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Thanks to a lead-screening bill drafted by students in the School of Law’s Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic (IEC), Missouri children ages 6 months to 6 years living at high risk for lead poisoning will be tested annually. The Missouri Legislature passed the bill, and Governor Bob Holden signed it. The governor also approved $1.3 million to fund it.

The IEC, which focuses on environmental and community health problems, is the newest of eight popular clinical courses through which students provide pro bono legal and technical assistance to people who could not otherwise afford it. Each law student is guaranteed placement in a clinical course.

University’s Food Ranks 2nd in Nation

Washington University is the nation’s second-best campus for food, according to The Princeton Review’s Best 331 Colleges 2002. Ranked No. 1 was Wheaton College of Illinois, which, like WU, uses Bon Appétit as its food-service provider.

Last year, the University ranked fourth. Greg Teator, general manager of Bon Appétit for the University, attributes the rise in rank to the addition of national franchises like Taco Bell®, the addition of wraps at Ursa’s Café, and the vegetarian sushi in the food court in Mallinckrodt Student Center. He says providing diverse food choices—including Chinese fare, kosher sandwiches, and Mexican and Asian flavors—has been a priority of dining services. “Every year we add a few things to the menu to correspond to student, faculty, and staff needs.”

New Evidence on Causes of Deep Earthquakes

Douglas A. Wiens has discovered seismic-wave evidence that sheds light on the long-controversial issue of what causes earthquakes deep in the earth. His results were published in the August 24 issue of Science.

Wiens, professor of earth and planetary sciences in Arts & Sciences, and then-undergraduate Nathaniel O. Snider, A.B. ’00, systems programmer/analyst in earth and planetary sciences in Arts & Sciences, analyzed data from an 11-seismograph array in the Tonga and Fiji islands. The National Science Foundation supported the research.

Some previous studies proposed that deep earthquakes occur when material at high pressure undergoes a phase transformation. In this theory, called “transformational faulting,” such earthquakes should not recur at the same site since transformed material inhibits further faulting. But Wiens’ evidence shows that they often do recur, so he favors the “ductile shear zone” model, which says that deep earthquakes are sensitive to temperature along a slipping zone. A “slip” across a “zone” is somewhat like the movement of a book across a table covered with a thick layer of molasses. Such a slip produces intense heat, increasing the chances of earthquakes at that location.

Wiens and his colleagues recently installed a 26-seismograph array allowing them to locate earthquakes to accuracies of less than one mile, advancing the study of deep earthquakes.

Night-Out at the Ballpark

Edward S. Macias, executive vice chancellor and dean of Arts & Sciences, flanked by Fredbird and St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Gene Stechschulte, led a freshman night-out at the ballpark on August 28. The event was sponsored by the Council of the South 40 and the Arts & Sciences Peer Advising Program.


**WU Gains in U.S. News Rankings**

Washington University—consistently ranked among America’s 20 best national universities—is now tied with Cornell University for 14th place in undergraduate programs, according to U.S. News & World Report magazine. The University climbed one place from last year’s tie for 15th, reaching the highest undergraduate ranking of the University by U.S. News & World Report since the publication began its rankings in the 1980s.

These undergraduate rankings of 249 national universities, published in the September 17 issue, are derived from data reported by each institution. The magazine analyzes the data according to quality measures such as selectivity, class size, and graduation rates, with each weighted according to the magazine’s judgment of its relative importance.

The largest weight in the formula—25 percent—is assigned to academic reputation. To determine that, the magazine asks campus executives to rate peer institutions.

In the magazine’s “Best Value” category, which relates a school’s academic quality to the net cost of attendance, the University moved up one place to tie for 16th with Duke University and Case Western Reserve University.

The undergraduate program at the Olin School of Business once again tied for 16th with seven other well-known undergraduate business programs.

In March, U.S. News published its annual rankings of graduate and professional programs. Altogether, more than 30 undergraduate and graduate programs and schools at the University are ranked by U.S. News & World Report in the top 25 of their respective areas.

In Business Week’s ranking of Executive MBA programs worldwide in its October 15 issue, the Olin School of Business placed 16th of 82 schools in the survey.

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**Luchini Designs “Isabel House”**

Architect Adrian Luchini has successfully negotiated the tension between the ideal private headmaster’s home and a national boarding school’s perfect reception facility in his design for the new “Isabel House” at the St. Louis County campus of The Principia, a school for Christian Scientists. (The house is named for the foundation that funded it.)

“The campus has many very nice buildings done in the International Style,” says Luchini, associate professor in the School of Architecture. “At the same time, both the client and I were interested in creating a contemporary structure that would have a presence and shape of its own.”

The 6,400-square-foot Isabel House sits next to a low hillside on the 360-acre, 1950s-era campus. The building, completed this year, is a boomerang-like arc. The side that points toward campus echoes the strong lines of neighboring structures, in part by using red brick. The other side—in white stucco—forms a courtyard that provides a measure of privacy. Unifying the house is a tilted copper roof.

“It’s a very unusual and wonderful amalgam of public and private space,” notes Principia headmaster Robert Clark, who now lives in the house with his wife and family.

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**Post-Foster-Care Youth at Risk**

Examining what happens to adolescents who are heavy mental-health service users once they leave foster care and are no longer eligible for child service systems is the focus of a study being done by Curtis McMillen, associate professor at the George Warren Brown (GWB) School of Social Work.

As youths move from adolescence to adulthood, the number of mental-health service options declines, eligibility narrows, and affordability changes.

“These service system changes occur at a time of considerable stress as young people—particularly those in foster care—often change residences, seek new employment, and learn to live more independently,” McMillen says.

The study also will examine correlations between continued or discontinued service use and various outcomes. Included will be positive outcomes such as high-school graduation or college acceptance, and negative situations such as substance abuse, psychiatric hospitalizations, homelessness, incarceration, and unplanned parenthood.

McMillen received a four-year, $1.3 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health for the study, which will document potentially dramatic changes in mental-health services for 380 Missouri youths leaving foster care over the next several years. The Missouri Division of Family Services is a partner in the study, being conducted through GWB’s Center for Mental Health Services Research.

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**Musical Celebration Marks Retirement**

In a fitting tribute, a concert called “Celebrating the Music of John MacVor Perkins,” on September 29 in Edison Theatre, marked the retirement of Perkins, professor emeritus in the Department of Music in Arts & Sciences.

Featured was his composition *Andrea del Sarto*, an operatic monologue for baritone, silent actress, and 12 instruments, which is based on the poem by Robert Browning.
Bixby and Givens Renovations Are Completed

Faculty, students, and staff in Givens and Bixby halls must feel as if there's no place like a renovated home. In Givens, home of the School of Architecture, and in Bixby, home for the School of Art, everyone is enjoying results of a $13 million renovation begun in May and the bulk of which was completed in time for the fall semester. The buildings, whose interiors were virtually rebuilt, now have air-conditioning for the first time, as well as new ventilation and fire-suppression systems, new elevators and handicapped accessibility, and reorganized studio and office spaces.

These changes, the first significant improvements made to these buildings in many years, are the first phase of the University's planned Visual Arts and Design Center, which will bring together the Schools of Art and Architecture, the Art and Architecture Library, the Gallery of Art, and the Department of Art History and Archaeology in Arts & Sciences.

Gift Establishes Entrepreneurship Program

A $3 million pledge from Robert and Julie Skandalaris will establish the Skandalaris Program in Entrepreneurial Studies at the Olin School of Business. The program will offer traditional classes as well as simulated and real-world entrepreneurial learning formats, and it will allow expansion of Olin's Center for Experiential Learning. Student teams at Olin currently create business plans for new startups in the business school's Hatchery. The Skandalaris pledge will offer a possible funding source for those fledgling companies.

Robert Skandalaris is chairman and chief executive officer of Noble International Ltd., a holding company in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, whose subsidiaries primarily serve the automotive industry. He and his wife, active supporters of the University, made this pledge as part of the Campaign for Washington University. Their daughter, Kristin, is a senior in the College of Arts & Sciences.

Life on Mars?

A recent student survey indicated high regard for the quality of teaching and accessibility of the faculty. Important recent "student-centered" developments include small sections for first-year students, guaranteed placement in the clinical program, an increase in admissions and career services staff, and a three-year commitment to student scholarship support.

In addition, National Jurist ranked the School's state-of-the-art building among the top 10 "most wired" law schools.

Law School Applications at Record High

The School of Law received a record high 2,440 applications for fall enrollment this year, an increase of 32 percent.

"Law school applications to the 180 accredited law schools are up in general, but, compared to most, our increase is stratospheric," says Janet Bolin, assistant dean for admissions and financial aid at the law school.

What features are most attractive to students?

A Web site located at NASA's Planetary Data System's Geosciences Node at Washington University is helping scientists assess the possibility of life on Mars. It shows readings of a $1 billion experiment placed on Mars in 1976, done at the behest of planetary researcher Gilbert Levin. Viking probes placed nutrients in Mars dirt samples and detected gas releases consistent with the metabolism of microorganisms. For many years, most scientists thought the results were false positives. But, when microbiologist Joe Miller detected a rhythm in the readings consistent with life as we know it, interest in Levin's research resurfaced. Miller plans to study the Web data further.
Left: Spark’s logo is part of an inviting home page, which links users to on- and off-campus activities.

links to the Student Activities calendar and to the main University calendar.

“We wanted to show students that there are many alternatives to participating in high-risk behavior,” says Ken Grich, residential college director at Park House and Mudd House. He and Melissa Ruwitch, coordinator of health promotion and wellness, headed the committee that formulated the idea for Spark. “As a committee, we felt we could meet our goal by promoting student activities and other opportunities for involvement,” Grich adds.

Student participation has been a central part of Spark’s evolution from its beginning stages. Several students serve on the committee, and the site was designed by senior art major Deborah Gorman, winner of a contest held in Lecturer Lauri Eisenbach-Bush’s junior design class.

Sally Goldman, professor of computer science, has received this year’s Governor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. Each year, the University is invited by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education to select a faculty member to receive the award.

David M. Holtzman was named the first Charlotte and Paul Hagemann Professor of Neurology at the School of Medicine.

Michael J. Holtzman, the Selma and Herman Seldin Professor of Medicine in the School of Medicine, was presented with a Recognition Award for Scientific Accomplishment from the American Thoracic Society at the group’s conference in May.

Lawrence J. Lemke was named the first Jerome J. Gilden, M.D. Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the School of Medicine.

Kenneth M. Ludmerer, professor of medicine in the School of Medicine and of history in Arts & Sciences, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Johns Hopkins University.

Glenn MacDonald has been named the inaugural John M. Olin Distinguished Professor in Business, Law, and Economics in the Olin School of Business. The professorship was established through a $2 million gift from the John M. Olin Foundation.

Garland R. Marshall, professor of biochemistry and molecular biophysics and of biomedical engineering and resident member of the Center for Computational Biology, has received the Bruce Merrifield Award, sponsored by the American Peptide Society.

Angela Miller, associate professor of art history and archaeology in Arts & Sciences, is leading a team of three researchers collaborating on a survey of the visual arts in America.

Its title is “American Encounters: The Arts and Cultural Identity, From the Beginning to the Present.” The team has received a Mellon Foundation grant to assist in the formulation of ARTstor, a comprehensive new Web site devoted to visual culture across history.

David G. Mutch has been named the first Ira C. and Judith Gall Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the School of Medicine.

Carlos A. Perez, professor of radiology and director of the Radiation Oncology Center at the School of Medicine, received the 2001 National Children's Cancer Society Legacy Award.

For study of tumor formation, Robert D. Schreiber, the Alumni Professor of Pathology and Immunology and professor of molecular biology at the School of Medicine, has received the 2001 William B. Coley Award for Distinguished Research in Basic and Tumor Immunology from the Cancer Research Institute.

Edward L. Spitznagel, Jr., professor of mathematics in Arts & Sciences, has been named recipient of the Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics. The award is one of the most prestigious given by the Mathematical Association of America.

Karen L. Wooley, professor of chemistry in Arts & Sciences, has received a 2002 Arthur C. Cope Young Scholar Award, one of two such awards given by the American Chemical Society this year.

Trustee Stephen F. Brauer, president of Hunter Engineering Company, has assumed the additional position of U.S. ambassador to Belgium, which was effective June 1, 2001.

Lee M. Liberman, M.A. ’94, a University life trustee and chairman emeritus of Laclede Gas Company, recently was elected president of Forest Park Forever.

People Around Campus

Lopata House Anchors New Residential Complex

Giving outstanding students an educational experience of the highest quality not only depends on creating a sound and flexible curriculum, recruiting and nurturing outstanding faculty and staff, and offering adequate financial assistance, but it also relies on providing a superb physical environment for living and learning.

In August, 15 small groups of sophomores, juniors, and seniors, who each formed themselves around a common interest, moved into a new Small Group Housing complex at Millbrook and Big Bend boulevards, an innovative addition to residential life. Fittingly, the anchor building for the complex was dedicated October 20 as the Lucy and Stanley Lopata House.

If Washington University spirit and tradition had human faces, they likely would look much like Lucy and Stanley Lopata. The couple, longtime friends and supporters of the University, has enjoyed encouraging students’ creativity and entrepreneurship because, as they said, “It’s fun!” Since Stanley’s death, in 2000, Lucy has, through this generous naming gift and other gifts, continued their long-standing support and assured that their names will always live at Washington University.
Exercise Benefits Frail Elderly

A new assessment of several clinical trials indicates exercise may raise the spirits of the frail elderly without causing more pain.

Lead author Kenneth B. Schechtman, associate professor of biostatistics at the School of Medicine, and his team assessed the effects of exercise interventions on the quality of life of 1,733 subjects at four sites across the United States. The mean age of subjects was 73 years, and 55 percent were female. All were at risk for fall-related injury.

Four types of exercise—resistance, endurance, flexibility, and balance—were included, and researchers assessed how exercise intervention affected general health, emotional health, pain, and social well being. Subjects who exercised scored slightly higher on the emotional health scale than control groups. Exercise had little effect on the other three components.

These “interventions may have increased self-efficacy and the sense of mastery, which help to provide focus and meaning to one’s life,” Schechtman says.

The study results appear in *Annals of Behavioral Medicine.*
University Responds to September 11 Attacks

After the September 11 terrorist attacks in the eastern part of the United States, the University community felt many emotions. Like people worldwide, University students, faculty, and staff were shocked, afraid, angry, sad, and numb. However, it didn't take long for supportive responses to surface.

Within an hour, the Engineering Student Council (EnCouncil) established a support center. Within four hours, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton, in an e-mail to the entire University community, expressed his concern for the victims, their families, and friends, as well as for University community members concerned about the well-being of family and friends.

The EnCouncil began shuttling student volunteers to local emergency blood drives. As a result of their efforts, combined with those of several other student groups, University students were responsible for 25 percent of blood donated in the St. Louis area that day.

In following days, there were many related events, including fundraisers, a peace rally, and a memorial service. The Olin School of Business also offered a Web site for School alumni to retrieve and post information about the welfare of alumni from New York City and Washington, D.C.

Alumna Catherine Jaffe Chirils, A.B. ’75, died in the World Trade Center attack.) He also announced many steps taken to support the campus community. He encouraged all to show respect for others, and said regular updates would be provided on the University Web site (www.wustl.edu).

