more modest in scope than the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., it is still a powerful experience, Owen said.



PHOTO COURTESY OF VIRGINIA HOLOCAUST MUSEUM

The Virginia Holocaust Museum allows visitors to experience the Holocaust through interactive exhibits.

This semester, he is teaching a new class focused on ethics, faith, and genocide, in which students will examine a diverse range of ethical issues, challenges, and dilemmas related to genocide from historical and contemporary perspectives.

"It's not that one should dwell upon the act of genocide in any morbid sense," Owen said. "But we can't turn our eyes away from it."

The museum visit will primarily focus on the atrocities inflicted upon Jews during World War II, and Owen's students — after giving initial attention to the Holocaust — will study other incidents of genocide in more recent years, including those in Armenia, Rwanda, and the Sudan.

The museum, founded in 1997, was originally located in several unoccupied rooms of Temple Beth El. In 2000, the Virginia General Assembly donated a former tobacco warehouse in Shockoe Bottom to house the burgeoning museum. There are 28 exhibits, the newest of which, *The Nuremberg Trials Courtroom*, opened in May 2008. It boasts the only existing replica of the famous courtroom that set the standard for modern international law.



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MARCHING FOR PEACE

More than 100 Mary Baldwin College students and community members honored the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. with a candlelit march in downtown Staunton on January 18. Sponsored by the college and the Staunton chapter of the NAACP, the 19th annual March for Peace and Justice took place less than one week after a devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti. The college collected \$1,149 for the earthquake victims at a memorial service that followed the march at Central United Methodist Church.

MBC History Coming Soon to a Computer Near You

Mary Baldwin will soon have some of its most important publications digitized and available online, thanks to the college's membership in a library consortium.

According to Library Director Carol Creager, the project is just beginning but she hopes it will be complete this summer. The process is pretty simple. Creager is taking inventory of the publications to be digitized. Afterward, she'll ship the materials to a scanning center in New Jersey.

The items to be scanned include all issues of the *Mary Baldwin College Magazine*; editions of the *Bluestocking* going as far back as the 1880s; and histories by Waddell, Watters, and Menk that cover 1842–2003. In all, an impressive 28,000 pages of MBC documents will be digitized, according to Creager.

The Internet Archive, which also hosts the Way Back Machine — named one of *Time* magazine's Best 50 Web sites of 2009 — will be hosting the college's pages. The non-profit, founded in 1996, offers permanent access for researchers, historians, scholars, people with disabilities, and the general public to historical collections that exist in a digital format.

"They're really interested in preservation, in keeping it going," Creager said, adding that if the format of the database should change over time, the Internet Archive will adapt to those changes.

The cost will be subsidized by Mary Baldwin's participation in Lyrasis, a cooperative library network providing support and cutting-edge technology solutions to more than 4,000 libraries and cultural heritage organizations.

Library Director Carol Creager, at right, has taken inventory of the college's magazines, histories, and yearbooks and estimates that 28,000 pages will be scanned and available online this summer.



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Seeds of Change: Plantings Project Moves Ahead with Species Selection

Should campus showcase butterfly weed or goldenrod, black-eyed susans, or broomsedge? How about all of them?

Last month, faculty, students, and staff who are taking part in the effort to plant native grasses and wildflowers on campus met with interested parties in the community to select seeds that will be planted this spring.

“The real idea is to use a variety of seeds,” said Bruce Dorries, assistant professor of communication and co-organizer of the project. “We want a diversity of wildlife, a diversity of texture.”

The group — including an official with Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage, members of Augusta Garden Club, and a representative of Wintergreen Nature Foundation —

discussed topics ranging from safety concerns with planting tall grasses to ways butterflies and birds could be attracted through strategic plant selection.

Planting will start with a cover crop of oats, millet, and sunflowers on Cannon Hill, creating a dramatic first-look while other, more permanent flowers and grasses take root.

The group is also exploring ways to add edge plantings — such as native dogwoods, winterberry, arrowwood, and spicebush — on the downhill side of Cannon Hill and is thinking about ways to share information via educational signs.

The native plantings initiative is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and is part of a growing movement among homeowners, farmers, and businesses to curb the use of invasive, non-native species in their landscaping. The project is expected to bring community connectivity, environmental rewards, and long-term savings in maintenance costs.

In the fall, environmental officials took a tour of the campus to discuss landscaping changes and opportunities. That’s also when the first phase of the transformation began, as grounds crews prepped a small plot of grass on Cannon Hill for the spring planting.

By summer, the sunflower crop will be in bloom, and in the next couple of years there will be a meadow-like effect on the half-acre parcel. MBC plans to extend the program, hoping to sow about eight acres of indigenous vegetation on campus.

The group will hold its next meeting April 19 to discuss, among other items, student planting during May Term and installation of bird boxes. On Earth Day, April 22, the college will host a panel discussion about how some members of the community are converting fescue lawn to native grasses.



WHAT'S IN STORE?

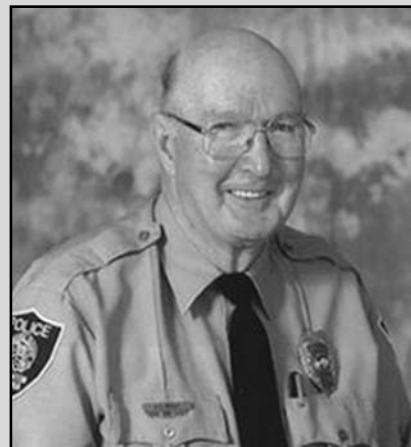
Species of native grasses and wildflowers to be planted on Cannon Hill were selected last month. These will be planted this spring; more species will be introduced later.

Grasses: little bluestem, sideoats grama grass, broomsedge, and a short growing variety of Indian grass.

Flowers: partridge pea, grey beard-tongue, yarrow, common milkweed, butterfly weed, goldenrod, asters, black-eyed susans, and coreopsis.



BONNIE HOHN



JOHN S. KELLY

PHOTO COURTESY OF COFFMAN FUNERAL HOME

MBC Remembers Hohn and Kelly

Friends on and off campus are mourning the loss of two members of the Mary Baldwin family.

Bonnie Hohn, a longtime member of the biology faculty, passed away December 10. She was 68. John Kelly, who had served as the college’s director of security and safety for 20 years, passed away December 28 at age 74.

The college’s Facebook page was inundated with accounts of Hohn’s influence when the news of her passing was announced. Many friends recalled Hohn’s love of animals, her sense of humor, and compassion for others. Before her death, Hohn cared for critically ill friends — her elderly mother; and her sister, bedridden for life after being stricken by polio as a child.

“She was a wonderful professor, person, and champion of students and animals. A true higher educator,” wrote Mary Margaret Marshall ’99. “She elevated her students’ awareness of much-needed information for women.”

Hohn earned her bachelor’s degree from Ohio Wesleyan and a master’s degree from University of Minnesota. She continued her postgraduate studies at Duke University, Central Michigan University, and University of Virginia. A member of the faculty from 1966 until 2003, Hohn was recognized with emeritus status upon retirement and made contributions to Mary Baldwin that helped shape academics at the college.

Hohn was fondly remembered at a memorial service January 9.

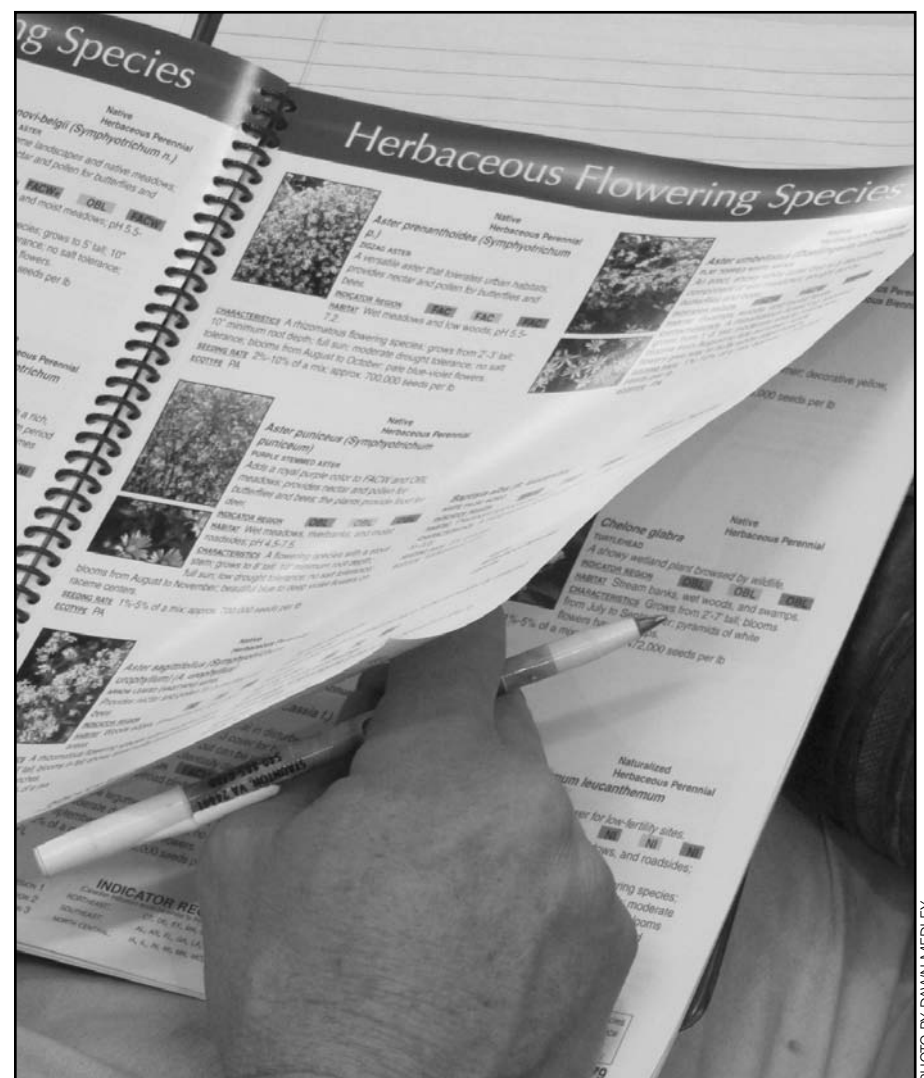
Those who knew Kelly said he made lasting friendships with colleagues and students alike.

“Always quick with a smile, he worked hard to create a safe, inviting environment where students, faculty, and staff could learn, teach, and enjoy a vibrant campus life,” said Crista Cabe, MBC vice president for public relations.

A 14-year veteran with the U.S. Air Force, Kelly spent much of his career in the service of others. He worked for 21 years as a Staunton Reserve Police Officer as director of reserve police operations, 20 years as MBC’s security chief, and, after retirement, he served with the Staunton Police Department as an administrative assistant.

Kelly also was active for many years in the Augusta Lions Club, as a dispatcher for the Staunton Augusta Rescue Squad, and as a member of the Staunton Parking Commission and Staunton Transportation and Safety Commission.

“On behalf of my mother, Shirley, and the entire Kelly family, I would like to thank the MBC staff and alumnae and extend our appreciation for all of the calls, cards, and visits that my father received prior to his recent passing,” John S. Kelly, Jr., wrote in an open letter to the college community. “Dad was deeply moved to see that he had touched so many people in such a positive way. The outpouring of love and support that was received from the Mary Baldwin community was overwhelming. May you all be blessed for your kindness.”



Members of the college’s native planting group consulted seed catalogs in search of the perfect horticultural mix of native flowers and grasses.

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OF THE **matter** HIGHLIGHTING CONFIDENT, COMPASSIONATE
MBC ALUMNAE/I CHANGING THE WORLD**Joanne Reich '88**

Right from the start, Joanne Reich's post-graduate career began with serving others.

From Georgia to Israel, Hong Kong to Arkansas, Texas to New York, the Mary Baldwin alumna has worked as an advocate for those in need, usually women and children.

She'll return to her alma mater February 10 to share her experiences as this year's World Religions and Peacekeeping lecturer. Reich's talk, titled "Ya Gotta Have Heart," will focus on how communities around the world use non-violence to address systemic problems of war and poverty.

"Immediately after graduating from MBC, I started working through the General Board of Global Ministries [of the United Methodist Church] at various places around the country and world," Reich said. The General Board of Global Ministries is an organization with personnel, projects, and mission partners in 136 countries.

Reich is a deaconess in the church and serves as child protection and community assistance officer for the organization, working with global

partners, missionaries, and staff in creating safe policies and risk-reduction efforts throughout the world. Her work ensures that "the church is about doing good and not doing harm to others," according to Reich.

"I respond to concerns from around the world about projects we staff, fund, or partner with and make sure children and vulnerable adults are in an environment that is as safe as humanly possible," she said.

In her college days, Reich was involved in many activities, including choir, Baldwin Charm, Honor Council, and Seeds (a religious group). She was a manager for the volleyball and basketball teams and worked in alumnae/i relations, becoming a member of the Alumnae/i Board after graduation.

An economics major, Reich considers Professor of Economics Judy Klein and Associate Professor of Economics Jane Pietrowski among her influential mentors.

"I credit both Dr. Klein and Dr. Pietrowski for believing in my abilities and supporting me both on campus and beyond," Reich said.

Even though she spends much of her time traveling — flying more than



100,000 miles each year — Reich still finds time to give back to her local community in Tennessee, transporting blood for the American Red Cross.

