

Ivy Leaves

ARCHIVAL ANTIPASTO

St. Mary's has had international connections since its earliest days. Archivist Sue Low's research has turned up a touching collection of letters from Malvina Allen, daughter of Methodist missionaries in Shanghai, who was part of the Hall family in 1874-75. If any readers recognize Mellie Allen's story and know the location of her original letters and the journal she kept during her trip from Hong Kong to Burlington via Aden, Marseilles, Geneva, Stuttgart, Macon, GA, and Staunton, VA, please share it with us. Our archives have only a carbon of typed copies of her letters.

Mellie's letters recreate the very fabric of early life at the Hal, and evoke the homesickness young girls must have felt so far from home and family.

Her first letter home, written to her little brother Edgar and explaining her life in terms he can understand, has a special charm. She tells him she is now "in a large school in Burlington, New Jersey," and suggests that "papa show you where it is on a map. The building that we live in stand, on the water's edge just like those large hongs in Shanghai."

Mellie continues to describe her surroundings: "In the yard around this house are a great many trees and a round plank walk where the girls are obliged to promenade three times around every morning after breakfast."

The plan below shows SMH very much as she describes it (though sans dormitories) -- she tells of "practicing rooms, a very large school room, a dining room which is

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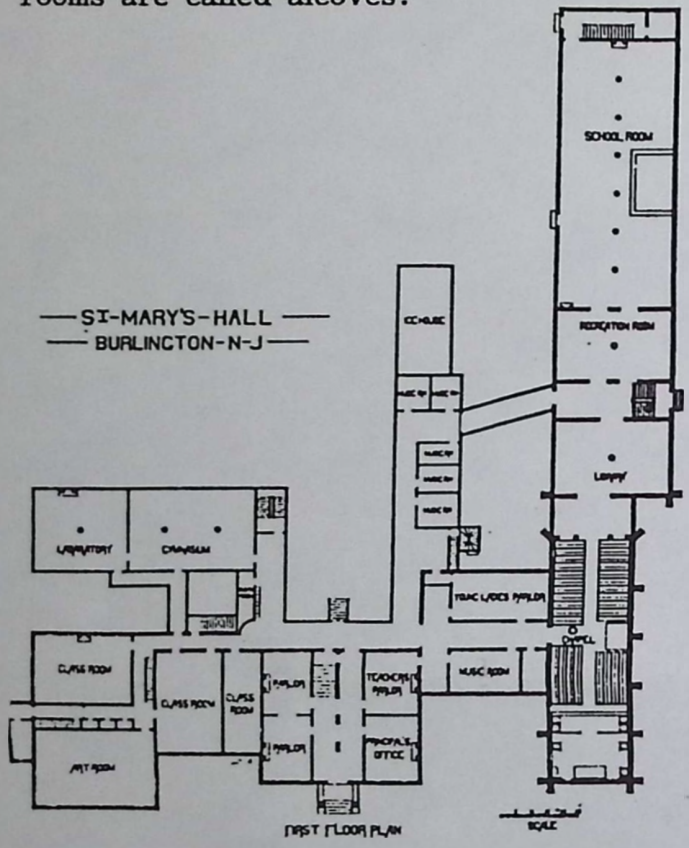


ST. MARY'S GRADS RETURN TO TEACH

Sally Schwarzwalder Lopez '82, Elizabeth Fairchild Miller '70, and John Stockton '83 have all returned to their academic roots and teach here at the Hall. Sally Lopez chairs the language department as well as teaching Spanish and chauffering young Maximo to and from Maggie Ritchie's kindergarten class. John Stockton works closely with Barbara Bernauer as the two of them teach the two sections of second grade. Ebess Miller, teaching music to all Lower School students and assisting with chapel and other school activities, has devoted much of her life to the Hall, first as a student and now on the faculty.

"It's different to be on the other side of the desk," John observes, "but I'm glad the traditions remain - the Christmas Mystery, Doane's Dungeon, the importance of chapel, and yes, even uniforms!"

(Archival Antipasto continued)
a little way under the ground, and upstairs are the dormitories...rooms divided into smaller ones with curtains or doors,...something like cabins on the steamers. In each one there is a little bed, a washstand and a small closet where we hang our clothes. These little rooms are called alcoves."



The day she described to little Edgar was far more tightly structured than today's, beginning and ending with private devotions, the recitation of Bible verses to the school "President" (Mellie's term for 'principal'), prayer in the chapel, and study hours in the evening. Their classes ended at two pm, when they assembled to sing the Doxology before the principal distributed their mail ("Praise God from Whom all letters flow??"), then had dinner. Their only "free time" was two hours in between dinner and evening study hours, but even that time was structured: "...the girls can sew, practice, or study. We never write letters except on Friday and Saturday afternoons."

Mellie Allen left St. Mary's Hall in July, 1875, and her last letter from Burlington speaks poignantly of the pain of separation from home and family: "I left Shanghai when I was 13, and maybe will not see you until I am 18 or 19. Is not that a long time to be away from home? How glad I would be, if I had already accomplished what I was sent from China to do, and was now ready to go back to you, the person you thought I would be.

Write very soon, and long letters to your devoted daughter, Mellie Allen . . ."

Sue Low, Archivist

ST. MARY'S GRADUATES RETURN FOR HOMECOMING

Graduates returned to St. Mary's Hall on October 13 for a full day of activities with current students, parents, and faculty. The first event of the day took place on the Delaware River where the alumni challenged SMH's boys crew in connection with Oneida Boat Club's annual Head of the Delaware Regatta. The boys crew, tenth grade novices Eric Heal, Scott Beckett, Sean McGinnis and eleventh grade coxswain Jason Alizade, won. The alumni crew of Rob Hordis '90 and Patrick Yetman '90 was assisted by two Boat Club members and coxswained by seventh grader Carrie Stevenson. Commented Coach Yetman, "Since St. Mary's crew consists solely of tenth graders, it expects to continue to best the alumni in what they hope will become an annual event!"

St. Mary's Community Run/Walk, the next event, was won by Kevin Wright '88, followed closely by ninth grader Matthew Ferrell. Other participants included tenth grader Jim Barry and his father, Dan; Patricia Michael Stevenson '70 accompanied by her second grade son Corey on his bicycle; Jose' Pequero '88; and Alvar Mattei '84 who photographed the runners.

Spartans won the Homecoming soccer match against the Wardlaw-Hartridge Rams by a score of 3-2, and finished just in time to miss the downpour which had been threatening all day. By the time grads returned to the Hall for dinner, skies had cleared, and all enjoyed the dinner prepared by Mrs. McDermott and Mr. Dietrich. Attendees included Steve and Bram Teitelman, Jim Millson, Jose' Pequero, and Travis Raney, all '88 and SOG President Pat Michael Stevenson '70 and her husband, Frank.

HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

Schools are a lot like people. They have their good days and bad days, their times of prosperity and times of uncertainty.

Like people, schools experience growing pains and distinct life phases. The comparison has its limitations, of course. While we as individuals go through an irreversible progression from youth to old age, schools may be renewed and rejuvenated countless times. The only limit to a school's longevity and capacity for renewal is the measure of affection and support that its teachers, its graduates, and those who serve as stewards of the school are prepared to commit.

At present we seem to be in the curious position of growing younger, not older. Our buildings may show their age, yet there is a new vitality in the way the teachers teach, a zest in the way the students approach learning at the Hall.

Some recent changes at the Hall are necessary responses to a changing world, while others represent a return to worthy programs of earlier times. Our Spirit Week activities are quite similar to the Blue and White Days that many of you remember from your years at the Hall. Our crew team recalls the rowing program that flourished during the Doane years. The new Junior Division program begun this fall may remind some of the middle school that existed during the 70's. Our revitalized Chapel program should feel familiar to those of you who attended St. Mary's when the religious life of the school was one of its most distinguishing and important features. Above all, however, the cordial dealings among faculty and the friendly relations between students, teachers and parents represent a return to the close-knit school "family" - a family whose members support one another and take pride in one another's achievements.

In a very real sense our efforts over the past half decade have represented the reviving of traditions and programs that made St. Mary's Hall a wonderful place to be a student in the years past.

Charles Toll



GRADS TOP VARSITY SPARTANS, 4-3

SMH alumni returned to the Hall in September to challenge the Spartan Varsity in the inaugural Varsity - Grad Soccer Game. Jeff Dellicompagni (soccer coach, 1989-90) kicked the initial score, but the Spartans led the hard fought game, losing only at the end with Kevin Wright '88's second goal. Alex Betten '93, Aleem Choudhary '92, and Keith Camper '93 each scored once for the Spartans. Andrew Pietrangelo '88 scored once for the Grads, and Kevin Wright '88 with two goals was high point man.



Andrew Pietrangelo '88 and Brian Powell '88 savor alumni victory.

CLASS NOTES

1922 - **Elizabeth Day Barker** is now residing in sunny Arizona, near her children, grandchildren and soon to be great grandchildren! Our condolences to the family of **Elizabeth Coles Morley**, who passed away January 15, 1989. An Associate Member, she attended St. Mary's Hall from 1917-1922. Active in many community functions in Tuscaloosa, AL, she was named Out-Standing Citizen of 1944. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Tuscaloosa Arthritis Foundation or the donor's favorite charity.

1923 - **Helen Leavens Winters'** granddaughter graduated from Blake School in Minneapolis and is attending Harvard University. The family is very proud of her accomplishments. **Bettie Fell Siegrist** was in Oxford, England for several weeks in April 90 visiting her son and sightseeing. **Elsie DeVoe Fick's** health made it impossible to attend Founder's Day last May, but she sends greetings to all her friends and classmates. **Sally Tattersal Jessup** passed away in October, 1989. Our condolences to her family.

1924 - **Natalie Priest Stiles** writes she has two children, nine grandchildren, and nine great-children scattered all over the United States. "I can't believe it!" **Marie Williams Beall** sends notice to all her old friends that she is finally "working her way out of Hurricane "Hugo!"

1930 - **Rebecca Styer Hoffman** has recently been in touch with **Isabel Ridge Guckes** and with **May Cumpston Dudley**. **Gladys Dora Pugh** writes she has been very busy since she retired from Plymouth County Hospital. She has taken trips to both London and Wales to visit family, as well as Florida. She would like to hear from any of her classmates. She hears that **Dorothea Grimshaw** may have visited the States recently and would like to know her married name.

1931 - **Marjorie Howell Collison** passed away in August of 1989. Our belated condolences to her family.

1932 - **Mabel (Kent) Hoe Kiebaum** visited her Alma Mater in November last year and enjoyed reminiscing about her former days at SMH.

1933 - **Mabel Wells Owen** is back from a trip to Italy and Germany. "Though my husband retired in June '81, he is still very active in Medieval Studies. He gave a talk at a symposium in Perugia and a class in Tiebingen. He is writing a book on Chaucer (Canterbury Tales) manuscripts. We spend the summers in Canterbury. Our four children are spread from Hawaii to Maine. My life is mostly gardening, reading and housework."

1935 - **Louise Hathaway Norman** writes that her sister, **Jean Hathaway Benson '41** died from cancer. Our condolences to you and your family. **Ruth Leech Donaldson** took a position in November at her local library - "I just love it. I had been doing volunteer work and they asked me to join the staff. Who says life can't begin at 70! I am staying healthy - I am very thankful for that."

1937 - **Helen Tasman Tourigney** reports "we are enjoying our 3rd year of retirement here in The Woodlands, 27 miles north of Houston. It is a real change after 40 years in California. Our two married daughters and four grandchildren live in Houston. We are active in the local Episcopal church and other community activities."

1939 - **Charlotte Landreth Melville** writes that her daughter **Linda**, Class of '80, has gone to Libreville, Gabon, for two years in the PEACE CORPS. "I plan on going by truck from London in October 15,000 miles and 20 weeks to Nairobi and will fly from there to see her." **Catherine Phelon Allen** "can't seem to give up the travel field. I consult on International Travel -- consequently must visit other countries -- not an unpleasant assignment. I have had a TV segment for the last couple of years - "Ask Kay" - Questions on travel. We have two children and Win and I have seven wonderful grandchildren - the first to go off to college is at TCU."

1940 - **Lillie Girton Rohrbach** writes that **Margaret Girton Edwards '71** was recently made a VP of marketing at Majestic Athletic in Pen Argyl, PA. **Barbara Anne Speace Grice, III**, writes "Speacey" and Eckman had a nice reunion earlier this year when the latter was visiting a daughter in Norfolk; also will be a

Deputy from Southern VA to the next general Convention." **Eleanor Shoemaker Spencer** voices the sentiments common to St. Mary's graduates - "The years have gone by but St. Mary's has given each of us memories and a certain 'something' that no one can ever take away. It is engraved on our hearts."

1942 - **Eloise "Woodie" Gardner, Nancy "Nonnie" Kane Sandoe,** and **Vivian "Ackie" Atkinson Bird** "had lunch and spent the afternoon together at Woody's Vermont home in mid-July 1989. Then and there Woody suggested that the class of '42 celebrate a 50th reunion at her Sky Farm in 1992!" **Barbara Jutson Yarlott** retired January '90. Her older daughter, a mother of four, is continuing her education to be a math teacher; her 2nd daughter left the Navy 6/1/90 to fly for Federal Express; her son is with TDS, a division of CSX. "Cat does nothing but sleep, life goes on. Enjoyed collection letter with its news of the school."

1944 - **Elizabeth Codding Borden** writes that "**Pam's** (Class of '67) four children and Doug's (associate) five-year old Adam keep us on our toes. Other than that, I'm registered with "Temps" and loving it. Meet new people and get new view points week to week."

1946 - **Molly Walter-Burnham** updates us on "the wanderings of a '46 graduate" including "extensive professional traveling and research in Korea, Scotland, and Malawi on behalf of Frostburg State University (where she is an Associate Professor of English) and as a literary and applied linguistics consultant." She rushes home now and then to tell her grandchildren stories of the "adventures of a restless old grandmother. My Ivy Leaves will be forwarded wherever I am so keep the news coming!"

1948 - **Phebe Gulick Snow** and her husband are enjoying living in CT. Her daughter's family visited in May from West Germany. Phebe attended the "4-H Salute to Excellence" program in Washington, D.C. as the CT delegate and found it very interesting. She would like to hear from more of her former classmates.

1951 - **Carol Allen Baugh** is "still happily breeding and showing Labrador Retrievers, as well as making frequent trips to visit my two grandchildren in California."

1952 - **Joan Nelson Aumuller** "visited with **Mary DeNyse Gilman** '52 and family in Ocala, FL last winter... I am Assistant Manager, Operations, Edlow International Co., Washington, DC"



1954 - The Class of '54 had their 35th reunion at the Cafe Gallery in Burlington on June 17, 1989. Attending classmates were **Betty Jane Birdsall Evans, Peggy Stillwaggon Collis, Maria Viteri, Toni Black Medwedeff, Marcia Waldron Dunne, Elaine Thatcher Slatcher,** and **Darlene Palmer Byrne.** After the luncheon, everyone visited the campus and enjoyed reminiscing. They were pleased to see that the Chapel had not changed since their graduation days. They hope to meet again soon and see more classmates each time. **Marcia Waldron Dunne** retired in May '88 and is enjoying her new life. She plans on doing a lot of traveling now that she has more time. **Anne Cramer Hoover** writes that Andrew (25) and Kate (23) graduated from Princeton June 1989. Andrew spent two years studying in Japan. Jonathan (18) will graduate from Mercersburg Academy this June and enter Wheaton College (Mass) in the fall. Her husband Ben practices Internal Medicine and she still works for the Performing Arts Center she helped start and is a Director of the York Bank and Trust.

1955 - **Nancy Fuller Wright** is still working as a real estate broker salesperson and enjoying her granddaughter (1 year April 26). She is traveling more in the winter with the recent purchase of a condo in Juno Beach, FL. "My husband Mark, now partially retired, has taken up flying. He purchased a Piper Dakota which he plans to take to FL next fall."

1957 - **Sally Garrison Thomas'** "husband Marvin retired June '89 after 25 years teaching high school social studies and he started a new career as a paralegal. I will retire from school nursing in June '90 after 27 years and will be working full time as a travel agent. I am working part time now. Daughter Jessie, graduates from Maryland Institute College of Art in May '90, son Jim will be a junior at James Madison U. majoring in Finance and Economics." **Margaret Fenimore Morris'** "daughter Jean will be graduating from Duke in May with plans to work in the Philly area. Rob, our son, will be graduating from Moorestown H.S. in June and will be attending the Wharton School of the University of Penn."

1962 - **Gayle Silverstein Yaede** "just completed my 12 years of teaching chemistry in the Cincinnati Public Schools. My time back east is usually in the summer since most of my family is still in Trenton. Viewing education from my vantage point reaffirms my belief in private education."

1964 - **Jennifer Schwed Kellum** is "still in FL enjoying the mostly mild winters (it was in the 30's around Christmas). In addition to selling printing and being active in various plant clubs in the area I have been studying watercolor for the past two years and recently won an award at the Gold Coast Watercolor Society's Annual Members Show."

1965 - **Jane Walton Whitesell** and family have lived in Cincinnati for the last 10 years. She and her husband own the Cambridge Tech. Institute, a business college, which is doing very well. Jane is in contact with classmate **Gail Wilson Murray** and would like to know if there are any other classmates in her area. **Susan Wojick Carrow** married in September '89 to Paul Carrow who works with the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C. and is with Marriott Corporation as a Legal Assistant Manager responsible for domestic and international trademarks writes "we both enjoy sailing the Chesapeake Bay on our Hunter 27. I am in constant contact with **Marsha Meganotis McCue, Susan Brotz Lippincott** and **Martha Mulford Gray**." Susan Brotz Lippincott keeps in touch with quite a few classmates -- either by correspondence, telephone and personally (**JoAnn Trouts Falcon, Susan Wojick Carrow, Martha Mulford Gray, Sherry Shaw Butterworth, Andrea Pierce Bigelow, Marsha Meganotis, Cathy Stults,** and **Barbara O'Hara**). **Lenore Bell Reitz** is a customer Service manager for Wyle Labs Electronic Enclosures located in Pennsauken, NJ. Her 19-year old son is attending Rutgers Univ. and her 8-year old son is in 2nd grade.

1967 - **Anne Gold Gleason** writes she was married in October '89 to Larry Gleason. He is a field service manager for Xerox Corp. and she has inherited four terrific stepdaughters. Her daughter is a senior this year and her son has become a teen! Anne is working full time as a customer service representative for Zona Transportation, Inc. She still lives in Ohio and would love to hear from SMH friends. **Pam Borden Heckert** has been teaching French for two years now as a volunteer in an academically gifted kindergarten and also teaching Sunday school and running CPR training courses for fun. She traveled to La Belle France finally last June and Mexico in October. "Other than that I haven't done a durn thing. Oh-, Society of Graduates meetings every other month have rounded out my year!!!"

1968 - **Doris Fischer** and husband Steve have resettled in Montana, after a unique summer spent working for the Park Service in Yellowstone. She is now working as a planner for Missoula City-County Office of Community development and having a small house built on the edge of town. They just adopted an affectionate 3-year old Samoyed named Sam.

1969 - **Linda McMillan** and her husband had their first child, Rachel, last year. "She came two months early and gave us all quite a scare but now at 14 months, she is doing great! I am enjoying my part-time status as Vice President, Marketing, at Bay Beach in Boston, Mass."

1970 - **Suzanne Muldowney** asks if her classmates remember her attraction to the TV cartoon superhero, Underdog. She appeared as Underdog in parades, block parties, and carnivals throughout '89, as it was Underdog's 25th Anniversary,

which was being promoted in several major cities throughout the Northeast. **Patricia Michael Stevenson** '70, president of the Society of Graduates, was promoted to Assistant Vice President of the Burlington County Bank, Beverly, NJ. Beginning with the bank before it opened in March 1988, Pat has been in charge of certificates of deposit, as well as assisting in the consumer loan department.