Max Holtz, senior at Clayton (Mo.) High School, talks with volunteer Amanda Schonhof as he donates blood September 12 in a community—University blood drive held in Mallinckrodt Student Center.

Rising to the Occasion

Freshman outside hitter Colleen Winter (left) has helped the volleyball team post a 32-6 record. She was selected as the American Volleyball Coaches Association Division III national player of the week September 10-16. The Bears have won 14 of the 15 University Athletic Association championships, including the last 13 in a row, and boast an all-time UAA record of 170-3.

Genes Influence Effectiveness of Medicines

Scientists at the School of Medicine and the University of Southern California are collaborating on a major new research effort to better understand how a person’s genes influence the effectiveness of medicines he or she takes.

Principal investigator is Howard L. McLeod, associate professor of medicine, of molecular biology and pharmacology, and of genetics at the medical school and an investigator with the University’s Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center and Barnes-Jewish Hospital. The project is funded through a four-year, $6.6 million grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences.

Heinz-Josef Lenz, associate professor of medicine at USC’s Keck School of Medicine and that school’s lead investigator, says USC aims to use molecular markers to tailor chemotherapy for each patient. Findings will apply to cancer and other diseases.

McLeod and his colleagues will focus mainly on “individualized medicine”—how to identify the best choice of medication for each patient.

The “Home Plate” program, initiated by Risa Zwerling Wrighton, the chancellor’s wife, and originally designed to help freshmen find a family environment on campus, was in light of the tragedy, expanded to include all undergraduate students. In the program, participating students are paired with host families, who offer a home-cooked meal and talk around the table at least three times a year.

On the academic side, several faculty presented related lectures on Osama bin Laden, the Taliban, and Afghanistan. Others were quoted by media worldwide on subjects such as terrorism as a weapon and emotional aftereffects of disasters. (See faculty comments on pages 12-13 and 48-49.)

Chancellor Wrighton also thanked all for making Washington University a safe and caring community free from hatred and injustice. (See page 10.)

Hotel for Medical Center

A new 224-room, 8-story hotel at the Washington University Medical Center is in design stages. To be built adjacent to the parking garage of the Center for Advanced Medicine, on Forest Park Avenue, it will provide visitors, patients, and their families with convenient access to the Medical Center and will be designed to meet their special health-care needs. Marriott will manage the facility, projected to open in July 2003.
**SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT**

**Grows by Millions**


African-American and financially disadvantaged students nationwide will have the opportunity to apply for scholarships at one of the country’s premier universities thanks to a $25 million donation Enterprise Rent-A-Car Company has pledged to Washington University. This gift, which will endow a permanent fund, is the largest ever made for undergraduate scholarships in the University’s history and will establish the Enterprise Rent-A-Car Endowed Scholarship Fund. Scholarship recipients will be known as Enterprise Rent-A-Car Scholars.

“The Enterprise Rent-A-Car gift is the largest the University has ever received for undergraduate scholarship support, and it guarantees that a minimum of 30 to 40 deserving students will be able to attend Washington University as undergraduates each year,” says Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton. “The gift will provide scholarships that will continue in perpetuity.”

Each year, half of the Enterprise Fund’s earnings will go to African-American students who will be selected based on criteria established by the University’s John B. Ervin Scholars Program.

Andrew C. Taylor (left), Enterprise Rent-A-Car chairman and chief executive officer and University trustee, talks with Mrs. Jane Ervin, widow of Dr. John B. Ervin, and Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton at a luncheon following the announcement of Enterprise Rent-A-Car Company’s $25 million gift to the University. Each year, half of the Enterprise Fund’s earnings will go to African-American students who will be selected based on criteria established by the University’s John B. Ervin Scholars Program.

Taylor also says that he; his sister, Jo Ann Taylor Kindle, Enterprise Rent-A-Car Foundation president; and their father, Jack C. Taylor, chairman emeritus of Enterprise and a longtime friend of Washington University, initiated the gift to support a “world-class university located in Enterprise’s hometown of St. Louis.” The Taylor family strongly believes that the strength and overall excellent reputation of Washington University serves as a magnet to attract talented individuals to the St. Louis region. Both Jack and Andy Taylor serve on the University’s Board of Trustees, and Jack attended Washington University prior to serving in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

Accepting the Enterprise gift on October 19, 2001, Chancellor Wrighton said, “The Taylors are great citizens of our community in so many ways. Their company’s gift to the University demonstrates Enterprise Rent-A-Car’s commitment to expanding opportunities for deserving young scholars from throughout our society to attend Washington University.”

Founded in 1957, Enterprise Rent-A-Car is the largest rental car company in North America, with nearly 4,800 offices located throughout the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, and Ireland.

The Enterprise gift supports the Campaign for Washington University. One of the major objectives of the Campaign is to raise $175 million in new scholarships and fellowships for students.
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After September 11, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton sent a series of e-mail messages to the campus community to calm fears and to send thanks for campus-wide efforts. In the message from September 28, he said:

Today, more than two weeks since the events in New York City and Washington, D.C., the Washington University community continues to direct its thoughts, prayers, and actions toward the victims of this national tragedy, as well as to their families and friends.

Thank you, once again, for making Washington University a safe and caring community. We have all seen many examples, both on our television sets and right here in St. Louis, of the heroic actions of men and women who have answered the call for help and assistance. Thanks to all of you who have donated your time, your blood, and your money to help those in need.

Thank you also for going out of your way to make Washington University a community free from hatred and injustice, and for respecting all of our students, faculty, and staff, especially those from Arabic and Muslim backgrounds. At such a time as this, unity within our own community is one of the strongest messages we can send to the world.

To keep informed on all the activities and services available on campus in the aftermath of this tragedy, I want to direct your attention to our newly created Web site: http://wupa.wustl.edu/tragedy/.

Thank you once again for all that you have done and are doing to make Washington University a great place to live, work, and study.

Graham Chapel was a quiet place for reflection the week after the attacks.
As the horror of the attacks continues, we must remember that the public health impact of this attack will not end when the bodies are buried. The psychiatric effects of disasters can last much longer.

For several years, my colleagues and I have studied the survivors of disasters. We've worked with victims of floods, tornadoes, mass shootings, plane crashes, earthquakes, and the bombings in Oklahoma City and at the U.S. embassies in East Africa. We've learned many things. For one, people with a history of psychiatric illness are the most vulnerable to psychiatric problems following a disaster. And the most common psychiatric disorder is post-traumatic stress disorder. This is very treatable if we are vigilant about getting help for those with symptoms.

People closer to a disaster are more likely to be affected by it. But just as a pebble tossed into water continues to make concentric waves, a disaster can prompt people with no immediate connection to feel strong emotions—sadness, anger, or upset.

Whether we were running for our lives in New York's financial district or just watching the events unfold on TV, most were deeply affected by this disaster. But it's important to know that having such symptoms as intrusive images of the disaster in our minds or sleep problems is not the same thing as developing a psychiatric illness. To have post-traumatic stress disorder, symptoms must persist for at least a month.

We've learned from studies—particularly from survivors of the direct bomb blast in Oklahoma City—that most people need time to process grief and anger before moving on. But some develop avoidance and numbing symptoms, which include not wanting to think about the disaster, feeling

To Defeat the Terror, Fight the Hate

America's War on Terrorism

By Victor T. Le Vine

In 1986, the Osama bin Laden part was played by Moammar Khadafy. After the Libyan leader killed our citizens in acts of terrorism, President Ronald Reagan declared a holy war against him, sought a global alliance of righteous nations, summoning all our might against the common evil. On the theological front, Reagan convoked a White House conference on Armageddon. On the military front, he sent our F-111s to bomb Tripoli, Benghazi, and Khadafy's home and headquarters. We missed Khadafy, killed his adopted daughter, and provoked enormous anger throughout the Muslim world. Khadafy took his revenge in 1988 by having Pan-Am Flight 103 bombed over Lockerbie, Scotland.

My point is not simply to suggest the eerie similarity with the apocalyptic language from the White House, but to offer that earlier Crusade (a word that sends shivers down Arab and Muslim spines) as a cautionary lesson for those planning the current effort. What we failed to appreciate in 1986, and what we may again overlook to our chagrin, is the depth of anti-Western and anti-American hatred on the street in the Muslim world, and the scope and strength of Islamic militancy and radicalism arrayed against us.

First, all that hatred isn't simply a product of the Arab-Israeli conflict, or of our support for Israel, or of alleged American international sins of commission or omission. These are part of the larger picture of
post-traumatic stress disorder 94 percent of the time.

While television may give adults a surreal sense of distance during a disaster like this, the events can be more immediate for kids. Children are carefully attuned to their adult caregivers, so if you’re upset, they may be, too. Remember, when you explain your feelings to children, do it in a manner that’s consistent with their level of development. It does no good to talk about the intricacies of terrorism with a very young child. “Some people died, and I’m sad,” would probably be a better approach. Younger children especially need information to reassure them that they are safe. [2]

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anti-Western animosity and are frequently used as excuses for violence against us. They do not, in any case, explain the suicide bombers or the horrors of September 11.

Second, we need to recognize that there is no uniform reaction to us on the street in Muslim countries: We may be envied and emulated on one street and reviled on another. Anti-American demonstrations—particularly when TV cameras are present—can be staged in one locale, erupt spontaneously in another. While there is a reservoir of goodwill and sympathy for us throughout the Muslim world, especially after September 11, so, too, are there strong currents of anti-American feeling. Membership is growing in terrorist groups as well as in radical and militant Islamist groups, particularly in colleges and universities. Anti-American, anti-Western, and anti-Semitic literature is increasingly available from Cairo to Jakarta. And the popularity of hate-mongering fundamentalist teachers and preachers is widespread.

Some governments (Libya, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Sudan) are as much sponsors of anti-Western, anti-American propaganda as they are of terrorist groups. These regimes feed the popular currents of hate within and outside their own borders. Osama bin Laden, a symbol of virulent anti-Americanism and at one time preacher, organizer, and sponsor of terrorism, apparently found willing hosts for his network—and sympathetic ears for his message—in at least 50 countries, including the United States.

Third, the purveyors of hate find ready resonance in 200 years of accumulated anger and resentment against the West’s continued domination of the Muslim world and the humiliation of its people in repeated defeats at Western hands. Israel—characterized as an evil partner in the “Zionist-Crusader Alliance”—is seen as the modern vanguard of that unwelcome Western presence and hated all the more because all Arab efforts to eliminate it have failed. Given the street’s anger at the Muslim world’s own homegrown tyrants and the general misery of its masses, plus the steady stream of religiously inspired invective against America, Israel, and the West, it is hardly surprising that recruits for “martyrdom” are so readily found on the streets and in the madrasas (religious schools). These people see themselves as heroic catalysts of an apocalypse that will not only destroy their enemies, but usher in their version of God’s kingdom.

That we are again embarked on a campaign to root out terrorism is judgment enough on the failure of the 1986 effort and a warning that unless we try to understand the complex forces we face today, we will fail again. As the suicide bombers are deluded about their effect on history, so may be our faith in the outcome of yet another call to stave off Armageddon. I hope we have not promised ourselves and the world more than we can deliver, and that we will only act after the most careful and fullest appreciation of what is before us. [3]

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A few months after her first birthday, Karra Thompson came down with a fever. Although she recently had taken her first steps, she limped when she tried to walk. Her fever spiked dangerously the next day, and her mother, Venus Kent, rushed her to St. Louis Children's Hospital. Twenty-year-old Kent, who also had a 1-month-old son, waited alone that night on the ninth floor of St. Louis Children's Hospital, wondering what was wrong with her daughter and if she would survive. The next day, doctors delivered the news: Thompson had sickle cell disease.

"I didn't know what it was," Kent says. "I didn't know what I was headed for. It didn't sink in that my life wasn't like other young mothers' anymore because my daughter was chronically ill."

For most of her life, Thompson, now a ninth-grader at Central Visual and Performing Arts High School, has had excruciating,
throb orring pain in her arms and legs. About once a month, they hurt so much that she lands in the hospital—sometimes for as long as a week. She’s missed countless days of school.

“When I’m sick, I can’t walk, I can’t go outside. I really don’t even eat a lot,” Thompson says. She has been teased by other children, who sometimes wonder if her disease is contagious or why she has to attend school in a wheelchair. And she has been limited socially. “I really don’t have a lot of friends because I’m always sick,” says Thompson, who dreams of becoming a gospel singer.

Thompson recently has had fewer painful episodes because of a new medication, but last year, she had to have her right hip joint replaced. She underwent surgery in 1999 because a bone in her right arm was infected.

“This is definitely hard,” Kent says. “Especially when there is nothing you can do except pray a lot and say soothing words.”

Thompson and about 500 other children in St. Louis battle sickle cell disease, a genetic blood disorder a child can inherit when both parents carry the sickle cell gene. The African-American community is greatly affected. In the United States, one in every 400 African-American newborns has the disease.

The disorder causes some red blood cells to become sickle shaped and clog small blood vessels, obstructing blood flow to vital organs. Children with the disease—who can only expect to live until their mid-40s—often experience sudden, severe joint pain; have progressive lung, kidney, and liver damage; and are at an increased risk of having a stroke.

But children with sickle cell disease have a formidable ally: Michael R. DeBaun, assistant professor of pediatrics and of biostatistics at the School of Medicine. Since joining Washington University in 1996, DeBaun has been on a mission to help these children.

“I saw a group of kids who were up against the odds, and no one was really championing their cause,” DeBaun says.

In 1997, DeBaun started the Sickle Cell Disease Medical Treatment and Education Center at the School of Medicine and St. Louis Children’s Hospital. The center has a multidisciplinary team that includes a hematologist, a neurologist, a neuroradiologist, and a neuropsychologist. It also is the only site in this region that combines research, patient care, and education.

As part of the Sickle Cell Center, DeBaun also started an area summer camp (the only one of its kind in the St. Louis area) for children with sickle cell disease and helped establish a program with the American Red Cross Missouri-Illinois area (for which the organization awarded him a 2001 National Diversity Outreach Award) to increase the number of African-American blood donors—children who’ve suffered a stroke may require monthly blood transfusions.

Before their 14th birthday, 20 percent of
children with this disease will suffer a silent stroke—one with no visible signs. The strokes occur in a section of the brain that controls cognitive skills, so they have problems with attention, language, memory, and problem solving. The telltale sign they have had a silent stroke is that they start failing in school.

In the past, many of these kids were not identified; after failing a grade, they got discouraged and dropped out of school.

"Typically, these kids have fallen between the cracks," DeBaun says.

DeBaun's clinical research focuses on this group of children. He is trying to best identify children who have had silent strokes, the risk factors for strokes, and the best way to help affected children catch up at school.

"It was not a well-recognized problem in the medical community," says Michael J. Noetzel, associate professor of neurology and pediatrics, and the neurologist at the Sickle Cell Center. "Michael has brought this problem to the forefront not only in the greater St. Louis area but also nationally."

If a student starts having problems in school, it is a sign that further tests are needed. DeBaun arranges for the child to have a brain MRI. Robert C. McKinstry III, assistant professor of neuroradiology and the center's neuroradiologist, interprets the MRI to see if a silent stroke has occurred.