"Due to all of my international travel, I am not allowed to donate blood myself," Reich said. "This is a fun and no-stress way for me to give back."

Reich also finds time to volunteer as chairperson of Inspired Legacies, a Houston-based nonprofit that helps manage philanthropic organizations.

Reich's talk begins at 7:30 p.m. in Francis Auditorium and is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Jennifer Hagen at jhagen@mbc.edu or Roderic Owen at rowen@mbc.edu.

Seen&Heard: Committee Comments

Stay connected with updates from selected campus organizations.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES
IMPROVEMENT TEAM (APIT)**

Recent Activity: The group planned Opening Day (held January 10), and discussed at their most recent meeting (January 13) all aspects of the event as well as improvements that can be made for next year.

Members also received updates about Multicultural Weekend from Dedra Johnson and about Athletic Visit Day from Karen Parker.

Upcoming: Planning Future Freshman Friday, March 26.

Members: 49

Meetings: Every Wednesday, 11 a.m.–noon, King 107

Contact: Diane Kent, associate vice president for enrollment management and student affairs; chair

**EDUCATIONAL POLICY
COMMITTEE (EPC)**

Recent Activity: The EPC meets monthly to consider proposals from faculty regarding new courses, new majors or minors, and changes to academic policies at the college.

Proposals that gain the approval of EPC are taken to the full faculty for a vote. Recently, the faculty approved a new Introduction to American Culture course aimed at international students, and a new minor, Sexuality and Gender Studies.

Upcoming: A sub-committee of the EPC is working on a revision of the general education program at the college.

Members: 14, including two students

Next Meeting: February 5, 3 p.m., Reigner Room, Grafton Library

Contact: Amy Diduch, associate professor of economics; chair

MOVERS & SHAKERS

Abbie Edens was named ADP adjunct instructor of art. She earned a BA from Purdue University and an MA from University of Louisville. Edens is head of youth and family education and programs at the Taubman Museum of Art in Roanoke.

Jerry Hickerson was named ADP adjunct instructor of education. He earned a BS, MA, and PhD from Kent State University. Hickerson is director of interdisciplinary studies and professor of English at Winston-Salem State University.

Kelda Jamison was named ADP adjunct instructor of Asian Studies. She earned a BA from University of Virginia, an MA from the School for Slavonic and Eastern European Studies at University College in London, and is a PhD candidate at University of Chicago. Jamison recently served as a preceptor for University of Chicago's Master of Arts Program in social sciences.

Mindi Perry joined ADP as an adjunct instructor of social work. She earned a BS in sociology from Lake Superior State University and an MSW from Grand Valley State University. Perry currently works with the Carlbrook School in South Boston.

MegCarolyn Remesz was named ADP adjunct instructor of education. She earned a BA in photojournalism from University of Michigan, an MAT from Wayne State University, and is in the doctoral program at University of Virginia. Remesz is an instructional technology resource teacher for Charlottesville city schools.

Debra Savage also joined ADP as an adjunct instructor of social work. She earned a BSW and MSW from Virginia Commonwealth University. Savage is a licensed clinical social worker with her own practice in South Boston.

college calendar

FEBRUARY '10

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WEEKLY SERIES

▲ Sundays

Recreational Belly Dance. 5pm, PAC Dance Studio.

▲ Tuesdays

Senate. 12:15pm, Francis Auditorium.

▲ Tuesdays and Thursdays

Recreational Aerobics with Brenda Bryant. 4:30pm, PAC Dance Studio.

▲ Wednesdays

Recreational Yoga with Sheree Kiser. 4:30pm, PAC Dance Studio.

Throughout February

▲ Black History Month at MBC

▼ February 3: Annual Diaspora Tea and Open House. 3pm, Umoja House.

▼ February 5: *The African Diaspora: Upbeat and In Style* Fashion Show. 6pm, Francis Auditorium.

▼ February 6: *A Heart's Journey Through Worship* Dance Recital. 5pm, Francis Auditorium.

▼ February 8–15: Student Art Show. Opening reception, 6pm Feb. 8, Deming Student Art Gallery.

▼ February 9: Lecture and book signing with Lillian Lambert, first African-American woman to earn an MBA from Harvard Business School and author of *The Road to Someplace Better*. 6pm, Francis Auditorium.

▼ February 11: Oratorical Contest. 6pm, Francis Auditorium.

▼ February 13: Anointed Voices of Praise Gospel Extravaganza. 3pm, First Presbyterian Church.

▼ February 17: Taste of Carnival. 5pm, Hunt West in Hunt Dining Hall.

▼ February 17: Radical Re-examining of the African-American Experience Through Art. 7pm, Spencer Center.

▼ February 19–20: *A Song for Coretta Scott* presented by Kuumba Players. 7:30pm, Feb. 19 and 8:30pm, Feb. 20. Francis Auditorium.

▼ February 21: Community Outreach Worship Experience: A Praise House Service. 11am, Allen Chapel AME. Slave-era attire suggested.

Through February 12

▲ Art Exhibit: *Anne Hanger: Pieceworks*. Regular hours, 9am–5pm, Hunt Gallery in Hunt Dining Hall.

February 2

▲ Student Event: Slate I (EC) petitions due.

February 3

▲ Senior Transitions Program: Resumé Writing, 3:30–4:30pm, Sena Center.

▲ Basketball Game: 7pm, vs. Averett. PAC Gym.

▲ Student Event: Meet the Candidates, EC. 7pm, Miller Chapel.

February 4

▲ Student Event: Vote! 7:45am–7pm, online.

▲ Student Event: Election Workshop. 7pm, Academic 208.

February 5

▲ Broman Concert: David Yearsley, organist. 8pm, Trinity Church, Staunton.

February 6

▲ English Country Dance Workshop with Lou Vosteen: 2–5pm, PAC Dance Studio.

February 7

▲ Sunday Recital: Waynesboro Symphony Orchestra Winter Concert. 3pm, First Presbyterian Church.

February 8

▲ Poster Sale: 9am–7pm, Hunt Dining Hall.

February 9

▲ Student Event: Slate II petitions due.

February 10

▲ International Café: “Love, Activism, Faith, Vocation — One Woman’s Story of How Her Time at Mary Baldwin Transitioned into a Lifetime of Service,” with Joanne Reich ’88. Noon, Spencer Center.

▲ Senior Transitions Program: Interviewing and How to Use a Career Fair, 3:30–4:30pm, Sena Center.

▲ Student Event: Meet the Candidates for Slate II. 7pm, Miller Chapel.

▲ World Religions and Peacemaking Lecture: *Ya Gotta Have Heart — Through the Lens of a United Methodist Leader: Communities Across the World Using Non-Violence to Address Systematic Problems of War and Poverty*, Joanne Reich ’88. 7:30pm, Francis Auditorium.

February 11

▲ Student Event: Vote! 7:45am–7pm, online.

▲ Student Event: Mock Interviews, facilitated by Enterprise Rent-a-Car staff. 9–11am, Sena Center Conference Room.

▲ Student Event: Majors Fair for First and Second-Year Students: 11:30am–1:30pm, Hunt West in Hunt Dining Hall.

▲ Student Event: Election Workshop. 7pm, Academic 208.

▲ Basketball Game: 7pm, vs. Bridgewater. PAC Gym.

HATE TO THROW AWAY CARDS you received for Christmas, birthday, or as a thank you?

Colleges Against Cancer is hosting a Recycled Card Drive to benefit St. Jude’s Ranch for Children. The children participate in making new cards by removing the front of your old cards and attaching a new back. They receive payment for their work and learn the benefits and importance of being green. Proceeds from the card sale are given back to St. Jude’s.

Those interested in participating in the recycled card drive — which ends February 19 — can drop off their donations at the Office of Institutional Advancement in the Student Activities Center, the Spencer Center, or the Office of Student Life in Kable House. For more information, contact Kimberly Parker ’11 at parkerk17072@mbc.edu.



▲ Downtown Movie Madness: 8pm, The Dixie and Visulite theaters, downtown Staunton.

February 13

▲ Basketball Game: 2pm, vs. Ferrum. PAC Gym.

▲ Student Event: Late Night Series. 9pm, Nuthouse in Hunt Dining Hall.

February 14–15

▲ VWIL Overnight Weekend: Prospective students on campus.

February 15–16

▲ MLitt Directing Project: Purcell’s *The Fairy Queen*. Time TBA, Blackfriars Playhouse.

February 15–March 12

▲ Art Exhibit: *Suzanne Silver: New Work*. Opening reception, Feb. 15, 4:30–5:30pm. Regular hours, 9am–5pm, Hunt Gallery in Hunt Dining Hall.

February 16

▲ Student Event: Slate III petitions due.

▲ Blood Drive: 1–6pm, Student Activities Center.

▲ Career Premier Job Fair: 1–4 p.m., Salem Civic Center, Salem, VA. More info. x7226.

▲ Student Event: Mardi Gras Dinner. 5–7pm, Hunt Dining Hall.

▲ Basketball Game: 7pm, vs. Shenandoah. PAC Gym.

February 17–21

▲ MBC Theatre: *The Servant of Two Masters*, Wednesday–Saturday, 7:30pm, Sunday, 2pm. \$5 for students, faculty, staff. More info. and to reserve tickets: x7189.

February 17

▲ Student Event: Meet the Candidates for Slate III. 7pm, Miller Chapel.

February 18

▲ Student Event: Vote! 7:45am–7pm, online.

▲ Majors Fair for First and Second-Year Students: 11:30am, Hunt West in Hunt Dining Hall.

▲ Student Event: Ice Skating. 6pm, Charlottesville Ice Rink.

February 19

▲ Faculty Meeting: 3pm, Hunt West in Hunt Dining Hall.

February 20

▲ Staunton Contra Dance: with caller Herschel Nelson and music by the Avant Gardiners. 7:30pm, beginners’ workshop, 8–11pm, dance, PAC Dance Studio.

February 21

▲ Sunday Recital: Gerald Lee, piano. 3pm, Francis Auditorium.

February 22

▲ Trip to the Virginia Holocaust Museum, Richmond: open to all. \$10 fee, sign up at Spencer Center by Feb. 17.

February 22–23

▲ MFA Directing Project: Shakespeare’s *Titus Andronicus*. 8pm, Blackfriars Playhouse.

February 23

▲ Term III ends

▲ Student Event: Sophomore Sit-Down Dinner. 5:30pm, Hunt West in Hunt Dining Hall.

February 24

▲ Term IV begins

▲ International Café: “I Would Die for This Cause: Beliefs, Values, and the Origins of Global Conflict,” with Craig Shealy. Noon, Spencer Center.

February 26–March 8

▲ Spring Break: begins at 2:50pm Feb. 26. Residence halls close for students not approved to stay at 10am Feb. 27 and re-open at 8am March 7.

March 7

▲ Softball Game: 1pm, vs. McDaniel. Softball Field.

March 8

▲ Classes resume

SPEND A WEEK

Asma Langar: February 1-5

student and Fulbright teaching assistant

If you stop by Asma Langar's office in 212 Carpenter Academic, you may find her on Skype talking with her parents or fiancé at home in Tunisia. If you stay a while, you'll also leave with a better understanding about her country, and perhaps, a small gift.

A visit during Langar's office hours can reveal a lot about the 28-year-old Arabic language instructor and student. Teaching, learning new things, staying connected to family, and being hospitable are important to her, and she makes time for each.

One challenge of her year-long American visit, Langar said, is that people here seem to move at a faster pace than in Tunisia.

"The first few weeks were very difficult for me," Langar said.

A simple "hi," as one passes in the hall wouldn't suffice back home. A proper greeting on the small island of Kherkhenah lasts at least several minutes. (And, by the way, e-mailing is a poor substitute for a face-to-face meeting, according to Langar.)

Langar, however, has discovered many positive aspects of life in Staunton since arriving in August. Snow, for instance, was something she had never seen until the December blizzard that left almost two feet of it on campus. More importantly, Langar has experienced for the first time the ability to speak freely — even critically — about important topics such as religion and government.

"You're not aware of the amount of freedom you have here," Langar said.

Langar has given several presentations around campus about life in Tunisia and observations since her arrival. Listening to her is like holding a mirror up to our society; it allows more critical thinking about life in America:

Too much food is wasted, individual liberties are taken for granted, and not enough attention is paid to the world around us.

Her world — more than 4,700 miles away — is in North Africa on the Mediterranean coast. Like Langar, 98 percent of Tunisians practice Islam. Italy is only one hour away. The island where she lives is the only place in the world where one can own property in the ocean. Parts of *Raiders of the Lost Ark* were filmed in the southern part of her country.

Learning foreign languages is a passion for Langar and compulsory in the rigorous Tunisian education system. In addition to speaking two forms of Arabic and English, Langar speaks French and Italian. Since moving in with a Japanese roommate, she has become intrigued with that language, too.

"When I want to do it," she said, "I want to do it perfectly."