The bank, a local one with emphasis on personal service, is headed by Harry Van Sciver, who serves as Vice President of the school's Board of Trustees and is father of Harry '77, George '81, and Chance '88.

1971 - **Nana Meyer Eggleston** was recently promoted to outside sales rep for the San Francisco penninsula territory at California Builders' Supply Co. (formerly Doors, Inc.,) She'd love to hear from "everyone" and welcomes visits. Call her at (408) 293-1730 and come visit. She reports she's "still single and crazy." **Peggy Edwards** was promoted to Vice President of Marketing for Majestic Athletic, a national sports clothing manufacturer, in December '89.

1973 - **Denise DeMore Keohan** has completed her second year of law school at Suffolk University. "Only two more to go. Has anyone heard from Monica Mitchell?"

1974 - **Andrena Burgess Wishnie's** third son, John Robert was born in late August 1990. "I am busy at home with kids, Little League, church, dogs, cats, etc. When is class of '74 going to get together again, so we can all show pictures of our children to each other?"

1976 - **Allison Greene Freeman** resides in New York and is the mother of a new daughter.

1978 - **Adam Potkay's** band "Spiral Jetty" has recently released a new LP called "Dogstar." He reports that David Venditti is a used-car magnate in the Boston area. **Cory Breslau** is now married and living in Denmark. **Gene Barretta** is a video-artist and an aspiring musician in the Philly area.

1981 - **Denise Sewer Rollins** is proud to announce the birth of their son born March '89. She and her family are living in CA and doing well. She would like to hear from Lisa Doyle. **Michelle Regn Krensavage** currently holds an accounting position at Camp H.M. Smith, a Marine Corps Base, while her husband, Joseph serves in the Joint Middle East Peace Keeping Force. **Pamela Geurds** moved to D.C. about a year ago and now writes for the trade newspaper of the National Association of Realtors, covering Capitol Hill and the mortgage finance industry. Her job is very interesting and fun - lots of travel - and she loves Washington. "If any SMH-DA folks are ever in town, look me up - 10 cent tours are free!"

1983 - **Michael Zielinski** stopped by for a nice visit recently. Since graduation he has been a member of the Willingboro Emergency Squad, and received the Hamilton Scholar for Nursing. Mike is attending Mercer Community College as a nursing student and will graduate in the spring of 1991. He is a Willingboro Police Officer and enjoys his profession. **Sonia Ward-Tyndall** reports that classmate **Maria Ragni-Robbins** '84 was married last March and is residing in Yardley where she and her husband are proud owners of the Yardley Optical Store.

1984 - **Alvar Mattei** is a staff writer at the Trenton Times. He reports seeing **Earl Blyer, Cecilia Juliano,** and **John McFadden** at the 1989 SOG Christmas Party. "It was a great mini-reunion. Let's shoot for another in December '90!" He also has run across **Cindy Krasnansky** '86 and **Robert Gordon** '86 in his travels.

1985 - **Linda Tinsley** graduated from the University of Virginia with an award for academic excellence and majored in Psychology. Her parents are very proud of her accomplishments. **Stephanie Garnett** writes she graduated from Glassboro State College in the fall of 1989 with a B.A. in English. She will be attending the University of Cincinnati's English Graduate program. Stephanie enjoyed her trip to London and Southern England during the Christmas holidays. Robert Bodine III, a graduate of Kendall School of Design in Grand Rapids, MI,

works as a freelance designer with Steelcase, Inc.

1987 - **Paul Sheehan**, a photography major at Rhode Island School of Design, participated in a six week "wintersession" graphics design course at the University of Christ Church in New Zealand.

1988 - **David Johnson** is majoring in English at Haverford College in PA.

THE CIVIL WAR AND ST. MARY'S HALL

St. Mary's Hall had connections to both North and South. The Episcopal Bishop of Louisiana, Leonidas K. Polk, sent his daughters here for their education. He traded his clerical robes for a uniform when war broke out, and died opposing General Sherman in the Atlanta Campaign. General Grant and his family lived in Burlington and his daughter was tutored by a teacher from SMH. He visited the Hall during the war, but the southern girls refused to meet him. Grant was nearing his home in Burlington on Good Friday, 1865, when he received word of Lincoln's assassination, and paused only long enough to see his wife settled before returning to Washington.

While there must have been some friction among girls from North and South living and learning together, there were also important friendships. In one ironic case, two best friends had fathers who were both officers, one in the Union Army and one in the Confederate Army. The Confederate girl learned that her father had been captured and was a prisoner of war -- in the Union camp commanded by her best friend's father!

Jim Paradis and his students visited Civil War battlefields last Spring as part of a class on that conflict. When Matt Russell ('90) commented that "looking down on Burnside's Bridge from the point of view of the Confederate defenders really brought you in touch with what happened," he re-kindled for others the realization that the War truly did affect the school.

THE IMPORTANCE OF GRADUATES TO ANNUAL GIVING

How can St. Mary's continue to grow, yet maintain the strengths of its past? Only a truly firm financial footing can make this possible, and - only your help can build this footing.

Most independent schools report that their graduates form their major giving base, a base that grows from year to year as more young people graduate and give back to the walls that nurtured them. St. Mary's Hall has given to generation after generation of young people, helping to form them into strong, worthy, and productive adults. Now the Hall needs her graduates to help her - to help her consolidate the strengths grown from her founding mission with the innovations required by today's fast-paced world so she can continue preparing young men and women.

Development Office

SOG CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL PARTY

Pat Michael Stevenson '70, President of the Society of Graduates, cordially invites all graduates to the annual Christmas cocktail party on December 29 (a Saturday evening). Beginning at 5:30 pm, the party will be held in the Scarborough dining room.

COME SEE THE CHRISTMAS MYSTERY!

Friday, December 21 at 6:00, St. Mary's Hall will present its traditional Christmas Mystery in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents. We always love to have our graduates in the audience so if you're in the area - do come!

SEND US YOUR NEWS!

What has been happening in your life recently? Drop us a note so we can share your news with other graduates. Address it to the Development Office, and we'll see that it gets in the next issue of Ivy Leaves, due out around the first of the year.



Ivy Leaves

WINTER 1990-91

HEADMASTERS' MESSAGE

When you look inside our Holiday issue of the Ivy Leaves, you will find a special gift from the SOG Executive Committee: the sermon delivered by the Reverend Sandra Alves Belcher ('65) at last spring's Founders Day Chapel service. Pat Stevenson and other members of the Executive Committee were moved by the sermon and thought you would enjoy having your own copy.

There is a special significance attached to this sermon, for it was the first ever delivered at a Founders Day celebration by a female Episcopal Priest. We are now a coeducational school, of course, and proud of the accomplishments of our male students and graduates. Yet this sermon serves to remind us not only of Bishop Doane's dream for young women, but also of the tangible progress over the past several decades in placing women in positions of genuine equality and equal opportunity with men. The social implications of these changes are still in the process of being worked out. For some this process is confusing and even threatening, but I know that Bishop Doane would heartily applaud these changes and see them repositioning us to be a more healthy and balanced society.

In this time of thanksgiving and joy, let us remember with gratitude our founder's wonderful dream for his young ladies: to give them the best possible intellectual preparation, to equip them with qualities of character and sensibility, and to nurture in them a healthy assertiveness. Bishop Doane embodied in his life the Parable of the Talents, and for more than 150 years his school has encouraged generations of young people - first young women, now young women and young men - to do likewise. It is a worthy mission!



A LIVING TRADITION: THE MYSTERY

The Mystery was once the "Christmas Pastoral," presented in the then-gymnasium on the third floor of Scarborough. Renamed the "Christmas Mystery" and moved to the Chapel of the Holy Innocents in 1930, the meaning of the performance has not changed:joy, peace and love are with us today as students repeat the age-old lines.

Following tradition, the morning of the Mystery seniors decorate the Chapel and Ante-Chapel while juniors decorate the dining room in secret. That evening students go directly from the performance of the Mystery to admire the dining room just before dinner is served. Juniors serve dinner to the Trustees and other honored guests then join their classmates in a wonderful feast. Dinner ends with two other traditions: the Headmaster reading student stories and poetry on holiday themes, and students and guests making wishes on the yule log.

kindergarten in Chesterfield County Schools. Son John is a Junior at VA Commonwealth University in Richmond and Scott graduated from a junior college, is involved in a four-year electrician's apprenticeship program."

1965 - Our condolences go to Jane Walton Whitesell on the death of her husband in November.

1967 - Kathy Coombs Di Blassio has her own very successful business, Bucks County Kitchens, Inc., designing baths and kitchens. One of her current designs will be featured in Architectural Digest. She and her husband are living in and renovating a "big old farmhouse" in Upper Makefield. Kathy is organizing a 25th reunion for the Class of '67, and asks if any one knows the whereabouts of Cordelia Crane. She also sent addresses and phone numbers for Louise Yard Tucker, Judy Herman, Gail Van Duzer Carson, Debbie Stultz Chappell, and Donna Lanting Davis, all to appear in the next update of the Directory. Pam Borden Heckert continues teaching French "dyads" (mother and preschooler) at home and volunteering in daughter Anneliese's kindergarten. She's delighted that the chapel bell is on display once again. Barbara Pierce McConnell loves her work at South Carolina Educational TV as Executive Assistant for On Air Fundraising and Festival Director. Last summer she and sister Andrea Pierce Bigelow '65 "enjoyed a day at the Jersey Shore with Nancy Carson Berst '65 and Gail Van Duser Carson '67."

1971 - Margaret Edwards asks if anyone has Nana Mayer Eggleston's new number and address. Last summer Wendy Lippincott Tongyai and her two daughters spent a week with Peggy in her cottage in the Poconos. Wendy and her family own a several hundred acre horse ranch in Texas.

1977 - Harry B. Van Sciver is a VP at First Atlantic Federal Savings. He and wife Maggie hope to complete renovating their old home in Hackettstown prior to the arrival of their first child in March '91. They'd love to hear from the Class of '77 - call them at 201-852-4291.

1980 - Andrew Winner is "currently working on the Iraq-Kuwait crisis for the Bureau of Politico Military Affairs at the State Department and [has] recently returned from Vienna after being on the U.S. Delegation to the conventional arms talks there." In October he attended Jason George's wedding in Boulder, CO. Joseph Carlani, an Assistant VP with Barclays de Zoete Wedd Ltd. (the investment banking arm of Barclays Bank) PLC, in Manhattan, would like to hear from any alumni working or living in the New York City metro area.

1981 - Andrea Torre Brown visited SMH recently with Rhonda Fastring, who attended the Hall from Kindergarten through grade six. Rhonda now lives in La Jolla, CA and Andrea resides in Burlington. Michael Bobrove also stopped by. "Life is Good!" says Michael, returning to Japan with an MBA in International Management, emphasis on marketing. In Japan he will be with a pharmaceutical company. He can be reached through his family in Westmont at (609) 854-0742.

1982 - Sally Schwarzwalder Lopez, a mainstay in the Language Department at the Hall, and looks forward to the arrival of her third child near Easter.

1986 - Cindy Krasnansky, after graduating last May from the Rutgers Honor Program, has been working at MCA Records. Cindy is still pursuing her own musical career and on weekends works with a band called "The New Image." Cindy may be appearing on Star Search.

1990 - Matt Russell, who last year received a Crew Scholarship to George Washington University, recently competed in the Philadelphia Frostbite Regatta. His GWU shell won first place in the College Heavyweight Division. Congratulations!

A SERMON BY THE REVEREND SANDRA ALVES BELCHER '65
FOUNDERS DAY SERVICE
MAY 5, 1990

In the passage Mimo [Black Betten '65] just read from Genesis, we hear the story of Jacob's famous dream at a place called Bethel. It seems Jacob has just stolen his brother Esau's birthright and blessing from their father Isaac, and so he's now beating a hasty retreat out of town in order to save his own skin from Esau's wrath. Worn out from the day's hike Jacob falls asleep with his head on a stone pillow and dreams a dream of angels climbing up and down a ladder. And in the dream God promises him wonderful things -- land, offspring, and blessings forevermore. Eventually Jacob wakes up, swats the flies off his face, wipes the sleep from his eyes, yawns a deep relaxed yawn, and starts rubbing the clinks out of his neck from sleeping on that wretched stone. All of a sudden, he sits bolt upright as he remembers his dream and cries aloud - to no one in particular - "Good grief! I didn't know this was a holy place! Wow!! God is here in this place, and I didn't even know it!"

.....Coming back here to the Hall today on this Founder's Day celebration, I feel a lot like Jacob. For in thinking about what I wanted to say to you today, I found myself sifting through all sorts of memories from my childhood and adolescence -- memories woven into thirteen years of my life -- all spent in this place -- And, like Jacob, I heard myself mutter as I flicked through the mental picture of my youth: "Good Grief! I didn't know this was a holy place! Wow!! God is here in this place and I didn't even know it!"

Of course, I guess I always figured God was right here - in the chapel itself - because, after all - it was supposed to be God's house we were told.... But in the lunchroom and the halls and the gym and the classrooms and the playground -- well -- I guess I never really thought much about it -- Yet if you had asked me <u>then</u> if these were holy places, I'm sure I would have thought that was a pretty weird, pretty far-out kind of question. -- The lunchroom -- with all its wild and noisy chatter -- a place where God lived?? And as far as Founders Day was concerned -- well for sure there was nothing holy about that! If anything, it was a time when, as seniors, we needed to grit our teeth and stifle our giggles as we served tea to the (pardon me) "old fogies" who came back once a year to remember the good old days.

.....But now -- I guess I'm one of those old fogies. This being my class' 25th reunion. - And yes -- I've come back -- We've all come back haven't we? -- We've come back to remember the good old days, ... And you know just being here, even though so much has changed -- if we try hard, we can almost see the old faces, hear the old voices, and smell the old smells -- Smells like waxed milk cartons in the dining room -- ink on the pages of books opened for the first time -- pencil shavings at the sharpener on the wall -- Lysol in the bathroom -- freshly mowed grass on the softball diamond -- and snuffed out candles in the chapel.

....And, as we thumb through our memories, we find that they are not unlike pearls strung together in a necklace -- not man-made, perfectly symmetrical pearls, mind you -- but real ones -- those made by oysters -- where no two are exactly <u>alike</u> and where none are perfect -- where some surfaces are nice and smooth, while others are rather lumpy and misshapen .... Like those pearls, some of the memories of our youth are lovely and shiny and precious, and those memories bring to us a sense of joy and comfort. -- But others aren't so lovely or shiny or precious -- and with those come feelings of sadness and pain.

And so it is that sometimes it takes courage to open the door to old memories. -- But in coming back to this place today -- we have, each of us, opened the door at least a crack -- and something is drawing us to take a peek inside that room in which our memories dwell. -- My favorite contemporary theologian, Frederick Buechner, tells of a dream he had in which he visited a hotel and stayed in a certain room which gave him

the feeling that he had been there before -- Being in that room gave him a curious sense of uneasiness and yet of peace at the same time -- When he asked the hotel clerk the name of the room so he could stay there again, the clerk replied, "The name of that room is 'Remember'" --

For Buechner, the room in his dream -- the room called "Remember" -- felt like a holy place -- He wasn't sure why - but somehow it seemed that in rustling through the story of his life -- with all its joys and sorrows -- excitement and drudgery -- hopes and fears -- in rustling through the everyday story of his life -- he found hints of the Holy -- dashes of the Divine -- in the most unlikely happenings and in the most unlikely people. God's fingerprints were smudged all over his life and, like Jacob, Buechner found himself scratching his head and muttering, "Wow, I didn't know this was a holy place -- God is here in this place, and I didn't even know it!"

....And so it is for us -- being here in this place today -- we find ourselves at the threshold of our private rooms called "Remember" -- rooms in which -- if we only had eyes to see and ears to hear -- we too might be surprised to see the smudge of God's fingerprints and hear the echo of God's voice filtering through the stories of our lives.

For the next few minutes, I would like to invite you to step with me into my own room called "Remember" -- And in that room, I would like to share with you some of the silly and serious and basically unremarkable memories of my life here at the Hall -- And maybe together we will stumble upon hints of the Holy and dashes of the Divine in perhaps unlikely places and unlikely people. And from there I would encourage you to browse through your own rooms called "Remember" - rooms where you are apt to be surprised by the holiness of it all -- by the holiness of you and of your story.

At first glance, my room of memories is rather cluttered and disorganized -- the good times and the bad times are all mixed up it seems -- but maybe that's because for most of us our laughter sometimes turns to tears and our tears to laughter -- So it is that my memories are all a strange mixture of both - like those natural pears -- smooth and lumpy at the same time.

One of my earliest memories is of a funny little tree on the playground -- (I think they cut it down when they built the "new" gym.) -- But Patty Baker and I played for hours under that tree as kindergarteners. Its branches arched all the way down to the ground and around its trunk the earth seemed to form a gigantic mound that we could sit on -- Patty and I named it the "Queen's Step," and we played happily inside that tree day after day -- or, maybe, we were really hiding in it -- two shy little girls -- hiding from kids who might poke fun -- who knows? -- But I remember it gave me such a sense of security and protection being inside that "Queen's Step" -- where - no matter what went on outside, inside -- Patty and I were always the queens.

And there was another tree on the playground, but this one didn't give me such a feeling of comfort -- In fact, I remember I used to do anything to avoid walking under it. The tree I'm talking about is that gigantic one (or at least it seemed gigantic at the time) - out near the field hockey area -- the one that dropped those funny little triangular seeds that we pretended were Mexican jumping beans -- I loved gathering those seeds - until one day, during a game of Freeze Tag, I fell down under the tree and broke my arm -- For some reason -- more was shattered in me that day than simply a bone -- for I lost my self-confidence and became rather fearful! Looking back on it, maybe what was really shattered was my childish belief that I was indestructible -- I suppose the tree became a symbol somehow of my own vulnerability to life's blows, and so I avoided it from that day on like the plague!

As I remember the playground, I remember too that that's where most of us received our sex education, where we whispered rumors we'd heard about that taboo topic -- For we were all of us teetering on the brink of adolescence where our young bodies were blossoming into womanhood, but our minds were still those of little girls.

Inside the classroom, I was always a good student -- probably too good for my own good if the truth be known. I remember the thrill I got from getting all those A's and awards, but with the thrill came also the sinking realization that each excellent grade pushed me farther and farther from popularity with my peers -- Back then you were called a Brain or Teacher's Pet -- Nowadays the term is -- as I've learned from my own kids -- a geek or a dork! Whatever the name -- I was one of them -- and it did hurt to be different.

But later on -- sometime in high school -- something happened -- Who knows -- maybe something snapped inside me - but I became very silly - a class clown of sorts -- It happened mainly in study halls and mainly with my new friend Cathy Stults - who had a terrific and contagious sense of humor and who used to pass me notes that made me laugh 'til I cried.

As I remember Cathy, I also remember those dreadful gym classes with Mrs. Sharp when I was always the last one picked for any sports team. You could feel your heart pounding and you'd hold your breath as the team captains chose up sides -- But then -Cathy Stults and Sherry Shaw and I finally decided to vindicate ourselves by starting the "Sports Spastic Club" -- This was a very elite club, as I recall, for to be eligible for membership, you had to be an absolutely horrible athlete in all areas! -- And so, together we learned to laugh at the world and at ourselves...

