

Westover Alumni News - August 2019

Message from the Chair

Dear Hornet family,

Welcome to the August edition of the Westover Alumni Newsletter. Please mark your calendars for Westover Weekend 2020, scheduled for April 3-5, 2020. Classes in reunion are 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970, but all alumni are welcome to attend. A schedule of events will be available soon! If you are a graduate of one of these classes, and would like to volunteer to assist your classmates in promoting attendance, please respond to the Alumni Office. Your participation will be genuinely appreciated.

Homecoming 2019 is scheduled for October 18-19, 2019. The <u>schedule information and</u> <u>registration form</u> are now available. We hope to see you all there.

In the meantime, we want to hear from you for the newsletter! We particularly like photos of you, your family and friends, especially Hornet grads.

Hopefully your summer has been going well, and you are resting up for a great fall because as you remember, no place is more beautiful than our Lynchburg campus in the fall of the year. A picnic at the Peaks of Otter can always be worked into your schedule. A blanket in the Dell is not so bad either. So, until we meet again, enjoy life and be thankful for the memories we all share.

Sincerely,

Marc Jordan '69

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Homecoming 2019

Homecoming 2019 is October 18-19. The Lynchburg classes of '74, '79, '84, '89, '94, '99, '04, '10, '14, and '19 will be reunion. Everyone is welcome to come back to campus and celebrate! Join us for the 4th Annual Homecoming Tailgate, special events to remember John P. Reilly '86, celebrate the Garrens for their dedication to Lynchburg, congratulate Richard Pumphrey '74, Art Professor on his retirement after 38 years of service, to tour the new residence hall, and more.

Westover alumni have a gathering space at the Saturday tailgate. Please join us! <u>View a complete schedule</u> and register to attend. <u>Online registration</u> is open!



Westover alumni and friends at the Homecoming 2018 tailgate

Westover Alumni Weekend 2020

Save the date! Westover Alumni Weekend 2020 is April 3-5, 2020. Classes of 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1970 are in reunion - everyone is welcome! We'll have special class dinners, tours, wine tastings, and much more. We hope you'll join us! If you are interested in helping to plan this special weekend as a Class Reunion Committee Volunteer, please contact Heather Garnett at garnett h@lynchburg.edu or call 434.544.8293.

Upcoming Events - open to all alumni

Richmond Happy Hour

Thursday, August 22 5:30-7:30 p.m. Triple Crossing - Fulton 5203 Hatcher Street Richmond, VA 23231

Acceptances only by August 20

Westover Alumni Advisory Meeting - open to all

Friday, September 13 10 a.m. Lynchburg, VA

Welcome to the Association DC Area Chapter Event

Saturday, September 14
5-7 p.m.
Mission Navy Yard
1221 Van Street SE
Washington, DC 20003
Acceptances only by September 6

Chicago Area Alumni Special Event with President Kenneth R. Garren and Sheila Garren

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Chicago Cubs vs Cincinnati Reds baseball game Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Special event starts at 6 p.m. at the Wrigley View Rooftop, 1050 West Waveland Avenue Game starts at 7:05 p.m.

*We have limited capacity for this event - acceptances will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Westover Alumni News

William Cardwell '60, '81 MBA

William R. & Dorothy S. Cardwell were recipients of the 2019 Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC) Humanitarian Award this past May. The Humanitarian Award of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities is presented to those individuals who have demonstrated a personal commitment to the promotion of respect and understanding among people of diverse racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds.



Susan Garrett Rickert '60

As an octogenarian, I am still in good health and spirits and just returned from my 19th annual trip to Tanzania. I am still involved in helping schools and scholarship students to continue higher education in Tanzania, until they become professionals in the fields they have chosen.

A highlight of this year's trip was visiting a secondary school, Banjika, which I helped to start in 2005 in a remote village and give a motivational speech to 700 day students who walk for many miles for the privilege of attending school!

God willing and my health and spirits remain strong, I will be returning in 2020 to complete 20 years of volunteer service. Spending 2 years in Tanzania from 1964-1966 as a Peace Corps Volunteer, resulted in my lifelong love affair with the Tanzanians.