DAILY SCHEDULE CARD - DAY			
DAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00-8:50	Ana 102	Ana 102 lab	Ana 102
9:00-9:50	Ana 152	Office Hour	Ana 152
10:00-10:50	office Hour	10:50-12:05	Anth.
11:00-11:50	Anth.	Ana 151 lab	11:00-11:50 B:W
12:00-12:50	Pray	NO CLASSES	12:00-12:50
1:00-1:50		1:25-2:40	1:00-1:50

The planner: A 5x7-inch daily schedule card

The plan: Langar's weekly schedule is pretty static: Teaching Arabic and attending anthropology and biology of women classes in the morning, and meeting with students in the afternoon. In the evenings, she enjoys cooking with her roommate, a Japanese exchange student. On Fridays this semester, Langar is making the commitment to travel to pray in the closest mosque, located in Charlottesville. There, she'll meet with Arabic friends and purchase halal meat, something she can't get on this side of the Blue Ridge. Exploring more of Staunton is also on her do-to list before returning to Tunisia in May.

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strength through the coming decades and support you as you do your jobs. We are mindful of the importance of the Campaign for Mary Baldwin College, with components that enhance annual operating funds as well as the capital projects — building renovations in particular — that will provide the facilities we need. The Campaign Steering Committee has our full support, and I am pleased to report that many trustees have already made significant commitments. As but one element of our personal efforts, in this 168th year of MBC's remarkable history, those of us in reunion classes this year have pledged \$168,000 as a challenge for our classmates.

With best wishes for a stellar 2010, and deep appreciation for your work,
LYN McDERMID '95, CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

McDermid assumed the role of chair of the Board of Trustees in July 2009. An MBC graduate through the Adult Degree Program, she is senior vice president and chief information officer for Dominion Resources and serves as chair of the Federal Reserve Board of Richmond. Active in many service and professional organizations, she was recently named one of the state's most powerful businesswomen by *Virginia Business* magazine.

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MBC'S MONTHLY NEWSPAPER



A MESSAGE FROM
YOUR ALUMNAE/I DIRECTOR

Dear fellow alumnae/i, parents, and friends,

Happy New Year! A new decade is here and at Mary Baldwin so is a renewed sense of spirit, optimism, and dedication to excellence. My hope is that your 2010 has also started on a positive note.

I thank you for all of your efforts and support for the college in 2009. Though in some ways it was a difficult year, you were not deterred from taking action on the challenge I issued in September. You organized 13 lunch bunches, 13 Apple Day celebrations, generated excitement for your class reunions, recommended prospective students, and mentored current students and one another. Four hundred twenty-seven of you have become active members of the online community Baldwin Connect and 22 of you represented us at college fairs. I continue to be inspired and humbled by your commitment.

This year, as we reach out to one another through social networking, plan to gather for another memorable Reunion Weekend, and prepare to launch our new Schools of Excellence, alumnae/i connections have never been more important. Mary Baldwin draws support from her graduates in shaping future confident, compassionate changemakers, and in this special section of *The Cupola*, you'll find a list of events where you can help strengthen those alumnae/i bonds and inspire current and future students.

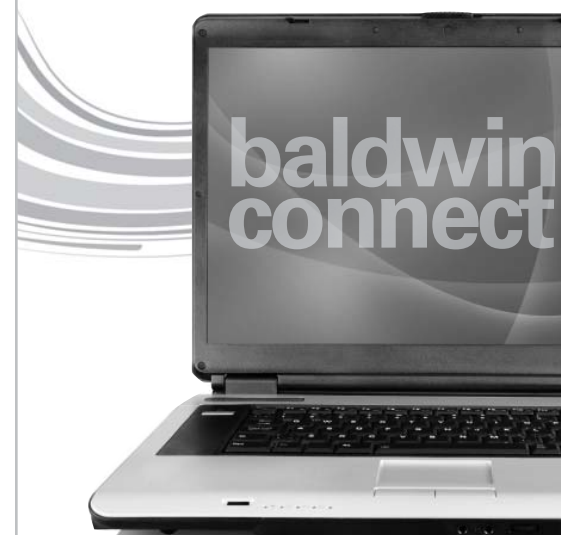
I invite you to return to "these hills where beauty dwells" for Reunion Weekend April 8-11 for an opportunity to honor one another, our friendships, our lives, and our alma mater. We will pay special tribute to members of the Class of 1960, who will celebrate their 50th reunion, and for those in the Grafton Society, or those who graduated in 1959 or before. You can find a schedule of events for Reunion Weekend on the back page of this section.

With many thanks,

JENNIFER BRILLHART KIBLER '91
*Executive Director of
Alumnae/i and Parent Relations*



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More than 400 alumnae/i have signed up with Baldwin Connect, part of the secure Mary Baldwin online network. Alumnae/i are posting photos and updating their information. Résumés are being posted and career and mentoring connections are being made. It's a great tool to keep in touch and create individual class pages. Register, log on, and enjoy! To connect, visit: www.mbc.edu/baldwinconnect. If you no longer have the postcard you received with your username and password, please call the alumnae/i office or send an e-mail to alumnae@mbc.edu.

As a member, you'll be able to:

- Search for other alumnae/i
- Create and send e-mail blasts to alumnae/i about events on campus, MBC events in your area, and news about interesting alumnae/i and students
- Share up-to-date class notes
- Participate in or start discussion groups
- Post the latest information about yourself for your fellow squirrels to read
- Post your résumé, find job opportunities, and find alumnae/i who are willing to network and provide career advice or mentoring
- Make your Annual Fund gift
- Register for alumnae/i events

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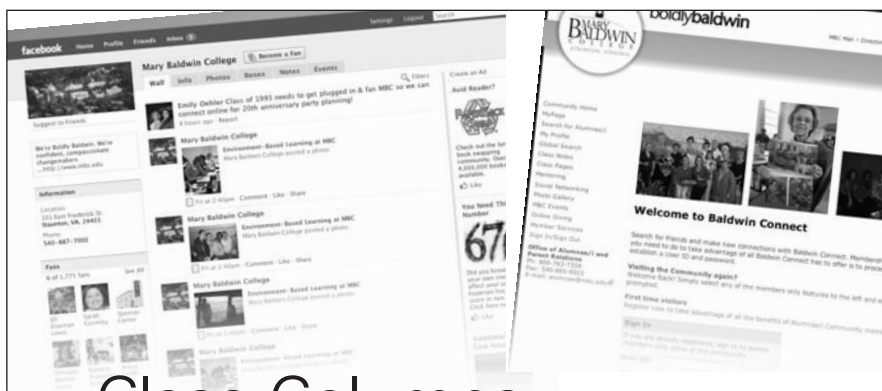
ALUMNAE/I IN ACTION

Thanks to a close network of alumnae/i and parents, Mary Baldwin connections continue to thrive through dozens of gatherings across the country. So far this academic year, there have been Apple Day celebrations from Baltimore to Knoxville; meet-and-greets with the new dean in Northern Virginia, Richmond, and Houston; parent visits on Family Weekend and Admission Days; and gatherings in Roanoke, Hampton Roads, Winchester, Staunton, Dallas, Charlotte, Memphis, Nashville, Northern Virginia, Chicago, and Baltimore. For more information on the gatherings closest to you, send an e-mail to alumnae@mbc.edu or call 800-763-7359.



photos (clockwise):

- Alumnae in **Dallas** enjoyed lunch together in June 2009. This was one of many alumnae/i events organized by Julie Reedy '73 and Jennifer Junker '77.
- Young alumnae enjoyed the annual **Richmond** holiday party at the Jefferson Hotel on December 16.
- Alumnae in **Tidewater**, Newport News, and Hampton celebrated Apple Day together October 5 at the beach home of Ann Gordon Abbott Evans '65 and Mary Katherine Evans Hogg '96. This fun event was organized by Evans, Hogg, Mary Beth Gorcys Pauley '92, and Jennifer Kelsay Dick '96.
- MBC sisters in **Memphis** gathered on October 27 to enjoy "spooky spirits" at the Botanic Gardens, organized by Diane Copely '68.



Class Columns

We are excited to offer timelier classmate updates by including Class Columns in this issue of *The Cupola*. We also invite you to participate via the alumnae/i connection Web site at www.mbc.edu/baldwinconnect, the college's Facebook page and alumnae/i groups on that site, class newsletters, and more. If a representative is not listed here for your class, please continue to send your updates to The Office of Alumnae/i and Parent Relations, Mary Baldwin College, Staunton VA 24401 or alumnae@mbc.edu.

1920

John H. Seward writes that his mother, **MAIDEE HOOTON Seward**, just celebrated her 109th birthday on August 31, 2009.

1942

MARGARET "MAC" MCDONALD White says, "I retired from teaching in 1975 and am still working in our two funeral homes."

1948

BETSY BERRY Williamson attended her grandson's wedding at the zoo in Louisville KY.

1949

IBBY RAWLS Macklin writes: "Nothing new — just alive and still kicking! God bless you all. Love you!"

1950

MARY CARPENTER Graham writes that she continues to sell collectibles and antiques. Her sons now live in Charleston. "It is a wonderful place to live!" • **FRAN COSTELLO Roller** and her husband are "maintaining" rather well for their ages, while her children and grandchildren are "thriving" while traveling the world. "We all, however, continue to grow and learn!" • **MARY SUE GOCHENOUR Fowlkes'** daughter, Susanna Fowlkes Sauvain, writes: "My mother continues to decline from the Alzheimer's, but is physically strong and still has the spunk and light in her eye that has been characteristic of her all her life. She lives most days with that fighting spirit to do things herself!"

1952

DOROTHY PAYNE Nash writes: "I was a day student at MBC and received a master's in mathematics from University of Colorado. My husband, Dick, and I moved to Knoxville in 1963, so it feels like home now. We are both retired from University of Tennessee. Dick was director of student counseling services and I taught freshman math until I was 70. Our son, Jay, and his wife, Cheryl live in Brentwood TN and have 3 sons — oldest is senior at UT, next one is freshman at UT, and third is in 7th grade. Our daughter, Susan, and her husband, Shannon, live in Cookeville TN and have 2 girls and a boy — 8th grade, 7th grade, and 2nd grade." • **MARTHA THULIN Leynes-Selbert** recently published a book, *Basic Training for a Safe Trail Horse*. • **RUTH ANN WORTH Puckett** took a tour of Alaska this summer for her 55th wedding anniversary.

1953

JOAN MARTIN Tuckwiller says that she is enjoying being a great-grandmother.

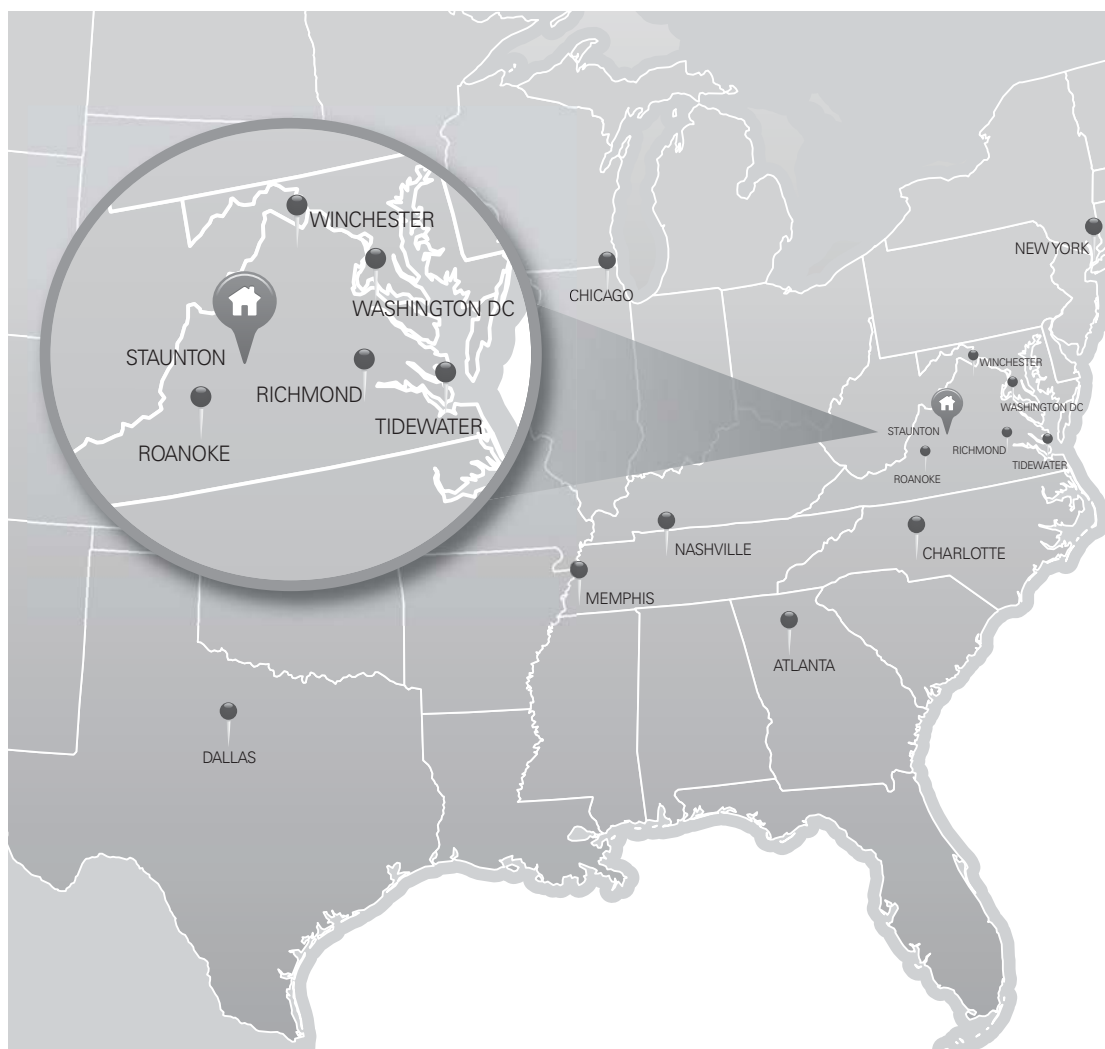
1954

MARJORIE "MARGIE" BECKER O'Shaughnessey writes: "My husband of 54 years and I are in pretty good health and enjoying watching our eleven grandchildren grow up." • **CONNIE HEADAPOHL DeBerardinis** writes: "Tony and I continue to enjoy traveling, sight-seeing, and visiting family and friends along the way. Tony has sold his home and acreage in New York, so Athens OH is now our home base. We hope to attend another MBC reunion one of these years." • **ELEANOR "LEE" YEAKLEY Gardner** writes: "Corky and I are enjoying our new great-grandson, Daniel, the son of our grandson Kyle Hendrickson and his wife, Ann. June 19,

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All Over the Map: UPCOMING EVENTS

In March, Catharine O'Connell, vice president of academic affairs and dean of the college, will attend alumnae/i events in Dallas and New York. Alumnae/i who will be in or near the Big Apple, March 17 are also encouraged to support the VWIL Corps of Cadets, who will march in New York's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.