And I remember, of course, the Chapel Services -- required every morning back then -- when we grumbled and complained about having to have our veils pressed and our saddle shoes polished -- But after all was said and done - there was something about marching in to "Fling Out the Banner" that sometimes left a lump in our throats, though I, for one, would have been the last to admit it.

And there was the traditional Christmas Mystery pageant, with all its mothballed old costumes and worn-out lines -- And yet - somehow - when the night finally arrived, being here in the chapel in the dark with the glow of candles and the smell of incense, hearing yourself and your friends sing and recite the age-old words -- well, it kind of made you tingle all over -- in spite of yourself -- awash with the holy mystery of it all.

I remember that November day when we walked into Mrs. Corless' English class and she had the 'static-y' old radio turned on full blast and we all held our breath, and lost our innocence, as we heard our president had been shot.

And there was Father Conklin, our chaplain and friend, who for whatever reason let us call him Father Chrysanthemum and who told jokes in Bible class and somehow left with us the comforting notion that surely God must have a grand sense of humor and must truly love to hear us laugh.

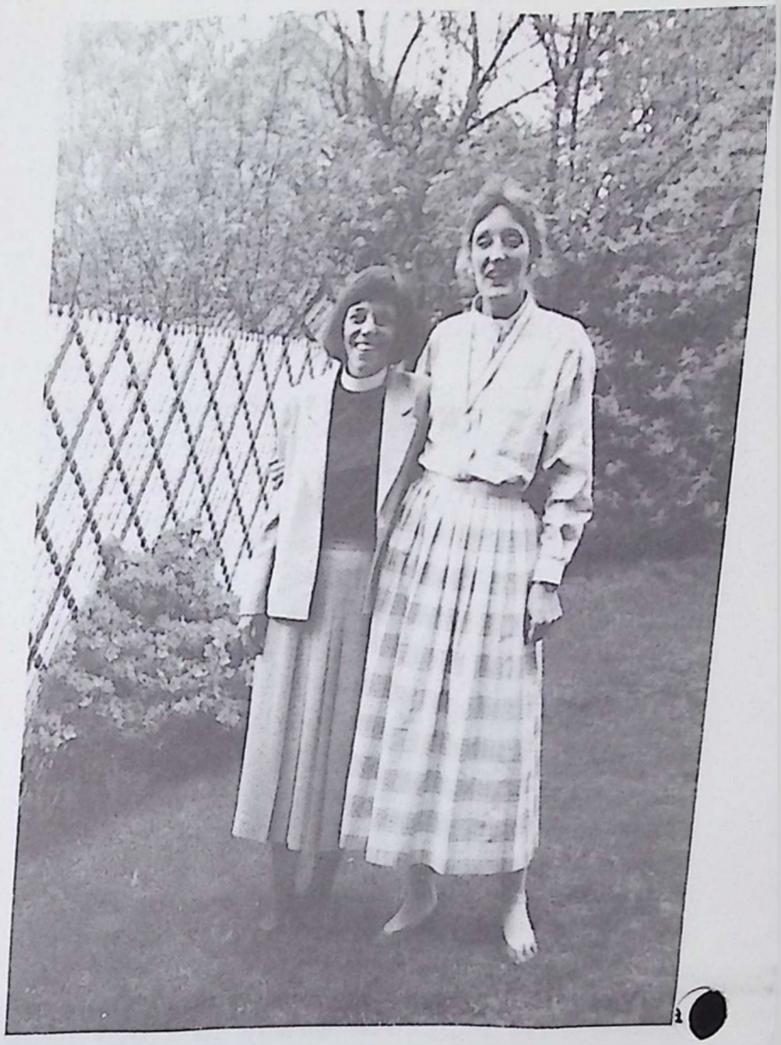
....And speaking of laughter, I remember the days Mimo Black and I would go into Miss Lynch's science class with our mouths all painted green and blue from jawbreakers we bought at Senior Store. Mimo was Mutt and I was Jeff and in our girlish giddiness we became fast friends. -- Then one summer's day, my dear Portuguese grandmother, Nanan, died suddenly and Mimo came to my house. In my grief, I told her I felt so guilty because I had teased my grandmother so much. Mimo put her arm around me and walked me around the block, and we shared stories about my grandmother, and then Mimo told me that Nanan knew how much I loved her, and that's all that really mattered -- With that I felt loved and absolved by my friend and my God --

At that moment, I found out what it is to be blessed with a true soul friend.

One final memory comes to mind for me -- that of Baccalaureate night when, after singing for weeks at the top of our lungs, "We've got to get out of this place! If it's the last thing we ever do!," we seniors found ourselves gathered at the bonfire on the riverbank with tears glistening on our cheeks as we sang, "Peace I ask of thee O' river - - peace - peace - peace -- When I learn to live serenely, cares will cease..." And then we each lit a candle on the cross which was floated down the river, carrying with it both our childhood and our dreams for the future.

There are so many more memories lying around my room called "Remember" -- all covered with dust and waiting to be picked up and examined -- waiting to be blessed and healed. But one cannot stay in that room too long for to do so might cause us to miss the holiness of the present.... My hope is that perhaps one of my dusty old memories will give you the key to your own room called "Remember" -- If so -- dare to open it -- See the faces -- hear the voices -- smell the smells and yes -- feel the feelings -- feelings of joy and grief -- success and failure -- belonging -- And as you explore your Room, be sure to look and listen carefully -- for smudged all over the photos of your lives are the fingerprints of the Holy, and echoing down the hallways of your histories is the voice of the Divine ... And so, as your walk through your Room called "Remember," you may very well hear yourself muttering: "Good grief! I didn't know this was a holy place! Wow! God is here in this place and I didn't even know it!"

....May the Holy One of Being bless and heal all our memories and give us a true sense of our own holiness -- each and every one -- **AMEN.**



The Reverend Sandra Alves Belcher and Mimo Black Betten, both '65. Founders Day, 1990.

The Reverend Sandra Alves Belcher, cum laude graduate of the class of '65 gave the sermon at Founders Day Evensong, 1990, focusing on memories making events and places at St. Mary's Hall holy to her many graduates. Rev. Belcher and her sister, Jacqui Thomas "68, grew up in Burlington, and attended SMH from kindergarten through high school. Graduating from Mt. Holyoke a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Rev. Belcher received a Master's Degree in Clinical Psychology at the George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University, and a Master's Degree, Cum Laude, from the School of Divinity, Yale University. She was ordained into the priesthood in 1986 at St. Stephen's Church in Ridgefield, CT, where she still works as assistant rector. She and her husband, Robert Belcher, live in Easton, CT, with their eighth grade twins, Justin and Aracy.

MAKING CONNECTIONS: ALUMNI PHONATHON

"Hi Sue, it's Judie! How are you?! Have you thought about your gift to St. Mary's Hall this year?" Burlington County Bank resounded with this question and gales of laughter on four nights in early December as the Society of Graduates and SMH held its yearly phonathon, contacting graduates about the Annual Fund Campaign. Alumni/AE manned the phones three nights and students the fourth, all working to strengthen SMH's base and to contact its graduates. While solicitation of funds was the major focus, alumni news-gathering was interesting and often humorous, and graduates and students alike enjoyed making contact with people and memories from the Hall's earlier years.

"Many Thanks!" to SOG Executive Council members Pat Michael Stevenson '70, Judie Perinchief '57, Jane Lawrence Forvour '68; to graduates J. J. Bodine '86, Lenore Bell Reitz '65, Margaret Fenimore Morris '57, and Alvar Mattei '84; and to current students Aleem Choudhary, Mike Kelly, and Monique Harris, all '92, for their cheerful and able assistance. Thanks also goes to Harry Van Sciver, President of Burlington County Bank and Vice-President of the Board of Trustees for his generously allowing SMH to use bank facilities for the campaign.

Volunteers are needed for a follow-up Phonathon in February -- would you like to help? We can promise an evening of fun with other graduates and students, the chance to contact long-lost classmates, and the opportunity to help St. Mary's Hall in a very real way. Let us know if we can count on your help by calling the Development Office.

COLLECTING FOR COMPUTERS

SMH is enriching its computer lab by taking advantage of ACME Markets' special offer. Please collect these items for St. Mary's: 1) ACME gold register tapes, 2) labels from Campbell's products, 3) Apples from Scott papers, and 4) UPC symbols from Tasty-Kake Family Paks and help us win more computers!



Sharon Richards advises SMH students Kim Marshall and Jennifer Eelman on their jewelry creations.

JEWELRY-MAKING WITH SHARON RICHARDS

Sharon Richards '84 offered jewelry-making as a fall activity for St. Mary's students. Since September she has managed a store in Princeton which specializes in jewelry-making classes for individuals, schools, organizations, and churches. Earlier this fall she inquired about student interest in this great way to creat Christmas gifts. Rob DeFazio was first to sign up for class. "Prices are going up," said Rob, echoing other students, "and my cash is shrinking. Besides, my grandparents would rather receive gifts that I've made!"

ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAME

Spartan varsity basketball players won a tight 48-47 contest against returning alumni players on November 30. Mike Zielinski, Ernie Lawson, Jim Petrucelli and John Stockton '83, Alvar Mattei '84, Chris Banfer and Dana Garrison '86, Jim Millson '88, and "Coach Stas" made up the alumni squad. According to Pete Lasavage, SMH Athletic Director, "the alumni players' shooting touch failed them at the end when they missed four opportunities to win the game in the last ten seconds. This failure should get them all fired up for next year's game."

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REMINISCENCE APPEAL

What do you remember most about St. Mary's Hall? Or St. Mary's Hall-Doane Academy? Write up your most memorable experiences while at the Hall and send them to the Development Office for inclusion in the Ivy Leaves "Memories" column. We'll print as many of your short reminiscences as we can, be they humorous or wry, and the result should be enjoyable reading for those who, like you, have experienced the Hall. We look forward to sharing your memories!!



FEBRUARY 1992

SPRING REUNION PLANS

Plans are underway for the celebration of the 155th anniversary of the founding of St. Mary's Hall by Bishop George Washington Doane. On Saturday, May 2, 1992, the annual meeting of the entire Society of Graduates will be held to introduce Mr. Christopher Hartley, Headmaster. A service of Evensong will follow in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents and will include the traditional crowning of the Bishop's portrait with pansies, his favorite flower. At 6:00 PM, a cocktail hour will be sponsored by the Society of Graduates followed by a dinner-dance jointly sponsored by the Society and the Parent-Faculty Association. This joint venture should provide an opportunity for all the members of the school family to celebrate the success of St. Mary's Hall over the last 155 years.

Look for a complete mailing with registration materials in March.

ATTENTION CLASS AGENTS

Your job is very important! The personal contact from an old school friend is what increases the turnout and success of all graduate functions, not just those at SMH. Judy Perinchief, Vice-President in charge of Publications, will be contacting the class agents for the five-year reunion classes, those years ending in 2 and 7. We encourage all class agents to get on the phone now and begin making plans with old friends for May 2. All graduates are welcome to attend activities that day.

A second important responsibility for class agents is to notify SMH of any address changes that you learn. Our latest phonathon was hindered by a large number of inaccurate addresses and telephone numbers. Please take time now to jot down the names and addresses of anyone you know who has moved and send it to the School. We are planning to publish an updated edition of the SMH/DA Directory this year. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

What is a member-at-large of the Society of Graduates? A member-at-large is a graduate who is interested in helping organize and execute the various functions of the Society, reunions, and publications. The graduate becomes a member of the Executive Committee and attends at least two of the five scheduled meetings per year. The only qualifications are a concern for SMH and its current staff, faculty and students, a willingness to work, make phone calls, interact with old friends and new. It is easier also if a member-at-large is less than an hour's drive from Burlington! If you are interested in joining as a member-at-large, call Pam Heckert at 302-475-7253. Our next meeting is March 22.

DOANE ACADEMY GRADS '66-'89

Is anyone interested in forming a Doane Academy Chapter of the Society of Graduates? If so, please contact Pam Borden Heckert '67 President, Society of Graduates, in care of SMH, Riverbank, Burlington, NJ 08016.

HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to add a few words to this edition of Ivy Leaves. To independent schools more perhaps than to any other area of education, the support of graduates is crucial and I am pleased to report that we seem to have a warm and productive relationship established between SMH and the Society of Graduates. The first half of this academic year has seen several examples of collaborative occasions which have brought graduates back to campus. Homecoming and the Christmas Reunion spring to mind but one of the most appreciated occasions was the Graduate Phonathon which renewed many acquaintances and produced a significant contribution to the annual-giving campaign. Such help is of prime importance to the health of the school but like every Headmaster I am always wanting more! May 2 is the big celebration - Founder's Day and a whole slate of events is scheduled. It would be most gratifying if we could reach a point on that day of standing room only - I hope we shall see everybody.

Of interest to you too, may be the inspection made recently by the New Jersey Historical Commission of our archives and records. We are seeking a grant to put in order all our many documents and pictures and this inspection is the first step. When we have the results, it may be appropriate for me to seek some help from our graduates in preserving our historic past.

Of course, you are welcome to visit at any time and I hope that you will do so but in particular I look forward to seeing you on May 2.

SOG COOKIE SALES NOT JUST CRUMBS

On Saturday, December 7, 1991, the Society Cookie Decorating Booth contributed $94.50 to the Parent-Faculty Association from sales of delicious four-inch sugar cookies. Cookie lovers of all ages enjoyed decorating the cookies "their" way with frosting and a variety of toppings.

Graduate volunteers at the booth also had an opportunity to meet current students and their parents and to do some Christmas shopping at the various craft booths.

SMH PHONATHON RAISES $3500 IN LESS THAN SEVEN HOURS!

Seven graduates telephoned fellow classmates on December 10, 11 and 12 and obtained pledges for the Annual Fund of St. Mary's Hall. The following graduates made calls: Marleigh Baratz '48 (all the way from Virginia!!), Mimo Black Betten '65, Elizabeth Codding Borden '44, Pam Borden Heckert '67, Al Mattei '82, Charlotte Melville '39, John Stockton '83. The pledges obtained pushed the total of annual giving to $18,000, over halfway to the goal of $30,000. Many thanks to those graduates who made a pledge and have already mailed their gift to School! Please remember pledges for this year's Annual Fund are accepted until June 30, 1992.

CHRISTMAS REUNION IN SCARBOROUGH DINING ROOM

Imported cheeses, stuffed mushrooms and southwestern chili dip and chips were only some of the delicious hors d'oeuvres sampled by graduates who returned to SMH for the annual Christmas cocktail reunion on Saturday, December 28. Headmaster Christopher Hartley and Mrs. Dorothy Hartley, Director of Admissions, attended the event to meet graduates home for the holidays. Cindy Krasnansky '86 won the Basket of Cheer as she was going out the door to return to the Big Apple. Kudos to the Class of '67 with three graduates attending: Kathy Coombs DiBlassio, Jody Hardenbergy Tucci, and Pam Borden Heckert.

GRADUATE PROFILE
(KATHLEEN COOMBS DIBLASSIO '67)

It's been 25 years since we carried those long stemmed red roses down the aisle at Commencement. The Class of '67 at SMH. It seems like such a long time ago. I dug out my yearbook after Pam Heckert called and asked me to do this interview. We all looked so young and determined. We are Baby Boomers, part of that famous group born during the optimistic post-World War II years.

I stayed in the area after graduation and went to school in Philadelphia. Yes, I married that tall, dark and handsome one in our senior prom picture and we will celebrate our 25th in 1993. We have two wonderful children, Jennifer, 18 and Joe Jr., 15. After a long series of stops and starts, I became an architectural designer and four year ago I opened Bucks County Kitchens, near New Hope, Pa. It's a great career that affords me the creative outlet I need while allowing me to use the business acumen I've acquired over the years. Check out some of the upcoming issues of Architectural Digest for samples of my work.

I reached this point in my life the same way my classmates became doctors, lawyers, bankers, nurses, TV producers, business women, educators and super-Moms. We are not a generation of privileged "old-money" families but rather of parents who cared and were willing to sacrifice to educate us in an independent school. We were privileged, however, because we received our early education in a school steeped in tradition and traditional values. The comforting rituals of Morning Prayer and the Christmas Mystery, helped to prepare us for the turbulence of the years to come. When that turbulence came - our "non-patriotic war," Kent State, Woodstock, the "sexual revolution" - we were more grounded than many of our counterparts. As much as we eschewed our parents' and our school's traditional values, they were always a source of comfort and guidance.

In the early 80's, I organized a "reunion" of sorts and the response was wonderful. We laughed as we remembered the happy times we shared at the Hall and poked fun at the heartaches of growing up. We talked about our college years and marriages, careers and family plans. There was a special bond between us; we had shared a bittersweet time together.

I'm particularly looking forward to this 25th reunion. Many of us have children the same age we were when we were at the Hall. My daughter graduated from high school this year and over the last few years I've pulled from the memories of my high school days to understand and guide her. Many times I've been tempted to pick up the phone and say "remember when we..."

This reunion will be different from the last one however. Now in our forties, we are dealing with a new part of our lives. We are more interested in our health and our children's futures. We will be soon dealing with our position as caregiver to parents. Some of us have already lost a parent as I have.

Last Christmas I called a few of my classmates who live nearby and heard familiar themes. Family, career, church, education for our children. Is it my imagination or have we come full circle? I'll leave the analysis to our class psychologist! But I'll bet that the ties made at SMH will prove strong at this time of our lives and we'll see many familiar faces at this 25th reunion. I hope to see yours on May 2nd!

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THOSE WE HAVE LOST THIS YEAR

Michelle Filling-Katz '73

Sonya Leach Apostolos '47 - Grateful thanks for a donation for chapel reburbishment made by sister Jeanne Leach Scott '40.

CLASS NOTES

1923 - Bettie Fell Siegrist has joined two SMH graduates in retirement in Medford, New Jersey. Gertrude Reynolds Knight '23, a former roommate, and Elizabeth Heyl '31.

1933 - Mabel Wells Owen is enjoying retirement with her husband, wintering in Connecticut and spending the summer in New Hampshire. Much time is taken up with travels to Los Angeles, Maui and Maine to visit their children.

1935 - Ruth Leech Donaldson recently celebrated her 73rd Birthday. She enjoys working part-time in the local public library in Coatesville, PA.

1938 - Julia Carll English's husband is retired from his position of Deputy Attorney General in New Jersey. Mrs. English is now past Regent of the Princeton Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. Their daughter is married and teaches school in New Jersey.

1939 - Charlotte Landreth Melville spent nine months in Africa highlighted by travels through 21 European and African nations before meeting with daughter Ann to finish the journey through Zimbabwe and South Africa. The trekking Melvilles then flew to Kenya to meet daughter Linda '80 and her husband. From there they went to Gabon to visit the Peace Corps volunteers working with Linda. Charlotte is safely back in the U.S. working in Trenton and looking forward to Founder's Day.

1940 - Ann Pumyea Siner is keeping very busy in her retirement with volunteer work at church and Springside school where she worked for 41 years. She also volunteers at the local hospital, the Red Cross, and is involved with Stagecrafters, an amateur theatre group.

1944 - Elizabeth Codding Borden reports that she celebrated her 64th Birthday in Tulsa not her 65th as erroneously reported in the last Ivy Leaves. Emily Van Sciver Merk '40 and her husband visited the Bordens in July. Also visiting in July was Lois Mary Frances Westby Valletta '44 who visited SMH with Mrs. Borden and met with the Headmaster, Mr. Hartley. Mary Louise Herring '44 joined the group for lunch. Mary traveled from Denver for her visit. Lois also visited Charlotte Peverley Silver '44 in Bel Air, Maryland by way of Amtrak.