If it has, the center's neuropsychologist Desiree A. White, assistant professor of psychology in Arts & Sciences, tests the child's cognitive abilities. "We use a lot of the tests that a clinical neuropsychologist would use to assess any child with brain damage," White says.

She sends the child's school a cognitive report that helps teachers know the student's strengths and challenges. "We want to empower the families to solicit the school district to get the best educational resources for children once we know their strengths and weaknesses," DeBaun says. "This is a very important part of what we do. Sixty percent of the children with silent strokes will be detained a grade or need special education. Who ensures they will get what they need?"

DeBaun's colleagues describe him as determined and inquisitive. "Michael DeBaun is terrific to work with," White says. "He is always on the move and always looking for opportunities to try to help these kids."

And his drive inspires those who work with him. "He is consumed by this quest to offer children with sickle cell disease hope, and it's infectious," McKinstry says. "You know he's doing the right thing, and you're willing to make personal sacrifices to help him achieve this goal."

DeBaun also has a close relationship with his patients and their families, and many parents feel as if he cares about more than just their child's medical condition. "He's awesome," says Cynthia Harmon, whose daughter, Alexandria, is one of DeBaun's patients. "He's brought something really special to all of the kids here [at the center]."

DeBaun grew up in University City, the son of a McDonnell Douglas employee and an elementary school teacher at Montessori Euclid School. DeBaun's close-knit family gave him a strong sense of self. He also believes his enthusiasm for life began at home.

He attended St. Louis University High School, where he learned an outstanding code of discipline. While in high school, DeBaun decided to become a physician. He was heavily influenced by his pediatrician, Helen Nash, a well-known St. Louis physician who cared for his family. "She was the only powerful figure that I knew," DeBaun says. "I always admired her. She was at the vanguard for children's health issues in St. Louis."

He then attended Howard University as an undergraduate, attended medical school at Washington University in St. Louis, and is now in his final year of residency training at Washington University in St. Louis, where he is training to become a pediatrician. He is committed to providing the best care for children with sickle cell disease and other hematologic disorders. He is also committed to helping families navigate the challenges of caring for children with these diseases.
Stanford University, and returned to St. Louis in 1987 for a pediatric residency, chief residency, and fellowship in pediatric hematology/oncology at the School of Medicine. During his fellowship, DeBaun began studying strokes in children with sickle cell disease.

He then decided to pursue a master's degree in public health from Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, receiving the degree in 1993, as well as an epidemiology fellowship at the National Cancer Institute for three years.

DeBaun was recruited to the School of Medicine in 1996 as an assistant professor of pediatrics. "Michael DeBaun is a fine clinical scientist, as recognized by his receipt of the very competitive Doris Duke Clinical Scientist Award," says William A. Peck, executive vice chancellor for medical affairs and dean of the School of Medicine. "His work has led to enhanced understanding of the complications of sickle cell disease. He is a great representative of Washington University and a wonderful individual."

DeBaun attributes much of his success to the support he has received from his wife of 15 years (and friend of 20), Sandra Alsup DeBaun. "A large part of my professional accomplishments are a direct reflection of our partnership," he says. "Sandra is an unselfish, silent member of the team. Although I work seven days a week, our home life remains stable for our children, Malcolm (14) and Morgan (11). What's more, her encouragement for me to persevere despite the odds and the obstacles has kept me on course. She is the reason that I can pursue my passion without hesitation."

Parents whose children are treated at the Sickle Cell Center hope researchers will one day find a cure for this devastating disease. In the meantime, having DeBaun care for their children gives them some comfort. "I took Karra to the Sickle Cell Center, and my life has been better for two years," Kent says. "That's because Dr. DeBaun took an interest in Karra, and he still does. Every time I think about him, it's with such warmth and admiration for the things he has done for us. My daughter and I tear up when we talk about him."

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Washington University was one of the first institutions of higher education to start a program in women's studies in 1972. Over the last three decades, the interdisciplinary program has grown and garnered support from a broad spectrum of faculty. Today, the program has a named professorship and a call to lead the discussion of global feminist and gender issues in the new century.

In a variety of ways, the word "crossroads" seems to describe the Women's Studies Program at Washington University. Consider:

- The program is moving from strength to strength. Nurtured for years under the inspired stewardship of Helen Power, senior lecturer, the program has a new coordinator, Linda J. Nicholson. An internationally respected scholar, Nicholson holds the Susan E. and William P. Stiritz Distinguished Professorship in Women's Studies and History. The endowed chair, first filled with Nicholson's appointment in January 2000, is itself unusual in women's studies and has brought new national attention to the University.
- This thoroughly interdisciplinary program exists at the intersection of many academic endeavors. "Women's studies is a subject that's of great interest to faculty across disciplines," observes Edward S. Macias, executive vice chancellor and dean of Arts & Sciences. "When I talk to new faculty we hire, many of them want to do something that would be related to gender and women's studies." And it extends beyond Arts & Sciences: Women's studies classes consistently enroll students from all five of the University's undergraduate divisions.
- The discipline is at a crossroads as well, Nicholson says. Many scholars are coming to believe that really to study women means studying men as well and the dynamic between women and men. Hence the growing use of the term "gender studies." Though there's concern that this trend could blur the discipline's feminist focus, Nicholson believes it is
Rachel Roth, assistant professor of political science and women's studies, teaches Introduction to Women's Studies. In class, students (right) examine major topics in women's lives and in the development of feminist theories.

Possible to broaden its scope without diminishing its impact in achieving feminist goals. "We want to see how gender structures the social order in significant and powerful ways," she argues.

And the University's program, one of the first in the country, began at a cultural crossroads, when Western society was re-examining old understandings and moving in new directions.

Feminism, of course, was not new. As Nicholson points out, interest in women's issues has ebbed and flowed for two centuries. But with the movement's re-emergence in the 1960s came new impetus for scholarship, and Joyce Trebilcot, then a WU philosophy professor, and others founded the program here in 1972.

In 1983 Trebilcot recruited Power, who was teaching English, to teach a women's literature course. "I never had such a responsive class," recalls Power, who was quickly hooked. In 1983 she became the program's associate coordinator, taking over as coordinator in 1992.

During those years, Power, M.A. '64, Ph.D. '66, observed—and fostered—dramatic changes. "The program is much larger now," she notes. "It's increasingly accepted by a broad spectrum of the faculty, and it's increasingly accepted by parents." The discipline does encounter occasional resistance: She recalls with wry good humor an improbable question from one dismayed mother, who asked her, "How would you feel if your daughter decided to major in women's studies?"

But that resistance is evaporating in a discipline with an enviable record of placing its graduates in good jobs, from women-related agencies like Planned Parenthood to medicine, law, academia, and more.

To watch these changes from the inside has clearly been exciting for Power. But perhaps just as thrilling has been observing students experience those "Eureka!" moments when they grasp new truth. "It's exciting to introduce students to ideas they had never thought of—to make them look at the world in a whole new way, and stop and analyze their lives," she muses.

She recalls a young man in one of her introductory courses who read first the writings of Betty Friedan and then a criticism of Friedan by black feminist bell hooks, who challenged Friedan's white, middle-class assumptions. The student returned to class stunned. "I can't believe I was so taken in by Betty Friedan," he told Power sheepishly.

She remembers teaching a course in popular culture and finding the students "just overwhelmed at the ways they could analyze movies, and the ways they could look at the presentation of information in the popular press. That," she acknowledges, "has been very gratifying."

Certainly one of the most important achievements during her years as coordinator was the new professorship, set up in 1998. Susan Stiritz, M.A. '68, Ph.D. '01, was so inspired by Power's teaching that she and her husband, then chairman of the board of Ralston Purina and now chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Agribands International, endowed the chair. William Stiritz also issued a challenge grant for ongoing program support.

Power says the gift has changed the program dramatically. "Bringing an internationally known scholar in women's studies like Linda Nicholson to the University gives us the sort of gravitas we did not have before," Power says.

Nicholson graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and earned master's (1970) and doctoral (1975) degrees from Brandeis University. In 1974 she took a position at the University of Albany, New York, where she remained until moving to the University.

Nicholson is widely published—35 chapters and articles, many repeatedly reprinted; numerous reviews; two of her own books, and 37 volumes edited. She has given scores of scholarly presentations throughout North America and Europe. She has been a residential
fellow at Harvard Divinity School, a National Endowment for the Humanities scholar, and a Rockefeller Foundation humanist-in-residence at Duke University. She serves on the editorial boards of four leading journals in history, philosophy, and women's studies.

So "gravitas" seems an appropriate word when gauging her impact at Washington University—not, however, to be confused with "grave" in describing this engaging woman with a contagious laugh and a seemingly ir­pressible sense of humor.

Nicholson taught for three semesters before taking over as coordinator of the program. With a lot of her time devoted now to administrative work, "the trick," she says, "is not giving up on research."

She is working on her third book, tentatively titled Identity Before and After Identity Politics. A formidable combination of historian and philosopher, Nicholson is examining the history of three important ideas in modern society—race, the "male-female distinction," and sexual orientation.

"Since the 1960s, there's been a lot of political and social turmoil around these ideas," she explains. "I'm trying to understand why these social movements came alive in the '60s. They're consequences of some very important changes, contradictions, conflicts fermenting for a long time, but they took a new turn in the '60s. They became much more self-conscious about issues of identity."

These groups, she argues, began to focus on who they were as groups rather than how to assimilate into the dominant culture, and to think about their own specific needs as a consequence of who they were: "what it meant, for instance, to be a woman," she explains, "and how being a woman really made it difficult to get what they needed."

Why did these three groups—African-Americans, women, and gays and lesbians—take this turn? she wondered. In her research, she's come across some tantalizing ideas. Other immigrant groups in the early 20th century—Italians and Jews, for instance—managed to assimilate because they became "deracialized." "They got culture," she says with a grin. Their "differences" came to be understood as functions not of biology but of culture or ethnicity. But the possibilities for assimilation were much more remote for blacks, women, and gays, because the distinctions seemed so much more pronounced and so much more biological in nature.

Work on the book continues. Her fascination with the topic reflects a broader scholarly interest in the ways concepts function historically and the political and social consequences of their use. One concept she has looked at is "the traditional family," which her research revealed to be a myth. She reported her findings in a chapter of the 1997 book Feminism and Families.

Work on the program continues as well. Nicholson is pleased with what she and Power have been able to accomplish so far. "We strengthened the major last year," she notes. "We stiffened the requirements and made it more demanding." The program also has added three half-time junior faculty.

What's ahead for women's studies? Power hopes to see the discipline expand into other fields. "It will be very significant when there are more feminist economists," she says. "How would we figure out our GNP if we factored in all of our domestic labor? And when we look at Africa, where most of the farm work is done by women, how do we figure out what we mean by the labor market?"

Power believes that feminism must guard against losing its edge. "The movement has to keep pressing," she says. "If the Senate and the House keep adding women at the current rate, it will be several hundred years until we reach parity." And in England, she observes with deep irony, there are nine bars for members of Parliament—and not one day-care center.

Nicholson says the movement has already taken "a long walk through the institutions," addressing many important problems. "But there's still so much that needs to be done," she adds. Feminism is tackling global issues like water access, for instance, and the spread of HIV/AIDS.

The long walk through the institutions continues.
STUDENTS ADD Service First TO SCHEDULES

By Teresa A. Nappier

Introducing first-year students to volunteering in the community, the Office of Student Activities sponsors a special event that helps students start the new semester on the right foot.

University students creatively beautified school environments at area elementary schools. (Above) At Patrick Henry Elementary, students created a colorful hopscotch on the playground, and (left) at Hempstead Elementary, they painted classroom chairs.
Saying goodbye to summer, first-year students say hello to a new academic year—to a new educational experience. Part of this experience is the opportunity to reach out to others during a day of community service. Taking place over Labor Day weekend, Service First is a campus-wide event that gives first-year students an introduction to the importance of service in their lives as members of the Washington University community.

The third annual Service First was held on Saturday, September 1, and brought together volunteers to help area elementary schools prepare for the new academic year. Participating were more than 750 students, including 650 first-year students, 30+ resident advisors (RAs), and some upper-class students who returned from previous years. More than 150 faculty and staff members, along with their spouses and children, helped throughout the day.

To start, nine teams loaded buses around 12:30 p.m. and headed to their destinations to spend the afternoon beautifying classrooms, libraries, and school grounds. At Mitchell Elementary, for example, WU students created a mural in the kindergarten class and cleaned the grounds, and at Froebel Elementary, students painted murals in the halls about good nutrition. At Hempstead, students painted maps on the playground and painted chairs, and at Patrick Henry, students painted the playground as well as covered 30 bulletin boards inside.

"The University supplies all the necessary materials, but the principals are essential partners in creating ideas to brighten their schools and engaging our students in conversation about their school and neighborhood," says Stephanie Kurtzman, coordinator for women’s programs and community service, and chair of Service First. "Some schools want us to touch up old murals, some want new murals, some want welcome-back bulletin boards, and some want outdoor work done.

"Last year at Clark Elementary, our students stuffed backpacks with school supplies, which were then given to each child as a welcome-back gift. The principal had worked with members of the community to get the backpacks and supplies donated. Our students were really touched by the community’s commitment to the school," says Kurtzman. "Service First tries to teach our students something about the community in which they now live. If we at the University can do anything, we want to increase our students’ level
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Delmar-Harvard Elementary is just north of the University. Here, WU students painted bear paws, spelling out the school's name, on the sidewalk that leads to the area where children line up every morning: room numbers were painted in bear paws as well. WU volunteers also painted fences, hung colorful kites in the hallways, and affixed labels to books to complete the bar-coding system in the library.

Victoria Gonzalez-Rubio, principal at Delmar-Harvard (K-5), says, "Our library was automated last year, but all the books still needed to be bar coded. It would have taken a long time for two or three people to do it, plus our children are too young to help. We placed 35 University students in the library, and they matched the titles to the bar-codes and affixed the labels—all in just a few hours. Now, we will be completely automated at the beginning of the year."

**Spirit of Service**

University students from all over the world come together to help these public schools in St. Louis. The experience creates a common bond among the students.

"In my high school, I did a lot of service and I miss doing it. My RA told me about this, so I signed up," says Barbara Moran, a first-year student from El Salvador. "Plus, I miss home and serving others helps fill that empty space. This is a good way to get started in a routine."

Ryan DePuit, a first-year student from Manlius, New York, says, "My RA told me about it, too, and I thought it would be a good idea to get involved in the community. Since I am not from anywhere around here, I thought it would be good to meet other students and learn about the neighborhood around campus."

Kurtzman says that one of the goals of the program is to encourage students to consider themselves part of the St. Louis community. "We want students to know that the St. Louis community gives something to us, so we have a duty to give something back," she says. "We also hope that this engages them in a lifetime of community service. Although we don't expect one day to be a life-changing experience, we hope it will be an introduction to the power of giving to others."

Brooke Bagnall, a junior from North Carolina and a resident advisor in DePuit's dormitory, served as a
student leader this year. She had participated in Service First when she was a first-year student and has since volunteered with STONE Soup, a University group that helps feed the hungry in St. Louis. And she says that she would like to do more service projects in the future.