Here's a look at what's in store for 2010:

February

2 Roanoke
7 Staunton
11 Tidewater
18 Memphis
19 Williamsburg
27 Charlotte

March

5 Dallas
6 Chicago
12 Roanoke
14 Winchester

April

7 Atlanta
14 Nashville
17 Richmond and
Washington, D.C.
21 Tidewater
24 Staunton

May

8 Memphis
22 Roanoke

June

4 Winchester
5 Dallas
6 Chicago
10 Atlanta
12 Charlotte

July

17 Nashville

August

7 Tidewater
8 Staunton
12 Memphis
12 Atlanta
20 Roanoke

September

8 Winchester

October

(all Apple Day celebrations)

4 Tidewater
5 Dallas
6 Staunton
9 Charlotte
13 Nashville
17 Roanoke
23 Memphis

November

28 Chicago



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MBC Admissions Officers
Coming to a City Near You ...

Recommend a student, bring a student, or volunteer to work at a college fair near you. Here's a list of upcoming fairs:

Feb. 22: Bel Air, MD

March 10: Arnold, MD

March 5: Baltimore, MD

April 13: Ellicott City, MD

March 9: Catonsville, MD

April 20: Richmond, VA

our granddaughter Millena and her husband Ben Trask presented us with a great-granddaughter (Keira Lee). We are truly blessed. Corky is taking treatment for lung cancer, but is doing well."

1956

PAGE GREY Dudley is enjoying retirement. • **ALINE POWERS Hudson** is enjoying life to its fullest. • **REID STRICKLAND Nottingham**, "Maurice and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary last June. I was happy that our boys' families could all join us at the Homestead for a wonderful time — all five grandchildren could be with us too. In August, I had a nice visit with **MARY COLONNA Robertson** and her husband, John." Reid is interested in hosting an unofficial 1956 class reunion and would love a large turnout!

1957

Send your class notes to: Shannon Greene Mitchell shangmitch@bellsouth.net
BARBARA BULLOCK Williams' son, John, and his family will be spending the next three years in Abu Dhabi where John represents his law firm. They hope they will be able to come back for a part of each summer to their cottage in Sag Harbor, Long Island. • Meanwhile, **SHANNON GREENE Mitchell** writes, "our son, Patrick Mitchell, was named the new design director of *The Oprah Magazine*, which means a move from Rockport MA, their home for 18 years, to New York City. Their son, Ben, our oldest grandchild, is a freshman at Rensselaer." • **SUE PATERSON Maloney** e-mailed me from her home in Tucson AZ, where she has lived since graduation. She and husband Phil have three children in California, Colorado, and in Arizona. Sue

was a stay-at-home mother who kept the books for her husband's business. Now that he is retired, she works on a Meals on Wheels program and keeps up with her bowling. Sue added, "perhaps not a very interesting life to some people, but I wouldn't have changed it for anything." • Thanks to **ANN RASMUSSEN Parker** for sending news from **JANE PEIRCE Smolda**: Jane and Bob live in Newport News and on a visit to Wintergreen Resort earlier this year they drove to Staunton for the day. It was Jane's first time back to campus and she was delighted to see how beautiful the college looks. They also had time to enjoy shopping in downtown Staunton which has done so much to renew all the lovely buildings on main street. Jane also told Ann that the trip brought back many good memories of MBC and their friends in McClung. • **NANCY RHODES Miller** checked in from Lake Lure NC. She and her family hold a "Nanacamp" for a week each summer with their six grandchildren with the children's parents acting as counselors... lots of golf, boating, and swimming in that beautiful lake. After camp the whole family goes to Nags Head where they really relax. • Our sincerest congratulations to **CARLA RUCKER Nix** who was the recipient of the Service to Community Award at Reunion in spring 2009. In her acceptance of the award, Carla deferred much of the credit for her long-term civic engagement to her late husband, Joe Nix. Among Carla's civic involvement is the Dallas Woman's Club, Alzheimer's Women's Auxiliary for Research and Education and Preservation Dallas. • **MARY LOU WELLS Powell** e-mailed me from Asheville NC where she and her late husband retired after their years as professors at Appalachian State University (ASU). Mary Lou is now professor emerita of psychology at ASU. Like so many of us at this stage in our lives, Mary Lou was a caregiver for her late mother. In August, she was able to take a long trip to Scandinavia with her sister

and brother-in-law ... a visit to the fjords was a highlight. Mary Lou is active in the local historic preservation society.

1958

KAY LESSLEY Linnane writes: "I am still enjoying being back in the Staunton area after 7 ½ years. It is especially nice to be able to attend events at MBC and some of the activities for Staunton MBC alumnae."

1959

MARGARET FOSTER Curtis has retired as a family nurse practitioner.

1960 REUNION 2010

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SALLY ARMSTRONG Bingley is a message therapist and her daily transportation is by bike. • **JOANNE BEECROFT Hamilton** is making the five-hour drive for Reunion and looks forward to wearing our class colors. Purple makes her feel "queenly." • **FLORENCE LEE DANIEL Wellons** is driving over from Charlottesville for dinner soon, and we may convince her to return for the remainder of the weekend. I am counting on **BOO HOOKER Manning**, **DORIS ROHNER Rogers**, **ELAINE VAIGHN Cotner**, **GWEN KENNEDY Hunnicutt**, **LYNNE WITHERS Halloran**, **MERYL RICHARDSON Nolan**, **MIMI COWAN Grimshaw**, **PATSY BALLOU Trevillian**, **SALLY ARMSTRONG Bingley**, **SUE WARFIELD Caples**, and **VICKI HILL Rimstidt** to persuade her to return. • **NANCY MAYER Dunbar** is a distinguished member of our class, having recently been appointed to

the college's Board of Trustees. • **RINDA MARY PAYNE** writes: "As of May 29, 2009, I am living in Cusco, Peru where I have been studying the Andean Path, the original spiritual teachings of the Q'eros, descendants of the Incas. I plan to continue writing, exploring Peru and South America, continue teaching Reiki, and study the traditional medicine of Peru." • **GUNILLA "NILLA" PHILIPSON Klose** writes: "I spent junior year in your class as a foreign bird from the other side of the planet, Sweden. I was a guide in Spain, a university student, and a researcher in economic history in the 1960s. I also worked as a textbook editor and massage therapist. I am divorced and have three children, David, Simon, and Marcus. David has a lovely wife and three children, Elias, Milla, and Bruno. I live in an apartment in downtown Lund and also have a big allotment garden to tend. I like good food and drink while chatting about global politics or domestic worries with family and friends. My lifelong hobbies are photography and traveling."

1962

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Kent Seabury Rowe seabury8@verizon.net
RUTH DREWRY Smith and husband, Jimbo, a retired surgeon, sponsored a golf tournament and raised more than \$18,000 for medical supplies to take to the Dominican Republic. Jimbo and Ruth continue to make several trips each year through Medical Ministries International. • **SHIRLEY FILE Robbins** has simplified her life and is moving into a retirement community in Richmond. She said she has a lovely apartment and can be as independent as ever without the stress of

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keeping up a house and yard. Shirley continues to work as home health care nurse. • **SALLY HELTZEL Pearsall** writes: "My husband, David, and I had a wonderful trip to New Zealand and Australia last January. We saw beautiful scenery, went to the Australian Open to see Nadal and Federer play, and Nadal's father came and sat by me to get out of the sun! In Sydney we went to the opera, and we swam and snorkeled at the Great Barrier Reef." • **DOUGLAS LAUGHON Wallace** says "I am still in residential real estate and probably will never retire. My husband and I bit the bullet and moved to a condo — we love it!" • **SARAH MICHAEL Preddy** writes that she and her husband are enjoying traveling in their retirement, although Ray still teaches journalism at Baylor. • **JUDY RICHARDSON Miinter** has retired as organizer of her church and now enjoys substituting in churches of varied denominations. • **BETSY SCOTT Featherstons** says that after 13 years of helping to watch her grandchildren, this year everyone is finally in school and she is free. • **CAROLYN STOVER Modarelli-Adams** and husband Nick "got addicted" to England when they lived there for two years. They spent six weeks there last summer hiking and visiting friends. • **SANDRA SYKES Gray** writes "Jon and I are enjoying our six grandchildren. Four are fairly nearby and two are in Denver. They keep us pretty busy. We like to kayak in the quiet tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay and the Potomac River. I'm enjoying the new challenge of a watercolor class and I take students for private tutoring now that I'm retired from teaching." • Since moving to Staunton, from Amelia Island FL in 2007, **FRANCES WENTZ Tabor** and husband Bo have been systematically traveling every road in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Their latest trip took them to Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest near Lynchburg. • **JANE WOOD Peterson** reports that she loves living in Staunton. She grew watermelons in her front yard this summer on a mountain of special mulch and invites everybody in our class to come have some of next year's crop — and to just enjoy Staunton! Jane has joined the Augusta County Historical Society and the Augusta Parish Daughters of the American Revolution and is involved in historical research projects.

1963

Send your class notes to:
Sally Dupree Barnett
sdbarn@telco.net

SALLY DUPREE Barnett reports: Hey class of '63, since I only heard from a few of you, I'm sharing the longer e-mails from **SHEARER TROXELL Luck** and **JUDY THOMPSON Hatcher**. • From Judy: "All is well in Canada — from our perspective. Our family is busy and each of our sons' families have had the flu. My effort, each year, is to escape the cold weather in March. While I love the snow and winter here in January and February, I am sorely depleted by March. Peter is making noises about going to Cuba, a common vacation for people here. I look forward to Pawley's Island in April. All that warmth on these chilled bones." • From Shearer: **BECKY CANNADAY Merchant** and I motored to Staunton in early November to work on/stamp/sign and send the fall Annual Fund letter to our classmates. We got to see the pumpkins decorating the President's lawn. The campus looks loved — there are banners on lamp posts, themes abound and ambitious redecorating is planned, though now on hold in these economic times. All of you should visit and see the changes. But funds are required for any improvements and for publications, mailing, etc. We are important, nay vital, to the life of Mary Baldwin. We also understand that Dr. Spencer is recovering well from his bruising fall — no broken bones! I heard from **LIZ FISHER Harris**, who is anxious to talk to folks and has missed us. MBC is also organizing a cruise from New York to Bermuda in May — an eight-day excursion departing from New

York. I'd love for someone to arrange a NY trip before or after the cruise — perhaps take in a show or tour the UN. **CARYN FOGARTY Tebbe** are you willing to attempt this? Anyone interested? I miss all of you and love hearing from you, as does the college!" • **ANN DIAL McMillan** and **SALLY DUPREE Barnett** are serving together on the board of directors of the Girl Scouts of North Central Alabama. • On a more somber note, **JUDY LIPES Garst** informed us that classmate **JANE LEWIS Huffman** died June 30, 2008. Her daughter told Judy that her mother had wonderful memories of her time at MBC.

1964

BLAIR LAMBERT Wehrmann writes: "We are selling one of our New Orleans condos and buying in Dallas, where the children and grandchildren live. We have the best of both worlds!"

1965 REUNION 2010

JANICE JONES Collins supported MBC's Annual Fund with a generous gift that was matched by General Electric Company. The gift was given in memory of her son, Lt. Col. Wendell Lee Collins, USAF, who passed away August 23, 2009. • The Class of 1965 is looking forward to its 45th reunion, and we are planning a great celebration! Come early so you can attend a special workshop on Friday morning, designed for our class by MBC staff: planning and enjoying the next stage of our lives. Our class dinner on Saturday night will be held at the beautiful home of Sally James '69, professor of art history. Classmates who are planning to attend Reunion include: **JEAN MCCAULEY Bennett**, **MARTHA BERTRAND**, **MARY WHITTLE Chapman**, **KAY EARLY Dougherty**, **ANN GORDON ABBOTT Evans**, **GARY FLAKE**, **JUNE EARLY Fraim**, **JUDY PAYNE Grey**, **EMY MARTIN Halpert**, **MARY LEWIS Hix**, **JUDY ROY Hoffman**, **ANN MEBANE Levine**, **HELEN HUTCHESON Massingill**, **MEREDITH CARTER Patterson**, **JULENE REESE**, **SUE HOOK Riley**, **DALE MIDGETTE Smith**, and **SUSAN BROWNE Webb**.