1948 - Elspeth Winton Carruthers lives in North Ireland and teaches Art History to geriatric patients. Susan Crowe Lane, Professor of History, is teaching at Community College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Shirley Lukens Rosseau is a Librarian at Wesleyan. Her husband raises sheep and goats. Marleigh Moreland Baratz and Meade Osborne Christenson visited Mary Ann Kime McCracken in Kentucky last spring. Meade and Mary Ann visited Denmark for two weeks. Sally Taylor Benson has five children and six grandchildren and lives in Venice, Florida. Jane Elliot Berry lives nearby in Stuart, Florida. Ann Chidester Weeks is working at Franklin and Marshall College in the computer department. Peggy Neuhauser Horst and her husband have just built their new home, a "Gucci" log cabin in East Tennessee. Diana Dilatush Weizer wants to hear from "anybody".

1952 - Barbara Marter MacFalls has returned to the Riverbank after living in Pennsylvania.

1960 - Jan Colvin Johnson and her husband Wynne have moved to Hyattsville, Maryland. Wynne practices dentistry in the Washington area.

1961 - Our sympathies go out to Susan Youngs Gallino and her sisters Pam Youngs Runyon '64, Maralee Youngs '69, and Debbie Youngs '71 on the death of their father, William Youngs, a respected community leader and former trustee of SMH.

1967 - Bonnie Dix Cavannaugh is a staff nurse in the Emergency Department of the local hospital in Ponca City, Oklahoma. She has recently been certified in advanced cardiac life support, trauma nursing, and emergency nursing. Husband Thom is doing geophysical research at Conoco. Pam Borden Heckert is juggling like everybody else. She is President of a worthy alumnae organization, a bigger job that she thought (she should have listened to her mother for once). In her spare time she works as a nurse to maintain her license and teaches French to ten children at home just for fun! Her reward is to go skiing in Colorado for five days with her best friend next door, leaving Clark at home with the four kids!

1970 - Barbara Veitch Bernstein is a full-time mother and is living in Washington, DC with husband Mitch, a lawyer, and their three children. Marilene Martins and Robert Frank Von Rohr were married in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents on October 12, 1991.

1973 - We are sad to report the sudden death of Michelle Filling-Katz last summer in Silver Spring, Maryland. Our condolences are sent to her husband, parents and family.

1975 - Susan Flamm Honig was married on June 9, 1990 to Peter Honig. She is an academic Oncologist on staff at Georgetown University Medical Center. Peter is studying Pharmacology at the FDA.

1979 - Cheryl Cohen Miller is living with college sweetheart husband David in Edison, New Jersey. Cheryl is busy with furnishing their new home, learning to cook and relaxing. She is looking forward to hearing from classmates and "how about a 15-year reunion?"

1983 - Elizabeth Sharrier is living in Roanoke, Virginia after stops in Phoenix and Los Angeles. She has started Law School and works for a regional publishing company as Assistant Director of Sales and Marketing.

NOSTALGIA TIME

Does anyone remember the rhymes Mrs. Slater recited on Shrove Tuesday? The key, the coin, the ring hidden in the pancakes? If you do, please write them down and send to IVY LEAVES, in care of SMH.

ORCHIDS AND ONIONS!

ORCHIDS TO:

Kathy Coombs DiBlassio '67 for updating us on the whereabouts of many of her classmates.

Graduates who attend SOG functions with unbridled enthusiasm!

Graduates who send in the Phonathon Pledges promptly.

ONIONS TO:

Graduates who move, marry, have families and successful careers without tooting their own horn. Let's hear from you!

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1932 - Need Volunteer

1933 - Need Volunteer

1934 - Need Volunteer

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Silverdale, PA 18962
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1937 - Need Volunteer

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1945 - Joan Hornberger Jesperson
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1946 - Need Volunteer

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1949 - Need Volunteer

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1953 - Need Volunteer

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1955 - Need Volunteer

1956 - Patricia Wright Neindorff
Box 257,Jacksonville/Hedding Rd.
Columbus, NJ 08022

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Timonium, MD 21093
(301) 252-2159

1958 - Need Volunteer

1959 - Anne Cramer Hoover
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York, PA 17403
(717) 854-2037

1960 - Hedl Decker Brick
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Crosswicks, NJ 08515
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Greenville, DE 19807
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1962 - Sandra Harbourt Bishop
22 Tekering Way
Hamilton Square, NJ 08690
(609) 586-1564

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Linwood, NJ 08221
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1964 - Need Volunteer

1965 - Janet Whiteside Genosky
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(609) 386-4749

1966 - Leona Soltesz Maffei
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Princeton, NJ 08540

1967 - Nancy Applegate Carlson
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1968 - Jacqueline Thomas
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Burlington, NJ 08016
(609) 386-2743

1969 - Nancy Switlik Vaga
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Plainsboro, NJ 08536
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1972 - Stephen Bernauer
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(208) 726-2206

1974 - Pamela Brown Bryant
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Bloomingdale, IN 47832
(317) 597-2096

1975 - Julia Duncan Rinehart
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(301) 271-2809

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1980 - Jonathan Fairchild
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(215) 947-8340

1982 - Eileen McCardle
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(609) 428-8837

1984 - Alvar Mattei
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Trenton, NJ 08618
(609) 396-9424

1986 - Cynthia Krasnansky
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1988 - Christina Richards
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1990 - Need Volunteer

1971 - Gail Davies Eutsky
24 Sylvan Park Drive
Burlington, NJ 08016

1972 - Janet Evaul McGinley
318 Redman Avenue
Haddonfield, NJ 08033

1973 - Gail Yetter Braddock
23 Glenwood Road
Mt. Holly, NJ 08060
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1974 - Jeffrey Wegard
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(407) 964-6173

1975 - Steven Fairchild
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(207) 353-6461

1976 - Michael Thomas
623 Burnside Drive
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(513) 859-3994

1977 - Harry Van Sciver
300 Washington Street
Hackettstown, NJ 07840
(201) 852-4291

1978 - Robert Byham

1980 - Linda Melville
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Santa Cruz, CA 95060
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1981 - Pamela Guerds
2300 24th Rd.S.627
Arlington, VA 22206-2618

1983 - Kurt Hendricks
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(609) 267-2898

1985 - Linda Tinsley
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1987 - Vincent Giglio
2052 Columbia Road
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1989 - Need Volunteer

1991 - Need Volunteer

REMINISCENCE APPEAL

What do you remember most about St. Mary's Hall? Or St. Mary's Hall-Doane Academy? Write up your most memorable experiences while at the Hall and send them to the Development Office for inclusion in the Ivy Leaves "Memories" column. We'll print as many of your short reminiscences as we can, be they humorous or wry, and the result should be enjoyable reading for those who, like you, have experienced the Hall. We look forward to sharing your memories!!

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Society of Graduates President Speaks Out

HAPPY 1999! Greetings from the Riverbank and the Executive Committee. There are changes in the air as we near the twenty-first century. The Executive Committee, with the help of Marleigh Baratz '48 and Ann Currier '48 as co-editors, are publishing the Ivy Leaves. Please send your news to mmbaratz@aol.com or to: POB 488, Keswick, VA 22947. To keep you updated on the school's activities, we will have a capsule report from the headmaster, Mr. Saunders. There will also be class notes as submitted by class agents. Be sure to read the articles in this publication about the Gala Celebration of Bishop Doane's 200th Birthday and the reunions on Saturday, May 1, 1999. Remember that if you call your friends personally, they will be more likely to come to the reunion. Contact your class agents about any special class activities.

I have recently taught in two private schools that have well-maintained physical plants and annual giving goals in the hundreds of thousands. Their lunchrooms are cramped and ugly. St. Mary's Hall has a gorgeous dining room as well as an excellent learning environment with a rich history of morality-based education. Our annual giving goal is modest, only in the tens of thousands. St. Mary's Hall needs resources, including money to update and maintain her old buildings. Our annual giving needs to grow each year. Let's surpass our goal this year and set an even higher one next year! Annual giving extends until June 30, 1999, so please consider a meaningful donation today. What else can graduates do to help the school into the twenty-first century? Let's consider starting a trust fund maintained by a graduate or graduate committee. Are there ten business and finance graduates who can start a trust for St. Mary's Hall's benefit? If you would like to spearhead the effort. please call me at 302.475.7253.



Pamela Borden Heckert, Class of 1967
President of the Society of Graduates

Local graduates need to shout St. Mary's Hall's virtues from the rooftops and send their children here. Without our support the school will be only a fond memory and a footnote in Burlington history.



A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER

In my January Newsletter to the parents, I noted that it seemed a bit strange writing my first communication for the year 1999. All of a sudden it dawns on me the 20th century is essentially history. And in many respects, what a turbulent history. I hope that the generation of the 21st century learns from the past and avoids the mistakes of the 20th century. While the present millennium accomplished a great deal in medicine, literature, transportation, exploration and human rights, there remains much to do. More than ever, I believe that our children need a sense of history in order to learn from both our errors and our triumphs. Consult scripture and pray often. Where are the old fashioned virtues of honor, integrity, and truthfulness? Without the constant exercise of these virtues, we might as well pack it in. My mother always reminded me that I was only as good as my word. Some things never change.

And then there is the venerable institution on the banks of the Delaware River that continues to stress the lessons of history, begins each day with a gathering of students in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents, and strives to inculcate the virtues that we all hold so near and dear. The Hall withstood the challenges of the 20th century and prevailed. However, the school needs the love and support of her graduates more than ever before in order to continue to produce educated, caring young men and women with the knowledge of what is right and what is wrong as opposed to what is "politically correct".

While some Americans seem to see our nation in a period of decline, I believe that as schools like St. Mary's Hall continue to thrive, the golden age of the United States remains far in the future. The question and concern is, do those who benefit from the school and owe their success to the school, care enough to ensure its future educational and financial health? From those graduates I have met in my short tenure at The Hall, I am betting that they do.

Donald M. Saunders, Headmaster

The Parent - Faculty Association

PARENT-FACULTY ASSOCIATION



The Parent - Faculty Association continues to add dramatically to the life of St. Mary's Hall. The PFA sponsored the Book Fair on November 16, 17, and 18. Mrs. Kitty MacDonald and her committee very ably planned and organized the best Holiday Bazaar in the school's long and storied history. In January, the PFA sponsored Family Pride Day, an activity designed to spruce up the campus. The next Saturday, January 30, was reserved for our Family Dinner.



Our continuing thanks to the PFA for their help and support. This year's President, Linda Spicer, is doing a superb job.

Graduate Activities

NEW ARCHIVIST AT SMH

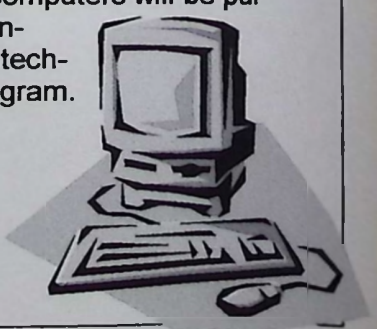
Ms. Maria Viteri '54 agreed to become the school's archivist. Maria spends much of her time in the archive room on the third floor of Odenheimer Hall sorting through and ordering boxes of material. She also spends a considerable amount of time beautifying the campus. Her efforts in planting and maintaining the bell area adds to our restoration efforts. Maria serves on the Trustees' Development Committee. The alumni of St. Mary's thanks and is indebted to Maria for her efforts.



Nancy Wegard '75 provides outstanding photographic support for the school. Nancy's work adorns the walls of the recently restored Nelson Corridor and more will appear throughout the school later in the winter. She also arranged for an "*Inquirer*" reporter to interview our International student, Asli Parlak from Turkey.

Vicki Gutstein Schlosser '56 donated several lovely pots of mums which our maintenance department planted in the courtyard area. The flowers provided a special touch of fall beauty for the campus.

Patricia Decker Patterson '56 recently donated funds to the memorial established for her mother. Two new computers will be purchase to enhance our technology program.



SCHOOL NEWS

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MYSTERY

Students, parents, graduates, faculty, guests and friends packed the Chapel of the Holy Innocents on Friday, December 18, as students recreated the "Greatest Story Ever Told" in the Christian World" for the Annual Christmas Mystery. Following the Mystery, all adjourned to the dining room for food and fellowship. The traditional Yule Log and the burning of holly sprigs carried forward the tradition for another year. Our two senior class "lifers" Sarah Banfer and Adam Headley portrayed Mary and Joseph respectively. Seventeen years ago, Sarah also portrayed the Christ Child. Mystery Directors, Mrs. Arleen Widener, Dr. James Paradis, and Mrs. Dona Gaul guided the students through a superb performance.



CHORAL MUSIC IS BACK AT THE HALL TO STAY!



Our Music Director, Mrs. Dona Gaul, unveiled the school's new chorus at our annual service of Lessons and Carols on Tuesday, December 15. Mrs. Shenenberger and her instrumental students provided an excellent selection of Christmas music.



GHOSTS AND GOBLINS

Over 400 guests attended this year's Halloween presentation of Doane's Dungeon. Dr. James Paradis served as Director of this much anticipated annual event with a big boost from Mrs. Arleen Widener and the students all turned in masterful performances. Dr. Paradis noted that over half of the student body participated in the program and for the first time the sixth grade added scary support.

The competition for college and university admittance is in full swing. The Headmaster is kept quite busy reviewing applications, calculating grade point averages and class rankings as well as providing SAT scores to admissions offices. A number of institutions of higher learning visited the school in the fall and met with upper school students in the top three grades.



ATHLETICS

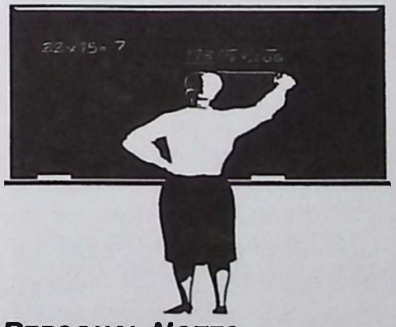
Mr. Ken Miller replaces Robert Sweeny as the school's athletic director. Mr. Miller completed his student teaching here at St. Mary's Hall under the direction of Dr. Paradis and also coached a number of sports.

NEW FACES

Mrs. Dona Gaul joined the faculty shortly after school resumed in the fall and her contribution to the return of choral music is profoundly felt. She held her first vocal music program at the annual Holiday Bazaar but really "unveiled" the chorus at the Christmas Mystery Dress Rehearsal for the Lower School and Junior Division of the Upper School.

TRIPS

Mrs. McKee, the school's French teacher and Mrs. Nancy Ginsberg, Chair of the Language Department and the school's Latin teacher plan Interim trips to France and Italy for Upper School students in March. The Hall's Interim program truly enriches our curriculum.



FACULTY NEWS

PERSONAL NOTES

Ms. Aimee Bradford, our fourth grade teacher is now Mrs. Asa Berger. Aimee and Asa married in December. Our sincere congratulations to both of them.

Our Dean of Student Life and Chair of the English Department, Mr. James Hartshorne, underwent serious back surgery in November and is recuperating at his home in Moorestown. Mr. Hartshorne returned to The Hall and resumed his duties after the Christmas vacation. Mrs. Robin McKee ably assumed the duties of Dean during Mr. Hartshorne's absence.

MEMORIALS

Louise Decker Deacon passed away at her residence, The Evergreens in Moorestown, New Jersey on July 27, 1998. Mrs. Deacon was a school teacher for many years, having taught at St. Mary's Hall for a portion of her career. She is survived by her two daughters, Patricia Decker Patterson '56 and Hedl Decker Brick '60, 5 grandchildren, and one great grandson to whom the school extends its heartfelt sympathies. A Memorial Fund has been established by the family at St. Mary's Hall in memory of Mrs. Deacon.

Elizabeth Marren Perinchief died on July 19, 1998, at the home of her son, David, in Mt. Holly, New Jersey. Mrs. Perinchief served as Director of Admissions at St. Mary's Hall from 1957 - 1962. The school extends its deepest sympathies to her daughter, Judith M. Perinchief '57, her sons, David and Donald, and her four grandchildren.

FACULTY NEWS, Continues

History Chair's First Book

Dr. James Paradis, Chair of our History Department, has published his first book *Strike The Blow For Freedom* which traces the history and contributions of a Philadelphia Afro-American Civil War unit. This is an important book and we congratulate Dr. Paradis on this notable achievement.

In October, Dr. Paradis and Mr. Saunders, our headmaster, chaperoned a group of 16 Juniors and Seniors on a three day Civil War field trip to Cold Harbor, Petersburg and Appomattox Court House. As part of the Hall Community service, the group painted cannon carriages at the Petersburg Battlefield.



Interested in a copy of *Strike a Blow for Freedom*, by Dr. Paradis?

Call 1-888-WHTMANE or

609-386-3500 ext. 36



BISHOP DOANE'S 200TH BIRTHDAY

On Saturday, May 1, 1999, the Society of Graduates will be hosting a 200th birthday party for Bishop George Washington Doane. In the morning we will gather for a service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion to celebrate the Bishop's life work. We will invite local and church leaders to share this happy remembrance of a man who influenced positively the lives of so many around him during a long career in church and school life. After the service we will enjoy a luncheon in Scarborough Dining Room with our special guests, the senior class, soon to be members of our Society. Dr. Adam Potkay will be speaking to us that day about his upcoming book, discussing the more recent history of St. Mary's and the kind of help he needs from us, the graduates, to complete his work. After the annual meeting of the Society of Graduates, which this year includes elections of President, Treasurer and members-at-large, we will adjourn until 7:30 PM when the Second Annual Art Auction for the school's benefit will take place. All in all it will be a very busy day and a fitting celebration of the birthday of the man responsible in large part for the success of generations of men and women.

Please complete the reservation form found in this publication and mail it, with your check, as soon as possible. Remember to call your classmates too. Drum up some fun!!

RIVERBANK COMMITTE NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Riverbank Committee, which meets each fall, is soliciting your ideas for fund raising at SMH. We encourage you to write us with your ideas at St. Mary's Hall, 350 West Delaware Av., Burlington, NJ 08016-2199, (609) 386-3500 FAX (609) 386-5878, or email: thehall@philly.infi.net.

On a recent visit I talked with students and faculty. Both felt the academic quality of SMH is vibrant and growing. When I asked the students what they wanted most at SMH, they said they wanted the buildings and facilities updated.

Those of us who enjoyed SMH in it's heyday have a responsibility to insure an adequate future for the school. How we get a guaranteed endowment to maintain the facilities and offer competitive faculty salaries in the future is the challenge. Do you have the answer?



A penny saved is a penny earned - Ben Franklin

STUDENT NEWS

AP Scholars

St. Mary's Hall students continue to collect academic accolades. The College Board named two members of last year's senior class, Jordan Bennett and Clare Gutwein "AP Scholars". According to The College Board, this very prestigious distinction is granted to students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams on full-year courses or the equivalent. Jordan attends Grove City College as a Trustee Scholar and Clare is pursuing a degree in Chinese language at Georgetown University. Two AP Scholars in a class of 13 students is an outstanding achievement. Our congratulations to Jordan and Clare for their hard work, and the dedicated faculty who helped prepare them.



National Merit Program

The National Merit Scholarship Program awarded current senior Thomas K. Allison a "Letter of Commendation". According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, 34,500 commended students throughout the nation are being honored in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards to be offered next spring. These commended students place among the top five percent of more than one million who entered the 1999 Merit Program. This achievement was accomplished by taking the Preliminary SAT/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Tom is also an excellent cross country runner as well as an outstanding student. In Boys Division B of the NJISAA Cross Country Championship, Tom placed third out of 64 entrants with an outstanding time of 17:54. Other Spartans who ran well include Senior Karl Schmidt; Juniors Matt Conte and Paul Gutwein; Sophomores Michael Chico and Justin Buehrig; and Freshman Kulwinder Gill.