Blessings to all my 1960 fellow graduates.

Karl Watts '62

I live in Bozeman, Montana on my cattle ranch. We run approx. 2000 head of momma cows per year. Our ranch has approx. 150,000 acres. We are in the shadow of Yellowstone Park.

Darryl W. Rhodes '64

As of August 8, 2019, my wife, Jeanie and I will have been married 55 years. We met at the Craig Springs Campground where we were both dishwashers, among other tasks such as running the camp store, being a lifeguard at the pool, etc. At that time Jeanie was attending Old Dominion College (later University), and there were two other LC students also working there for the summer, Janice Wade and Danny Mason. We all had a great time and still have many fond memories from that summer.

Carol Edwards '65

Carol sent in a 3 minute <u>YouTube story</u> about Cuckoo, VA and Dr. Percy Wootton '53 and Dr. Jane Pendleton Wootton featured on TBD.com out of Washington.

Mel Parker '65, '72

My good news is I've just released my 7th CD, Love Notes~ Classic Country by Mel Parker. This Friday July 26 at 11 AM I will be interviewed on the Big John Trimble Show and I am proud to say he has featured my CD Love Notes all of this week on his program. Please tune in or go to the music store at Melparker.com to hear my tunes. P.S. I do live shows, too.

Paul Goldenbaum '66

I am in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands for 2 weeks as part of a 10 person team working to repair a badly storm-damaged house. We are part of a FEMA program which houses and feeds volunteers in exchange for our efforts to help needy families after the recent hurricanes. We are staying in a Church on cots and make our breakfast and lunch each day for the job. After one week we have replaced the roof and made progress on the interior as well. St. Thomas was terribly damaged by the storms and there is still much more needed.

Jim Wilson '66

On July 17, 2019 a faithful group of LC alumni gathered for lunch and chatter in Charlottesville at the Travinia Italian restaurant.

Attending were:

Sharon and Russ Hovda '68
Bonnie Benedict '68 and her friend Gus Lamond
Rubin '65 and Carolyn Cyrus Womack '68
Travis '68 and Joan Hacking Hall '68
Jim '66 and Rebecca Carter Wilson '68
Denise Duke Hunt '68
Carolyn Allen Burnett '68

In addition, many of these folks planned to get together again on August 7 for a music event and dinner in Lynchburg. The talented Russ Hovda '68 was one of the musicians playing at this event. This group and a few others have been meeting each year since 2013. During the recent gathering, they vowed to meet twice instead of just once each year.

Gathering at the Oak Wood Country Club in early August: Fun times were had as we enjoyed each other's company, enjoyed tasty food, and enjoyed professional band music.



Dr. Bob Fredrickson, DDS, '67

From the Williamsport Sun-Gazette on how Bob provided dental care to those in need at volunteer event this past summer:

BY LAUREN RUDE AT THE SUN-GAZETTE

In a first-come, first-serve fashion, patients unable to regularly afford dental care were given the opportunity recently to receive free treatment from volunteer dentists and dental hygienists.

Robert H. Frederickson, DDS, participated as a volunteer on June 7th and 8th's Mission of Mercy-In-PA (MOM-n-PA) at Mohegan Sun Arena, in Wilkes-Barre.

Those in need of dental care lined up and waited patiently for their chance to sit in one of the 120 chairs set up in different departments within the arena.

The departments included oral surgery (teeth extraction), endodonics (root canals), pediatrics, dentures and where the patients could find Frederickson - dental restoration (dental fillings). Some people even spent Thursday night in line in hopes to see one of the certified dentists.

"People showed up, it was Friday and Saturday," Frederickson said. "The first guy showed up at 8 p.m. on Thursday night, so when I got there at a quarter to six in the morning, the line was 100 yards long. People came in all day long."

Each patient seen was screened for medical complications prior to treatment, and those who were qualified health wise would receive dental services at absolutely no cost. The only time a patient was turned to other health care options were due to the need for a complex surgery because of sanitary reasons.

"We offered all services from the moment the patient came in. The oral diagnosis, and then there was triage. They were screened medically and then they were sent to the different departments," Frederickson said.