For students like Bagnall, DePuit, and Moran—those who want to make serving others a regular part of their college experience—Service First provides them with information about many on- and off-campus service organizations. Returning to the South 40 in the evening after the day’s work is finished, participants are invited to a barbecue and service fair.

“The barbecue is a celebration to bring everyone back together and to recognize the hard work they have done,” says Kurtzman. “The community service fair is for the student who says: ‘I had a great day; I want to do more. How can I?’ We have it ready-made for them. The fair features our on-campus community service organizations and social justice groups, and more than 40 off-campus agencies.”

The barbecue and service fair are a fitting end to a special day—where everyone comes together in a spirit of community to celebrate a common purpose. The entire event, in fact, is a collaborative effort with support coming from many on- and off-campus groups and companies. Such support confirms a belief in WU students and in the area public schools.

Through their volunteer efforts, the students achieve something special—brightening elementary schools and helping create happy, healthy learning environments for many children. And by engaging students in community issues and guiding them toward a lifetime of responsible citizenship, the University hopes the benefits will go even further.

Teresa A. Nappier is the editor of this magazine.
Drawing on many years' experience in biotechnology, engineering, and entrepreneurship, Robert J. Calcaterra is leading the Nidus Center for Scientific Enterprise—a St. Louis business incubator created to develop successful start-ups and companies in the life sciences.

by Janni Simner

If not for a dedicated physics teacher, Robert J. Calcaterra might never have gotten beyond his Lincoln, Nebraska, hometown. The once-mediocre high school student recalls his teacher's advice: "You're a much better student than that. Quit messing around and get your act together." Calcaterra took the words to heart, and soon he was taking advanced math and science courses as a result of that teacher's recommendations.

In the years that followed, he proved just how much better he was, first as an engineer for Monsanto, Coors, and Amoco, then as a renowned expert on technology incubators, which are committed to creating thriving businesses from promising ideas. Calcaterra recently took over as president and CEO of St. Louis' new Nidus Center for Scientific Enterprise, where he's helping transform St. Louis into the nation's "biobelt."

After graduating from high school, Calcaterra earned bachelor's and master's degrees in chemical engineering from the University of Nebraska, becoming the first in his family to obtain an advanced degree. "Engineering was exciting to me," he says of his career choice. "I was very interested in building things and creating things."

After college he moved to St. Louis to accept a position at Monsanto. At first he was a group leader in the design of fiber manufacturing plants (such as nylon), but his commitment to building and creating soon led him to research and development. "The exciting thing [about R&D] is that you start with a sheet of blank paper." Calcaterra spent the late 1960s working with biochemists, microbiologists, and organic chemists to transform that blank paper into numerous products, including an enzyme that made Tide® laundry detergent more effective. "That's how I broke into biotechnology," he says, adding that at the time the field still "had a little bit of black magic, a lot less ability to predict what was going to happen."

Calcaterra, D.Sc. '72, decided to deepen his own ability by entering Washington's engineering doctoral program. He fondly recalls playing intramural football with the chemical engineering faculty, some of whom were
Jennifer Davila-Aponte is a senior scientist for Divergence L.L.C. Divergence is a biotech research company using genomics and bioinformatics technologies to identify target genes in the control of parasitic nematodes. Divergence's focus is on plant and animal health.

not much older than he was. This camaraderie didn’t stop faculty members from taking their role seriously, though; they had recently decided to toughen degree standards, and Calcaterra was the first to take his oral comprehensive exam under the new guidelines. He froze and found himself unable to answer many questions. His professors’ words were familiar: “Bob, we know you can do better.” They asked him to come back in a year and retake the exam.

Subsequently, the faculty failed 12 students in a row, but when Calcaterra returned nine months later, he became the first to pass under the new requirements. He went on to complete his dissertation and earn his degree, working with department chair and adviser Eric Wager on ways to keep spacecraft re-entry shields from overheating.

With his doctorate complete, Calcaterra accepted a job in Illinois with Amoco. He worked first on a yeast fermentation project, then for the company’s department of Technology Forecasting and Assessment, making strategic decisions based on likely technological developments.

His knowledge of fermentation techniques led him next to Coors’ Boulder, Colorado, headquarters, where in the 1980s he took responsibility as director of research; the area grew from 30 employees to nearly 300. He was responsible for all brewing and container research, quality assurance, patents and licensing, and some engineering at the Coors plant.

After nine years Coors decided to reorganize, and Calcaterra chose to try something new. “I thought it might be fun to become an entrepreneur,” says Calcaterra, who began looking for work with a start-up company. A Boulder, Colorado, consortium approached him with a different idea. “They asked if I might be interested, instead of working with one company, in working with 15 or 20.” Intrigued, Calcaterra agreed—and took on the task of creating the Boulder Technology Incubator.

Like all business incubators, the Boulder endeavor selected entrepreneurs with promising ideas and helped them put top-notch management teams and business plans into place; it also provided guidance on investment strategies, patent protection, and fund-raising issues. The Boulder incubator focused primarily on the telecommunications, software, and hardware industries. So did the Arizona Technology Incubator, whose management Calcaterra started several years later. Then, in 1998, he was approached about returning to St. Louis—and to biotechnology.

The Nidus Center for Scientific Enterprise, funded by Monsanto, was part of a vision first articulated by William Danforth, chancellor emeritus of Washington University; Peter Raven, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden; and Virginia Weldon, retired senior vice president of public policy for Monsanto. They realized that St. Louis, located at the geographic heart of most of the nation’s crop production, was well-positioned to become a world center for plant science and biotechnology, or a “biobelt.” At their initial urging, much of St. Louis has gotten behind both the Nidus Center and the new Danforth Plant Science Center.

For Calcaterra, this community support was part of the Nidus Center’s appeal. “The more I saw of the commitment the St. Louis community has to the center, the more interested I became.” He returned to the Midwest in 1999 and immediately began asking the same question he’d asked as an engineer: “I said, ‘Okay, we have a blank sheet of paper—now how are we going to do this?’”

The answer involved the help of everyone from St. Louis’ several universities to its Regional Chamber and Growth Association. Thanks to the local community, Calcaterra has helped others establish three venture capital funds for the life science community, though none existed when he arrived.

In January 2000, the center officially opened its doors. By the end of 2001, six companies will have moved in. Those companies are working on everything from medical image retention to improving cancer detection to drug delivery, as well as from transgenic crops to stopping nematodes that attack crops. Calcaterra and Nidus’ board seek would-be companies that can “do significantly better” than others have done. “We look for research that’s enabling, substantive, and unique, and well beyond where other researchers are. We’re not doing evolutionary things. We’re doing revolutionary things.”

In that context, the rewards for doing better go far beyond personal achievement. “The potential of helping people succeed here is very exciting,” Calcaterra says. “It’s work that truly can change the world.”

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Imagine making your bed one morning. Your hands move in well-rehearsed maneuvers. You have done this a thousand times. Your mind wanders. Perhaps you ruminate about your recent attempts to become pregnant, or about the frustrating and surreal maze of reproductive technology that has ensnared a few of your friends who desperately want babies.

Then something pulls you back into the moment. Your hand passes over a bump under the sheet. Perhaps you reach under and remove the sock or wad of tissue and soon forget about it as you go about your day.

If you are Elizabeth Graver, M.F.A.W. '90, you create from this forgettable moment an unforgettable, award-winning short story, titled "The Mourning Door." As someone who looks closely at the world, who is attentive, and who thinks hard about things, Graver wrings taut, detail-rich fiction from such inconsequential tidbits.

In "The Mourning Door," Graver transforms this very real moment from her life into a surreal and moving story about a woman, yearning to be pregnant, who finds small body parts around her old house and starts piecing together a boy child.
"I grew up in a literary home. There were books everywhere. We didn’t have a television until I was 13," says Elizabeth Graver.

"As a child, I had an incredibly strong fantasy life."

The story begins, "The first thing she finds is a hand. In the beginning, she thinks it’s a tangle of sheet or a wadded sock caught between the mattress, a bump the size of a walnut but softer, more yielding... She feels the bump in the bed the way she might encounter a new mole on her skin, or a scab that had somehow gone unnoticed, her hand traveling vaguely along her body until it stumbles, oh, what’s this?"

The title of the story comes from Graver’s own house, built in the late 1700s, which has a door with no outside stoop or steps. Supposedly, she says, "it was built for the cart to back up so the coffin could be carried away.

"My house feels like a character to me," Graver says. "But this was the first time I had written about it. 'The Mourning Door,' like a few of my other stories, came to me almost as a dream; in that way, it felt like a gift. I think the story deals with the question of creation and control and lack of control. When you’re trying to create a human life, it’s a process of having to surrender and not know if it’s going to work.”

In Graver’s case, it worked. A few weeks before “The Mourning Door” was published by the literary journal Ploughshares in the summer of 2000, she and her husband, Jim Pingeon, a civil rights lawyer, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Chloe. The story was subsequently selected as one of the year's best by the triad of anthologies for new fiction—Best American Short Stories 2001, Prize Stories: The O. Henry Awards 2001, and The Pushcart Prize XXVI. She also received Ploughshare’s Cohen Prize for best fiction published that year.

This story is only the latest of Graver’s work to be lauded. Her stories, novels, and creative nonfiction have earned numerous awards and been anthologized and translated into languages from Chinese to Hebrew. This success is the latest expression of Graver’s lifelong desire to be a writer. She was born in 1964 to parents who are English professors at Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts.

“I grew up in a literary home. There were books everywhere. We didn’t have a television until I was 13," she says. "As a child, I had an incredibly strong fantasy life. I spent major portions of my free time in pretend worlds. As I got older, writing was a way to live in those pretend worlds, particularly after I became too old to play pretend games without social embarrassment."

Graver attended Wesleyan University, where she majored in English and studied with the writer Annie Dillard. After graduation, she spent a year working in Boston as a free-lance writer and temporary secretary and another year teaching in France. In 1988, she was accepted into the M.F.A. program at Washington University and was awarded an Olin Fellowship. She was drawn to the program because of the reputation of its faculty writers, including Stanley Elkin, William Gass, and Howard Nemerov.

“The history of the writers there was important. And the fact that they gave me an Olin Fellowship meant I was nicely funded. After struggling for several years, I was ecstatic to have the luxury to just focus on my writing. It was an unbelievable gift,” she says.

During her first semester, Graver remembers that Elkin, known to be a tough but brilliant reader of student work, did not find much to like in her first story.
“He called it ‘black hole’ fiction—I think because he felt it sucked you in and didn’t have a center,” she says.

But Graver was undaunted. The ending of her next story, “Square Dance,” needed some tweaking, but Elkin offhandedly told her it was publishable. Soon after, Graver was walking down the hall when she saw a small, typed notice on a bulletin board in the English department. The defunct magazine Story, which had published writers such as Carson McCullers, Norman Mailer, and Truman Capote in the ’40s and ’50s, was beginning publication again and soliciting submissions. So she sent her story.

“Square Dance” was accepted for the inaugural issue. From that story, Graver found an agent, Richard Parks, who is still with her.

A year later, at age 25, Graver submitted a completed collection of short stories, titled Have You Seen Me?, to the prestigious Drue Heinz Literature Prize competition. Writer Richard Ford, the judge for that year’s competition, chose her collection for publication. At the time, Graver was the youngest recipient of the prize.

In 1991, Graver moved to Ithaca, New York, to enroll in Cornell University’s Ph.D. program in literature. She completed the course work, but her dissertation idea, about women and autobiography, kept feeling like it should be a novel. After receiving a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, she left Cornell and returned to Boston—to write a novel.

That novel, which became the critically praised Unravelling in 1997, found its initial seed in Civilizing the Machine: Technology and Republican Values in America, 1776–1900, a book she was assigned to read during her M.F.A. days at Washington University. From a description of girls parading before a textile mill, she found the beginnings of a story.

“I had a dream that I was a mill girl. First I wrote an odd little story about that dream, but it kept expanding and ultimately led to that novel. In some M.F.A. programs all you do is write, but at Washington University, I had some really good literature courses that also led me into my Ph.D. program and got me interested in the 19th century,” she says.

Unravelling was followed two years later by Graver’s second novel, The Honey Thief, each was named a New York Times Notable Book of the Year (in 1997 and 1999, respectively).

Currently, Graver is at work on her next novel, Night Light, and she teaches literature and writing at Boston College, although she took last year off to write and spend time with her daughter. The experience of early motherhood, like feeling a sock under the sheets, has perhaps already subtly found its way into Graver’s work.

“I think that maybe something about the slowness of time and the deep interest that babies show toward everything has been good for me. I’ve had a sense of lingering—the way you can sit with a 10-month-old in the backyard and look at blades of grass and pebbles and insects for an hour. In a weird way, that kind of slowing down in a world so filled with tumult and events and media and e-mail has been useful to me, and maybe to my writing as well,” she says.

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LEADING BY EXAMPLE

From museums to medical facilities, Harvey A. and Dorismae (A.B. '42) Friedman have worked tirelessly, and modestly, to help St. Louis institutions prosper. Their dedication extends to all schools of the University in creating a multidisciplinary Center for Aging.

When Harvey Friedman’s mother died, he and his wife, Dorismae, wanted to honor the memory of his parents with a gift to B’nai Amoona Synagogue in University City, Missouri. Harvey: “I always thought I’d like whatever I did to be anonymous, but the rabbi said that was the wrong way to do it.” Dorismae: “We were people of modest means, and he [the rabbi] said it would show other people in our category that they could do it, too.” Harvey: “Setting an example was never my intention.” Dorismae: “But that was Rabbi Lipnick’s advice.”

Harvey and Dorismae often complete each other’s sentences, as if thinking the same thoughts and taking turns speaking them. That’s not surprising—they will celebrate 60 years of marriage in 2003. They still follow the rabbi’s advice, yet continue to be hesitant to seek recognition for what they do.

While setting an example for others, they’re not inclined to copy what others do. “I was always trying to figure out things that hadn’t been done that needed to be done,” Harvey says, talking about his current campaign to establish a world-class Center for Aging at Washington University. “I never did get a kick out of following somebody else.”

Harvey’s interest in helping the aging began taking shape more than 30 years ago, when he diversified his business interests and formed a company to develop nursing homes and apartments and manage projects for the St. Louis Housing Authority and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. That involvement culminated in a project he named Castle Park, the old St. Vincent’s Hospital in north St. Louis County. Today, the Castle Park complex with its apartments for the elderly is on the National Register of Historic Places, and its park-like setting resembles a college campus.

The Friedmans’ concern for the aging continued to develop through Harvey’s service on the boards of the former Jewish Hospital and the Barnes-Jewish Hospital Foundation, and the chair they established in the School of Medicine. They are recognized by the University’s Eliot Society as Life Patrons for their generous support of a number of programs over the years.

The Friedmans have known each other since 5th grade but didn’t begin dating until Dorismae’s senior year in college. Dorismae, who was Homecoming Queen in 1941, graduated from Arts & Sciences in 1942. (She is co-chair of her 60th Class Reunion, which takes place this coming May.) Both entered Washington University in the fall of 1938, but Harvey withdrew to go to work. He was in the service during World War II when he and Dorismae married. They now have two daughters, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Harvey began a long career in business, forming Friedman Textile Company with his father in 1945. His experience soon brought him back to Washington University, this time to teach in University College. “That was a very rewarding experience for me,” Harvey says, but it ended in 1950, when he needed to travel frequently on behalf of his business.