1966

GINGER TIMBES Ewing and husband, Hem, traveled on the Scenic Domed Sleeper Train across Canada to Vancouver, spending four days in Jasper, Lake Louise, and Banff. The scenery was memorable and the food outstanding. They welcomed a second grandson, Weston Stokes Ewing, to their son, Scout, and his wife, Whitney, in Winston-Salem NC. • **PAM WAVELL Clark** writes: "Paul and I are still raising Tennessee Walkers — we have a new colt (Wind Dancer). Our grandson, Holden (6), has visited the farm more than 20 times. We took him to Disney World recently. My roommate, **MEME LUND Enemark** and her husband visited us in November 2008. Paul and I travel a lot and I go back to Texas every three months."

1967

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ANGELA BLOSE Corley is enjoying her first grandchild, Caitlin. Her husband retired to a new career January 1 after 38 years in healthcare administration. • **CAREY COOLEY McDaniel** writes "Joe and I are enjoying our grandchildren. We are both active in church and volunteer activities." • **CAROLYN CORNFORTH Baird** spent a month at Millay Colony for the Arts in Austerlitz NY pursuing artistic

endeavors. Carolyn does printmaking on an etching press, creating monoprints of the silhouetted human form. She is hoping to do a residency at Virginia Center for the Creative Arts to continue her interest in drawing. See Carolyn's work at www.marycarol-baird.com. • **SHERRY DIANE DINWIDDIE Andre** reports that in 2009 she enjoyed a river cruise from Vienna to Amsterdam and a drive through the Cotswolds and southern Wales. She serves as tournament chair for her nine-hole golf league, plays bridge with several different groups and is active in Delta Kappa Gamma and a book group. Sherry works with her local *Tellebration*, a wonderful international night of storytelling around the world before Thanksgiving. • **NANCY FALKENBERG Muller** and her husband are going to be enjoying their retirement by spending three weeks in the North Carolina mountains. • **MARJORIE GILLESPIE Holt** writes: "We have retired and are traveling as much as we can. We bought a second home in Matthews on the Chesapeake Bay and spend time there with our five grandsons and our children. • **KAY JACKSON Lohmiller** writes: "My husband, Buzz, and I sold our mountain home in the Ozarks and moved to the little town of Arnold NE. We have traveled to see children, grandchildren, and other family. We are settling in for the winter for the bird hunting season and lots of hunting company. I continue to be involved in support of the local theater and village economic development activities." • **SUSAN MCKEOWN Waters** says: "We have a new grandson for a total of three grandchildren. They live in Cleveland MS. Our son, Richard, is director of choral music at Delta State University and was tenured last year. • **ELIZABETH PREDDY** took a small-ship voyage through the Panama Canal, continuing down the west coast of South America. The trip ended on Easter Island, which Liz says is the most isolated place she has ever visited. • **KATHY RICE Knowles** and **PAT FORBES** had a reunion in Albuquerque NM during the International Balloon Fiesta. They served on a balloon chase crew and Kathy enjoyed her first balloon trip during a mass ascension, when 750 balloons took to the air. • **JANICE SMITH Barry** recently traveled to Ireland with husband, Michael, and their daughter, investigating family roots. Janice is a student at her local college's Lifelong Learning Program and she and Michael are enjoying their grown children and working on their "bucket list." • **ANNE WILLIAMS Blanks** writes: "We took a wonderful cruise in March to the Caribbean on a 'tall ship' with 180 VMI alumni and their wives. It was so much fun; we all are going again in 2011." • Sharing our lives via e-mail has become the perfect way for the Class of 1967 "Angels in Disguise" to stay in touch. We invite all class members to submit e-mail addresses to **KATHY RICE Knowles** at collegeplanning101@gmail.com to become part of the conversation. • **MARTHA STRAWN** is building a new studio for herself in Florida, using mostly recycled materials and wood milled from her land. Martha's book, *Alligators: Prehistoric Presence in the American Landscape*, offers a selection of the photographs Martha has taken over the past nine years of the American alligator and "combines art, science, history, folklore, land ethics and literature to tell the story of America's southern landscape and one of its most evocative creatures." The photographs were on exhibition at the Museum of Florida Art in 2009. • **CAROLYN "STUFFY" WEEKLEY** reports that her sabbatical from her position as director of museums at Colonial Williamsburg ended in June 2009 and she is hard at work refining the first draft of her book on southern painters and paintings (1564–1790). Stuffy published *The Kingdoms of Edward Hicks*, a scholarly work that is also beautiful and interesting to read.

1968

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I love to get the news and remember each of you and good times at MBC, and I am sure that all of our classmates feel the same. It sounds like everyone is enjoying life, doing a job they like or enjoying the bliss of retirement. I am in the latter category! • **MARTHA BLAKE Rex's** son, Blake, entered University of Virginia. Visiting campus brought back fond memories for her. • **HALLIE COLHOUN Garland** continues to live in the Charlottesville house she and her husband built in 1971. She tutors high school math students and teaches "land and water" exercise classes. In addition, Hallie is a grandmother of three, Caryn, Kinsley, and Andrew (born in February 2009). Her husband, Bob, is a pharmacist for CVS. They celebrated their 40th anniversary in June 2008, at the Tides Inn, where they went on their honeymoon. • **JANE CRANE McSwain** and husband, Tom, have been retired in Shepherdstown WV for about 10 years. Jane grew up there, so she was delighted when they decided to buy a small farm there for retirement. Jane's husband is from Staunton, and they see amazing changes at MBC when they visit. • **TEMPE GRANT Thomas** is in her 24th year teaching 3-year-olds at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church Nursery School in Washington DC and enjoys that wonderful age as well as helping young parents. Tempe is also director of an afterschool program for 60 K-5th graders from D.C. schools. As often as she can, she visits her daughters. Tempe Haile is 29, lives in Chicago and is an actress in musical theater, and Connie, 25, is a financial analyst in San Francisco. • **BETH HADDEN Lunney's** husband has retired, but she continues publishing magazines for British car clubs (MG, Austin-Healey, Triumph, and Jaguar). She also plays golf and enjoys four grandchildren. • **ANN JACOBS** and her husband, Fred Bruce, moved from NYC to the Eastern Shore of Maryland 10 years ago and reside in Easton with their five rescue cockers. She likes gourmet cooking, whipping up meals for friends and family. She also serves as executive director of the United Fund of Talbot County, a non-profit that raises more than \$500K annually. • **CYNTHIA KNIGHT Wier** says, "My husband, Tom, and I went to the Republic of Georgia this summer to visit our son, who is researching linguistics for his doctorate." • **ALICE LACY Wareham** wrote that she reconnected with **MARY MACK LEONARD** and had a wonderful chat. • **BETTY MAYES Hecht** reports that she retired in December. She is taking a three-month hiatus and then plot a new course. Betty went to Greece and Italy in spring 2009, and hopes to go back to the Greek Isles. • **BARBARA PENICK Jimenez** reports that daughter, Ginny, will be married in July, in a beautiful French gothic cathedral in Leon, Spain. Adding to that very special occasion, some of Barbara's dear MBC friends are coming. • **LUCY SMITH Kahle** lives in Emmaus PA. She and her MBC roommate, **RANDI FONTAINE Meager**, who lives in Charleston SC, are catching up with each other and planned a get-together in Myrtle Beach in fall 2009. • **L. LUNDIE SPENCE** continues as director of Centers for Ocean Sciences Education Excellence for North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia (www.cosee-se.org). The organization connects ocean science researchers with educators and has earned the National Science Foundation award. • **CATHY TURNER Temple's** husband, Jerry, passed away in October after a long illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with her. • **SUSAN VAUGHAN Henry** and husband, Marshall, are traveling from coast to coast visiting children and grandchildren. Their son, Jay, and his wife, Emily, are in Bend OR with their 2 ½-year-old son and a daughter expected in January. Daughter,

Gift Shop Becomes Part of MBC Bookstore

Good news for anyone looking for that perfect pair of Mary Baldwin flip-flops!

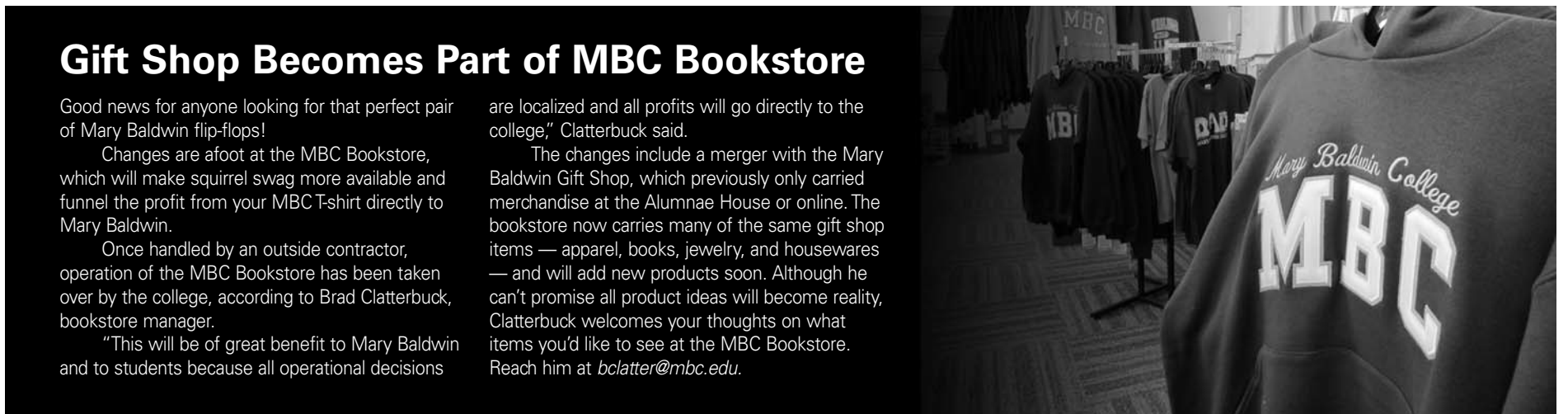
Changes are afoot at the MBC Bookstore, which will make squirrel swag more available and funnel the profit from your MBC T-shirt directly to Mary Baldwin.

Once handled by an outside contractor, operation of the MBC Bookstore has been taken over by the college, according to Brad Clatterback, bookstore manager.

"This will be of great benefit to Mary Baldwin and to students because all operational decisions

are localized and all profits will go directly to the college," Clatterback said.

The changes include a merger with the Mary Baldwin Gift Shop, which previously only carried merchandise at the Alumnae House or online. The bookstore now carries many of the same gift shop items — apparel, books, jewelry, and housewares — and will add new products soon. Although he can't promise all product ideas will become reality, Clatterback welcomes your thoughts on what items you'd like to see at the MBC Bookstore. Reach him at bclatter@mbc.edu.



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Student Helps Preserve the MBC She Loves



PHOTO BY DANIELLE BECKEY

CARRIE CAMDEN '10 loves her job. As head supervisor for Spencer Society Select — a team of students dedicated to advancing the college by asking for alumnae/i support — Camden knows her efforts will help preserve the college experience she loves.

“The Annual Fund is the backbone of Mary Baldwin,” Camden said. “It ensures that Mary Baldwin will continue as a leading women’s college in the South.”

Employed by the Office of Institutional Advancement, Phonathon callers raise more than \$150,000 each year to support vital college programs and financial aid for deserving students. Another benefit for the students: connecting with alumnae/i.

According to Phonathon Coordinator Danielle Beckey, during the first semester of the 2009–10 academic year, callers dialed the phones an astounding 9,800 times and wrote more than 1,350 personalized letters. Working toward a goal of \$175,000 by June, the Spencer Society Select team raised \$76,784 in pledges and gifts to the Annual Fund from August to December.

Camden transferred to MBC in 2007 after Randolph-Macon Woman’s College became co-ed. She said single-sex education is important to her, as are the strong, supportive relationships that come as a result of being a smaller, all-women’s college.

“The leadership you acquire and the friendships you make, they are just at a different level than those of a co-ed school,” she said. “It turns out that coming to Mary Baldwin was the best decision of my life. I love that Baldwin is a relatively small campus, with a low student-professor ratio. I also love the close-knit community here.”

Camden’s message to alumnae/i is simple.

did you know?

Every gift to the Annual Fund is essential to Mary Baldwin’s continued success and to her exciting vision for the future.

The Annual Fund provides about 10 percent of Mary Baldwin’s total operating budget each year.

The Fund’s goal of \$2 million dollars is very close to the amount provided by the endowment this year.

It would require approximately \$40 million in additional endowment to generate the amount given through the Annual Fund by alumnae/i, parents, and friends each year.

To learn more about the Annual Fund and how you can contribute, visit www.mbc.edu/giving.

“It’s never just about the size of a gift. It’s always about participation,” she said. “As a private institution, we rely on gifts from our alumnae/i, parents, and friends. It’s important to have a high participation rate in the Annual Fund so that we can get funding from outside corporations and foundations to ensure the traditions of excellence at Baldwin can continue for our future sister squirrels.”