Frederickson went on to add that the event could not have been done all these years without the help of foundations who supply donations and monetary donations to the event.

"They said the whole set up costs probably over \$200,000, but you know everything is donated. There are foundations who pay for companies to come in and set up the chairs and of course when you have dentistry you have to have water, and suction, and air to each of those chairs," added Frederickson. "I mean, the plumbing and electric was phenomenal. They put it up in a day, putting it up Thursday and taking it down Sunday."

Following the dental care services needed, each patient received a post-op form that provides them with local doctor's and/or local service agency's telephone and contact name, according to the MOM-n-PA website.

While this service was provided, Frederickson also took it upon himself to act as both a certified dentist and as an educator for the patients.

"It was a wonderful experience to help these people. That was the good part, but the sad part is that this is just one day in their life," Frederickson said. "You know the adage of, 'Give me a fish and I eat today, but teach me to fish and I'll eat forever.' So, when I was working on these people and waiting for anesthesia, I would talk to them and ask how they got into the shape they are in and then talk to them about diet and homecare."

The first mission for MOM-n-PA took place in Philadelphia in 2013. In its inaugural year, the two-day mission brought in 1,001 volunteers and 1,820 patients.

In total, the volunteers provided \$850,000 worth of free dental care. Flash forward, to 2019 where, according to Frederickson's estimates, there was about 1,000 patients seen a day and around \$1 million worth of free dental care provided total.

Frederickson added that the numbers he witnessed did not come from a small group of people, but rather a large number of volunteers that traveled far and wide to be there that day. Volunteers were not only certified dentists, but also dental students from across PA who acted as assistants in the services.

"There were students there from Pitt, Penn and Temple and they were volunteering and learning. It gave me the chance to teach them and to educate patients and to do procedures. I mean it was just a great event, "Frederickson said.

One volunteer that Frederickson was able to work with was a woman from Ukraine who not only helped in the dental services, but also helped translate for patients who knew little to no English.

"What was memorable was that the kids that were there helping out were from all over the place. I had an assistant who was from the Ukraine. She came over at 12 years old... So she had to learn English, but the practice that she works in North East Philly, she said 80 percent of their patients are Spanish and 50 percent of them don't speak English," said

Frederickson. "So we had some Spanish speaking patients there, and she was able to converse with them. That was kind of neat."

According to Frederickson, based off his knowledge he is the only local Lycoming County dentist that attends the event. The next MOM-n-PA will be hosted in Philadelphia in conjunction with Temple University's dental school. According to Frederickson, he would love to see more representation from the Lycoming County area at the next major effort to help those in need.

"If you're house is on fire, you don't call the carpenter, but you can't drive the nails fast enough. You need to put the fire out first, so call the fire department. Then once you get the fire out, then you can restore it, Frederickson said. "And these people's mouths are like the house on fire, they're in trouble. It would be nice if there was something more comprehensive but in lew of that, this is at least an effort."

Teresa Watson '67, MEd '87

I was recently voted to the Board of Trustees at Ferrum College. I received my BA Degree in 1967 and my MEd in 1987.

Wayne Prince '68

Proudly announces that his granddaughter, Caelyn Andrews just graduated 2019, Cum Laude. She follows in her Dad's footsteps, Ryan Andews '90 and her aunt's, Laurie Newman Andrews '88. The University is our Legacy home.

Karen Shafer '68

Next Tribe is an online magazine which focuses on women over the age of 50. They recently did an article on me and my craziness as I aged: https://nexttribe.com/ice-road-trucker/.

Karen Shafer

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Richard "Rich" Buthy '70

Rich hosted an alumni chapter event this past spring in Cape May, NJ. Alumni enjoyed a wine tasting and Fire Pit Friday at Willow Creek Farm and Winery. Pictures from the event are below!







Phil Mazzara '70

Phil Mazzara '70 and his wife Dee Daly attended a dinner on June 28 at the Palace of Versailles commemorating the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Versailles. They are pictured with the maquette of A Soldier's Journey, a sculpture by renowned sculptor Sabin Howard, which will be the focal point of the new US National World War One Memorial at Pershing Park in Washington, DC. When completed the bronze sculpture will be 7 feet high and 65 feet wide and weigh 9 tons. Phil is the chief development officer of The Doughboy Foundation, which is completing the fundraising for the \$40 million project. Groundbreaking is slated for October 2019.