Distinguished Scholars Award

The Garden State Scholarship Program selected three of our current senior students as recipients of the prestigious Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars Award. To qualify for this honor, students must be in the top 10% of their classes and have a minimum combined SAT score of 1250, or are ranked first, second or third in their classes, by the end of their junior year. Recipients of this year's awards are Thomas Allison, Adam Headley and Alesha Vega.



The St. Mary's Hall Community is proud of ALL its students, both past and present. You are what makes St. Mary's Hall a GREAT place.

SINCE 1837
ST. MARY'S HALL
HAS BEEN A CENTER FOR
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
YOU ARE PART OF THIS PROUD TRADITION

Class Notes

CLASS OF 1933 ***Elizabeth Seckel MacCornack, 114 East Riverbank, Beverly, NJ 08010***

Mabel Welles Owen '33,reports that her husband, Charles A. Owens, Jr., died on July 24, 1998. He is.-buried in Freedom, NH where they spent each summer since 1955. They had just come back from a trip to France with Mabels' sister Muriel Welles Hall, '39 and the Qwens' son, Charles. Charles attended the New Chaucer Society meeting in Paris. Our sincere condolences to the Owens family on their loss.

CLASS OF 1939 ***Elizabeth Williamson Gordon, The Hayloft, Ft. Defiance, VA 24437***

Prissy is still in Monmouth Beach, NJ and the telephone is our only contact. Her granddaughter's child is her pride and joy. Marjorie Carter Hayes and Tina Ridley and I met in Washington – great fun. We would love to hear from our old friends. Wasn't Senior House great? How many of you will be able to get back? Drop a note!! We'd love to hear some news. Also, look for Marjorie's ad regarding a class ring! Antiques! Cheers & Best wishes.

CLASS OF 1940 ***Ann Pumyea Siner, Cathedral Village, G317, 600 E. Cathedral RD, Philadelphia PA 19128***

My (Eleanor Shoemaker Spencer , '40) husband's is suffering from, "chronic Mylagenic Leukemia". We are living one day at a time. Good days and bad days just like everyone else. I work in the library 4 days a week and I am also a trustee. I do enjoy it and with the Boro's help, we have completely remodeled the building - inside and out. I am very proud - it is beautiful! We are still restoring our 1784 Trinity Episcopal "Old Swedes" church. It seems I am always into restoring something - myself included. Best wishes to everyone at St. Mary's Hall - I have very fond memories of my years there.

CLASS OF 1942 ***Vivian Atkinson Bird, 1241 Pyrde DR, Maitland, FL 32751***

Happy New Year from sunny Florida where a 'cold snap' means daytime highs only in the upper 60's and the arrival of holiday cards is a reassuring sign that Christmas is coming.

Eloise "Woody" Gardner wrote that she and her daughter Tam had just returned from a fall week in London where they did "theatre, galleries, shops ... but the real reason for the trip was an exhibit of 700 illustrations". Two thirds or more were "children's", just Woody's cup of tea. She is a serious collector of illustrations for children's books. They also went to the Tate for an extensive show of John Singer Sargent.
Except for her son Cleve and his wife who were vacationing in Bali, Woody and Frank expected her whole family to be "on deck" for Christmas. Woody was "surprised, de- lighted, dumbfounded" to find Polly (Fawcett) and Bill Spofford at Trinity Church in Boston. They had a great but short chat. The Spoffords were visiting family so Woody hopes they'll be back some time. Her winter project is to get "computer smart" under the tutelage of her brother Ralph.

In the spring Nonnie (Kane) Sandoe's husband Bob was elected president of the Board of Directors of The International Network for Attitudinal Healing which means lots of work and travel for him during the next two years. Nancy and her special group of friends who attended Hood College were happy that they were weren't as "old and creaky" at their 50th reunion as those old ladies were who were marching for their 50th when Nonnie graduated! Nonnie and Bob had lots of family over the Thanksgiving week-end. Sons Luke and Cori and their two college kids, granddaughter Lakota and her 15 month "darling daughter," son William and his partner Yumiko who have finally left New York and have moved into a house in Putney, Vermont! Although Nancy and Bob are spending more and more time in Hanover, it will be wonderful to be able to see them on week-ends. Daughter Susan was expected home for Christmas. Then the whole vibrant family would be together.

Barbara (Jutson) Yarlott, like many others of our generation, decries the changes Episcopal services have undergone since the days of our youth. She misses the lovely old morning prayer service and was delighted to discover a "traditional Episcopal church" in her new neighborhood in Timonium. They use the "poetical prayer book and hymnal and all the lovely old canticles". She felt as if she had come home. Barbara also enjoyed visits from family over the holidays. Granddaughter Cara, who is twenty-one years of age, displayed her engagement ring and announced that she had "signed up" in the Navy. Barbara wonders how all of that will work out. Thanksgiving- was remarkable this year for

my immediate family of four. My sister, Frances "Akie" Crowley '45, came from Connecticut for a rare visit. I had hoped for better weather, but temperatures were in the low 80's and it was sunny. Sis prefers New England temperatures. For the first time in over twenty years Rob was able to be home as well as Charlie. Both bachelor sons have given up apartment living and have bought houses. Charles is in Fairfax, VA where he is a Safety Director for Centex Construction. Rob has moved to Ormond-by-the-Sea, FL, about eight miles from where he grew up and only an hour and a quarter from Maitland (Orlando) where I live. He is a RN in the new cardiac unit at Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach.

I hope you will all join me to have 100% participation from the class of 1942 in the Annual Fund this year. Please keep in touch. Class Agent, Vivian (Atkinson) Bird

CLASS OF 1943 ***Mary Eckman Switkay, 715 S. Overlook DR, Alexandria, VA 22305-1215***

Joan Burdge writes from Woodstock, Vermont that she had some wonderful trips this past year. In May she took off for a week in Scotland. She started in Glasgow, went up through the Highlands, across to Aberdeen and down to Edinburgh. She was in a group of twenty people and had a marvelous tour director. Joan did not see the Loch Ness monster, but her favorite stop was in a castle outside of Aberdeen. At night it was lit up and looked like something out of Disney. This lovely place also had three yellow rubber duckies in the bath. She enjoyed a tour of a cashmere factory and, of course, purchased a sweater. 'The only long senior trip this year was to Cape May, New Jersey, where she stayed in an ocean front apartment. Most went gambling in Atlantic City, but Joan and a friend spent the day in a nearby mall. Neither-one has malls at home, so this was a real treat. Joan rounded out her travels by going to Atlanta, Georgia to celebrate a 50th wedding anniversary with a couple whose wedding she had been in. Another bridesmaid, with whom Joan roomed for a couple of years in New York, came up from Miami. The next jaunt was a flight to Tampa, where she spent a few days with a Burdge cousin on -the other side of' the family. She had a grand time with everyone. Joan was pleased to see how these retirement developments work.

Henry and I (Mary Eckman Switkay) cannot begin to rival Joan's exciting travels. Recently we drove five miles from Alexandria to Georgetown, where we are living now. A major under-taking. We are having a problem with plaster particles in the air at home and were forced to flee just before Christmas. Kind friends were going to Mexico for six weeks and offered us their house while the environmental crowd, hopefully, fixing us up. It's a whole different world here and quite an adventure. Nancy had a few days off from her Nielson job, which she so enjoys, and came for Christmas. Her visit made us feel at home! Our son, Coleman, just moved to a larger house in Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, only five minutes from their other one. Our three little men are adjusting slowly; they keep biking back for yet another last look at the old homestead. At last report they are putting up their posters in their rooms. A good sign! My love and warmest wishes for a happy new year to all the class.

CLASS OF 1944 ***Elizabeth Borden, 56 Riverbank, Beverly, NJ 08010-1310***

Jack and I spent another delightful tour in France last October in company with veterans of the Battle of the Bulge, December,1944. What a beautiful group of loyal Americans! News from Mary "Newt" (COX) Morrison is of their 50th anniversary in September–very quiet but warm with Newt's four brothers and 92 year old aunt in attendance. We are sorry to hear that Bob has had another stroke and with other complications is to the point that he is now in assisted living.

Mary Lou Hering sends her best and says she has had a very quiet year. All is well-that's what counts, Louie.

Jeanne Hornberger White and Bill spent a month in Florida in the late fall, visiting brother Bob, daughter Wendy and a cousin, Bruce. They spent Thanksgiving with Debbie and family. They're planning once again to spend a winter month in Myrtle Beach.

Dottie Mark Arbogast and John are really active grandparents at this time due to Joanne moving back to Lewisburg and filling a new position as editor of the two local newspapers, *The Milton Daily Standard* and *The Lewisburg Daily Journal.* Dottie still finds time for tennis, golf and bowling.

Ann Pearson Dover writes that her brother has moved to Seabrook Island, so she sees him more. She hopes to see Dottie Mark and Jeanne Hornberger in February at midpoint of Myrtle Beach and Charleston.

Tottie Taylor Currier sent a delightful description of the Christmas snowfall and cross-country skiing on the beaches of Cape May. She and Dottie Mark Arbogast lunched together in June.

Lois Westby Valletta writes that her son, Fred, was remarried in December and that she is busy reading his PhD thesis on "Witchcraft in the 17th Century. It sounds fascinating! Lois planned to spend Christmas with son Edward and family.

CLASS OF 1947 ***Marilyn West Hammel, 14 Danby PL, Pt. Pleasant Beach, NJ 08742***

Joan Ferguson Parsons and her husband Terry relocated from Stuart, Florida to Melbourne in order to enjoy the benefits of an assisted community and live near their daughter, Dawn. Dawn continues to work as a Medical lab technician at West Volusia Hospital in Deland, Florida. Dawn's son Michael Kearns will graduate from high school this spring. He has been home schooled using computers and will be graduating with top marks. Joan and Jerry's son, Tarlton is a computer Design Engineer in Atlanta, Georgia. Presently he is in a partnership buying a resort in Tortola, British Virgin Island.

CLASS OF 1948 ***Phebe Gulick Snow, 921 North Rd., No., Yarmouth, ME. 04094***

Phebe Gulick Snow has graciously agreed to be our class agent. We all join her to thank Shirley Lukens Rosseau for her devotion to St. Mary's Hall and for a fine job as class agent. Thanks also for doing a great job of organizing our 50th and encouraging class attendance. If any of you should find yourselves headed north or have some news to share, do give Phebe a call (207-846-9381) or drop her a line at 921 North Rd., No. Yarmouth, ME. 04094. As she was sending her check off to St. Mary's Hall Annual appeal, she encourages all of us to do the same.

Peg Neuhauser Horst sent us a short resume. Her first career as a Medical Technician took her to Carlysle, PA then on to an osteopathic hospital in Lancaster, then she worked for an allergist, making sera for various allergies. When she no longer enjoyed this, she went into business with a friend doing car detailing. She mainly dealt with interiors of autos, vans, trucks, boats and planes. She and her husband have two daughters, a son, and five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Susan Crow Lane is a football fan these days when not busy as Associate Professor of History at Philadelphia Community College. A frequent "globe trotter", Susan has made 15 trips to Europe, and this past year she went to Turkey. Then followed an Indian Cruise from Bombay to Singapore. This summer she plans to return to Italy and then go on a Russian River cruise.

We are saddened to report that Marilyn Beaton Robinson passed away in her home on October 16, 1998. Her husband, Roy, tells us she died in peace surrounded by her family, and he praises the great services of Hospice. Marilyn was a registered nurse and a pioneer in Parkinson's Disease research. She was a champion sailor and a master gardener. She regarded her stay at St. Mary's as a very important part and a high point of her life. Her St. Mary's ring was always on her hand. Those of you who would like to send condolences to her husband Roy may write to Box 194 Brewster MA, 02631

We informed you of the passing of Jane Elliott Berry in our last issue. Those of you who might like to send condolences may contact Chapman Berry, 4174 Centerboard Lane SE, Stewart, Fl 34997.

CLASS OF 1951 ***Carolyn Miller Gallup, OITSS, P.O. Box 415, Sunape, NH 03782***

Carol Allen Baugh and husband Dan have had a busy year. Labor Day weekend the entire family gathered at the beach house on the outer Banks of North Carolina. The occasion was to celebrate Dan's retirement from teaching. He chose to quit a couple years early to finish a book and write some essays. He plans at least two other books. Carol enclosed a picture of the entire family including 7 grandchildren.

Reggie Weinberg Grobman received that red, white and blue birthday card. She and Stanley celebrated by planning a Disney/Cruise vacation. Sounds like a great way to stay young.

Connie Fellows Kuolt has been spending a lot of time with her parents especially since her mother had a fall. I hope all is going better now.

Barbara Armstrong Jamieson wrote about their eldest son John's marriage to Tracy whom he had courted for 17 years. They were married in the garden of the Orcas Island beach cottage. Barbara

and her family enjoyed several happy trips in 1998. They included a family gathering at the Buccaneer in St. Croix and a driving trip across northern U.S.A. with her sister Judith. I remember a third grader, Judith, visiting my family in Fair Haven, NJ with her sister Barbara and cousin (Marion Fleming Kremers). Barbara and Judith had a mini family reunion in Bozeman, Montana. In Oct. Barbara and John visited his family in England and had a wonderful time.

Pat Henson Barton spent 5 weeks with their daughter Judy awaiting the birth of her sweet daughter Claire Lauren. Next October an exciting trip to Ireland is planned. Their oldest son, Dan Jr, will marry an Irish lassie, Anne Morrissary, in Dublin.

Corny Simmons Vannozzi is settled and sounds very happy in her new condo. Her address is 36 Twin Brooks Dr., Willow Grove, PA 19090. She enjoyed entertaining her family at Christmas. Daughter, Marie and family are about 20 minutes away. Corny and Marie attended the Vince Gill Christmas Show in Philadelphia and really enjoyed it.

Phyllis VanWagenen Buck and husband Bill are looking forward to a winter getaway in St. Maarten. They recently visited us for dinner and an evening of fellowship.

My cards to Georgia Knobloch Smith and Dr. Marie Walbridge were returned. Does anyone have a correct address for them?

Frank and I had a busy Christmas. Whenever a grandchild reaches age six we take them to Radio City Music Hall for the Christmas show. This year it was Devin's turn. We took my daughter, Karin, and her husband, Steve, also. We drove to Stamford, Conn. and took the train into New York City. The Christmas show was beautiful and Devin was able to ice skate at Rockefeller Center. Just before Christmas a picture arrived of our new soon to be grandson from Korea. He will arrive in the spring and will be named Taylor (Jae, his Korean name) Scott. An exciting event to look forward to.

CLASS OF 1952 ***Ann Richards Cook, 1709 Gwynedd View RD, North Wales, PA 19454-3618***

Joan Nelson Swann is excited because her son Marc and his wife Ruby are expecting a daughter, Bianca Marie. By the time you read this, she will have been born! Joan says she has her Senior Passbook and is on standby at the airport to fly to see her first grandchild.

Barbara Marter McFalls and friend Hillary have had a quiet year. They have done some traveling which they love to do. Hillary's heart has curtailed their activities, but they still have managed to do a lot. Had a good conversation with Esther Gould Jones. She so enjoys her two married daughters and their husbands. Being a widow she still misses her husband so much because they were so close. I think we can all understand what a loss that must be. Esther says she would love to see anyone in the Baltimore area.
You know, dear classmates, I can only pass information on to all your other classmates if I hear from you! The Christmas cards I received were great and I loved them so much, but when they arrive without news it does not help with this column.

As far as the Cooks are concerned, we have enjoyed our family this year. Our six grandchildren give us such pleasure. They range in age from sixteen to two. Since they are all lively, we are truly blessed.

All St. Mary's Hall graduates, if they have the chance to do so should visit the Hall. The lovely renovated Chapel and the new Nelson Corridor would make you so proud of your school. After all these years, I think St. Mary's Hall is definitely growing and getting better. I think you would be proud.

CLASS OF 1954 ***Peggy Stillwaggon Collis, 534 Rugby St, Orlanda, FL 32804***

We are all looking forward to our 45th reunion in 1999 and hope to see many classmates in attendance.

Kackie Moore Paine writes she has moved to Arkansas. She received her Doctorate and is teaching in the Math Department at Southern Arkansas University. She lives close enough to be able to walk to school. Her daughters are still working offshore in Louisiana and for Continental Airlines.

Mary Hendrickson Greenup has been travelling with Bill, her husband, in connection with his duties as Mayor of Fredericksburg, VA. We hope to get together this winter if they will be travelling to Fla.

Betty Birdsal Evans writes that not much has changed over the past year. Al continues his 4-day,



20 hr. work week with his greyhounds. Betty is no longer in the travel field but remains with Command Software. She and Al did manage to cruise to the Western Caribbean in November.

Tony Black Medwedeff spends a good part of the year travelling. Elaine Thater Slatcher joined the Medwedeff's on a cruise to the Greek Islands. Tony and Chan spend their winters in Florida. Maybe we can get together then.

I had a wonderful vacation in Italy this past fall. I went with my daughter and four other friends. Everything was as grand as I had expected. Heather is getting married in October, so we are all excited about planning for the big event. I hope to go to L.A. with the Orlando Art Museum in February and then in March on a Windjammer with some friends. I had lunch a few weeks ago with Vivian Atkinson Bird (class of "42) and her sister (class of 45) who was visiting from Conn. Vivian lives about 5 miles from me and we met through a friend of mine. The two had met and begun talking about where they were from and SMH came into the conversation. We had a great lunch and enjoyed talking about SMH. Of course we all knew some of the same teachers.

I hope 1999 is good to all of you and do try to keep open May I, 1999 for our 45th reunion and the celebration of Bishop Doane's 200th birthday

CLASS OF 1957 ***Diane Higham Warrick, 1254 Parker DR, Pawleys Island, SC 29585***

Many members from the class of '57 escaped the winter doldrums for a seven day cruise aboard Holland American's Wester dam. We sailed from Ft. Lauderdale and visited Nassau, San Juan, St. John, St. Thomas and Half Moon Cay in the Bahamas. Needless to say we had a wonderful time! We all ate too much(oh, tose extra lbster tails) and put on some extra pounds. But it was fun to be together for an entire week reliving old memories and creating new ones. In a way, it seemed like we had never been apart. Those on board were Judie Perinchief, Julia Gleason Rhoads, Ginger Shaw and husband Peter, Peggy Fenimore Morris and Bob, Sally Garrison Thomas and Maravin, Cynthia Johnson Floria and Jon, and Diane Higgham Warrick and Jim. Perhaps other graduates may want to consider a cruise as a fun way of re-connecting with classmates and our school. Much of the future success of SMH depends on us as graduates to become active and invovolved.



From left to right First row:	Ginger Shaw, Peggy Fenimore Morris, Cynthia Johnson, Floria, Judie Perinchief, Sally Garrison Thomas
Second row:	Diane Higham Warrick, Julia Gleason Rhoads
Third row:	Jim Warrick, Bob Morris, Marvin Thomas, Peter Mercer, Jon Floria

Another highlight for our class was locating Alice Huang who was a clasmate through seventh grade. Alice's husband is president of Caltech. She holds an MA and PhD in microbiology and attended Wellesley and Johns Hopkins. Alice's accomplishments are numerous. She is a renowned virologist and presently is coucilor for external relations and a faculty associate in biology at Caltech. She has twenty years of experience in medical schools and reseach universities. Alice, we're glad we found you and your classmates are very proud of you!

We were all saddened to learn of the death last summer of Judie Perinchief's mother. She will be missed by those of us who knew her.

Sally Garrison Thomas writes that she and Marvin had a magnificent Mediterranean cruise on the Grand Princess. They're definitely "the cruisers " of our class and in May will be taking to the seas again. Marvin was the recent recipient of a Boy Scout's Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service to youth given by the SW Florida Council.