Originally called the Spencer Society, the group was founded in 1995 and named after the fifth president of MBC, Dr. Samuel R. Spencer, Jr. Spencer made personal visits to alumnae/i chapters, major donors, foundations, and corporations to help secure MBC’s future finances.

Anne, and husband, Kelly, are in Charlotte NC and also welcomed a baby girl in December. Susan and Marshall celebrated their 40th anniversary in October with a trip to the Amalfi Coast in Italy.

1969

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CAROL ALSPAUGH Denton writes: “I celebrated my first anniversary in August. Dr. Richard Perschau and I were married in Sabi Sands, South Africa, and are enjoying life in Austin TX.” • **MARGHERITA PATTERSON Somers** wanted us to know that she had a new granddaughter born in December 2008. • **ANN TRUSLER Faith** writes: “My niece is Jocelyn Benedetto '10, a psychology major who will receive teacher certification in elementary education. As a legacy student, she was the recipient of an Alumnae/i Association scholarship this academic year. She has consistently been on the dean’s list, has served on the orientation committee and volunteered as a tutor in Staunton Public Schools among other activities.” Ann is working with MBC’s Institutional Advancement staff as a grant writer and loves living amidst Providence RI’s vibrant arts community and remarkable institutional and residential architecture. Her husband, Skip, is a retired airline pilot and they have two sons living/working in California and Washington DC.

1970 REUNION 2010

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1971

DORIS FAUBER Strickler says, “I am still teaching high school art at Parry McCluer High School. My

husband, Michael, is working in administration at VMI. Our children, Matthew and Amanda, graduated from Washington & Lee and are working in Norfolk and Alexandria, respectively.”

1972

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LIZ SMITH Strimple writes: “72 squirrels — keep those notes and news coming! Mark your calendars now for our 40th Reunion in 2012.” • **CARYN GOVE Long** writes: “Lewis and I are ‘empty-nesters’ now and enjoying retirement. Our oldest son, Clark, is a Marine Corps medic and is currently in Afghanistan. Our youngest son, Chase, is a freshman at Stetson University and on the rowing team. Hope to see some of my classmates in 2012!” • **SUSAN HENRY Martin** and Liz get together as much as possible for museum visiting, shopping, lunches. In August, they took a road trip to Ohio that included a weekend visit with **JILL KIELY** — lots of laughs, wine, and fun — and Jill’s consummate hospitality! Seemed like only yesterday that they were together at Little House. Recently, Susan and husband, Jim, spent a long weekend at the Jersey Shore with Liz and her husband, Dick, enjoying long walks on the beach with their dogs, Gretel and Boru. • Just a little update from **NINA REID Mack’s** farm in South Carolina. Her husband converted a 16-foot trailer into a hay wagon and they hosted a church group for a hayride, cook-out, and bonfire. Nina wants to let **SUSAN MYERS** know so that she can start getting a proper “hayride outfit” for their next mini-reunion! • Susan was off in London turning 60 “Spent the evening celebrating with a dozen friends, mostly Brits, plus a couple of odd expats and a Scot for good measure. Excellent and so very, very painless!”

1973

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1975 REUNION 2010

SUSAN GREEN Coulter is almost empty nesting. “Our son is home this summer looking for a job after graduating from Elon University in business. Daughter is in Washington DC working for trade association — she loves it. I am still working part time and splitting time between gardening, tennis, house cleaning (yuck), and friends. Would love to hear from my buddies in North Bailey or Spencer!”

1976

MARY McCARTY Martin, NANCY BROWN Lawler Milam, SALLIE PERRIN White, and DOROTHY TULL Mothershead sojourned in the North Carolina mountains at Mary’s family home, Pennywinkle. They escaped the 2009 August heat and ushered in the fall while sharing rich memories of their time together at Mary Baldwin. Hard to believe it was 37 years ago that their friendships began as freshmen at MBC. Missing in action was • **SUSAN HAZELWOOD Buffington**, but she called to make sure “The Board” was behaving itself! • **LISA IRELAND Long** of Newtown Square PA returned to school this fall. She is pursuing a degree in landscape architecture at Temple University.

1977

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ELIZABETH PASSARELLO Llewellyn writes, “Back in

January my son, Christopher, was the one who tackled the man on the Delta plane who claimed to have a bomb and tried to open the door of the Delta jet on its way to Los Angeles. My son was on his way to perform on Carson Daly as lead guitarist for rapper Asher Roth. My son and his friend from Berklee College of Music are music producers in Los Angeles, called The Rock Stars.” • **MELISSA RHODES McCue** writes, “I was happy to be back in Virginia when I took my son, Patrick, to begin his freshman year at Hampden-Sydney College in August” • **DEBRA WOLFE Shea** writes, “In July **ELIZABETH TAYLOR Carter, KAREN WEYHER Gavigan, MARTHA LYNCH Smith** and **CATHY duPONT Schlaeppi** joined me at Pawley’s Island and Litchfield SC for a mini-reunion on the beach. Gladys Baldwin joined in on the fun.”

1978

MARTHA GATES-Mawson writes, “My husband Chris and I returned to the United States from the United Kingdom in December 2008, following the death of my father, professor emeritus Robbins L. Gates, in March 2008. Our most joyful news is the birth of my first grandchild, Catherine Robbins Bain, on August 25, 2009. Katie was born in Kirkcaldy, Scotland, and I was present for the birth — she arrived just 15 hours before my scheduled return flight to the U.S. After eight years in the UK, it is strange and wonderful to be home again. Chris, who is originally from West Sussex in the south of England, is adjusting well and enjoys photographing this beautiful part of Virginia.”

1979

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1980 REUNION 2010

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LAURA REED Bivans writes: "Hello everyone, hope you are all getting ready for our 30th Reunion April 8-11. If I have your e-mail I've been sending you updates, if not please e-mail me so I can add you to our list. We plan to have a social hour Thursday evening, an Alumnae/i Awards dinner Friday, and a class dinner Saturday. We could add a wine tour; a hike at Humpback Rocks or Peaks of Otter, or a tour of the school (Did you know they use SMA buildings now?) I have caught up with a few of you, such as **MARLENE DENNY Jones** since I became class secretary two years ago. I work for Head Start at Viers Mill Elementary in Silver Spring MD. My volunteering includes Northwest High School Boosters, Friends of Montgomery County Animals, and Mary Baldwin. My daughter, Margie, is a senior who loves MBC as much as I did and is involved in President's Society, STARS (Student Alumnae/i Relations Society), Orientation, a community outreach group, and science organizations. **MARY LYNN TUGGLE Gilliland**, MBC director of first and second year experience, became one of Margie's "moms" and makes her and others feel more than welcome. Thanks, Lynn! Contact Lynn, **ARLINE MANNING Wilson**, **MISSY HAMLIN O'Neill**, **MISSY SMITH Derse** and me with questions about Reunion. Tina Kincaid '93 in the Alumnae/i Office is also available: tkincaid@mbc.edu. • **SUSAN KLECK** and Bruce Jordan are happy to announce their marriage on April 25, 2009 in New Orleans. MBC alumnae in attendance included: **MISSY HAMLIN O'Neill**, **SARAH CATHERINE "CJ" JOLLEY Kerr**, **CAROLINE LOWNEDES, TRUDY CASKEI Porter**, **SUSAN MOOMAW Moring**, **MARGARET "CISSIE" JOHNSON Cochran**, **MISSY SMITH Derse**, **MARGARET Chapman Jackson**, and **ELIZABETH "GIBBY" SCHWING Crawford**. • **TRUDY MARTIN Rauch** wants to make it to Reunion from Chesapeake VA. • **LISA PETTY** lives in South Carolina with her parents.

1981

NANCY HOPKINS Parsons was named deputy director for development at Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. She supervises fundraising activities and annual giving and membership programs. She earned her bachelor's degree at MBC and has been president and CEO of the National Sporting Library. • **WHITNEY MARKLEY Denman** writes "In August 2009 I was an art teacher on a Crystal Cruise Ship in the Baltic Sea. It was a trip of a lifetime. I met a passenger who recognized my southern accent, and she asked where I had gone to college. When I said MBC she said her husband was a graduate of SMA. So while having dinner in Russia, I reminisced about watching the wrecking ball knock down the old barracks!"

1982

M. KAREN WATCHORN earned the Nancy McKenna Award by AFIS (Adoptive Families with Information & Support). The prestigious award recognizes extraordinary commitment to youth advocacy for adoptive and foster families. Karen is an adoptive mother and director of training for Delaware Services for Children, Youth, and their Families.

1983

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By the time this is published, hopefully everyone will have had a great holiday season and will be working on New Year's resolutions. • **TANCE ANDERSON Laughon** writes "I am in Lynchburg VA working for Jubilee Family Center as public relations and special events coordinator. It's a great job and wonderful place to work. My husband, Mike, and I marked our 25th anniversary in September. Our son, Holmes, is 15 and a freshman at E.C. Glass High School and plays football and lacrosse." • **MARY BARTELLONI Klinedinst** lives in McLean VA with her husband, Duncan, and their girls Catherine and Caroline. Catherine is a high school junior who plays club lacrosse — they are at a tournament somewhere on the East Coast almost every weekend. Caroline is in seventh grade and also plays lacrosse. Mary substitute teaches regularly and hopes to get back to teaching full time soon. Mary ran into **KATHERINE YARID Juker's** son, Anthony, at Episcopal High School, where he is a senior. • **SHAWN BROWN Thompson** is in Oklahoma City. She is in pharmaceutical sales in the neurohealth division of GlaxoSmithKline and has been with them for 22 years. Her husband, Dick, is also in health care. He travels quite a bit, so she takes care of their four-legged children (a dog and three cats). They traveled to Montana to see family and celebrate the life of her 102-year-old grandfather who passed away earlier this year. She recently saw **MARTHA ANTHONY**

Prioleau's husband at a Texas A&M football game. He was there to watch their son play for the Aggies. • **CHARIS CALDWELL** is in Glenwood Springs CO living in a home designed by her architect husband. She has two daughters in elementary school and works with Colorado Mountain College and TKGA (an architecture firm). She and her husband are preparing for a trip to London in a few weeks and she recently road tripped to Denver with a group of moms and their daughters to see *Wicked*. • **DIANE HOUDRY John** is regional operations coordinator for the Charlottesville VA regional center of MBC. She places education students in their practicums and student teaching placements in the area, arranges orientations, plans the graduation party, and performs other office duties. In her spare time, she drives James (13) and Jeffrey (9) to their activities. They live outside Charlottesville and have three dogs, two cats, three goats, and 12 chickens, which provide the family with lots of eggs. Diane and husband, John, enjoy scuba diving and caving. • **KRIS JOHNSON-Lerer** is still based out of San Francisco but seems to be using that address just to get mail! Kris writes "I have been incredibly fortunate to travel a bunch this past year; Europe three times — one great trip with my mother and sisters to France, the other two times to Monte Carlo with husband, Joe, and friends. This January we are to go on a sailing trip with friends starting in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The trip to Monte Carlo also included work on my first documentary. It is about an opera written by two San Franciscans in 1917. The opera, *Fay Yen Fah*, was the first American produced opera to premier in Europe-Monte Carlo. The last time it was seen or heard was in 1933. A group Joe and I are involved with presented it again in Monte Carlo some 80 years later. The documentary is about this opera's journey from its premier in 1925 to its rebirth in May 2009!" Kris has also been volunteering at the ARC San Francisco for the past five years by creating/producing their fundraising films. Kris' stepson Ben Lerer just graduated from New Hampshire College in Amherst MA. • **PATTY KAPNISTOS Leto** just got back from Riviera Maya in Mexico. Patty has been busy traveling to visit friends and family in NY and Los Angeles. The kids are now, 12-1/2, 11, and 9 and are healthy and happy. Patty also keeps up regularly now with **GEORGIANNE MILLER Mitchell** and listening to her radio discussions. Georgianne is still in Laytonsville MD and has three of her five children in college. Matthew (21) is at West Point, John (19) is at Hawaii Pacific University, Mary (18) is at James Madison University, Sarah, (16) and Phillip (12) both attends school in D.C. Georgianne's newest book, a cookbook written with her father, will be available for Christmas at www.MonteTheMeatMan.com. *A Dynasty of Treasured Foods* celebrates New Bern NC tri-centennial. Georgianne is also the newest editor of the American Public Health Association's health administrator's newsletter. • **EILEEN KOHLERMAN Foti** sends greetings from chilly Utah! Eileen has been in Utah for 19 years! She moved to Park City in 1990. Eileen and husband Vince are the proud "parents" of three cats, a Great Dane, a chocolate lab, and a yellow lab. They just returned from Baltimore, visiting family and attending Eileen's 30th year high school reunion. The snow has started to fall, ski season is close and Eileen has an open invitation to come on out and enjoy the winter season. Summers are even better! Eileen has been at the Salt Lake City VA Medical Center for 11 years. After putting in her dues as a floor nurse, she is now the nurse clinical care coordinator for the hematology/oncology department; she loves caring for our veterans! Vince is a Cardiac sonographer at the same hospital. • In the seven degrees of separation department, **MARY PLEASANTS McManus'** sister, Nancy, lives in Nashville and her daughter plays soccer with Mary Louise. She says seeing Nancy is like having Mary around but with long hair. • **CINDY RYAN Childers** still resides in Duluth GA with husband, Steve, and canine extraordinaire, Snickers, who is rumored to speak three languages. Cindy is an avid golfer and volunteers for the PGA Golf Tournament when the tour is down their way. She said she enjoyed seeing everyone at the 25th and eating all that Brothers Pizza. She also sees **FRANCES OXNER Robertson** quite a bit. • **EMILY SHORE Reeve** wrote form Greensboro NC to say she is working with the Society of St. Andrew/The Gleaning Network. This organization works with farmers to harvest their extra fruits and vegetables for food banks. She is also busy volunteering at church and at her kids' high school. In addition to her two teenagers, she has a cairn terrier named Daisy and her husband works for Novartis Animal Health. Emily recently visited with MBC friends, **ADELE MOORE** and **JANE DUKE** and saw Charis last summer. • **HELEN STEVENS Forster**, and husband Bob, are still living in Nashville. They have three children — Matthew, a freshman at UT; Robert, a junior in high school; and Grace Louise is an eighth grader. In the mix are two dogs and two cats. She recently traveled to Grand Cayman for some scuba diving with son Robert during fall break. Helen also mentioned she saw **GABBY GELZER McCree** while her son Chris was checking out Vanderbilt.