“In 1961, I began developing and operating small shopping centers,” he says. International Super Stores (ISS) was a successor to Friedman Textile. He sold his interest in ISS in 1969, the same year he founded Medigroup, Inc., to develop and operate nursing homes and apartments.

He sold his interest in that company in 1980, after already adding banking to the list of businesses he was involved in. “I was a founder of the Bank of Ladue in 1974 and served on its board of directors until 1977, and when it was sold, I was elected to the Landmark Bancshares board and the board of Landmark Central Bank.” He became vice chairman of Landmark Bancshares and chairman of Landmark Central Bank in 1979, retiring in 1986.

His business experience translated well to community service, especially for two local institutions that were facing problems. First, the Missouri History Museum [the Jefferson Memorial in Forest Park] was deeply in debt and
about to be closed. Second, the Metropolitan Sewer District was in trouble with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and facing a federal takeover and huge daily fines.

"If the museum had closed, it would have meant that St. Louis would forfeit the Lindbergh trophies," Harvey says. As a trustee and the board's financial vice president, he successfully negotiated with the utility companies, got $85,000 from the city to pay the bills, and worked to include the building in the Zoo-Museum District.

The next challenge was the sewer district, also suffering from bad public relations. As board chairman, Harvey brought proponents and critics together to solve the major problems. "We made two sides one side," he says modestly. The district raised $432 million through a temporary surcharge to pay for the EPA-ordered improvements. "That was the largest amount ever raised by a Missouri political subdivision," Dorismae explains. In each case, Harvey did what he came to do, then moved on to another challenge.

The Saint Louis Art Museum also has benefited from the Friedmans' interest. "At the University," Dorismae says, "I took Professor George Mylonos' Introduction to the History of Art. It changed my whole life." She worked as a docent at the art museum for 15 years. In honor of Dorismae's birthday, Harvey endowed the Dorismae Friedman Docent Enrichment Fund and the James E. Burke Prize in Fine Arts. "We have an outstanding person in fine arts come in each year to give a free public lecture and then work with the docents on their specialties," she says. "The fund also allows docents to take trips for educational purposes."

The Friedmans' current focus is on Harvey's idea to bring together all of the University's research and programs on the aging under one center. The idea resonates with William A. Peck, executive vice chancellor and dean of the School of Medicine; John Morris, the Harvey A. and Dorismae Hacker Friedman Professor of Neurology and director of the center; and Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton, a strong advocate of interdisciplinary cooperation.

Dr. Morris says, "Harvey and Dorismae understood long ago that aging was an issue to be addressed in research and clinical programs. They have worked tirelessly to help the University address this issue in a coordinated fashion."

The Friedmans' Medical Center connection began when, working with the late Dr. Franz U. Steinberg, a pioneer in rehabilitation and geriatric medicine, they established a scholarship for nurses interested in working with the aged. Then, with the help of the late Dr. Paul Hagemann, Harvey says, "We established an annual prize for the physician in the St. Louis area who did the most to alleviate the problems of the aging." They went on to work with Dr. Peck, then chief of medicine at Jewish Hospital, to establish the Program on Aging there. Harvey was a member of the Council of the National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, for four years.

Last spring, to honor Harvey and Dorismae for all they are doing to make the Center for Aging a reality, the University established the annual Friedman Lectureship—recognition for the extraordinary example they set for others. (a)

—John W. Hansford
Building Bridges Between Alumni and the University

It's all about getting involved and staying involved.

Marie Prange Oetting, A.B. '49, 2001-2002 chair of the Alumni Board of Governors, wants every graduate to enjoy the rewards of activity in the Alumni Association. "It's important for all alumni to discover how much Washington University has to offer each of us, throughout our lives," she says.

"There is so much more to 'giving back' than just giving money," Oetting says. "Establishing and maintaining a strong relationship with the University enriches our lives beyond measure."

She knows what she's talking about. She and John R. Barsanti, Jr., B.S. '49, J.D. '52, have chaired each of their five-year reunions, and Oetting has served as overall chair of the undergraduate reunion program for more than 10 years. "Reunions are a wonderful way to revitalize ourselves," she says. "By bringing people together who shared a significant experience, we get a new sense of perspective on ourselves and our lives. It's exciting to meet wonderful people and friends we didn't know before, with whom we have so much in common."

Beyond renewing ties, Oetting points to all the ways alumni can benefit from continuing their participation in University life. "The Alumni Association is committed to finding a fulfilling role for each volunteer. It plans a path for you to participate in a way that you will enjoy and is meaningful to you."

Volunteering might involve working with prospective students through the Alumni and Parents Admission Program, or participating with other alumni in community service during the "Month of Caring." It could mean contributing your professional expertise to your school as a member of the school's national council, or welcoming undergraduates to your home for a student/alumni dinner.

Stimulating educational opportunities include faculty and alumni presentations sponsored by Washington University clubs in 40 cities worldwide, alumni travel programs to every part of the globe, as well as alumni seminars and lectures on campus. Each occasion provides the opportunity to meet outstanding faculty members and hear them speak on their fields of study.

Keeping up with the rapid pace of today's world, in early 2000 the University, with support from the Alumni Association, developed a new online alumni directory. Slightly more than one year later, more than 10,000 alumni are registered users, reconnecting with one another in this password-protected directory of more than 103,000 alumni. To register for the directory, head to alumni.wustl.edu with the 7-digit number that appears above your name on the mailing panel of this magazine and other University mailings.

In partnership with the Washington University Career Center, the Alumni Association also helped to orchestrate the January 2001 launch of "Career Connections," a valuable online career networking service for alumni, parents, and students. More than 5,000 volunteers have already registered to serve as resources and share information and advice about their careers and experiences.

Users can search the database by field of work, geographic location, and academic major.

All of these services offer exciting rewards and benefits while embracing the academic and service traditions of Washington University. The Alumni Board of Governors is dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the array of services the University offers its alumni, by fostering a lifetime commitment to learning, community outreach, and exploration.

Looking toward the future, Oetting is interested in strengthening relationships among the alumni, the various schools, and the Board of Governors, and finding ways they can assist one another. She has an ambitious agenda, which includes enhancing participation among recent graduates. "It's important to educate students about the benefits of a long-term relationship with the University," she stresses. "Strengthening Washington University ultimately increases the value of each graduate's
Around the country, more than 400 alumni and friends made their mark in community service projects during October as part of the “Month of Caring.” Sponsored by local Washington University alumni clubs in several cities, the projects benefited communities, provided a meaningful experience for volunteers, and honored the University’s tradition of service to society.

degree, and the personal rewards are just as great. The alumni who give back gain the most.”

Oetting knows that from personal experience. A native of St. Louis, her enthusiasm has fueled her lifelong career of volunteer service to the St. Louis community. She served 12 years on the board of the Charsles Home and for many years as a board member of Edgewood Children’s Home. Today, she is active on the boards of Eden Seminary and the Care and Counseling Center, as well as serving on the Friends Board of the Missouri Historical Society.

Her ties to Washington University are many. She and her childhood friend, William J. Oetting, B.S.B.A. ’47, J.D. ’49, attended the University together and married in 1950. Their younger son, James W. Oetting, B.S.A.M.C.S. ’76, was a member of the first class to graduate from the School of Engineering with a degree in computer science. She and her late husband supported the scholarship program for many years, and she recently endowed the William Julius and Marie Prange Oetting Scholarship.

In recognition of her outstanding service to Washington University and her devoted leadership for countless other worthy organizations, she received the University’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 1994. In 2001, Arts & Sciences also honored her with the Distinguished Alumni Award—given, most appropriately, on the occasion of her 52nd Washington University Reunion.

Two years ago, the Class of 1949 celebrated its 50th Reunion. “We were the first post-war class,” Oetting recalls, “and we were incredibly diverse in age and experience because of all the returning veterans. At our reunion, we decided to offer classmates a forum where the veterans could share their experiences and discuss the influence of their post-war education on their lives. With the challenges that face our nation today, I hope we all can share the inspiration these alumni found at Washington University.”

(Above) In St. Louis, young alumni assisted a Habitat for Humanity construction leader in building a new home. Since 1976, the nonprofit organization has built more than 100,000 affordable homes in more than 60 countries.


Alumni volunteers and friends helped celebrate L.A. Pride Day by painting homes for 12 families.
Lloyd H. Miller, BU 29, says, at 93-1/2, he still is able to correspond with one of his classmates about once a year.

Robert L. Jordan, EN 39, says his book, The Ronald Reagan Few People Knew, is on the Internet, and his book New Members of the Family, which provides tips on raising puppies, is available at 25,000 bookstores.

Mary Brannan Lewis, NU 43, is still living alone, has five grandchildren, and is busy with church and social activities.

Samuel L. Ettman, LA 50, retired Sept. 1, 2001, but he is continuing as a consultant for Mercy Laboratory Associates’ Reference Laboratory in Miami. He recently completed a 20-page bilingual manual, Mercy Minutes, for distribution in the Caribbean and Latin America.

Helen Marie Coleman, NU 52, GN 67, though saddened by the death of her friend Mary Holger, FA 52, in July 2000, aims to continue her genealogical research, writing, crafts, and family reunions.

George W. Mallett, FA 52, who retired in 1992 as head of the sculpture department of Georgia State University in Atlanta, had a recent exhibit at Trinity Gallery in Atlanta. Mallett, who has many works of sculpture in private and public collections, previously taught at Central Methodist College in Fayette, Mo., and at St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, Minn.

Walter May, EN 54, writes that while traveling in Cambodia, seven University alumni crossed paths. Walt, and his wife, Helen, LA 55, were traveling with friends Allan and Shirley Franz, BU 54 and LA 55, respectively. During breakfast they talked with diners at another table, which turned out to be University graduates Ken and Patricia Dauernheim, LA 60, and her husband, Ken, celebrated his second retirement with a cruise to Scotland and Ireland in August. In 1984, Ken retired after 26 years in the Air Force, as a lieutenant colonel, and in 2001, he retired after 16 years as personnel administrator for Miami-Dade Public Schools.

Adeline (Eden) Fain, LA 62, says she’s working with the 2002 Reunion Committee and doubts she should update her name. She says, “I’m still happily married and have the same address, but it’s time.”

Bruce Horwitz, MD 62, has run a marathon on every continent, including Antarctica. He and his wife, Jackie, LA 58, ran the first Marathon of the Millennium in Hamlin, New Zealand, on Jan. 1, 2000, and he ran the Paris Marathon in April 2001.

Chin-Shik Noh, GB 62, is president of Korea City Air Terminal Co., Ltd., located in the Korea World Trade Center in Seoul, South Korea. He has also served as vice chairman of Korea Foreign Trade Association and as secretary-general of the Korea Federation of Textile Industries, and director-general of the Bureau of International Trade Promotion, in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry for the government of South Korea.

Larry F. Renetzky, SW 63, is in private practice, providing counseling and seminars on marriage and family reconciliation, as well as healing grief and healing grace—all using a Christ-centered approach. His patients come from five continents.

Loretta Walter Seltzer, GR 63, was appointed as a deputy juvenile officer of the Family Court of St. Louis County in a pilot community program in Kirkwood, Mo. Also, she was selected as volunteer of the year for the Afton (Mo.) School District for 2000–2001.

James W. Davis, FA 64, is senior vice president of Smith Barney with FSC Securities Corporation, Inc., a national securities firm. He has been in that field for 31 years. He lives in “old town” Alexandria, Va., and has been teaching at the University of Colorado at Boulder since 1974. He recently received the Exemplar Award from the Animal Behavior Society for major long-term contributions to the field of animal behavior and has co-founded, with Jane Goodall, the organization Ethologists for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. Recent books include Struggling with Our Own Kind and The Smile of a Dolphin, and forthcoming books include Mindings Animals: Science, Nature, and Heart and The Twelve Trivets, with Jane Goodall.

Marian M. Holtgrewe, NU 67, GN 68, has been selected as one of three notable nursing leaders during the 1960’s in the book, A History of the American Nurses Association and Developmental Disabilities. Holtgrewe is retired from her position as chair of the Department of Community Health Nursing/Nursing Services/alive and active and was coordinator of the graduate major in community health nursing at Saint Louis University School of Nursing.

Susan C. Beckemeier, LA 68, says her husband, Mark A. Beckemeier, EN 68, retired after 31 years with Shell Oil Company. “We are getting ready to move to our dream house on the outer banks of the Outer Banks,” she says. “I will continue to work a little longer as a microbiologist in the Science Resource Center for our local school district, providing live teaching materials for our teachers.”

James H. Hance, Jr., GB 68, vice chairman and chief financial officer for Bank of America Corporation and Washington University, trustee, was elected to the national
board of advisors for the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation.

**John Vlachopoulos**, SI 68, SI 69, director of the Centre for Advanced Polymer Processing and Design at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, received the 2001 Education Award of the Society of Plastics Engineers. He also was elected a fellow of the society.

**Elinda Fishman Kiss**, LA 69, is associate professor of finance and economics at Rutgers University.

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**Gary H. Feder**, LA 70, LW 74, GL 80, has been elected to the board of directors of the Clayton (Mo.) Chamber of Commerce. He is co-chair of the financial and real estate transactions practice group in the Clayton office of Husch & Eppenberger law firm.

**Nikki Stern**, LA 71, lost her husband, James Potorti, in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City. He worked for Marsh Inc., a leading risk and insurance services firm, on the 96th floor of the North Tower. Stern, who also received a degree from Georgetown University, resides in Plainsboro, N.J.:

**Barbara Guzofsky Goodman**, FA 72, is a graphic designer in Orange County, Calif., whose solo exhibits show watercolors of her travels throughout the world.

**Lois Hecht Oppenheim**, GR 72, GR 80, became vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College of Arts & Sciences at the University of Judaism this year. She had been professor and chair of the political science department there, Calif., offices, she will have second, revised edition of her book *Politics in Chile: Democracy, Authoritarianism, and the Search for Development*, was published. Her daughter Amy has graduated from Scripps College, and her son, Benjamin, is a senior at Wesleyan University.

**Kevin Allen**, LA 73, sold Monterey Carpets, a textile manufacturing business he acquired in 1988 with a partner and venture capital firm, to Collins & Alkan Floorcoverings, Dalton, Ga. After a year-long transition with the combined carpet manufacturing company, he retired and is traveling and spending time with his family, including a new grandson.

**Caron Dean Shore**, GR 73, has joined Kimberly Allison Tong & Go as worldwide director of human resources and administration. Based in the firm’s Newport Beach, Calif., office, she will have primary responsibility for human resources and other administrative strategies.

**Richard Teitelman**, LW 73, a judge on the Missouri Court of Appeals—Eastern District, has been elected vice president of the Missouri Bar for 2000–2001.