In closing, I"d like to reiterate that the class of '57's recent cruise has proven that our SMH friendships and memories are as precious as ever!

CLASS OF 1961 ***Suzanne Shaw Smith, 4 Blanchard RD, Cambridge, Mass 02138***

Happy New Year all! Diane Wison Koger, Lolly Berger Rogers and I represented the class at the meeting of the new Riverbank Committee. This included a new group of class agents, members of the Society of Graduates and all around cheerleaders for the Hall. Again, the news is encouraging in terms of new enrollments, greater visibility for the school in South Jersey, and continued dedication of those who work at the Hall, administration, staff and faculty.

The news of the class was gathered by phone thanks to Dine, Alice, and I. We called as many of you as we could reach. I asked all of you for ideas about our big reunion in a few years. I like to plan ahead! Now for the news.

Lolly Berger Rogers who left after 7th grade to go to Moorestown Friends –has returned to PA after her husband retired from Mobil. They have two grown sons. She says, "It's great to be home again after all those corporate moves." She and her husband have bought an old house in Bucks County. The great part about Lolly's return is her obvious love of the Hall and her willingness to help.

Cheryl Roht is still doing volunteer work in the inner city schools with raptors. The most exciting part is that IMAX has filmed the eagle she works with! The show will be in IMAX theaters in February. She and Lou have a new grandchild, Sydney Michelle, who is 14 months old. Her husband Lou is an epidemiologist whose company is in the middle of a merger which may mean a move for them. Cheryl's remembers how friendly and welcoming our class was when she came during our senior year and that of all of the schools she attended, SMH had the greatest impact.

I interrupted Sandy Smith's dinner with her mother who was visiting from NJ. She will be at the reunion as long as we give her enough warning and if the timing is right. She has offered to help with the preliminary plans.

Jean Doak told me that she swims for recreation (easy for her to say – she's in 71° while I'm in 30°!), walks her dog, Rosalie and does water colors because it's fun! Currently she is looking for a new job, and is making plans to move her mother to CA. This summer, she is looking forward to a reunion with friends she knew when she lived in New York City.

Trudi Scott Lefavour's Christmas card this year was a beautiful drawing of a fireplace with "the stockings hung with care'. The drawing was done by her father, Aldred Scott who passed away in July. Our condolences to Trudi's family. Trudi writes me that daughter, Lisa, will finish college next spring and then on to graduate school. As part of her courses, she spent three months in Tanzania including snorkeling in the Indian Ocean, visiting Zanzibar and living with families. Her music studies continue with voice and helping with percussion in the orchestra. Son, Jonathan, graduated with honors in June and is a freshman at Grove City College in PA majoring in computer science and applied physics. Roy and Trudi continue their busy lives. Trudi works at the hospital in the dialysis unit in addition to working with the choirs at church. Roy as an elder at church and generally keeps the home fires burning.

Betsy Siegrist Petri writes "Rich and I have a year old grandson, Adam, and he is just a delight. I was meant to be a grandmother! Our youngest, Susan, was married on July I8 and we paid off our mortgage at long last. Our oldest, Todd should be moving out soon (finally!). We still make our yearly trips to Maine where we would like to live. I'm still working as assistant director of Nursing Services at a nearby nursing home. I sure hope we can have a 40th reunion – what a toot that would be! We got to get together,"

As for me ... I started a new job in January. I'm back in an academic setting working for the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology at Harvard. My co-workers have that semi-cuckoo approach to academic work that I feel comfortable with. David has a publisher for his book, *If the World Were a Village of 100* and we hope that it will be available for next Christmas. David and I continue to be involved with our 15 nieces and nephews and now at least 7 grand nieces & nephews. We loved our visit to Oklahoma in May for a niece's wedding, a trip to Vancouver in July to see Ginger and our nephew and nieces, and Christmas with our newest grand nephew and the relatives here.

Recently Cynthia Bonnet Fortune traveled East from Montana to visit her parents who are now liv-

ing in Freehold, NJ, and her brother in Washington's Crossing, PA.

This past fall Joan Gale Smith's daughter Katie was married; her son Mills has a new job with Xerox.

From Washington Marty McClure Freeman reports that she and her husband enjoyed a cruise this past summer up the Black Sea to Athens. She now has a new job as an educational aide. Son David is at Portland State University where he is majoring in music. Her daughter Sara is working on her Ph.D. in drama at the University of Wisconsin, while her husband is pursuing his master's in acting at De Paul University.

Jean Scott Lendvay and husband Greg have just moved. They're new address is 9628 Vinewood Drive, Dallas, TX 75228. Phone: (214) 324- 4446.

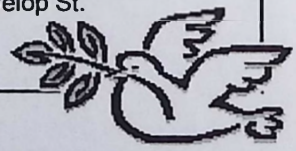
This past June Nancy Walton Plumeri's older son was married. Her younger son is working in New York City. Daughter Leslie, a junior at Lafayette, is in a study program in Africa sponsored by Lafayette.

Class of 1968 ***Jacqueline Thomas, POB 122, Burlington, NJ 08016***

So much has happened in the past 2 years! Ed and I moved to North Carolina for work and in search of a warmer climate. We have a lovely home that looks out on a golf course and hope that before we retire, to have time to play a round. I returned to teaching elementary school in Durham and love it. My current school is located in a historic district and is near Duke's campus. I am teaching a large percentage of inner-city students who are bused from the city. This has been a rewarding and challenging experience! Ed is working with Durham's Convention and Visitor's Bureau as their Communication's Director.

We love our new home, our new state and our jobs; but I miss my parents, sons and their families in New Jersey. Both sons are engaged and are planning weddings during the next year and a half, so life will become even more complicated and exciting. We do get to return to New Jersey frequently, so I hope to be able to plan another get together with classmates and to revisit the beautifully renovated SMH. Anyone interested in planning something for this summer? Also, if ANYONE is visiting our area of North Carolina, please let me know. We are always happy to show off our home and to have houseguests!

Catherine Small is recovering from a broken neck sustained in an auto accident on Dec. 19th, 1997. She has just celebrated 25 years with Outaric ARC as Associate Executive Director since 1987. She has been active as church liturgy coordinator (St. Felix & St. Francis Churches) playing the organ for both, and was working to develop St. Barualas House - a 24 hour hospitality center



Suggested Format for IVY LEAVES Class Notes

Each individual has a particular style of writing. Below are suggestions for the newsletter.

1. Put as heading "Class of 19__", class agent's name and mailing address .
2. Rewrite in the third person all information submitted to you from other classmates.
3. Put information in alphabetical order by maiden name with class agent's own information last. This format removes any appearance of ranking news or classmates by relative importance and will provide an easily accessible historical record.
4. Please spell out complete dates and references to St. Mary's Hall and St. Mary's organizations although editors may decide to abbreviate these where necessary to conserve space.
5. Give full names, and nicknames in quotation marks. Editors will also decide how best to emphasize names (underlining, bold or italic fonts etc.)
6. Remember sentences average twelve words.
7. Type two spaces between sentences.
8. Word process articles.
9. Please do not underline anything. The scanner will not recognize this format.
10. Add your telephone number, fax number and e-mail so we can contact you.
11. Send articles by mail, or email. Email is preferred.
12. Have all articles in by the designated deadline. June 1st and December 30th of each year.

Special thanks to all of our class agents listed below. Their efforts are greatly appreciated!

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1931	Agent Needed	1967	Nancy Applegate Carlson
1932	Agent Needed	1968	Jacqueline Thomas
1933	Elizabeth Seckel MacCornack	1969	Agent Needed
1934	Helen Wycoff Fernley	1970	Marcia Crosman Magno
1935	Agent Needed	1971	Joseph Durr
1936	Sallie Fell Griffin	1972	Kathryn Black Wright
1937	Agent Needed	1973	Gail Yetter Braddock
1938	Norma Wenzel Tudor	1974	Pamela Brown Bryant
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1948	Phebe Gulick Snow	1984	Alvar Mattei
1949	Ann Deibert Henry	1985	Linda Tinsley
1950	Nancy Merz Hull	1986	Agent Needed
1951	Carolyn Miller Gallup	1987	Vincent Giglio
1952	Ann Richards Cook	1988	Agent Needed
1953	Agent Needed	1989	Secrette Lucas-Bertot
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1957	Diane Higham Warrick	1993	Edward Gaittins Jeff Peck
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1960	Hedl Decker Brick	1996	Lloyd Stennette
1961	Suzanne Shaw Smith	1997	Daniel Ginsber
1962	Sandra Harbourt Bishop	1998	Luke Wallace
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THE SOCIETY OF GRADUATES OF ST. MARY'S HALL

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1999 Founder's Day and Reunion
to honor the
Bicentennial Birthday of Bishop Doane
Saturday, May 1, 1999

10:30 AM
Morning Prayer and Holy Communion

12:00 PM
Luncheon in Scarborough Dining Room
Welcome By:
Headmaster Donald Saunders and
Pamela Heckert, President of the Society of Graduates

1:30 PM
Society of Graduates Annual Business Meeting (Alumni Only)

Class Dinners are being organized by individual classes and their agents.

7:30 PM Riverview Cocktail Party and Art Auction
Preview 7:00 Auction 8:30

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SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1999

I will attend the luncheon @ $15.00 per person _____

I will attend the Riverview Cocktail Party/Art Auction @ $ 10.00 per person _____

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I can help to sell/buy advertising for the program booklet (For advertising rates see enclosed form) _____

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FOUNDER'S DAY, MAY I, 1999

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Thank you again for your support. We look forward to seeing you on May I, 1999.

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ABBREVIATIONS

SMD	**St. Mary's Hall~ Doane Academy**
PFA	**Parent Faculty Association**
SOG	**Society of Graduates**

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Society of Graduates Presidents Message

As I write my last message to you as President of the Society of Graduates, I am pleased with the energy I see in graduates of all classes who are now involved with the School on so many levels. Our new President, Kathleen Keays, is an energetic young graduate who has proved to be a valuable member of the Development Committee over the past several years. She has already performed admirably as Secretary and all-around worker for the Society, almost single-handedly organizing events. Also, I want to thank my officers: Vice-President, Jacalyn Bak; Secretary, Kathleen Keays; and Treasurer, Vicki Schlosser; for their help during my terms of office. Thanks also to Members-at-Large: Diane Koger, Chance Van Sciver, Alvar Mattei, Elizabeth Borden, Julia Rhoads, and John Borden for their advice and counsel during meetings and phone calls.

Please join me in congratulating the Board of Trustees on a successful campaign of team-building. The Trustees, led by Harry W. Van Sciver, deserves credit for hiring a dynamic headmaster, in Donald Saunders. He has engendered a new spirit of cooperation based on unprecedented candor. This attracted more graduates to volunteer and give of their time, talent and treasure. It is this spirit of unity, emphasizing our common goals rather than our differences, which will take SMD and the SOG into the Twenty-first Century.

The Trustees' leadership in volunteerism and philanthropy is a fine example for every graduate to emulate. Our spirit and collaboration as a team is going to make the future of the SMD, a bright one indeed.



Pamela Borden Heckert, Class of 1967
Past President of the Society of Graduates

Pamela Borden Heckert '67.

Many thanks to Pam for contributing so graciously to SMD. Her hard work and support to students and graduates is greatly appreciated. Look for Kathleen Keays, our new President's message on page 2.



A Message From The Headmaster

As I reflect on my second year as Headmaster of your school, I am amazed at the number and quality of programs that took place in this venerable institution over that time span. It's difficult, and sometimes unpopular, to mention one program in particular without alluding to them all, but I would certainly be remiss if I didn't devote this message to the outstanding success of Founder's Day. Perhaps the celebration of Bishop Doane's birthday provided an extra measure of interest. It did for me. And for those graduates who made it back to the Riverbank, I think that they would agree with me that all of us felt and shared a renewed spirit about the school. I wish to extend my heart felt thanks to the Society of Graduates for an absolutely splendid day. Father Haynes, Rector of St. Mary's Parish and a member of the school's Board of Trustees celebrated the Holy Eucharist and delivered a sparkling homily on Bishop Doane. The luncheon that followed in the dining room hosted over 100 very lively and fun loving graduates. I very much appreciated the invitation and opportunity to attend the annual Society of Graduates meeting and share a "state of the school report with them". An early evening dinner at the Cafe Gallery on High Street, hosted by Vicki Gutstein Schlosser '56 attracted over 50 graduates and their guests. And finally, due mostly to the efforts of Jacki Ashmore Bak '76, the evening concluded with a first rate art auction provided by the Heisman Art Gallery in Ardmore, Pennsylvania. Final sales topped $11,000 and the SOG. presented the school with a check for $2300. An event of such size and success involved the hands and hearts of many people and one always runs the risk of failing to thank everyone involved. I must pay special tribute however, to the entire Development Committee and single out the following people for additional recognition: Kathleen Lisehora Keays '88 the new President of the Society of Graduates, Peggy Fenimore Morris '57, Maria Viteri '54, and Jackie Ashmore Bak '76. This loyal group of troopers attended all of the Development Committee's planning meetings, contacted vendors and other suppliers, designed, stuffed and mailed invitations, delivered posters and sold advertising just to mention some of their activities. And finally a word of thanks to recent past president Pamela Borden Heckert '67 for all of her help and patience over the last two years. Given the success of this year's program, I urge all of you to circle Saturday, May 6, 2000 on your calendar and begin to make plans to journey back to St. Mary's Hall~Doane Academy for Founders's Day.

Donald M. Saunders, Headmaster



A Message from the President of the Society of Graduates Kathleen Keays

34 Sheffield DR, Columbus NJ 08022
phone: 609-298-2256 email: mkeays300@aol.com

As I start my term as your new president, I would first like to introduce myself. My name is Kathleen Keays and I live in Columbus, New Jersey, with my husband Mark and our four year old son Brett. We are currently expecting our second child this winter. I've been affiliated with St. Mary' Hall~Doane Academy for 24 years. First, as a student from 1975 to 1988, when I graduated as a "lifer" (attended from K-12). Then as a graduate and faculty member relative. My mother, Kathleen Lisehora has been the school nurse since 1979. I graduated with my BA from Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ in 1992. I have been on the Executive Board of the Society since 1995 as the secretary and on the Development Committee since 1997.

With the new millennium approaching I think we are all working hard to hold on to the values of the past while embracing the opportunities of the future. I hope this will serve as the goal for our 1999-2000 year. We want to bind the graduates from the past with the graduates of the present. We hope to continue to enrich the dedication of our graduates, therefore insuring a successful future for SMD.

The encouragement and help I have received from the present active members of the Society is the reason I am undertaking this new position, They are truly a caring, giving group. I have also asked some more recent graduates to join our board and feel encouraged by their interest and concern for the school.

We are in a position to move the SOG forward as a strong important part of SMD. Please help me to make this year the most productive the Society has ever seen.

Kathleen Keays

ST. MARY'S HALL
DOANE ACADEMY

OFFICE OF THE HEADMASTER

A COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL
SINCE 1837

August 16, 1999

Dear Graduates:

The Hall is open for business as usual! Or perhaps I should say that The Hall is open for business with more willing hands to pitch in and help than ever before. The Lower School faculty is back intact and the arts program will enjoy an expansion. Mrs. Gaul returns to head the music program, Ms. Widener returns to guide the art program and Mr. Jonathan Clifton joins our Upper School English Department as our resident expert in Shakespeare and Drama. He will also serve as our Drama Coach which means for the first time in recent memory that the Drama Coach is a full time faculty member.

The Board of Trustees made it very clear to a group of parents and friends recently gathered in the Chapel, that the ***entire school program remains intact. No changes!*** Unless of course you view Mr. Clifton's appointment as a positive change. I believe that an Englishman teaching Shakespeare and Drama will offer a positive "hook" for enrollment. The emphasis here is on the positive! Positive thinking, positive teaching, and positive enrollment!

The number of parents offering volunteer services is heartwarming. Many willing hands are on the job producing, collating and stuffing envelopes to the Riverbank Committee announcing the meeting on September 25. This is the most important fund raising campaign in the school's 162 year history and the committee knows it. But we now enjoy momentum. You can actually feel it! Full speed ahead!

Thanks to all of you in the alumni body who sent us examples of your support when we really needed it. Many of you continue to "stir the pot" in very positive and useful ways. Small groups of graduates are generating large results. Remember the old adage: "It's not the size of the dog in the fight that counts, it the size of the fight in the dog". Our thanks to all you fighters!

I ask that all of you connect or reconnect with your classmates and band together to keep the momentum going. "Strike while the iron is hot" so to speak. There exists right now, more positive excitement over the school's future than at any time in my service to SMH/DA. Sometimes a good scare produces positive and lasting results. Please visit your school often. We need your positive input.

Sincerely yours,

Donald M. Saunders
Headmaster

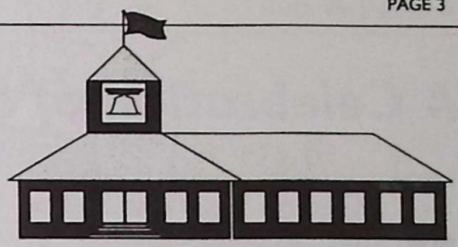
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SPECIAL THANKS !

Thank you, to all who generously donated the funds to print and mail this issue of the Ivy Leaves. If not for these kind graduates, none of us would have received this important information that we all enjoy. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Lisehora Keays
Kathleen Lisehora Keays '88
SOG President

SMD School News



The College Board

The College Board recently invited junior students Joan Booth and Richard Connell to participate in the 2000 Merit Scholarship Competition. Joan and Richard turned in exceptionally high scores on last fall's PSAT/NMSQT.

The Board of Trustees

The Board recently approved the "Passport Program" which is designed to attract new students and reward current parents. The program provides a "Passport" worth $500 toward the tuition of a new student. Current parents receive one Passport, which we urge them to pass along to the family of a potential student, who meets The Hall's entrance requirements. Once the new student enrolls, the recommending family also enjoys a $500 tuition credit.

The Board of Trustees also elected two new Trustees. Ms. Maria Viteri '54, the school's Archivist and a member of the Development Committee agreed to serve on the Board. Ms. Viteri spends a great deal of her time attending to the ordering of the school's archival treasures and also to the general well being of the entire campus. Mr. Tim Irons, Principle of the Haines and Haines - T.C Irons Insurance Agency on High Street also agreed to join the Board. Mr. Irons is a past president of both the Rotary Clubs of Burlington and of the Greater Burlington County Chamber of Commerce. We welcome both Ms. Viteri and Mr. Irons to the Board.

The Campus

Our sincere thanks to Mrs. JoAnne Winzinger '55 for the leveling and repaving of the Odenheimer entrance to the school. In addition to the repaving, Mrs. Winzinger's crew removed the unsightly and deteriorating wooden poles that lined the driveway and leveled and reseeded fringe areas near the drive.

Our very special thanks to the Mulford family for their generosity in establishing a mathematics scholarship in memory of Mrs. Frances Mulford. We hope to award the scholarship during the next school year if possible. Donations to the Mulford Mathematics Scholarship should be sent directly to the school and clearly marked "Mulford Mathematics Scholarship".

Special Events

The Londonshire House hosted the Junior/Senior Prom on May 14. Special thanks to Mrs. Bechtold, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Cornish for all their kind help with arrangements.



Father Robert Legnani, Rector of St. Steven's Episcopal Church in Beverly celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel of the Holy Innocents on Acension Day.

Bishop Doane

Bishop Doane's 200th birthday was celebrated on May 1, 1999 at SMD. Graduates, faculty, parents and students gathered in the chapel for a memorial service followed by a luncheon and art auction. Look for future articles about this innovative educator.

Special Thanks To...