Phil and his wife, Dee

Erik Klingenberg '72

Erik was recently interviewed by German media about Woodstock 50th Anniversary. From Erik's Facebook: "Ah...the craziness continues...this morning I had just finished working for a few hours in my storeroom and gone upstairs to get something to eat and take a shower when at 11:50 the telephone rings and it is Hessen Rundfunk television station wanting to do an interview about Woodstock to be broadcast this evening at 18:00. "We will be there at 13:00," the nice young lady says. How could I refuse? Skipping the meal and taking a quick shower, they came and we did the interview. Who could have foreseen all this 50 years ago?"



Photo: Erik as he is being inteviewed for Woodstock's 50th Anniversary, from Erik's Facebook

Betsy Mapp (legal name: Mary E. Mapp) '72

This summer, I am campaigning for a seat on the Northampton County Board of Supervisors, my second term. I previously held that office for the term beginning in 1996. Still live on my beautiful waterfront farm near the Chesapeake Bay.

LC Alums in St. Augustine in Late July



Left to right around the table. Patricia Skillman Lewis '67, Teresa Paredes Sanchez '67, Ruben Sanchez, James Andrew Smith '66, Ann Woore Smith '67, Raymond Graham Moseley '65, Teresa Moseley, and Del Lewis '65.

Dennis Craddock '67

Dennis Craddock '67, a fellow Hornet recently passed away. He was a Lynchburg Sports Hall of Famer who played a big part Lynchburg's win of the Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference men's track & field in 1966 and 1967.

Professionally, Dennis was a track and field coach at the University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina. He acquired 45 total ACC titles which was more than any other coach in any sport in conference history. He coached 25 NCAA champions and 19 Olympians, who combined for five gold medals.

Lynchburg Sports has a brief story on Dennis. We send our condolences to his family.

1964 Anecdotes from Carl Deale '65

Dr. Rosser's Bicycle Ride

During a break between physics classes on a warm spring afternoon in 1964, I was standing outside Hobbs (Hobbs Sigler) Hall talking to my friend Claude Mays and several other students when Dr. Rosser, chairman of the department of physics, walked out. I had my three-speed bicycle parked there, and Dr. Rosser seemed quite interested in it. He asked me a few questions about it, and said he had been thinking about buying a bicycle for his commute to Lynchburg College. He said he wondered though whether the steep hills on nearby Thomas Road might be a problem. I told him that the three speeds were a great

advantage for climbing hills. Then I asked him if he would like to take a ride on it, and he said he would if I was sure that I wouldn't mind.

After setting the bike on the street that ran alongside Hobbs at that time, he climbed aboard and pedaled slowly up the hill. When he reached the top, he turned around and began pedaling back down, and then started coasting as he picked up speed. As he approached the spot where Claude and I were standing, we noticed that he had started to pedal *backwards*. He yelled, "*Carlton! W-Where are the brakes?*" as he flew past us, furiously pedaling backwards. "They're on the handlebars, Dr. Rosser! *Squeeze the levers!*" I yelled as I ran after him.

Too late! He was already entering the sharp boulder-lined curve around Hobbs at about 30 mph. He banked hard-to-port at what looked like about 45° and somehow made it around the curve without crashing into the boulders. After he leveled off, he coasted another 100 yards before finally coming to a complete stop. Then he got off and stood for nearly a minute before he began slowly walking back with the bike alongside.

When he got back to Hobbs Hall, I apologized for the dangerous situation I had inadvertently created. It had never dawned on me that he was not familiar with the handbrakes! I felt sure he would be angry at me for putting him in such a dangerous and embarrassing situation. Instead, true to form, he graciously *thanked* me, and with a twinkle in his eye, he said, "You know, Carlton, *that* was quite a *ride!*"

I don't think he ever bought a bicycle for his commute to Lynchburg College.