**Veronica Benning**, FA 74, had exhibitions this year at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.; at the Brea City Art Gallery in Brea, Calif.; at City Hall in Austin, Texas; at Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts in New Castle, Pa.; and at Edison Community College in Ft. Myers, Fla. She also was featured in public collections of Bristol Myers-Squibb in New York City; Eye Centers of Florida in Ft. Myers; and AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals in Wilmington, Del.

**Dan Finucane**, LA 74, was one of two recipients of the 2001 Nancy McNeil Ring Outstanding Faculty Award at Saint Louis University by Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honor Society. He teaches in the Department of Theological Studies and resides in University City, Mo., with his wife and their two sons, Danny and Michael.

**Pat Hyland**, EN 74, was promoted to director of environmental safety and health at St. Louis-based Astaris, L.L.C.

**Debra L. Van Engelen**, LA 74, associate professor of chemistry at the University of North Carolina at Asheville, received that university’s Distinguished Teacher Award for 2001. She joined the faculty there in 1986.

**William S. Daniel**, LW 75, was reappointed vice chair of the Property Insurance Law Committee of the American Bar Association’s Tort & Insurance Practice Section.

**Stephen Kaja**, HA 77, is CEO of the Galesburg Clinic located in Galesburg, Ill.

**Alona Sussman**, LA 77, was named chair of the Jewish Women’s Foundation of the Jewish United Fund.

**Neil Caesar**, LA 78, has written four books about compliance programs for health-care providers, published by Eli Research. He is president of the Health Law Center, a national health law firm.

**Joyce A. Hagin**, DE 78, married Lawrence Reich on June 30, 2001, at the Four Seasons, Maui, Hawaii. She has had her dental practice in Honolulu since 1982, after spending four years as a U.S. Navy dentist at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

**Elizabeth Kool**, LA 78, senior editor for behavioral sciences at Harvard University Press, which recently published Richard Light’s "Making the Most of College: Students Say What Works," says, "This is a little late for all of us, but in plenty of time for our children!"

**Mark A. Wallace**, HA 78, president and chief executive officer of Texas Children’s Hospital, was honored for his leadership in the campaign to make health-insurance coverage available for all low-income children in Texas. Houston Mayor Lee Brown proclaimed May 15 Mark A. Wallace Day, and Wallace received a Health Policy Award from Health Access, a nonprofit group.

**Paula M. Young**, LA 78, LW 82, a commercial dispute litigator, mediator, and arbitrator specializing in insurance and other contract disputes, received the Distinguished Woman Business Owner Award by the St. Louis chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners. She is a partner with McCarthy, Leonard, Kaemmerer, Owen, Lamkin & McGovern, L.C., in Chestfield, Mo., and the principal of Pathways Mediation Center.

**Barton Bjorneberg**, FA 79, is master glider and head of the conservation department of Bernacki and Associates in Chicago. Living with his wife, Alenna, and...
two cats in Chicago, he is still making art.

**Thomas Lee Dunler, MD 79**, has joined Houston Radiology Associates, whose primary hospital is the Methodist Hospital in Houston, and which has two satellite hospitals in the Houston area. He is part of the medical staff, medical director, and chief of radiology (for the newly opened Willowbrook Hospital), and he is a clinical associate professor in the Baylor College of Medicine.

**Jim Eder, EN 79**, owns and runs the Seven Hills Country Inn in the Berkshire Mountains in Lenox, Mass. He said he loves his beach in U. People up here! E-mail: www.sevenhillsinn.com.

**Marc J. Fino, LA 79**, has opened his third foot-and-ankle surgery practice in Suffolk, Va. His new office is located in the Harbour View Medical Center, which is part of Bon Secour-Maryview Medical Center in Portsmouth, Va.

**Christopher Lober, LA 79, GR 81**, has been appointed professor of English at the University of California at Los Angeles. He recently published *The Complete Civil War Journals* of Selden and other letters of Thomas Wentworth Higginson.

**Lucinda Ludwig, LA 79**, has joined Leo A. Daly as vice president and corporate director of business development. She and her family—Gary; Ryan, 13, and Emily, 13—have moved to Omaha, Neb.

**Paul Steven Sams, UC 79, HA 84**, has opened his law office in Washington, Ind. He will maintain a general law practice with a focus on issues that affect suburban residents and business owners.

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**Jra Slikotin, GR 80, SW 80**, says that after 20 years as a social worker, he is “pursuing the muse as a freelance writer and poet.” His most recently published poems appear in the June ‘01 issue of *Serendipity* (p. 3-1/2, adopted from Guatemala).

**Annette R. Wilson, LW 80**, has become coordinator of international services at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

**Victor F. González, GR 81**, has been teaching Spanish and literature at the Universidad Experimental Politécnica “Antonio José de Sucre” in Caracas, Venezuela, for many years. He would like to visit the University again and pursue a doctoral program.

**Peter Lichtenberg, LA 81**, director of the Institute of Gerontology at Wayne State University, received the university’s Distin-

guished Graduate Faculty Award and the Outstanding Graduate Mentor Award. He and his wife, Susan, recently welcomed son Thomas Alan, joining Emily, 9. The family resides in Farmington, Mich.

**Susan Kurland Rapkin, LA 81**, and her husband, David Rapkin, have announced the birth of their third child, Dayna Lauren, on Oct. 9, 2000. She is welcomed by her brothers—Evan, 9, and Josh, 7. Michael Rapkin married his longtime sweetheart, Ede, in St. Thomas, one of the Virgin Islands of the United States. They will continue to live and work in the United States and to maintain close ties to the Washington University community.

**Peter Douglas Steinberg, LA 81**, has joined the public relations firm Burson-Marsteller as a director in the agency’s health-care practice. He and his wife, Ellen, live in Manhattan with their sons—Matthew, 4, and Ail, 2. He would love to hear from you. Contact him at peter_steinberg@nymc.com or at p.d.steinberg@netscape.net.

**Nobemi Zerbi Urda, EN 81, LA 81**, manages the renewable disaster recovery and community department of Energy. Two of her sons are in college, and the third is a junior in high school. She has remarried, and her husband, Alex, is a computer specialist and Air Force reservist.

**Steven Beebe, LA 82, GA 84**, was appointed chairman of the board of Suzuki Institute of Arts, a not-for-profit school offering musical training and education for young children.

**Thomas A. Berthof, LA 82**, his wife, Jann, and their two children, Thea and Ryan, have moved into a new house in Philadelphia after nine years in the Netherlands.

**Sandra J. Smulders, LW 82, LV 83**, was elected president-elect of the Jewish Community Center of the Greater Palm Beaches in Florida.

**Cynthia Mutimer Knowles, LA 82, GR 83**, published her second book, *Prevention That Works!* A Guide for Developing School-Based Drug and Violence Prevention Programs.* Her first book was *Up All Night: A Closer Look at Club Drugs and Rave Culture.* She lives in New York with her husband, Tim, and 3-year-old son, Jack. E-mail: cmutimer@earthlink.net.

**Andrew Krechmeyer, EN 82**, is living in Chicago with wife, Elizabeth, and son, Kobi. He is a technology planning manager for Motorola PCS’ advanced technology group. E-mail: dakrechmeyer@earthlink.net.

**Miriam R. Simon, LA 82**, married Larry Sandler on Nov. 26, 2000, in Elgin, Ill. They live in Milwaukee, Wis., where Miriam is a senior loan underwriter for Ziegler Financing Corporation and Larry is a reporter for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

**Howard B. Tarkow, LW 82**, has again been appointed as chairman of the Governance (management) Committee of the law firm of Brandeis, Block & Brand, based in Minneapolis. He represents employers, providing litigation advice and counseling on employment issues.

**Talaat A. Bukhari, LA 83**, was promoted to manager of marketing, planning, and research for Saudi Arabian Airlines in 1998. She has been working on marketing training for the company since 1984. She is happily married and has four sons.

**Theresa Vogel Crouch, HS 83**, moved from the suburbs of London to the Dallas/Ft. Worth area and says, “So far, it’s great.”

**David Reed Selig, PT 83**, is CEO of the Community Network of Virginia—London. He also has been chair­man of the community advisory committee for the School of Physical Therapy, Virginia Common­wealth University, Richmond, Va., for the past two years.

**Cheryl McClain Shea, GB 83**, received the 2001 Sylvia Ashworth Scholarship Award founded by Nadeen and Elyse Elashi to support single mothers attending chiropractic college. She, the mother of two, attends Logan Chiropractic College. She also is president of Creative Marketing Solutions, a marketing and advertising agency.

**Leonard Chanin, LW 84, and Jackie Eyl** now have a second child, Ethan, born April 15, 2001. He joins Ethan, 5; David, 1; and Jessica 2, in their home in Central Valley, N.Y.

**Teresa D. Hightower Gillespie, LA 84, and Jeffrey Gillespie**, who married in 1986, have four children—Jonathan, Joanna, Justin, and Joella. Teresa has been a school social worker in the St. Louis Public Schools for two years.

**Jacqueline Laberer, LA 84, and her husband, Jeff**, gave birth to their first and only child, Jenna Pearl, on May 25, 2001.

**Sarena Seifer, LA 84**, is on the faculty of the University of Washington School of Public Health and is executive director of Community—Campus Partnerships for Health, a national organization. She and Gordon Rubenstein, her husband of 10 years, live in Seattle. E-mail: sarena@uw.edu.

**Andrew H. Sonin, LA 84, MD 88**, says, “We have moved to the Denver, Colo., area and love it here. We would enjoy hearing from any old friends who are living in Denver or traveling through.”

**Peter Baroth, LA 85, a 1990 graduate of Temple Law School, is a published poet, whose work can most recently been seen in volume 15 of *The Mad Poets Review* and volume 2, issue 2, of the online arts journal *Hinge* (http://hingonline.tripod.com).

**Maj. George Edward Conc, Jr., LA 85**, graduated from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff Office Course at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., on June 1, 2001. While attending the course, he completed study for and received an MS degree in military history.

**Maj. Harry Davis, LA 85, is stationed at the Public Health Service Base in Albany, Ga. He has two sons and two daughters.**

**Michael Kasen, BU 85, and his wife, Debra, are thrilled to announce the birth of their son, Daniel Levi Kasen, on April 27, 2001. They reside in Las Vegas, Nev.**

**Hugh McGowan, LA 85**, an obstetrician-gynecologist practicing in Westfield, N.J., is happily married and has two daughters, Karen (Djulio) McGowan, who has a master’s degree in education, reside with their four children in Oakland, Maine. They say, “We don’t mind the humid summers of the Midwest.”

**James A. Preston, GB 85**, recently began an independent consulting practice to help businesses, manufacturing, and service organizations improve their performance. Previously, he was with Oracle Consulting Services, The Boston Group, and Sears Logistics Services.

**John R. Sachs, Jr., LA 85**, partner in a law firm that was located on the 85th floor of the North Tower of the World Trade Center, wants to let classmates know he’s OK. “I was just leaving my apartment on the morning of Sept. 11 when I heard that the first plane had struck the building. I saw five stories above my office. All but two of my co-workers are safe; the two who perished were both very sweet, both grandmothers. I was deeply touched to hear from so many of my classmates in the days after the attack. I hope that we have not lost anyone from our, or any other, class in this tragedy.” E-mail: johns@bwb.com.

**Russ Shaw, BU 85**, has joined ntl, Britain’s largest cable and broadband communications company, as managing director for Greater London. He and his wife, Lesley, have resided in the United Kingdom for 10 years, and they have three sons—Matthew, 8; Christopher, 5; and Daniel, 3. During holidays this year, they’ve vacationed in Spain, Germany, and the south coast of England.

**John P. Willford, LA 85**, moved to London in June to head up support in the European time
zone for a strategic bank application. He says, "I’m thoroughly enjoying living in London and being close to so many places that I love."

Bonnie Bergstrom, LA 86, has loved living on the coast near San Francisco for the past 14 years, but she and husband, Michael Downer, are moving to Sacramento, where they hope to have more space for their 11-month-old twin girls. She says, "We haven’t yet figured out how to get both of us back to work, so I suppose I’m a housewife (gulp) for the time being." E-mail: bonherge@hotmail.com.

Sidi N. Bojang, SW 86, is the proud father of a son, Bubakar Bojang, 1-1/2 years old. Bojang recently was selected by his employer, DHS/YSA, in Washington, D.C., to attend a conference titled "Latin American Youth at Risk."

Danny Walk, BU 86, married Sherry Gutnick, LA 90, IW 93, on June 3, 2001. Danny, as vice president of Bianco Properties, is responsible for real estate acquisitions in both Seattle and St. Louis. Sherry prosecutes sex crimes and child abuse cases for the St. Louis Circuit Attorneys Office. They would love to hear from classmates. E-mail: dowlke61.net.


Joanna Bartow, LA 87, is associate professor of Spanish at St. Mary’s College of Maryland. E-mail: jrbartow@yahoo.com.

Elton C. Bowen, MD 87, has been appointed to the City of Chandler Human Relations Commission by the mayor of Phoenix and the city council. He also is on the advisory board of Cystic Fibrosis and is a member of the Black Board of Directors Project.

Sandy (Taub) Gerstein, LA 87, is living in Rye Brook, N.Y., with her husband, Rob; daughter, Emily, 5; and son, Matthew, 2. E-mail: JETTANROG@AOL.com.

Charles Rosen, LA 87, his wife, Lisa, and their 7-month-old daughter, Rachel, moved to Morgantown, W.Va. Charles, director of neurosurgical research at West Virginia University, is developing a Cranial Base Surgery Institute there.

Alan Greer, EN 88, and his wife, Kara, announce that their son Morgan James Greer was born June 25, 2001. He joins Lindsay, J; Garrett, 2; Parker, 3; Savannah, 4; and Joshua, 6. They feel truly blessed.

Douglas C. Huff, LW 88, was promoted to senior vice president of investment and development for Pace Properties, in St. Louis. He also serves on the board of directors of the Judevine Center for Autism and Related Disorders.

Enrique “Rick” Lerner, EN 88, EN 89, and Rebecca “Becky” (Prohofsly) Lerner, GR 99, are delighted to announce the arrival of their daughter, Tamar Eden Lerner, born April 30, 2001, joining brother, Liam. E-mail: rjandbeq@yahoo.com.

Armond L. Levy, EN 88, MD 94, finished his residency in Medicine.

WASHINGTON PROFILE

William B. Worthen, Jr., A.B. ’69

Preserving the Past for Future Generations

To preserve the history and creative legacy of the people of Arkansas is the primary goal of William B. Worthen, Jr. He is director and CEO of the Historic Arkansas Museum in Little Rock, a position he has held for almost 30 years.

Although Worthen’s degree from Washington University was in psychology, he was also very interested in history. After graduating in 1969, he took a job teaching history in Pine Bluff, Arkansas—in part to defer military service during the Vietnam War. He also volunteered at the museum, then called the Arkansas Territorial Restoration, to write a study guide for teachers. In 1972, he was hired as the museum’s first professional director and has served there ever since.

The museum originally opened in 1941, with four early 19th-century buildings located on a half-block in downtown Little Rock. A fifth was added in the 1970s. Worthen says that when he became the director, the institution’s leadership thought of the site as a historic preservation project more than as a museum. One of his goals was to move toward the standards and practices of the museum profession.