JoAnn Smith Winzinger '55 for the wonderful repair of the blacktop at the entrance of the school. Her company Winzinger Inc. fixed and repaved most of the entrance and parking lot and repaired some of the gardens.



Pam Heckert, Past President of SOG and Donn Saunders SMD students at Bishop Doane's 200th Birthday Party.

Visit SMD's web page www.thehall.org

A Celebration of Bishop Doane's Revolutionary Idea

George Washington Doane, the second Bishop of New Jersey, opened St. Mary's Hall in 1837 as a boarding school for young ladies. The Bishop wanted to provide a quality education for girls, a rather revolutionary idea for the times. "The Hall" continued to thrive as exclusive girls' school until the founding of Doane Academy in 1966 when boys enrolled for the first time. The institution operated as two separate entities, each with its own administration, St. Mary's Hall for girls and Doane Academy for boys. In 1974, the two schools unified as St. Mary's~Doane Academy (SMD) to serve students as a co-educational day school for children in grades K through 12. In earlier times, the school operated as a diocesan school governed by the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey. In 1933, the Hall became entirely independent and continues to enjoy that status today. The school's religious tradition remains strongly Episcopalian.

A required ethics class is part of the curriculum of the Lower School students. Evidence of the school's rigorous academic requirements is clearly seen in continued strong college placement. In very recent years, the following colleges eagerly opened their doors to graduates of The Hall: Barnard College, Brandeis University, Brown University, Bucknell University, Columbia University, Connecticut College, Fairfield University, Gettysburg College, Harvard University, Lehigh University, Muhlenberg College, Penn State University, Princeton University, Rutgers University, St. John's University, Smith College, Swarthmore, University of Pennsylvania, Vassar College, Villanova University, Georgetown University and many more.

Small classes and a highly dedicated and well educated faculty remains the key to the school's success. The school also integrates technol-

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Bishop Doane would have had a good time with the graduates who attended his birthday party May 1, 1999. They are:

1930
Rebecca Hoffman

1931
Elizabeth Harnischfeger

1933
Elizabeth MacCornack

1939
Charlotte Landreth-Melville

1940
Jeanne Leach Scott

1943
Marilynn Carr Cannon

1944
Elizabeth Borden
Helen Currier
Camille Caldwell

1945
Barbara Warner Dole
Joan Hornberger Jespersen

1948
Marleigh Morland Baratz
Ann Ferguson Currier

1949
Anne Harvitt Barlow
Jean Austin Brandt
Joan Parkenham Breiter
Elizabeth Breithaup
Joanna Pierce Huddy
Maxine Rosenthal Lampert
Sally Laurilliard
Jeanne Crowther Leiser
Edythe Wiederman Smith
Elaine Vermillion

1951
Carolyn Miller Gallup
Regina Weinberg Grobman
Cornelia Simmons Vannozzi

1954
Bette J. Birdsall Evans
Eleanor Black Medwedeff
Elaine Thatcher Slatcher
Peggy Stillwagon-Collis
Maria Viteri

1956
Elizabeth Bryan Godrick
Vicki Gutstein Schlosser

1957
Cyndie Johnson Floria
Mary Louise H. Johnson
Margaret Fenimore Morris
Judi Perinchief
Julia Gleason Rhoads
Sally Garrison Thomas
Diane Higham Warrick
Elena Viteri Yuskiewiez

1959
Beth Davis Birch
Anne Cramer Hoover
Joan Wright Konecny
Katharine Hutton Tweedy
Frances Mulford Young

1961
Diane Wilson Koger
Gertrude Scott Lafavour
Alice Rogers
Suzanne Shaw Smith

1964
Jennifer Schwed Kellum

1967
Pam Borden Heckert

1968
Jane Lawrence Purdy

1971
Pat Stevenson

1976
Jacalyn Ashmore Bak

1978
Adam Potkay

1979
John Crosman
Chris Stockton

1980
James McIlvaine

1983
Stewart Low

1987
Jennifer Harmon Birgi
Thomas Coceano
Vincent Giglio

1988
Kathleen Keays

1993
Heather Cileo

1996
Carrie Stevenson

Education On the Delaware

St. Mary's Hall ~ Doane Academy 1837-2000



Adam Potkay '78 professor of English at The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, has completed an updated book about the history of St. Mary's Hall on the Delaware. This book will include the many phases of education at St. Mary's-Doane Academy: boarding school, day school, co-ordinate school, and up to the present co-educational day school. It will be published privately in a limited edition late this year at a pre-publication cost of $35.00. After publication costs are determined the price WILL rise. Proceeds from the sale of the book will go to St. Mary's Hall-Doane Academy. This will make an excellent gift for any graduate or an addition to your personal library. Graduates should all order one immediately. Those subscribers whose checks are received by October 1, 1999 will have their name listed in the book. Be the first to see your name in print.

Other Works by Adam Potkay'78

- The Fate of Eloquence – Cornell Press
- The Passion For Happiness-Samuel Johnson and David Hume – Cornell Press
- Black Atlantic Writers of The 18th – Century St. Martin's Press

Education on the Delaware

St. Mary's Hall - Doane Academy 1837-2000
By Adam Potkay, PhD

Mail this form and a check payable to the Society of Graduates for $35.00 to:
Pam Borden Heckert '67, 16 Ravine Road, Wilmington, DE 19810

Name: _____ Class: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ FAX: _____

Email: _____

Quantity _____ @ $35.00 TOTAL _____

Subscribers whose checks are received by October 1, 1999 will have their name listed in the book. Be the first to see your name in print.

Student News

St. Mary's Hall – Doane Academy Class of 1999

Pictured from left to right.

Front row: Thomas Allison, Tamika Hill, Le'Kneitah Smith, Sarah Banfer and Brieanne Smith.

Back row: Karl Schmidt, Kurt Bechtold, Julius Miller, Charles Neal, Adam Headley and Ralph Barth.



Congratulation and Best Wishes. Aim for the Stars

FIFTH GRADER RECEIVES AWARD

The Johns Hopkins University Institute for the Academic Advancement of Youth recently recognized fifth grade student Andrew Turcich for being among the highest scoring participants in the State of New Jersey in the Young Students Talent Search. The Johns Hopkins annual Talent Search is the largest pre-college academic talent search in the world. The Talent Search offers students who typically excel a unique opportunity to test the full extent of their verbal and mathematical reasoning skills. According to a Johns Hopkins source, "The assessment includes material that most participants will not have covered in school, but many do very well anyway because their reasoning abilities are so high". Andrew, an excellent SMD student, will spend part of the summer at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania where he will participate in the Center for Talented Youth Young Students Summer Programs. Andrew will study Flight Science as a residential student.

Off to College

Once again the senior class of SMD scored big in college admissions. All 13 of the Class of 1999 plan to attend the following institutions of higher learning.

Thomas Allison	Cornell University
Sarah Banfer	St. Joseph's University
Ralph Barth	Bucks County Community College
Kurt Bechtold	Rider University
Diana Ha	Penn State University
Adam Headley	Rutgers University
Tamika Hill	West Virginia State College
Julius Miller	Hofstra University
Charles Neal	Howard University
Karl Schmidt	Penn State University
Brieanne Smith	West Chester University
LeKneitah Smith	University of Pittsburgh
Alesha Vega	Rutgers University

Overall, the 13 seniors gained admission to 55 institutions of higher learning for an average of 4.4 schools per student. A good job by any standard!

Faculty News



It is with mixed emotion that I announce the retirement of Mr. James Hartshorne at the end of the current school year. After a long and distinguished teaching career in the public schools, Mr. Hartshorne joined the faculty at SMD and quickly established himself as Chair of the school's English Department. He also serves as yearbook sponsor among his various other duties. Last spring, Mr. Hartshorne agreed to add the responsibility of Dean of Student Life to his daily regimen, and he performed that function in an absolutely superb fashion. All of us at SMD will miss his "velvet glove" approach to the duties of student life, especially the students who benefited from his personal and reasoned approach to student issues and concerns. Mr. Hartshorne and his wife Marian will continue to make their home in Moorestown where Mr. Hartshorne will devote much time to his lifelong passions of carpentry and boating.

The Bucks County Chapter of Children & Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders (C.H.A.D.D.) recently awarded their *"Excellence in Education Award"* for 1999 to our fourth grade teacher Mrs. Aimee Berger. The family of Joseph DiEgidio, a student in Mrs. Berger's class, recommended her for the award.

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. recently named Dr. James Paradis as a "Teacher of the Year". The Wal-Mart/SAM'S Club Teacher of the Year program honors teachers who distinguish themselves as mentors, motivators and innovators in education. Dr. Paradis published his first book last winter entitled "Strike The Blow For Freedom" and sales continue strong.

A Celebration of Bishop Doane's Revolutionary Idea, con't.

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ogy into the curriculum as a supplemental tool for teacher instruction. In addition to competitive classroom instruction the faculty design special Interim opportunities for both Lower and Upper Schools which allow students to focus on special enrichment projects in the arts, business, career interests or contemporary topics. Examples of recent Interim activities include Medieval Life and Times, The Holocaust, Immigration and Industrialization, Guitar and Chorus, Habitats for Humanity and trips to Civil War Battlefields. The language department also sponsored past Interims to France and Spain. With a solid 162 year history of meeting the educational needs of young men and women, SMD looks forward to the challenges of the 21st century with anticipation and confidence.

Excerpts from SMD web site: www.thehall.org

May 1st is the birthday of George Washington Doane. Each Year on this date Graduates of SMD gather to celebrate his birthday and the founding of our school. All graduates are invited to attend this occasion. Bishop Doane is expecting you. I.H.S.



Harry Van Sciver, Board President SMD, and Donald Saunders, Headmaster SMD, award the High Ranking Plaque to Graduates from 1928 to 1974. Founders Day May 1, 1999. Chapel of St. Marys Hall~Doane Academy, Burlington, NJ. The ranking students that attended are Rebecca Styer Hoffman '30, Elizabeth Seckel MacCornack '33, Jeanne Leach Scott '40, Barbara Warner Dole '45, Maxine Rosenthal Lampert '49, Elizabeth Bryan Godrick '56, Gertrude Scott Lefavour '61.

Riverbank Committee Report

The Riverbank Committee continues to solicit your ideas for fund raising at SMH. Committee members listed below encourage you to contact them with your ideas to help raise funds to maintain SMH high standards of academic excellence. You may also contact SMH directly at St. Mary's Hall~Doane Academy, 350 West Delaware Av., Burlington, NJ 08016-2199, (609) 386-3500 FAX (609) 386-5878, or email: thehall@philly.infi.net. Remember the best commodity for the future is our children. Don't let them down. ***Save a penny, send a penny.***



A penny saved is a penny earned
- Ben Franklin

NEXT MEETING OF THE RIVERBANK COMMITTEE SEPT 25, 1999

Name	Class	Address	Phone
Baratz, Marleigh Morland	1948	Box 488,, Keswick, VA 22947-9123	804-970-2070
Batchelder, Gail Dumell	1952	426 Inverary Road, Villanova, PA 19085-1138	610-688-2373
Borden, Elizabeth Codding	1944	56 Riverbank, Beverly, NJ 08010-1310	609-387-2085
Cauffiel, Joseph	1983	11 Clearwater Drive, Willingboro, NJ 08046	609-871-1183
Fineburg, Elizabeth	1960	91 Sutphin Pines, Yardley, PA 19067	215-295-2089
Floria, Cynthia Johnson	1957	401 North Ela Road, Inverness, IL 600674372	847-359-6380
Heckert, Pamela Borden	1967	16 Ravine Road, Wilmington, DE 19810	302-475-7253
Keays, Kathleen Lisehora	1988	34 Sheffield Drive, Columbus, NJ 08022	609-298-2256
Keenan, Christina Hall	1979	427 North Church Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057	609-273-3389
Koger, Diane Wilson	1961	7 Linden Road, Burlington, NJ 08016	609-387-1233
MacComack, Elizabeth Seckel	1933	114 East Riverbank, Beverly, NJ 08010	609-387-0163
MacFalls, Barbara Marter	1952	P.O. Box 87, Beverly, NJ 08010	609-387-0048
McMillan, Thomas	1973	30 Woodsville Road, Hopewell, NJ 08525	609-466-3574
Patterson, Patricia Decker	1956	60 Lane of Acres, Haddonfield, NJ 08033	609-428-5810
Rogers, Alice Berger	1961	3174 Dark Hollow, Furlong, PA 18925	215-598-3330
Silcox, Carly	1997	240 High Street, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060	609-261-1935
Smith, Suzanne Shaw	1961	4 Blanchard Road, Cambridge, MA 02138	617-868-5960
Stockton, John	1983	121 DeHaven Avenue, Penndel, PA 19047	
Thomas, Jacqueline	1968	P.O. Box 122, Burlington, NJ 08016	609-386-2743
Thomas, Sally Garrison	1957	797 Heathercreek Court, Englewood, FL 34223-6036	941-475-6158
Van Sciver, Chancellor	1988	108 Warren Street, Beverly, NJ 08010	609-386-2544
Viteri, Maria	1954	113 Pearl Street, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060-1815	609-265-8669
Warrick, Diane Higham	1957	1254 Parker Drive, Pawleys Island, SC 29585	843-237-7706
Zielinski, Michael	1983	55 Turner Lane, Willingboro, NJ 08046-3621	609-871-8619

Members of the Riverbank Committee may wish to reserve Saturday, September 25, 1999 for the next meeting. One major focus of a very busy agenda will be the "Bishop's Millennium Fund". This new thrust is designed to move the school confidently into the next century by restoring and refurbishing the campus and assuring The Hall's continuing leadership in college preparatory education. The Riverbank Committee's enthusiastic help and leadership over the past year produced the best annual appeal results in recent memory: our total stands at slightly over $90,000. Thanks to all who contributed! Other graduates who wish to serve on the Riverbank Committee and become part of The Hall's resurgence should call the Headmaster at (609) 386-3500.

SOCIETY OF GRADUATES ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May lst, 1999

The annual meeting of the Society of Graduates was called to order by president Pamela Borden Heckert in the Greene Conference Room of St. Mary's Hall ~ Doane Academy at 2:17 PM.

The Minutes of the 1998 Annual Meeting were read and accepted by the Graduates.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Vicki Schlosser '56. She stated that as of May, 1999 the SOG had $3142.60 in its treasury and 38 shares of Green Mountain, valued at $1068.38. She also reminded all to give their dues. This was accepted as reported by the graduates.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Heckert thanked Margaret Morris '57 and Kathleen Keays '88 for their help in organizing the service, Marleigh Baratz '48, Ann Currier '48 and Nathalynn (Nickel) Lepchitz for their outstanding work in producing the Ivy Leaves and the Riverbank Committee for their strong support of SMD.

It was also stated that there is a graduate from 1918 on the directory. We would like to know if anyone knows her and if our information is correct.

OLD BUSINESS

Marleigh Baratz'48 suggested we pre-order the new book on SMD in order to raise more funds for publication. See page 5

The 2nd Hometowne Collectable, Nelson Corridor, is in and available for purchase. See page 10.

A $500.00 check was presented to Mr. Saunders for use as a scholarship. This was the money collected at 1999's Founder's Day Chapel service.

NEW BUSINESS

It was reported that in the year 2000 the chapel organ will be 100 years old. The SOG will look into seeing if the organ is in need of service or repair.

The class of 1957 has come to our need once again. Julia Rhoads '57 is our new coordinator of class agents, Cynthia Floria'57 is our new regional director of graduates and Sally Thomas'57 has brought our directory up to speed and is keeping it updated. She is also willing to donate the mailing labels for the Ivy Leaves mailing.

Elections were held and the following positions were filled by the graduates listed below:

President - Kathleen Keays'88
Treasurer - Vicki Schlosser'56
Secretary - Elaine Slatcher'54
Members-at-Large
Elizabeth Borden'44
Julia Rhoads '57
Jennifer Birgl '87
Vincent Giglio'87

The class of 1954 gave $2600.00 to the school for a laser printer with the surplus to the school. The class of 1959 gave their gift to go towards computer equipment for the school. The SOG received $1100.00 in this years collection for the archive's department. Julia Rhoads '57 stated we all need to reconnect with other graduates.

Cynthia Floria'57 stated she would like to see everyone join together as classes to work for the school. She also informed us all of a cruise being planned to Alaska open to anyone in the SMD family. A questionnaire about the cruise was distributed.

Marleigh Baratz '48 asked for Ivy Leaves submissions. Her email address is mmbaratz@aol.com and her snail mail address is 1680 Wellesley Knoll, Keswick, VA 22947-9123..

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen E. Keays
SOG Secretary



Do you remember....

The no make-up rule.

Dressing for dinner. Hose and dress shoes required.

Sneaking our skirts up to get a tan while sitting on the deck.



Punishment for unpolished shoes.

Waist length white veils for chapel.

Hot or cold water making showers challenging.

Chaperones at dances.

Carriages to St. Mary's.

Mrs. Riley's "New York" make over.

Boys visits only allowed on Sunday.

Smoking at the senior dinner at Miss Newbold's house.

The fire that destroyed the entrance hall.

Who in your class got married in the chapel.

ITEMS FOR SALE

NUMBERED HOMETOWNE CHAPEL (Wooden Collectible)	$20.00
NUMBERED HOMETOWNE NELSON CORRIDOR	$20.00
IVY LEAF PIN (while supplies last)	$16.00
SMHD BRASS KEY CHAIN	$10.00
*SMH CHAPEL NOTE PAPER - 12 pack	$2.50
*COUNTING CROSS STITCH PATTERN	$1.00
* DIRECTORIES	$3.00
WINE AND HIGHBALL GLASSES AND MUGS WITH SMH SHIELD	$4.00 each 6/$20.00

* Only $.0.50 shipping and handling

Send requests to: Kathleen Keays, 34 Sheffield Drive, Columbus, NJ 08022

ITEM(S) _____ $ _____

_____ $ _____

_____ $ _____

_____ $ _____

Shipping and Handling $5.00

Total $ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Class Notes

CLASS OF 1931

AGENT NEEDED

Betsy Jones Harnischfeger and her daughter, Mary Louise Harschfeger'57, attended Bishop Doane's Birthday celebration.

CLASS OF 1933

Agent Elizabeth Seckel MacCornack
114 East Riverbank
Beverly, NJ 08010

Frances Day Minsch and her husband, Bill, live in Remsenberg, Long Island. They lead a quiet life as her husband has Parkinson's Disease. Frances went to see her daughter, Martha Maby (SMD) in Las Vegas over Thanksgiving. She attended her granddaughter's wedding. Her daughter Low Barker and husband have been living on their 36 foot boat for eight years. They went from St. Croix to Trinidad to avoid the hurricanes this past fall. They have a daughter who trains dolphins in "Theatre of the Sea " in Florida. Her son, Robert Rice, Jr. is 6'5" He is a train engineer on Amtrack. He and his wife have three sons. They live in Killingworth, CT.

Peggy Reese Gaines visited her son, John, in April 1998 for three weeks, Passion Sunday through Easter Sunday and attended all the church services. John is the dean of the Anglican Churches of the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Her daughter, Sally, and her husband sing in the choir of St. Peter's Church in Phoenixville, PA. Peggy had a pacemaker installed around Christmastime. We hope all is going well.

Elizabeth Seckel MacCornack was in a bad car accident in July 1997. She was flown in a helicopter to Cooper Hospital and was operated on before her family even knew where she was. She is happy to say that she now walks with only a slight limp and has been driving again since September 1998. Her surgeon frowns whenever she even mentions ice skating; but she believes she will try it sometime in 1999. After skating year round at least three times a week for the past sixteen years, she misses it and all her friends at the rink.