1984

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ROBIN NEWCOMB Lermo writes: "Greetings classmates! Please continue to share your class notes by sending any updates to me at the address above." • **THERESA HALL Attwell** writes that she and Evans are still in Houston and have been married 23 years. Both of her kids are getting ready for high school. This past summer, they were in Virginia to attend an alumni college event at Washington & Lee University where Theresa got together with **KIM BARLOW Plottner** and **KRISTY BARLOW McComas** and had a blast! Theresa is busy as a trustee of the Harris County Hospital District Foundation and is tweaking her golf game. • **CATHY HARRELL Pennington** and her husband, Howard, both continue to stay busy working full time while enjoying the many adventures of raising their daughter Mary Slade (10). They adopted two yellow lab puppies over the summer and have enjoyed them immensely. Cathy writes that attending the reunion back in March was THE highlight of the year for her and she hopes everyone will do their best to stay in touch. • **PAMELA LEIGH Anderson** sends news that she has been very busy with work at her new position as director of rehabilitation services at a new hospital in Athens GA. Her daughters Morgan (14) and Madison (9) keep her and her husband, Neville (VMI Class of 1984), very busy. Pam recently visited **STACY PHILLIPPI Beamer** at her home in Wytheville VA and she periodically sees **ROBIN CLOUGH Powell** in Roanoke VA. Pam is back in beautiful Staunton several times per year with her work on the Alumnae/i Association's Board of Directors. She is looking forward to the holidays with family and friends. • **LEIGH ANNE MICHAEL Whitacre** writes that she is keeping active with her business, church, and children. Logan (19) is applying to colleges, Kaye (16) is still swimming — she was 13th in the 100 breaststroke during states last year, and Christian (12) is active in drama, band, and choir. • **ROBIN NEWCOMB Lermo** lives in Springfield VA with her husband, Eric and children Leslie (10) and Peter (8). She continues to volunteer her time at her children's school, sports, scouts, and at church. • **KELLY PHELPS Winstead** is teaching life science, human biology and human anatomy & physiology in a private school. She went back to school 10 years ago and has loved it and wonders why she didn't do this 25 years ago! She and her husband have no children at home except for holidays. Her oldest is out of school and employed with Quality Oil, LLC, and her youngest is a sophomore at Liberty University majoring in theatre arts and French. Kelly and her husband are enjoying themselves by traveling and spending time taking care of their elderly parents whom they feel blessed to still have.

1987

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1988

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BARBARA WEAKS Sutton and her family recently made the move from the Southwest to the Northeast. Her husband's (Matthew VMI '87) job opportunity with the U.S. Border Patrol is what prompted the change. After 21 years on the SW border they are enjoying the slower pace of Maine. While Barbara, Matt Jared (16) and Joshua (10) are making the transition, oldest son Justin (18) stayed behind to start college. The family has taken the time to start exploring the area and enjoying trees and rain once again.

1989

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SUZANNE GARDNER Kline still calls Powhatan VA home where she is has been a Realtor for 15 years. She and husband, Aaron, own an inspection company, which keeps them pretty busy along with parenting their three children, Alexander (18), who plans to transfer to University of Virginia next fall, Abigail (15), a sophomore at Blessed Sacrament Huguonot (hinting around about going to MBC), and Sara Caroline (5), who just started kindergarten. • **SHARRON JACKSON Smith** writes: "I hope that those who attended our 20th reunion enjoyed being back on campus, I know I did. Our next one in 2014 will be here before you know it. I'm enjoying life in Richmond with my husband, Dores, and once a month I get together with Mary Baldwin women at the MBC Richmond Book Club meeting. We have members that graduated in the late 1960s all the way to 2007. If anyone in the Richmond area would like to attend, send me an e-mail and I will let you know what we are reading."

1992

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ALICE HARDY Washington and Kevin Lee Mitchell (Virginia Tech, 1994) were married on the Outer Banks of North Carolina on May 9, 2009. MBC squirrel friends in attendance: **CORI HANCOCK Crawford**, **AIMEE RAY Dearsley**, **JULIE BIRMINGHAM**, **BRENDA RABENAU Erwin**, **JOLISSE TIMS Schuler**, **NOEL BEVAN**, **MELINDA HUNNICUTT**, **LESLIE FELTNER Moody**, and **DEBRA DEESE Shortt**.

1993

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1994

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ALICE NORMAN Saunders writes that she is living in Richmond where her husband, Brent, is an attorney with the Virginia State Bar.

1995 REUNION 2010

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Can you believe it's been almost 15 years since graduation? Mark your calendars for Reunion 2010, April 8-11! You can visit the Web site for additional information at www.mbc.edu/reunion. • **ELAINE "RAND" HARGRETT Mauck** is unemployed but seeking a job as an account manager or operations manager. "I am the mother of a happy 3-year-old and have been married 12 years." • **MELISSA LAMBERT Hopkins** has started a new photography business — check out www.melissahopkinsphotography.com. She is enjoying time with her 2-year-old daughter and at last check was planning for a son to arrive mid-January!

1996

TAMARA AVIS Smith and Jason are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Tucker Cobin, on December 14, 2008. Big sisters Vivian (6) and Martha (2 1/2) welcome our new addition with excitement and love. • Rev. **MEG BUERKEL Hunn** and Rev. Michael Hunn are happy to announce their marriage on June 27, 2009 at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Staunton. They currently reside in Raleigh NC. • **EMILY JOHNSON Lindsay** of Black Mountain NC was recently named director of major gifts for Montreat Conference Center. She and David enjoy 6-year-old twins Hank and Eliza. • **APRIL KIRBY Ware** and Earl are proud to announce the birth of baby girl McKenzie Grace. She was born on January 9, 2009 in Richmond VA, and weighed 7 lb 1 oz. Her older brother Evan (5) adores her and couldn't be a better big brother. • **DIANE LOWRY** received a MAcOM in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine with a certificate in Medical Qigong and Tuina from the Academy of Oriental Medicine at Austin on April 4, 2009. • **JENNIFER MOTT Shahrokhi** received a bachelor's of business administration from Averett University in May 2009.

1997

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BROOKE BALDWIN of Chicago married Ryan Ludford in October. Classmates **ELIZABETH CALHOUN Swarr** of Nashville and **ANN SCHMIDT** of Seattle were there to celebrate. • **ANNE WAGNER Shaver** received an American Inhouse Design Award from Graphic Design USA for her work on Carilion Clinic's "Experience Better Ways" recruitment campaign. • **HAVEN LECLER Ilgenfritz** and husband, Carter, moved back to New Orleans and are busy with sons C.T. and Brooks. She is vice president of treasury management — U.S. corporate for Capital One Bank. • **JENNIFER LLOYD Marland** writes: "Please join our class Facebook page (Mary Baldwin Class of 1998) to reconnect with classmates and to post your latest news and notes." • **JANE RAPIER Spence** welcomed her second son Parker in July 2009 joining big brother Campbell (3).

ALUMNAE/I HANDBOOK

1999

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ENGLE BAKER Addington writes "I am proud to announce that I have been elected to the Greater Charlotte Apartment Association's Board of Directors."

• **ROBIN ESTESS Christesen** is a stay-at-home mom with a 5-year-old daughter and a 3-year-old son. She volunteers at school and a center for rape and domestic abuse victims. • **AIMEE FAVREAU Dabney** and her husband, Carter, are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Frederick David, born June 10, 2008. • **MELISSA FORD** is enjoying life in London and recently started a new job as a medical copywriter for TBWA/Paling Walters, a health care advertising agency. • **KIM REILLY Graham** and husband, Ethan, are live in Charlotte NC with their three kids: Connor (4), Maria (2), and Brigid (1). The move was prompted when Ethan took a job as vice president of engineering for Comfort Systems USA Carolinas. They renewed their wedding vows this fall. • **REBECCA STEVENS Teaff** started her own business this year — a graphic design company dubbed Redstart Creative. She says she couldn't have done it without the skills she learned at MBC. Rebecca lives in Baltimore with husband, Rob, and they celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in August.

2000 REUNION 2010

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INGRID FLOWERS writes, "I work as a social worker at Hospice of the Bluegrass and I love my job. I recently received my Advanced Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Social Worker certification. I am also currently working on my LCSW." • **JENNIFER HILLIARD Cluff** and Colin are proud to announce the birth of a baby girl, Hannah Elizabeth. She was born February 23, 2007, in Richmond, and weighed 7 lb 11 oz. "Big brother Cameron (6) is a great big brother and Hannah has been a wonderful addition to our family." • **AMY MITCHELL Howard** and husband, Matthew, are proud to announce the birth of a baby girl, Elaina Marie. She was born on March 17, 2009. Amy, Matt, and big brother Kaelin (2) could not be more excited.

2001

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CHAROLINE BALLENGER Seale and husband, Joe, welcomed a baby girl, Harriet Porcher, on July 31, 2007. They live in Raleigh NC. • **MARY BOIVIN Leacock** and her husband, Samora (VMI '01), are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Sean Augustin, born on June 12, 2009. • **MELISSA BONHAM Hodges** married Charles L. Gibson, II, on July 31, 2009, in Roanoke. Melissa is business manager and media buyer for Access, an advertising, marketing, and public relations firm in Roanoke. • **CARA COSTIGAN** writes "I have been working in the corporate office for East Coast Optometric and I oversee six stores in this area. I have been in a relationship with Joanne Weber for 2 ½ years. We live in Columbia SC and have two dogs. I just finished my first year of a surgical technology program." • **AMBERLEIGH COVELL Powell** writes, "My husband, Chris, and I, along with our two children, Joseph and Abigail, recently returned from Walt Disney World after being spoiled by the Make-a-Wish Foundation and Give Kids the World. We had a wonderful time. Joseph and Abbi both enjoyed meeting the characters, the endless ice cream, and the delicious food." • **STARLING CRABTREE Nowell** writes, "We live in Nashville and continue to be blessed by our Lord. Brad and I have two daughters that are 12 and 4. In May, I attended an MBC gathering in Nashville at Acorn Restaurant to catch up with old friends. Go Squirrels!" • After leaving Mary Baldwin, **COLBY FOSTER** transferred to University of Tennessee and graduated with a BS in industrial engineering. Colby lives in Denver and works as a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt. She enjoys Colorado's great outdoors by snowboarding, camping, boating, and hiking. • **MARY GREGORY Clapp** and Eric are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Gregory Robert. He was born on December 17, 2008, in Nashville, and weighed 6 lb 7 oz. • **CARRIE HART**: "Ross and I moved back to Chattanooga at the end of March 2009 to be with family. We can't wait for a snow-less winter." • **BLAIRE HOWLE** and Todd Pitcher are happy to announce their marriage on March 21, 2009, at Northside Baptist Church in Mechanicsville. Reception followed at Main Street Station in Richmond. • **MICHELLE HURDLE** is back at MBC as assistant director of PEG admissions. • **JENNIFER MCGEE** and Peter Magelnicki are happy to announce their marriage on July 4, 2009. They live in Charlottesville. • **CHRISTY MURRAY** married

Howard Meinster on Saturday, November 7, 2009. • **GINGER PAYTON Gifford** and her husband, Todd (H-SC '01), welcomed a baby girl, Rose Victoria, on November 5 at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond. Baby Rose weighed 7 lbs 12 oz and was 20 inches long. • **JANEEN PETTUS Carter** reports that she and her husband recently bought a house in the Norfolk VA area. • **MELINDA TODD Arnwine** writes, "My husband and I are moving back to VA from CA and we are very excited to be coming home! I'm currently looking for elementary teaching jobs in Northern VA." • **LAURA TAYLOR Hart** and husband, Mathew (VMI '99), welcomed a son. Zachary John weighed in at 8 lbs 8 oz. Big sister Lindsey (6) is a huge help and loves to hold her baby brother. Laura and Mathew are having fun re-learning what it's like to have a newborn. • **AMANDA TYNER Ironmonger**: Sean and I have been happily married for 7 ½ years and we bought our first house in June. Our dog especially likes the big backyard. I am still teaching eighth grade and loving it. • **KIRSTEN WELTON Shields** and husband, Josh, are proud to announce the birth of a baby girl, Hailey Lyn. She was born on February 14, 2009, and weighed 6 lbs 3 oz.