The Scarlet Letter

In the fall of 1964, I took a course in American literature taught by Mrs. Belle Hill. Dean Turner allowed me to substitute that course for a required course in English literature so that I could graduate at the end of the semester. Mrs. Hill loved literature and was a very good teacher. I, on the other hand, did not love literature and was not a very good student. I also hated to write and was a terrible typist.

For one of the course assignments that semester, I had to read a book of American literature and write a ten-page paper about it. Considering my literary and typing skills, I knew that this would not be a pleasant task. Since word processors and laser printers did not exist at the time, everyone had to type the paper on a manual typewriter without making any errors.

When the deadline was three days away, my girlfriend asked me if I had finished the assignment yet. I told her I hadn't started it. She suggested that it might be a good time for me to start. When I told her I didn't know what book to read, she said she had heard that Mrs. Hill's favorite book was *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne. Maybe if I wrote about her favorite book, Mrs. Hill would be impressed. It seemed like a good idea at the time, so I checked out a copy from the library and took it back to my room to start on the assignment.

As I began struggling to read *The Scarlet Letter*, reality set in. I thought I'd better go find another book. But there was no time, and I didn't know what else to read anyway. Fortunately, after a while, I began to adapt to Hawthorne's writing style and became absorbed in the powerful story. I cut all my classes, including Mrs. Hill's, and finally finished reading the book early the following morning.

After a good night's sleep of two hours, I started writing the draft. By dawn the following day, I had finished writing the paper. Although I did the best I could with the time that I had left, I was afraid that it was not enough. And I still had to type the paper perfectly. I was supposed to turn it in that afternoon at Mrs. Hill's one o'clock class, but I knew there was no chance that I could finish typing it on time. So, once again, I cut her class. I decided to get a couple more hours sleep before doing battle with the typewriter.

The typing was torture. Stress and lack of sleep had begun to take their toll on me. I had to type several pages three times each before I could produce a clean copy. I finally finished typing the paper at *nine o'clock that night* and then walked a half-mile to Mrs. Hill's house to turn the paper in. When she answered the door, she looked very surprised and a little bit annoyed to see me standing there. I apologized for bothering her at home. She took the paper but did not say anything.

On the day she handed the papers back to the class, I thought my prospects for a passing grade were slim. It seemed to me that the best grade I could hope for was a D. I had cut her classes and had probably done a poor job writing about her favorite book. Moreover, I had turned the paper in late, so she did not have to give me credit at all. Mercifully, she handed out the papers face down so that the grades were not visible. I avoided eye contact with her. The other students quickly turned their papers over to look at their grades and to read the comments, but I left mine lying face down on the desk. I decided to read the comments and corrections first. I carefully opened the paper to the second page. There was not a single mark on it! I rapidly leafed through the remaining pages, and there were no marks on them either.

Obviously, I had turned in the paper too late for credit! Reluctantly, I turned the paper over. There, on the front page, was a blazing red A!

Update Your Information

We want to make sure we have your most up-to-date information so we may stay in touch! To update your phone, email, address, etc., please contact us by emailing alumni@lynchburg.edu or calling 434.544.8293.

Deceased Alumni

(Listing includes notifications received by the University as of May 22, 2019 - August 15, 2019)

Theodore "Gene" Campbell, Jr. '43 - 7/15/2019 Dr. C. Hunter Montgomery '47 - 7/6/2019 Ann Brewer Elswick '51 - 8/5/2019 Rev. Lillian Black Nunnelly '51 - 6/14/2019 James Haymes '56 - 7/11/2019 Daniel Strosnider '57 - 6/25/2019 Robert Lutes '60 - 6/5/2019 Genevieve Yeatts Giles '61 - 6/18/2019 Nancy Creed Booth '62 - 7/15/2019 Linda Wooldridge Hulbert '64 - 4/8/2019 Dennis Craddock '67 - 8/13/2019 Dennis Spurgeon '69 - 7/24/2019 Kim Webster Somers '72 - 5/24/2019

We extend our condolences to family and friends.

We hope you enjoyed reading the news about fellow Westover Alumni. If you have thoughts or ideas for this electronic communication, please share them with me at garnett h@lynchburg.edu.

Until next time,

Heather Ayers Garnett '05 MEd

Director of Alumni Relations

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