Worthen calls his first few years “on-the-job training.” An early priority was to conduct extensive research to create furnishing plans for the museum houses. He wanted to find out what objects the early settlers had and where things would have been placed in their homes. By interviewing descendants of pioneer Arkansans, and studying such primary sources as probate inventories, bills of lading, and old advertisements, he and his staff made a discovery.

“What we found was that a portion of Arkansas’ past was being ignored,” says Worthen. “Much of what the early settlers had was actually made in Arkansas.” There was a legacy of fine art, gunsmithing, silver-smithing, quilting, pottery making, cabinetmaking, and so forth that had not been part of the historical record. This research led to the accumulation of an active collection of Arkansas-made objects from all over the country, which were donated to or purchased by the museum.

Because of Worthen’s hard work, in 1981 his institution became the first history museum in the state to be accredited by the American Association of Museums. Ten years later, Worthen produced a two-volume book with co-author Swannee Bennett, Arkansas Made: A Survey of the Decorative, Mechanical, and Fine Arts Produced in Arkansas, 1819–1870, published by the University of Arkansas Press. One area of particular study for Worthen is the bowie knife, also known as the "Arkansas toothpick," examples of which can be seen in the museum’s Knife Gallery.

By the mid-1990s, the museum’s collections had grown and the need arose for a new museum center to house them; the need for additional funding to support the project also arose. In a private state, and federal partnership, $9 million was raised. The new center opened in April 2001, along with a name change—the Historic Arkansas Museum—to reflect the museum’s expanded mission. Besides its historic buildings and collections, the Historic Arkansas Museum also features an award-winning living history program, in which actors portray original residents and involve museum visitors in hands-on activities. Worthen says that his greatest reward has been helping his home state preserve and appreciate a part of its past.

—Cynthia B. Cummings

For more information, please visit the Historic Arkansas Museum at www.arkansashistory.com.
neurosurgery at Saint Louis University and has a fellowship in cerebrovascular surgery with the Cleveland Clinic. He married Stephanie Cogan, a urologist, in October in Montreal.

Christine M. Wietlisbach, LA 88, OT 89, was appointed to the Cleveland Board of Education. She received a master's degree in public administration from California State University at San Bernadino in December 2000. She continues to live in the Palm Springs, Calif., area.

Wayne E. Baldwin, Jr., GR 89, is one of five teachers to receive the 2001 National Science Teachers Association Math Teaching Award. The award recognizes his exemplary work in teaching mathematics.

Jorma M. Westermann, LA 89, who has been a professor at the University of Oulu, Finland, for the past 10 years, has been named professor of applied mathematics at the University of Helsinki.

Stuart V. Davis, GR 89, and his wife, Susan, have been named co-chairs of the 2001 Sina 500, a Jewish community organization that raises funds for Israel.

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worked in Miami, as well as in Paraguay and Ecuador. He looks forward to hearing from his classmate.
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Rodriguez@lrl.prm.


Donna Whidden, LA 92, was promoted to associate in the St. Louis office of HOK (Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum). Inc. Recent promotions include Britten, The University of Alabama Hospital—North Pavilion, in Birmingham, and the Nebraska Health System—Center of Clinical Excellence, in Omaha.

Alhine Abbott, LA 92, married Ed Baxter on July 8, 2001, and several University alumni attended the wedding. The two met at the Wharton School of Business in Philadelphia and they reside in San Jose, Calif.

Brenda Langhorst Beck, LA 93, and her husband, Dennis, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Sydney Kay on May 10, 2001. Sydney joins older sister, Morgan, 2-1/2. E-mail: beck@louisville.edu.

Eric Bechly Bendis, BU 93, and Todd Bendis, BU 94, had a "wonderful baby girl," Abigail Milina, on May 25, 2001. After receiving an MBA degree from Carnegie Mellon, Todd joined GE Capital's Marketing Leadership Development Program, a two-year rotation program. The family is moving to Dallas, since Todd's first assignment is with GE Capital Card Services there.

Eric M. Bravo, LA 93, and Rosemary (Gillespie) Bravo announce the birth of their daughter Sydney Kay on Dec. 16, 2000. They are happily located in Little Rock, Ark., where Eric is a hospitalist.

Michelle Bronsky-Goldstein, LA 93, married Peter Goldstein on July 14, 2001, at Temple Emanuel-El in Dallas.

Laura Sanders, LA 93, was a bridesmaid, and several University alumni attended the wedding. The couple plans to live in Dallas, where Michelle has a trust administrator with JP Morgan Chase and Peter owns his own architecture firm and teaches at Skyline High School. E-mail: michelle.bronsky-goldstein@ chase.com.

Dorothy Dinsmore, LA 93, has been promoted from director of social services to executive director of World Relief—Chicago. The organization serves newly arrived refugees and immigrants, as well as their adopted families.

Robert Dunaway, EN 93, has taken a new position with Sterling Chemicals in Texas City, Texas. E-mail: rdunawa@houston.rr.com.

Spencer Greene, LA 93, graduated magna cum laude from Albany Medical College and has begun his emergency medicine residency at Yale University. He lives in Nashville with his fiancee, Starr, and their two kittens, Roscoe and Peaches. Their wedding is planned for June 2002.

Charles K. Lee, LA 93, MD 97, began his fellowship in diagnostic radiology at the University of Chicago Hospital in late 2002. He employed by the Coca-Cola Company since 1998, was promoted to brand manager, new product initiatives in January 2001.

Aneil D. Ranjan, LA 93, after working on several political campaigns and on Capitol Hill, returned to school and received a law degree in 1999. Now, he is directing government relations for the American Psychological Society in Washington, D.C. E-mail: akesser@aps.washington.edu.

Dana Myers, J. A 93, has become Jamie Abbott, LA 93, marriect on May 10, 2001, and her husband, John, a science writer at Technology Review, attended the wedding party. They are happily married and living in Chicago. E-mail: cha.11chez99@yahoo.com.

Diana Myers, LA 93, has become a licensed psychologist in the state of Washington and continues work in college counseling. She is employed at the University of Washington, where she was granted a position in the Department of Psychology.

Charles McChesney, LA 93, married Minn Ung Dang on March 17, 2001, in Hanoi, Vietnam. They were married in a civil ceremony in the Hanoi City Court, and were welcomed by their friends and family. The couple will be living in Hanoi, Vietnam, until they decide to return to the United States.

Jennifer McPherson, LA 93, married John Weiser on Sept. 23, 2000, in Graham Chapel on the campus of the University of Washington. They are happily married and living in Chicago.
fellowship to study acoustic technology at the Technical University of Denmark.

Amy Patrick, FA 95, began her second year of veterinary school at the University of Wisconsin at Madison in fall 2001.

Jimmy Powers, GA 95, and his wife, Stacey, proudly announce the arrival of their daughter, Abigail Madison, born April 19, 2001. E-mail: jimmystacey@earthlink.net.

Victor L. "Vic" Richery, Jr., GB 95, was elected to the newly created position of president and chief operating officer of ESCO Technologies Inc. The St. Louis-based company supplies engineered filtration products to the process, health-care, and transportation markets worldwide. He joined the company in 1986.

Deena Samberg Shefsky, LA 95, and Doug Shefsky, EN 95, have purchased a house in Evanston, Ill., with their dog, Dallas. Doug is an MBA student at the Kellogg Graduate School of Management, and Deena is a campaign associate for the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago. E-mail: dshefsky@nwu.edu.

Iqbal Brainch, LA 96, and Nita Kulkami, LA 96, MD 00, were married Aug. 4, 2001, in Cincinnati, and many University alumni attended the wedding. The couple resides in Chicago, where Iqbal is a senior brand manager at Van Kampen Investments and is attending the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and Nita is an internal medicine resident at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. E-mail: ibrainch@yahoo.com.

Pete Brookmeyer, LA 96, MD 00, is a second-year resident at the University of Wisconsin Hospital in Madison. He is engaged to Jamie N. Bolger, SW 00, an individual and family therapist in Madison.

Emily L. Engelland, LA 96, MD 01, is doing her residency in primary care internal medicine at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center and Cook County Hospital. She says, "I am happy to be back home in Chicago after nine years in St. Louis. However, I do miss St. Louis and especially my friends in Alpha Phi Omega." E-mail: emilye@doctor.com.

Napier Fuller, LA 96, recently began graduate school at MIT's School of Architecture + Planning.

Mary Jo Gorman, GB 96, is now vice president of medical affairs for IPC-The Hospitalist Company. Formerly the company's regional medical director, based in St. Louis, Gorman has assumed company-wide responsibilities, including taking a leadership role in helping IPC develop strategies that enhance clinical performance. The company, headquartered in North Hollywood, Calif., has practice locations in seven cities.

Richard Handler, MD 96, appointed clinical assistant professor-in-charge of nephrology at the University of Florida in Gainesville as of July 1, 2001, has received the National Kidney Foundation-Florida Affiliate Research Award for studying dialysis and congestive heart failure.

Diane Ya-Ping Jerg, MD 96, and her husband, Norman, are happy to announce the birth of their son, Curtis Liu, on March 2, 2001. Going from working full time to working part time, she continues as associate director of the Pomona Valley Family Practice Residency Program.

Jeffery Alan Johnson, LA 96, earned a medical degree at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland in May. He graduated from the Primary Care Track Program, and he plans to complete a residency in pediatrics at Children's Hospital Los Angeles.

Mark Klapow, LA 96, married Kelly Olson on Sept. 2, 2001, in Milwaukwe. Best man was Jason Kint, BU 96. The couple resides in Washington, D.C., where Mark is an associate at Howrey Simon Arnold & White and Kelly is an associate at Sidwell Berlin Fisher Friedman.

Saramari Leon, GA 96, and Mark Purcell moved to Westchester, Pa., and recently had their first child, Isabella Marie. Leon works at the architecture firm Bover Lewis Thrower in Philadelphia. Amanda K. Locke, LA 96, is engaged to marry Jeffrey Abar in April 2001.

Goran Loncaric, EN 96, EN 96, SI 97, who has been working for Citibank in New York since 1997, was married in June 2001.

Russell Pearlman, EN 96, SI 96, and Rachel Goldstein Pearlman, LA 94, SW 95, announce the birth of their second child, Evan Blake, on April 2, 2001. Evan joins brother Ryan, 3. E-mail: russpearlman@home.com or judson_duncan@yahoo.com.

Mark A. Repko, EN 96, married Stephanie Bruce on March 17, 2001, in Indianapolis. They were to move this fall to Bloomington, where Mark will attend the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University.

Laroy "Roy" Roper III, FA 96, and his wife, Rachel, welcomed their second child, Joshua Maak Roper, into the world on July 14, 2001. Roy is an associate art director at Anderson Thomas Design in Nashville. E-mail: roy@andersonthomas.com.

Conrad C. Steinmann, GB 96, after working three years in Tokyo, returned to New York this year. He has worked for Citibank since graduation. He hopes to visit St. Louis soon. E-mail: conrad.steinmann@concorde.com.

Enrique Von Rohr, FA 96, has been appointed creative director of Design360, a graphic design firm that works extensively with the design community and is based in New York City.

Sarah E. Zeller, EN 96, received a master's degree in engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Now she's a hardware design engineer for Hewlett-Packard Company in Boise, Idaho.

Anne Baeccker, BU 97, and Jude Baeccker, BU 97, were married on June 16, 2001, in St. Louis. They were delighted to have many University friends return for their wedding. They will reside in Amherst, Mass., while Judson attends the University of Michigan Business School for his MBA degree. E-mail: annie_duncan@yahoo.com or judson_duncan@yahoo.com.

Randall Bookser, GB 97, has been appointed vice president of operations for The Peachtree Companies, headquartered in Norcross, Ga. He oversees all corporate operations including the manufacture, facilities, transportation, and material contract management.

Daniel Hirselj, LA 97, graduated from the Ohio State University College of Medicine in June and has begun his internship and residency in urologic surgery at Saint Louis University Hospitals. He says, "In six short years, I will, at long last, make a decent wage." He sends regards to friends and classmates from the Class of '97, particularly to Giff (Richard G. Howland III). "Where are you, buddy?"

Andrew Lambert, EN 97, graduated from Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Springfield. He was to begin a general surgery residency in July 2001 with the school's affiliated hospitals in Springfield.

Sharon Litwin, LA 97, married Ethan Hoberman, a chemical engineer and manager at Sargent Lock in New Haven, Conn., on Nov. 24, 2001. Sharon will be ordained as a rabbi from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in May 2002. They reside in New York City.

Aditya Swaroop Pandey, EN 97, earned a medical degree from the Case Western Reserve...
University School of Medicine in Cleveland in May. He plans to complete a residency in neurosurgery at the Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia.

Shannon Russell, GA 97, has joined Hillier Philadelphia as a designer. Formerly he was a staff architect at Santons-Levy and Associates.

Jennifer Singer, LA 97, graduated from the Architectural Association in London with the AA Diploma in July 2001 and is working for David Chipperfield Architects. E-mail: jen_singer26@hotmail.com.

Kerry Soffar, BR 97, has moved to Austin, Texas, to study for an MBA degree from the University of Texas.

Kara (Daukys) Wasserman, SW 97, married Robert J. Wasserman in 1998. She gave birth to Sawyer Laurik in 1998 and to Deryn Llam in 2000. A full-time mom, she says, "The School of Social Work couldn't have been more helpful! Thanks!"

Miriam White, EN 97, married Salomon Banaraz on July 2, 2000. Miriam completed medical school at Northwestern University in Dallas and is doing a residency in pediatrics at St. Louis Children's Hospital. Salomon is in his third year of endocrinology fellowship at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

"Catherine "Katie" Arvidson, LA 98, and David Kralik, EN 98, LA 99, were married in Lake Zurich, IL. The wedding party included Darby Robinson O'Neill, EN 98, Lisa Schelbe, LA 98, John Mcguinness, EN 98, Charles K. Kaufman, LA 97, Corey Koop, LA 99, EN 98, GB 00, and John Nickolai, FA. Katie teaches high school science in Chicago, and David is completing a master's degree in urban planning at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Ksenija Borojevic, GR 94, GR 98, employed in the Department of Anthropology of the University of Alabama at Birmingham since September 2000, has received a faculty research grant from the university for 2001 to conduct an ethno-archaeological study on water chestnut exploitation.

"John Lush, GB 99, SI 99, was promoted to senior manager responsible for Boeing's supplier development program.

"Patrick G. "Nick" Holcombe, GR 99, LW 98, and his wife, Charity, had their fourth child, Sarah Anne, on April 30, 2001. She was welcomed home by brother—Turner, 7—and sisters—Rachel, 5, and Emley, 2. Nick works with Sidney Austin Brown & Wood in the Manhattan office. The family has moved to their new home in Giglatt, N.J. E-mail: nholcombe@yahoo.com.


"Anssie Nicole Spintler, LA 97, and Mike Keymer, EN 98, were members of the wedding party. After honeymooning in Alaska, Stacy and Cliff returned to New Jersey, where Stacy is a process chemist for Schering-Plough and Cliff is a project engineer for Givaudan Flavors. E-mail: skahn125@yahoo.com.

Sarah (Davenport) Rubel and Paul Rubel, both EN 98, were married in Pennsylvania on Aug. 12, 2000. They reside in Boston.