2002

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EMILY DIXON Girardier has a 2-year-old son, Jacob. • **KELLY MIZER Cash** has two children, Kyle (5), and Carson (8 mos.). • **DARA POWERS Parker** is celebrating the birth of her third son, Liam Chandler, born in February 2009. • **ELYSE RICHARDSON Barnard** has a 17-month-old daughter, Heallie Bea. • **JENNIFER SPARKS** graduated with a PhD last year. She will be starting a new job as a scientist with the Department of Defense. She also has a new lab puppy named Lucy. • **A'LEIGH SPENSIERI Hamner** and husband Tracy welcomed their son Taylor Collins on June 10, 2009, at 6:57 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs 1 oz and was 21 1/4 inches long. He is a very happy and healthy baby. Mommy and daddy could not be happier.

2003

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ZAINAB ABDUL KHAHIR writes: "I have a new little one, his name is Abdul-Rahman S. Abdul-Khabir. He was born November 6, 2009, at 7:51 a.m. He weighed 7 lbs 2.6 oz and was 21 inches long. My husband's name is Siddiq M. Abdul-Khabir. We were married January 10, 2009. We currently live in Baltimore. My husband and I met at my job five years ago." • **KELLY CLEMENS McElroy**: Kelly and her family are still living in Kansas. They are scheduled to move in the middle of next year, "but don't know where we are going. Kelly hopes all her squirrel girls are doing well! Miss you ladies!" • **ASHLYN DAVIS Trant** and Reuben Trant are happy to announce their marriage on August 8, 2009, at VMI (Reuben is Lea Spencer Trant's husband's twin brother). They currently reside in Norfolk. **LEA SPENCER Trant** and **K.C. NELSON Long** served as bridesmaids. **SARAH HELEN SHEA Studebaker**, **ANNE KATHRYN PONTIUS** and **MEGAN STAHL** (all class of 2003) attended the wedding. Ashlyn says "I moved to the Hampton Roads area from Richmond in June 2009 and was fortunate enough to be offered a teaching position with York County Public Schools." • **JESSICA HENSLEY** welcomed her son, Alec, in December 2008! • **SHANA MEGANCK** is receiving her PhD at Virginia Commonwealth University in media, art and text. It is a new, interdisciplinary program that incorporates the disciplines of English, mass communication, and art. • **LESLIE RUEFF** relocated from Waynesboro to Roanoke in fall 2008. She's the reading specialist at Stonewall Jackson Middle School and the drama club coach. She's still singing and on stage, either with the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra Chorus or at Showtimmer's Community Theatre. She's happily coupled and lives with her adorable felines and Weimaraner. • **HEATHER SMITH Bolling** recently accepted a position at Lunenburg County Public Schools located in Victoria VA as fifth grade teacher. Heather recently was employed at Augusta County Public Schools as a fifth grade teacher. "I moved to Farmville after marrying in June, and was fortunate to secure this new position before moving. It has been a challenge adjusting, but I'm now comfortable and looking forward to serving this school as proudly as my last." • **LEA SPENCER Trant**: On Halloween weekend, Lea's USTA Women's 4.5 Tennis Team from Virginia Beach took 4th place in the National Tournament in Las Vegas. They won their district then moved on to sectionals regionals and beat out teams from D.C., Maryland, and other Virginia teams. Lea is

currently working at Riverside Behavioral Health Center in Hampton as a mental health therapist. • **KATHRYN VANZANT**: After graduation Kathryn moved to Charleston SC to work on an adult crisis stabilization acute care unit at the Institute of Psychiatry at Medical University of South Carolina. She then moved to Atlanta to work full time as a model. She traveled throughout the US, Asia, and Europe doing editorial print, commercial print/tv ads and runway work. Kathryn recently took the opportunity to move back to Charleston SC where she currently loves life at the beach and will finish her degree in dental hygiene in May 2010.

2004

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BALLU BANGURA Lee is living in Fredericksburg with her two children Jackie (4) and Jaden (2) and is currently working on her master's degree in education to become an elementary school teacher. She also officially became a United States citizen on April 15, 2009! • **KELLY BAUMGARTNER** is a captain in the United States Army and got married this summer in Germany. • **SUZANNE BERGAMO Britt** finished her master's degree in May 2009, and has started working toward her PhD. She is living in Richmond VA, with her husband Adam and is expecting a baby May 1! • **KYRA BLAINO Lee** just celebrated four years of marriage to Recardo and has a beautiful 2 year old son, Kamran Jamil. She is a proposal coordinator/writer for The Ravens Groups, where she is responsible for procuring government contracts. She is living in Laurel MD and always tries to sing a few notes here and there. • **STEPHANIE BROWN** recently got engaged and is planning a wedding in January 2012. She is also finishing her master's degree in early childhood education. • **ANGIE FABER** just returned from an amazing trip to Barcelona, Budapest, Athens, and los. She tore her ACL playing soccer and is currently recovering from reconstructive surgery. • **ASHLEY FAUST** is living in Hampton and is teaching second and third grades. • **ERIKA GIRALDO Smith** is living in Boston with her husband Brandon and two dogs, Tito and Coby. She recently changed careers and is now responsible for producing conferences within the life sciences industry and is very excited for the new opportunities that will bring. • **SARAH HATFIELD** "Hello MBC class of 2004! It was wonderful seeing so many of you at the reunion in March, and I'm looking forward to our next one in five years! I am currently living and working in Los Angeles as a middle/high school biology teacher and head varsity volleyball coach. I love being so close to the beach and the mountains, and I am always looking for people to come visit me in sunny California!" • **JENNIFER KUKLA** is a captain in the Marine Corps, flying the EA-6B Prowler in eastern North Carolina. She got back in February from a six-month deployment in Iraq and is deploying shortly to Afghanistan. She recently completed the seven-week long Marine Corps Weapons and Tactic Instructor course in Yuma AZ, and is looking forward to hanging out at the beach and getting a puppy when she gets back from Afghanistan. • **ERIN MCDONOUGH Howard** just moved to Ft. Drum NY in August with husband Josh and daughter, Callie (15 months). She is very excited to start her new job as a civilian dentist for the Army. • **BRIE NELSON Brown** was unable to attend the reunion because she was busy taking care of her newborn! Brie and her husband Aaron welcomed a son, Henry Davis, on November 10, 2008, and are living in Charleston SC. • **PAMELA NUILA** is living in Anchorage, working at Elmendorf Air Force Base as the 3rd Wing Equal Opportunity deputy director. Last year Pami got engaged to Wesley Lowery and is planning to get married next year. • **EMILY ROGERS** is in the Atlanta area, working as a psychometrist with a master's degree and license as an associate professional counselor. • **KARINA SANDOVAL-Nunez** is living and working with her family in Arlington for a non-profit organization as an administrative assistant. Karina and her husband have been married for three years and have two children; Jose (2) and Jocelyn (3 months). • **KAREN SOUTHARD Sheffron** writes, "I have an Internet-based travel business, www.yellowdog-travel.net. You can book airline tickets, hotels, rental cars, cruises, buy flowers, purchase concert and sports tickets and other items. If you'd like to reach me, e-mail me: cindyshet@embarqmail.com. I would welcome doing business with all MBC graduates." • **ERIN STEELEY Krebs** is living in the West End of Richmond, and is in her fifth year of teaching fifth grade in Mechanicsville. She and Robert were married in the summer of 2004 and have a daughter, Hannah Catherine (2). • **SHELLY STRAW Quick** is still in Little Rock AR, and is working on her master's degree in public health and is interested in research to help reduce and prevent childhood obesity. Dr. Kibler

started her love for biostatistics and she thinks of him often. She and Matt have been married for 5 years and will be moving to Boston while he completes a fellowship at Harvard. • **BETSY TORRES** is back in Arlington, and is working as a Security Specialist for the State Department. • **MEGHAN WARD** writes: "I graduated with my master's in education from University of Virginia this summer and accepted a teaching position at Sage Ridge School in Reno NV. I would love to hear from any MBC alums in the area!" • **CLAIRE WULF Winiarek** was married in 2005 and is currently living and working in the Virginia Beach area as the manager of government relations research at Amerigroup Corporation. She is pursuing her PhD in U.S. Foreign Policy at Old Dominion University and just got back from Italy in May.

2005 REUNION 2010

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JO BUTTERWORTH Devine graduated from the University of North Carolina in May 2009 with an MSW degree. She is currently employed by Carolina Outreach, LLC in Durham NC as a child and adolescent therapist and loving it! • **ERIN TANNER Laster** and Clark are proud to announce the birth of a baby girl, Sarah Elizabeth. She was born on March 3, 2009, in Richmond at St. Mary's Hospital, and weighed 7 lbs 14 oz. Sarah is the granddaughter of Sara Nair James '69, professor of art history, is named for VVIL alumna, Air Force 2nd LT Sarah Katherine Small '02, who was killed on active duty in 2005. Her godmother is Lucy Elizabeth Wood, '07. • **SHUKITA WHITAKER Massey** writes "Since leaving MBC, I have graduated from College of William & Mary School of Law and I'm currently practicing law in the Tidewater Virginia area. I recently got married on October 10, 2009, to Melvin R. Massey."

2006

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Congratulations to **ANN BRANDER Harrison** on her recent promotion at Randolph-Macon Academy as director of alumni affairs. • **PATRICIA SURFACE Dillon** started school at UVA. • **WHITNEY WARD Dana** of Charlotte NC writes that she is a financial services representative with New England Financial. Husband, Andrew, is an associate with the law firm Culp, Elliot, and Carpenter, specializing in tax and estate law.

2007

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"I spent my summer as a congressional intern and enjoyed the sunny beaches of California. Greetings classmates! I hope that all of you had a magnificent summer and are enjoying life after graduation. If you don't see your information in this column, please look for it in the next one. If you have news that you would like your MBC classmates to know about please let me know." • **ASHLEY COLEMAN** is attending Georgetown University, working on her master's degree. • **ELIZABETH DATTILIO** is pursuing a master's degree in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University. • **CATHERINE KAMMER** teaches U.S. History in Norfolk at Granby High School. • **KRISTEN E. MESSINA** writes "I am currently working and living in Charlottesville. I am a teacher at a private, nonprofit child care center called Westminster Child Care Center. I completed my first half-marathon in November. • **KARA O'BRIEN** is starting her master's at Capella University. • **STERLING SHELLY** attends law school at George Mason University. • **MARY ANN ST. AMOUR** lists her job title as "Starving Student," working as a psychology grad student. She has a yellow lab named Marley. • **CASBY STAINBACK** is pursuing her law degree at Regent University. • **ABBY TURNER** is working toward her PhD in analytical chemistry at UNC. • **MANDY WOOD Martin** and husband, Samuel, are stationed at Aviano Air Force Base in Italy.

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Reunions are a great way to find old friends, revisit those fond memories, and explore the current campus. Rediscover the spirit of Mary Baldwin and reunite with classmates at Reunion Weekend, April 8–11.

This year, Mary Baldwin honors Grafton Society members and graduates from 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2005. To get more information about what your class leaders are planning for Reunion, visit your class Web page. Please let the Alumnae/i and Parent Relations Office know that you are interested in attending by adding your name to the "Who's Coming List." Have questions? Call (800) 763-7359 or send an e-mail to alumnae@mbc.edu. Further information and a slide show of Reunion 2009 photos can be found at www.mbc.edu/reunion.

REUNION 2010 SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2010

A Special Day for the 50th Reunion Class: The Class of 1960

11:15am–Noon	Registration for Class of 1960 attendees
Noon–1:30pm	Class of 1960: A special luncheon
2–4pm	Class of 1960: Tour Staunton on the trolley

For All Reunion Attendees

4–7:30pm	Welcome back! Registration for all Reunion attendees
5–6:30pm	Let's celebrate: Reunion Weekend kick-off reception
6–10pm	Retrospective on Mary Tuck Echols: opening reception for MBC professor emerita of art

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2010

7:30–9pm	Breakfast in Hunt Dining Hall with the STARS (Student Alumnae/i Relations Society)
8am–Noon	Go back to class at MBC
9:30–11:45am	Community service opportunity: <i>We Will Make a Difference Today in the World</i>
9am–4:30pm	Registration
Noon–1:30pm	<i>Let's Do Lunch</i> in honor of the Grafton Society Lunch
Noon–1:30pm	Lunch
2–3pm	Greetings and welcome from the president
2:30pm	MBC softball game against Methodist
3–5pm	Tour of the Frontier Culture Museum
4pm	Quest induction and reception
4pm	VVIL parade
5:30pm	Reception, parade of classes, reunion dinner, and alumnae/i awards presentation
8:30–9:15pm	The magic of Brian Bence
9–11pm	Music under the stars with Back to Zero

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010

9–10am	Continental breakfast
9am–1:30pm	Registration for just-arriving Reunion attendees
10–11:30am	Class meetings, class elections, and class photos
11am	MBC softball game against Peace
11:30am–Noon	Bloody Mary reception
Noon–2pm	MBC pig roast and kick-off for Relay for Life
2–4pm	Baldwin Bowling Bash
2pm	Hike with Dr. Pamela Fox, birding with Crista Cabe
2–4pm	Staunton tour by trolley
3pm	MBC tennis against North Carolina Wesleyan
3pm	Induction into the Athletic Hall of Fame
3–4pm	Reception for ADP
5pm	Donor reception
Times Vary	Reunion class dinners

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2010

10am	Alumnae/i chapel and memorial service
10:30am–1:30pm	Closing celebration and brunch