Everyone will be sad to learn that Jean Shelly Wilson passed away at Penllyn Park Spring House, PA. Jean had a good sense of humor and everyone who knew her enjoyed being with her. She will be remembered with love.

CLASS OF 1936

Agent Sallie Fell Griffin
One Markham Road, 1-B,
Princeton, NJ 08540

You just can't keep a good one down for long. After an August heart attack Polly Speace Miller has bounced back to full recovery. She spent the fall months visiting her son Bob in California and had the great thrill of sailing on San Francisco Bay with him. It was exciting to cruise right under the Golden Gate Bridge. She is back in New Bern, NC now after spending the Christmas holidays in Norfolk and Pennsylvania with relatives.

In June Sallie Fell Griffin and Gordon welcomed into their family circle their first great-grand child, a charmer named Julia who lives in Rome. They feel it quite meet and right for them to be great grandparents, but they explode with laughter that their daughter Sallie is now a grandma!

CLASS OF 1939

Agent Elizabeth Williamson Gordon
"The Hayloft"
Ft. Defiance Virginia 24437

Charlotte Landreth-Melville has been doing a lot of traveling. In 1996 she flew to Jakarta, Indonesia to visit her daughter, Ann. They were joined by her other daughter, Linda Melville'80. They spent several weeks visiting BaliLombok, and several other places, and were joined by Linda's husband for a few weeks. After they left, Charlotte remained with Ann several more weeks and then visited Singapore, Maylaysia Colombo, Sri Lanka, the Maldives and friends in Dubai whom she had met in 1984 when traveling from London to Katmandu Nepal by bus. In November 1997 she was asked by the OSCE (Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe) to supervise the elections in Bosnia and spent a few days in Split, Croatia, and the rest of the two weeks in Sarajevo area, as her polling station was in Vogosca a short distance away. In May 1998 she spent a week in Rhodes and then spent two weeks traveling with her English cousin in the British Isles. In September she again supervised elections in Zenica, a town north of Sarajevo. She later met her daughter, Ann, who had also been working for the OSCE. They flew to Turkey and traveled by bus through Turkey, Syria, Jordan, Israel and Egypt. They flew back from Cairo to Amsterdam, visited friends there and back home in November. Returning to the states she had a biopsy and found that she had breast cancer. After two operations and radiation she has recovered and says she is OK now. She continues at temporary jobs helping to run seminars, answering telephones and doing market research to help her fund further travel. She and Ann plan to spend a month in England and Ireland this summer.

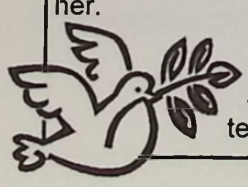
CLASS OF 1943

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The class of '43 has been deeply saddened by the death of our class agent, Mary Eckman Switkay on May 13th. Now we are nine. Mary attended SMD for 8 years, and graduated in 1st place. She was class secretary, and has kept in touch with us over all these 56 years. We are in the process of collecting funds for an appropriate memorial, probably something for the chapel she loved so much. We are grateful for the ones received, and expect a few more. We hear from Nancy MacFarland Wismer that Mary's studies were rigorous and demanding and she accumulated an average grade of 97 for all 4 high school years. Her whole family was involved with SMD. Her father served as Trustee for several years, and her sister was a member of the class of '40. Mary went on to Smith College, where she majored in Latin & Greek and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. After she married Henry Switkay, they lived in Alexandria, VA, where she was active in her church, community, and her children's schools. Her keen sense of humor and faithfulness are precious to us all. Nancy's primary memory of Mary was in Latin class with our beloved Miss Taylor, where Mary excelled. Nancy Wismer still has a poem Mary wrote in English class, which demonstrated her fun and humor. Being day-students, we three shared a special closeness. Mary was brought home to Mt. Holly for burial, May 19th.

From Elizabeth (Liz) Wright Meirs: "Mary was certainly one of the dearest people who ever lived, and I am sorry she has left us. I choose to believe we will catch up with her - God willing. How devastated her family must all feel. Her children are a fine legacy to our troubled world."

Carolyn Spencer Megargee also expressed her sorrow, and updated us a little on her activities. Her mother died Christmas Eve after Carolyn cared for her four years. Our sympathy to her, too. Now she works in her garden and plans a trip to Long Beach Island this summer. In the fall she'll go to Aruba. Lucky her.



As the only member of this class at Founder's Day this year, Marilynn was aware of Mary's illness, and volunteered to be the class agent, hoping it would be a temporary duty. She will try to keep in touch, and hopes to attend the Riverbank Committee meeting in September. She was so encouraged to hear of the new interest in SMD at the SOG meeting. The

class of '57 is to be congratulated for taking on the duties of developing a roster of all graduates. Thanks is also due to Mr. Saunders for the enthusiasm he demonstrates for his new job as headmaster of SMD. Kudos for the new IVY LEAVES editors and their angel Nickel. Marilynn Cannon has always wished her own children could have attended SMD, and she frequently recognizes the benefits she received there. She noticed these benefits especially when she accompanied her husband on a three year tour of duty with the US Army in France. E-mail makes correspondence easier, so please write to her: mecannon3@juno.com Misspelled words will be overlooked entirely.

CLASS OF 1944

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Lois Westby Valetta, is now living at 87 Devonshire Road, Chiswick, London W4 2HU England. She has suffered a breast cancer, which spread, to her spine in 1995. She has had to pace herself very strictly.

Her two sons, Frederick and Edward, are both working in the field of education. Frederick, after a career in the police force, became a 'mature' student and now has his doctorate in History. His period is the English Civil War years and his thesis was on witchcraft and medicine! He temporarily works in an outer London area There he is expected to cover numerous other subjects such as Latin, Greek, Religious Instruction, and naturally, other periods of history, to groups of teen-agers who are not in the slightest bit interested in 'getting an education'! . He finds obtaining suitable and meaningful employment very difficult because of his age (forty) and being OVER-qualified....few teachers have a doctorate! Salaries, here, are paid according to age not experience, so schools who are cutting back their finances (and most of them are!), choose the younger man who is also able to take games – rugby, football, cricket. (Although he has kept up with his fencing, this sport seems to be a dying one! – Pun not intended!) His new wife is expecting their first child in October 1999. She already has three from a previous marriage.

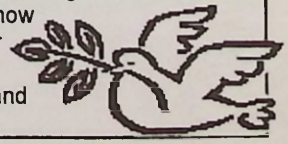
Edward takes up the post of Bursar to the Kimbolton Castle School in Cambridgeshire in June, after being five years as Assistant Bursar to the Bedford School, some sixty miles from London. He is very happy about this as it is a considerable financial step up and he will get help in educating his two children now aged five and seven. The younger child, Freddie, is exceptionally bright and VERY difficult – so they have a problem! Since being made redundant from the Army in 1993, he too, has had a difficult time in the job market. They want Lois to move house and go up to Kimbolton, but she knows that she will miss all the exhibitions in London which she sees from her wheel chair! There's always something of interest to see in London, so there's little excuse of being bored! She has her University course which means much work at home, and is attending weekly lectures! She is now in her sixth year of the Open University, and only has another year to go before getting her degree in the Arts. Never too late even at seventy plus!

CLASS OF 1948

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Ann Ferguson Currier and Marleigh Morland Baratz returned to SMD for Founder's Day with their guest Nathalynn (Nickel) Lepchitz. Ann and Marleigh want all readers to know that Nickel did most of the work. We owe so much in this publication to her considerable expertise.

Phebe Gulick Snow's life continues much the same. Carl is still consulting, while Phebe volunteers at the Children's Museum in Portland. She is active with the knitting guild and several other organizations in the area. She swims in her own pool daily and is an avid bridge player. Their most exciting news is that their son successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis in April at MIT/Woods Hole and is now working in Santa Barabara, CA. Phebe would like to hear from each one of you for the January 2000 issue of Ivy Leaves!



We are saddened to hear from Mary Ann Kime McCracken that her husband

Ralph passed away suddenly on May 24, 1999. She is trying to get things settled and plans to stay in Pineville at the present time.

Shirley Lukens Rosseau says that she and her husband, Dick, drove to and from California again, and really enjoyed seeing all of the various geographic differences along the way. They had a lovely winter in Berkeley, CA. They have just returned (early May) from visiting their daughter's family in France. They spent a week on Belle Ile just off the Brittany coast. Their whole goal in life now seems to be trying to get together with each their far away kids as often as possible. They send good wishes to all classmates.

Sally Taylor Benson reports that she has been married for 48 years, 5 children (all married) and 8 grandchildren. Their youngest, Capt. Craig Benson and his wife, Nancy, are expecting their 1st in July. He is stationed in Germany. She was deeply saddened to hear of Jane Elliot Berry's death. They were roommates for three years.

CLASS OF 1949

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Ten members of this class attended Founder's Day. Sally Johnson Laurilliard reports that of twenty-one members of her class, two have died. Of those back on Founder's Day, four of them were back for the first time since graduation. They came from seven states: one from California, one from Massachusetts, two from New York, one from Alabama, one from Pennsylvania, and two from New Jersey.

Elaine Hinkson Vermillion now lives in Colorado. She was a boarding student for four years. She most remembers the fellowship of her classmates, the "social" events, and their competition games. She declares that it was definitely a memorable time in her life.

CLASS OF 1952

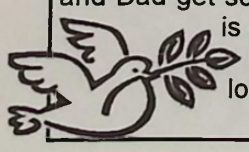
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Lucy Kellogg Daniel's news was so encouraging. Husband, Bill, had a heart transplant this past October. He has done well with that and they have been able to travel since... to Provence, France. Lucy's daughter, Hampton, presented them with their first grandchild Allison. Lucy says she is adorable. As of this letter the Daniels are doing well. Let us pray they continue to do so.

Riva Magaril Poor is enjoying her new career designing wonderful gardens for clients. She reports her ninety-five year old mother recently was honored at Harvard with a "lifetime of Learning" certificate. She is still taking courses there. Isn't that wonderful? Riva's big news is that she has stopped smoking! Congratulations Riva! She welcomes anyone who visits the Boston area. Her email address rivapoor@ mediaone.net.

Happy news from Mary Lou DeNyse Gilman. In April they had the first Annual Gilman Family Reunion. What a lovely picture we received from her. We wish all of you could see what a lovely family she has. MaryLou also writes about their interest in Combined Driving Events. These horses and their drivers are exciting to watch. MaryLou and Steve will participate in events coming up. They travel to these, and they certainly would like to see any St. Mary's Hall people who might want to contact MaryLou through her Email (SHADYHILL@aol.com) when she does find out their schedule. Maybe you live near one of these driving events and then could visit MaryLou and Steve. She would really love that.

When this IVY LEAVES comes out, Joan Nelson Swan will have returned from California after attending the Christening of first grandchild, Bianca Marie, born December 16. Joan's husband, Dana, says she is a beautiful baby and has excellent St. Mary's manners—translation—does not scream all night and lets Mom and Dad get some needed sleep. The Swans are enjoying their lovely home in Haverford, PA, where Dana is director of Admissions at Haverford College.



Barbara Marter MacFalls and friend Hillary, are enjoying the spring gardens at Barbara's lovely home on the Riverbank in Burlington, NJ. Barbara is very active in the Burlington Histori-

cal Society. The Society is most interested in collecting 'Decoys' of ducks which have inhabited the Delaware River. The Society is also involved in tracing the area's involvement in the Civil War. Our Barbara is, as always, involved and interested in history; she continues to contribute to her community.

Barbara also passed on the news that Sandra Krusen Heede and husband made a recent trip to Nova Scotia which they enjoyed thoroughly. Sandra comes to New Jersey to visit her mother, and hopefully they will get together when Sandy makes her next trip. Ann Porter Wetmore keeps herself busy working at a local boutique. She also travels a lot visiting her children. She has a daughter in Pittsburgh and a son in North Dakota. Her grandchildren of course are extremely special and she wishes she could see more of them. Ann continues with her life in the arts, attends exhibits as often as possible. She has a lively social life with a lot of friends.

News from Scottie Richards Cook and husband, Doug, is that they are so enjoying this lovely Spring working in their gardens and looking forward to entertaining a lot during the warm summer months. Can't blame them for that. They would love to send you all an invitation. We are here, we'd love to see you – you have our address!

CLASS OF 1954

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Attending the first annual mini-reunion in Florida in March were Bette Birdsall Evans, Peggy Stillwagon-Collis, Elaine Thatcher Slatcher, and Toni Black Medwedeff. Congratulations to Kackie Moore Paine on receiving her Doctorate Degree Three cheers to Maria Viteri, a St. Mary's historian and newly named to the Board of Trustees, Mary Liz Hendrickson is thrilled to be a first time grandma.

CLASS OF 1957

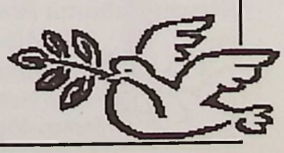
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Sally Garrison Thomas is still raving about the Class of '57 cruise on the HAL Westerdam in January. She says they never had so much fun on a cruise that it was as if they had all just picked up where they left off back in their school days. It was the great classmates and brave husbands who made it fantastic. By the time of this publication Sally and Marvin will have been on a cruise/tour of Scandinavia and St. Petersburg, Russia. She is keeping busy with editing and doing layout for her monthly community telephone book. In addition she is also doing some activities for SMD.

CLASS OF 1959

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Our class gathered at the Founder's Day Celebration. Frances Mulford Young and Joan Wright Konecny came from Maryland and Texas respectively. They stayed overnight with Katie Hutton Tweedy. On Founder's Day Beth Davis from Upper Black Eddy, Pennsylvania, and Anne Cramer Hoover from York, Pennsylvania joined them. Anne's husband Ben, joined Katie's husband, Charles and Katie's mom, Anne Hutton, (aged 90) for luncheon. Everybody looked great after forty years and we send warm good wishes to all our classmates.



CLASS OF 1961

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Susan Young Gallino's daughter, Nancy got married in September. Susan and Sam continue to enjoy their grandson. Their oldest daughter Tracy, is his mom. Susan's mother is living in Medford Leas and doing fine.

The Kogers had a very busy, fun Christmas. Diane and Dwight entertained their three grand kids, who are David Venditti's children, for the holidays. David Venditti is a graduate of Doane Academy. Diane worked for David's father, Dr. Venditti for many years until his death last spring. Christmas at the Kogers was a great success. Everyone had a wonderful time, especially Diane's parents, Ruth and Al Wilson, who were Santa's helpers.

Bishop Doane's birthday was a great success for our class. 1961 was represented by Diane Wilson Koger, Loillie Berger Rogers, and Trudi Scott Lefavour. As usual, it was great to see so many old friends. Dr. Adam Potkay who is writing a history of SMD from 1837 to the present spoke at the luncheon. He was very eloquent and enthusiastic about the book! Trudi has sent him copies of Odd Moments and other memorabilia. If you have memories that you would like to share with him, send them to him at Dept. of English, The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795.

I am still working at my new job -- currently planning a family picnic for the whole Biology department. I'm looking forward to it. My big summer plans are a trip to visit my sister, Ginger for her 60th birthday in August. Have a great summer.

CLASS OF 1970

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Suzanne Muldowney has taken on the role of TV-cartoon superhero UNDERDOG that she originated in '64. She has made extensive tours in this role. This year marks "his" 35th Anniversary; thus she again embarked on widespread touring, mostly in parades. So far she has been in locals in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. In November and December she is bound to appear as Underdog in as many as 15 to 16 Christmas parades in five states! While making these various appearances, she has wound up being on regional TV a number of times. She will always use theatrical dance as her medium.

Class Of 1978

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Stewart Low is getting married in September of 1999 to Barbara Arnold of Doylestown, Pennsylvania. He works as a Park Ranger for the National Park Service at Independence National Park in Philadelphia. Best wishes to the happy couple.

CLASS OF 1980

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Bob Holtzman, in Philadelphia is working in movies and television.

James McIlvaine reports that letters have been sent out for their first class reunion. He hopes

everybody is making plans to attend.

Linda Melville had a baby boy, Elias Melville Glickman, on March 28th, and is taking a two-month leave of absence from her job as Foreign Student Advisor at Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. Her husband has a year more in the Computer Science Department. He will soon receive his Doctorate.

CLASS OF 1987

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Jennifer Harman Birgl is married and living in Burlington Township, New Jersey. She is working as a regional manager for a company in Newton, Pennsylvania.



A Special Thanks To

Sally Garrison Thomas '57 for her diligent work on new directories, up-keep of the graduate list and labels for the Ivy Leaves' mailings.

SMD Sends It's Lifetime Members Into GOD's Gracious Hands

Mary Eckman Switkay'43	May 13, 1999
Jean Shelly Wilson'33	1999 (date unknown)
Ralph McCraken *Beloved husband of Mary Ann Kime McCracken'48*	May 24, 1999

SMD Receives GOD's Greatest Creations with Unending Love

Emily Ann Currier *10th grandchild of Ann Ferguson Currier'48*	May 15, 1999
Elias Melville Glickman *Son of Linda Melville'80*	March 28, 1999

SMD Believes That GOD's Love Enhances the Marriage of Two People

Stewart Low'78 to Barbara Arnold	September 1999



Letters To The Editor

Dear Editors:

Kudos galore for your fine job with IVY LEAVES. You have come a long way with the computer and page layouts. Skimming the articles they look fine except for one mistake regarding Peg Neuhauser Horst's first career as a medical technician. That was in CARLISLE, PA (Home of Dickinson College) and not "Carlysle."

Walter Weylman, M.D.
Winchester, MA.
Dickinson College, '50

Dear Editors:

I am writing to reinforce our conversation of this morning.

The latest edition of IVY LEAVES just arrived in yesterday's mail.

WOW! You have improved on the original by an infinite amount. The appearance, layout, design, and content are absolutely great!

This is a very important effort in behalf of St. Mary's Hall. It provides an entirely new pillar on which the Hall can stand proudly.

Please accept my thanks and that of the entire school family.

Also convey our warmest appreciation to all of those who helped in this terrific effort.

Sincerely
Harry W. Van Sciver
President, Board of Trustees

Dear Editors,

Just wanted to let you know how wonderful the *IVY LEAVES* looks. You and your crew did a fantastic job! Everyone up here thinks it's terrific.

Thank you,
Kathleen Keays,'88
President of SOG

Dear Editors,

Congratulations to you and Ann on a job well done! You should be very proud of your efforts. It's a joy to look at as well as read. Best of luck

Phebe G. Snow,'48

Dear Editors,

Would one of you dear graduates of SMD, please give me some help. Now that my mom is helping Miss Marleigh and Miss Annie with IVY LEAVES, my brother, Zack, and I can cook okay but we need laundry tips. Email us.

Josh Lepchitz' 2006

Suggested Format for IVY LEAVES Class Notes

Each individual has a particular style of writing. Below are suggestions for the newsletter.

1. Put as heading "Class of 19__", class agent's name and mailing address .
2. Rewrite in the third person all information submitted to you from other classmates.
3. Put information in alphabetical order by maiden name with class agent's own information last. This format removes any appearance of ranking news or classmates by relative importance and will provide an easily accessible historical record.
4. Please spell out complete dates and references to St. Mary's Hall and St. Mary's organizations although editors may decide to abbreviate these where necessary to conserve space.
5. Give full names, and nicknames in quotation marks. Editors will also decide how best to emphasize names (underlining, bold or italic fonts etc.)
6. Remember sentences average twelve words.
7. Type two spaces between sentences.
8. Word process articles.
9. Please do not underline anything. The scanner will not recognize this format.
10. Add your telephone number, fax number and e-mail so we can contact you.
11. Send articles by mail, or email. Email is preferred.
12. Have all articles in by the designated deadline. June 1st and December 30th of each year.

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