"James Eaves-Johnson, BU 99, married Lindsay Eaves on May 26, 2001, in Des Moines, Iowa. Amanda Jones, LA 01, was maid of honor.

WASHINGTON PROFILE

Abby Wilner, A.B. '97

Discussing the Quarterlife Crisis

You've probably heard of the mid-life crisis—what can happen between the ages of 40 and 50, because of graying and thinning hair, empty nests, illness, having to care for elderly parents, and career dilemmas.

What you may not have heard of is those who become addeed over life's challenges much (much) earlier—in fact, soon after college. These individuals feel stressed due to debt, uninspiring work, no significant other, doubts about their own decision making. Simply put, they wonder whether this is as good as it gets.

Fortunately, for those who believe that misery loves company, soul mates abound, say Washington University alumna Abby Wilner and high-school friend and Yale College graduate Alexandra Robbins.

Together, the two women coined a term to describe the dilemma: "the quarterlife crisis," which they worked into the title of their book Quarterlife Crisis: The Unique Challenges of Life in Your Twenties (Tarcher, 2001).

"But the seeds for such a book were planted earlier, back in college when each woman heard that the world would be hers for the taking. "You're told you can accomplish anything," says Wilner, who was photo editor of Student Life while at WU. "Once you start working, you are conflicted with, on the one hand, being given little responsibility and treated like a kid, and, on the other hand, expected to immediately adapt to a new culture of office politics."

Wilner, 25, who grew up in Bethesda, Maryland, and now lives in Washington, D.C., graduated in 1997 with a degree in psychology and minors in business and music. It was during her first job after college as an analyst at the American Symphony Orchestra League in D.C. that she became disappointed when she had little to do. "I didn't have much responsibility, there was no room for promotion, and anything I did went unrewarded."

When she expressed her views in confidence to some others her age, she found that they felt the same. "People my age are looking for a lot of fulfillment, both in careers and relationships," she says. "We are cautious and won't settle down with just anything."

And there are so many new career options that we don't feel prepared to choose from. This is why the average person has eight jobs before the age 32, and why the average age to get married has gone up to 27."

Inspired by the realization of the commonality of their situation, Wilner and Robbins decided to write a book.

The women interviewed several hundred counterparts. They found them through chain e-mails to friends and through friends of friends, through alumni organizations, at parties, offices, and bars. They found a publisher and described the crisis and some solutions—including learning how to compromise. The book landed on the New York Times best-seller list and caught the attention of Katie Couric and Oprah Winfrey.

Because the book was garnering such attention, Wilner was not as shaken when she was laid off from a dot.com job earlier this year. Thinking about what she wanted to do next, she decided her passion was to continue helping others with similar problems. She now works with support groups, manages a Web site, and speaks at workshops.

She is convinced that since September 11 her message is even more important. "We state in our book that our generation had nothing binding us together. This was the first situation of its kind to affect us on a personal level. We've now learned to be less cynical, more patriotic, and to give back," says Wilner, a Red Cross volunteer.

She also has learned something many grasp only at an older age, if ever. "Relax; try not to worry too much—things eventually fall into place. My misery at my first job led to this book."

"-Barbara B. Buchholz

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James is a JD/MBA student at the University of Iowa and a partner with Lafayette Digital Enterprises. Jill (Wagand) Kelley, LA 99, announces that she and her husband, Jeremy, had a son, Miles Joseph Kelley, in March. He joins brother, Benjamin, 2.

Shannon Beth Lyons, LA 99, and Kevin Prunty, BU 99, were married in Lawrenceville, N.J., on July 14, 2001. Members of the wedding party included Brian Panek, BU 99, Matt Cordis, BU 99, Scott Hirt, BU 99, Nate Earnest, BU 99, Dan Cooper, LA 99, John McCrow, LA 00, Bonnie Silver, LA 99, and Katie Kunkel, LA 02. The couple resides in Chicago, where Kevin is an account officer with Citigroup's corporate and investment bank and Shannon is a research assistant in marine biology with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute.

J.K. Richardson, OT 99, is now working as an occupational therapist at Virginia Mason Hospital in Seattle.

Sara Velas, FA 99, is director of the Velas/Avassay Panorama in Hollywood.

Michael J. Westerhaus, LA 99, began medical school at Harvard Medical School in fall 2001, after returning from one year of volunteer work in Masaka, Uganda, where he worked on a community pit latrine sanitation project and an after-school program for secondary students focused on leadership, creativity, and critical thinking.

Cameren R. White, LA 99, received a master's degree in information system management from Carnegie Mellon University in May.
In Remembrance

Henry Lewis Barnett

Henry Lewis Barnett, B.S. '34, M.D. '38, a pediatrician who was an expert on the diagnosis and treatment of kidney disease in children, died August 14, 2001, in Manhattan. He was 87.

Considered to be the father of pediatric kidney studies, Barnett, in 1965, founded the International Study of Kidney Disease in Children, an organization now known for conducting clinical trials in hospitals throughout the world. He received several of the highest awards in pediatrics.

Earlier, he held a brief professorship at Washington University and then was resident pediatrician for the Manhattan Project in Los Alamos, New Mexico. After World War II, he moved to New York to be an assistant professor at Cornell University Medical College. In 1955, he left there to begin the pediatrics department at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and also to head Bronx Municipal Hospital's pediatrics department.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; a son; and a daughter.

Arnold J. Heidenheimer

Arnold J. Heidenheimer, professor of political science in Arts & Sciences since 1967, died September 26, 2001, of complications from a heart ailment. He was 71 and lived in Clayton, Missouri.

He was a specialist in European politics, political corruption, and comparative public policy, a field in which he was a pioneer. Born in Wurzburg, Germany, Heidenheimer came to flowering, New York, as a child. He earned a bachelor's degree from Cornell University, a master's degree from American University, and a doctorate from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Before joining Washington University, he taught at Wayne State University and the University of Florida. Heidenheimer authored and edited several books in his areas of expertise, conducted research in Europe and Japan, and served as a visiting professor at several leading European universities.

Survivors include his wife, Eileen Heidenheimer; a daughter, a son; and a sister.

Correction

We sincerely regret mistakenly listing Jeanette B. (Koenker) Dempster, BU 45, as in the fall issue. (It was her husband, William F. Dempster, who was not a University alumnus, who died in July.)

Margo E. Trump

As the School of Art registrar, Margo E. Trump was on top of most everything that went on at the School; or as Dean Jeff Pike often said, "She is registrar and master of the known universe.

Trump died September 19, 2001, in Irvine, California, after a long illness. She was 59.

She joined the School of Art staff in 1985, was named student records coordinator in 1986, and became registrar in 1988. For 15 years, Trump had been a mainstay of the School's academic programs, handling almost all student records, testing new computer systems to upgrade the record-keeping process, organizing events, and probably most important to the students, taking an active role in their lives.

Trump graduated from David Lipscomb College in Nashville, Tennessee.

She is survived by her stepfather, Ken Kelly; two children, Brett Trump, B.F.A. '94, and Shannon Trump Becker; and two grandchildren.
ELEVATING BUSINESS EDUCATION

BY JUDY H. WATTS

Back in 1995, when Stuart I. Greenbaum was introduced at a press conference in Alumni House as the business school's new dean, he strode to the microphone and, in his New York City patois, galvanized assembled guests and media types by declaring that he would help the John M. Olin School of Business reach a level second to none. Asked recently whether accomplishing that feat remains his objective and his expectation, it was Greenbaum's turn to be startled. "Oh, of course. When I compromise that, it's time for them to fire me."

Still, "it's a long, arduous road," adds Greenbaum—a New York City meat dealer's son who graduated from Stuyvesant, one of Manhattan's most selective public high schools; a distinguished faculty member and academic administrator for 20 years at Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management; and now the inaugural Bank of America Professor at Washington University. "There's a lot of competition out there," says Greenbaum. "At least 100 business schools claim to be in the top 10, or aspire to be!"

The Olin School is well on its way, as this can-do leader with the self-described "frenetic" working style sets the pace of change and builds on the strong foundation that predecessor Dean Robert L. Virgil laid earlier. Olin's sweeping innovations involving people, facilities, and programs are signs of major progress.

Because public perception of institutional quality often is based on reputations that are slow to catch up with changing realities, Greenbaum is making the world take keen notice of Olin's accomplishments. Perhaps most visible is the Charles F. Knight Executive Education Center, dedicated on October 5, which the dean calls "a jewel—a facility technologically more advanced than any other university building of its type."

With advantages such as fine overnight accommodations, it will bring increasing numbers of corporate visitors to the Olin School, creating "considerable cachet."

Another advance: plans for the extension of the Executive MBA [EMBA] program to Shanghai, where faculty and students will interact with the largest multinational companies in the world. The School has also dramatically increased career services, adding hundreds of opportunities and lifelong services for alumni.

Inside Simon Hall, Greenbaum's results-oriented leadership is evident in every area. Among the most improved in Olin's portfolio are its evening and undergraduate programs. In 1995, 55 percent of evening students graduated, taking four-and-a-half years; today, 90 percent earn degrees, in less than three years. And the full-time undergraduate business program is so good that Greenbaum says "there's probably only one such program in the United States that would stack up with ours—

"Our students have excellent classroom training, a wonderful extracurricular experience, and their starting compensation has improved immensely ...," says Dean Stuart Greenbaum.

Stuart I. Greenbaum, Dean of the John M. Olin School of Business and the Bank of America Professor of Managerial Leadership
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“Stuart has the vision to make the Olin School one of the top business schools, and the energy and perseverance to make it happen. Working with Stuart is a joy, because he is constantly challenging the status quo.”
Charles F. Knight, Chairman of the Board, Emerson Electric Co.

“Stuart naturally brings people into the circle—that’s very important. He is very innovative, has enormous energy, and will always take you to the next level. I have the highest regard for him.”
Donald P. Jacobs, Dean Emeritus, Kellogg School of Management

“Stuart Greenbaum is a true believer in what he says. He levels the playing field, and he cares. And his wife [economist Elaine Wache Greenbaum, A.B.’60] is a wonderful person, too!”
Marcella Gillie, Retired Principal and Consultant to Olin’s Total Quality Schools program

that’s Wharton. Our application rate has jumped from 850 to 2,850 applications per year for a class of 130.” The word is out: “Our students have excellent classroom training, a wonderful extracurricular experience, and their starting compensation has improved immensely—from $32,000 to $55,000 in the last three years.”

Olin’s flagship program, the MBA, was reinvented in 1995 with an innovative curriculum in which students design their programs of study to closely match their individual needs. The MBA program produces leaders grounded in all the key business disciplines; skilled in teamwork, analytics, and business strategy; and knowledgeable from firsthand experience with the complex corporate business environment. Six experiential learning programs provide students with a broad array of hands-on learning opportunities in money management, entrepreneurship, consulting, community service, and global studies. Student empowerment and a de-emphasis on grades builds leadership skills as well as intrinsic motivation.

The part-time MBA and the EMBA programs—which the dean is quick to point out “are among the finest in the country”—are witnessing enrollment booms. And next Greenbaum will grow the nondegree programs and the Ph.D. programs.

Above all, Greenbaum says, Olin is about people of quality who care. “Our faculty is truly distinguished—I have colleagues who are the finest in their fields anywhere—and our staff, many Olin alumni, are managers who would be envied in any corporate setting.”

As the School trains tomorrow’s leaders, Greenbaum ensures that they become committed to community service. “It’s unthinkable that future leaders would be insensitive to the needs of the less fortunate,” he says. “We’re training them to be role models.”

For Olin’s future Stuart Greenbaum has no end of plans—and no shortage of the challenges he sought six years ago when he left his comfortable position up north because of “a keen need to be repotted.” Olin’s internationally acknowledged pre-eminence is only a matter of time.

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A free society is, inevitably, a contentious society, full of disputes and disagreements, all loudly and eagerly expressed. In these quarrels people are quick to distinguish themselves from one another, to take sides, identify an “us” and “them” who go up against one another as though social discourse were an athletic contest and our team colors more important to us even than civility.

In recent years we have made the expression of our disagreement among the most visible aspects of our culture. Radio commentators gain public recognition and lucrative salaries through outrageousness, having discovered that bombast sells better than reason, that contempt is far more marketable than respect. And television seems even better suited for in-your-face opinion shows because it allows us to see the combatants as they interrupt and shout...
... with a desperate heroism they reached out to one another in those last moments—colleagues comforting colleagues, strangers guiding strangers, fire and police officers rushing into mortal danger.

one another down, supplementing the verbal action with dismissive gestures and expressions of sneering smugness. Even those of us who can't get paid to broadcast our opinions have ample opportunity to paste them on our bumpers, asserting our views on everything from abortion to the environment with as much belligerency as the width of an automobile will allow.

Other differences run deeper than matters of opinion. We are, as we often hear it said—sometimes with pride, sometimes anxiously—a multicultural society. Our ancestors came from every nation around the globe, and with them our religions, our music, our literature, our heritage. Our hyphenated identities grow more complicated with every census, declaring a diversity America's founders could not imagine, a diversity their world did not contain.

From the beginning, Americans have been troubled by the extent to which our differences threaten our ability to come together in an association larger than our special interests and make it impossible for us truly to be a people. The founders emphasized our abstract commitment to this larger sense of connection in the opening lines of the Constitution, employing such phrases as "we the people" and "a more perfect union," but these were more expressions of aspiration than of fact, more declarations of hope than of confidence. The questions of who we are and what holds us together—given the pride with which we assert our distinctions and the vehemence with which we denounce those with whom we disagree (not to mention a painful history of exclusion and prejudice)—are as perplexing today as ever and the need for answers more urgent.

When terrorists turned our airplanes into bombs, they did not check the passenger lists to distinguish male from female, young from old, pious from impious, liberal from conservative. When they murdered those passengers and the occupants of the buildings in which they exploded their hatred for America, they did not separate Christians from Muslims, rich from poor, recent immigrants from Daughters of the American Revolution. No exemptions were handed out to Native Americans or those whose last names looked Asian or Hispanic, no special consideration given to whites or blacks, no interest shown in who belonged to the NRA or the ACLU, or to who was gay or heterosexual. In the rubble belonged to the NRA or the ACLU, or to who was gay or heterosexual. In the rubble piled high in Manhattan and Washington, D.C., and rural Pennsylvania only singularity matters.

As the work of recovery goes on, we will be reminded that the diversity of the dead mirrors the diversity of America, that they had as many differences as we have. Yet with a desperate heroism they reached out to one another in those last moments—colleagues comforting colleagues, strangers guiding strangers, fire and police officers rushing into mortal danger. Nothing mattered but their common humanity. Nothing mattered but their common humanity. No matter how different they were in opinions or circumstances or backgrounds, they were at the end brothers and sisters to one another.

Now they have become part of what Lincoln called the mystic chords of memory, bonds that—even after we return to our contentious ways—more inseparably link the living of this and future generations. Through their terrible sacrifice and the last acts of service they alone could give, these, our lost brothers and sisters, have made us more profoundly brothers and sisters to one another.

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Campus Colors
In early October, the leaves of the oak trees by Graham Chapel turn from green to red—the official school colors.