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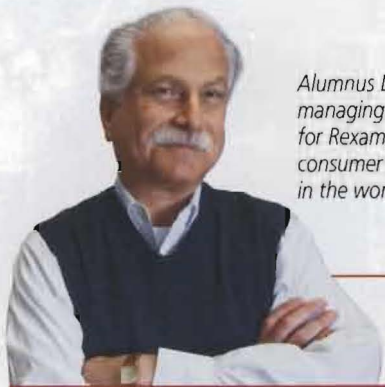
Professor Steven Smith expects political parties to push for major reforms in the presidential nomination process soon after the election.



Whitney Curtis

Service First Celebrates 10 Years Incoming freshman volunteers give the hallways of Ford Elementary School in St. Louis a fresh look. The students worked on August 30, 2008, as part of Service First. Founded by the University's Community Service Office in 1999, Service First introduces new students to each other, and to community service opportunities in the St. Louis community. Over the last 10 years, more than 10,000 WUSTL students have taken part. This year, more than 1,000 newly arrived freshmen painted, landscaped, and cleaned 12 St. Louis-area public schools to make the school year more enjoyable for students and their teachers. "It's hard to imagine that we've been doing this for 10 years already," says Stephanie Kurtzman, director of the Community Service Office and associate director of the Richard A. Gephardt Institute for Public Service. "It's really been a labor of love for us, and we're happy that we've been able to reach out to so many St. Louis-area students. I hope this event will serve as the beginning of a lasting commitment to service by our students." Service First is a collaborative effort with the school districts of St. Louis, University City, and Wellston, and it is supported generously by the Women's Society of Washington University and local and national businesses.





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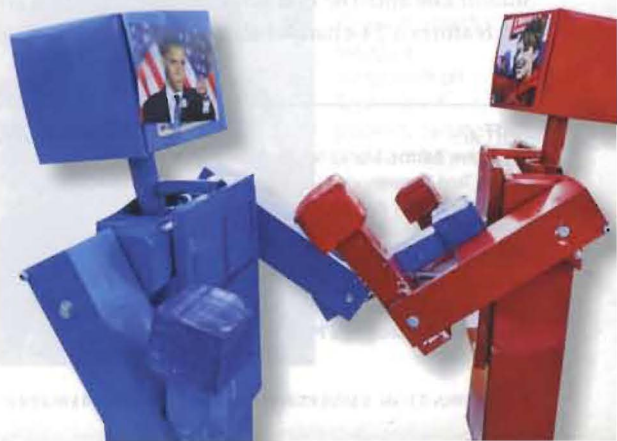


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Students were involved in all manner of activity surrounding the debate, including competing with blue and red robots (page 20).





David Kilper

Danforth University Center Opens for Students

The William H. and Elizabeth Gray Danforth University Center opened its doors to the Washington University community on August 11, 2008. The Center, named for the Danforths, features dining areas, lounges, meeting rooms, and offices for student leaders and student services professional staff. Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of several donors, the new building features three premier spaces.

Trustee Ann Rubenstein Tisch, A.B. '76, and her husband, Andrew, are supporting the new Danforth University Center with a \$2 million gift. To honor their commitment, Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton has announced that the Center's commons will be named Tisch Commons.

Washington University is the recipient of many significant gifts from the late Lynne "Angel" Cooper Harvey and her husband, the legendary broadcaster Paul Harvey.

Added to their many gifts is the Angel and Paul Harvey Media Center in the new Danforth University Center, which is supported by a gift of \$1.2 million.

The Harvey Media Center provides workspace for WUTV and a host of print publications, including *Student Life* and *The Hatchet*. The new recording studio features a 24-channel audio mixer with a software

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program for digital recording. WUTV now has a professionally designed news set equipped with technology to create state-of-the-art newscasts and programs.

Thanks to a generous gift to the Danforth University Center by Stephanie Brooks Dains, A.B. '69, and her husband, John, dining has become a truly great experience.

The Dains Dining Hall sits in the center of the first floor, flanked by the Tisch Commons on the north side; the University Café on the west; and the servery, located to the east of Dains Dining Hall. A formal dining space called the Orchid Room is on the south end of the servery; Ibbey's Bistro, a full-service restaurant, is located at the northeast corner.

A formal dedication for the Center is scheduled for April 2009.

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New Hearing Aids Pass the Test

The sound of a noisy restaurant was the crucial test of new hearing aid technology in a study conducted by researchers at the School of Medicine.

The study tested a new hearing aid technology—open-fit hearing aids with directional microphones.

"We found that the open-fit hearing aids with directional microphones on average

gave wearers a 20 percent improvement in speech intelligibility in the restaurant setting compared to not having a hearing aid or wearing an open-fit aid without a directional microphone," says Michael Valente, director of the Division of Adult Audiology in the Department of Otolaryngology at the medical school. "We are the first to show that a directional microphone in open-fit can provide improved performance in noise."

Campus Prepares for Emergencies

Washington University launched its "Where to Go" campaign in fall 2008 to help the University prepare for emergency situations.

The emergency Web site—emergency.wustl.edu—contains information about what to do in particular emergency situations, such as an earthquake, fire, or violence on campus.



The University is in the process of instituting an Emergency Notification System, which sends emergency messages via text messages, phone calls, and e-mails to WUSTL accounts.

Members of the WUSTL community should visit emergency.wustl.edu to provide cell phone numbers, so the University can reach all members in a crisis.

Saving Endangered Apes Biologist's Aim

A biologist at Washington University is the mastermind behind a project that has led to an informative book on an endangered species of ape.

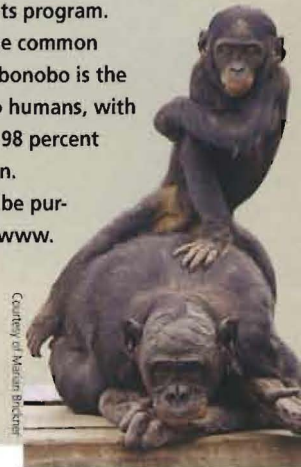
Ursula Goodenough, professor of biology in Arts & Sciences, is the driving force behind *I'm Lucy: A Day in the Life of a Young Bonobo*. The book, written by Mathea Levine, Goodenough's daughter, features the photographs of St. Louisan Marian Brickner. Famed primatologist Jane Goodall wrote the afterword.

All profits from *I'm Lucy* go to the Bonobo Conservation Initiative and the Roots & Shoots program.

Along with the common chimpanzee, the bonobo is the closest relative to humans, with a genome that is 98 percent similar to our own.

The book can be purchased online at www.bonobokids.org.

Bonobos could become extinct in the wild in less than a decade.



Courtesy of Marian Brickner

Institute for Public Health Debuts

The Institute for Public Health hosted its inaugural symposium on September 5, 2008, at the Eric P. Newman Education Center on the Medical Campus.

The overall goal of the event was to raise awareness of public-health research and service activities currently conducted at the University.

"Through the interdisciplinary focus of the Institute, we can tackle public-health issues in innovative ways. One of our primary goals is to help improve health status right here in St. Louis," says Edward F. Lawlor, dean of the George Warren Brown School of Social Work and the William E. Gordon Professor.

Lawlor is the founding director of the Institute for Public Health.

The Institute aims to improve community and international health by creating new knowledge; produce new forms of

public-health teaching and research; bring medical, social, and physical science discoveries to the community; and train advanced leaders in public health.

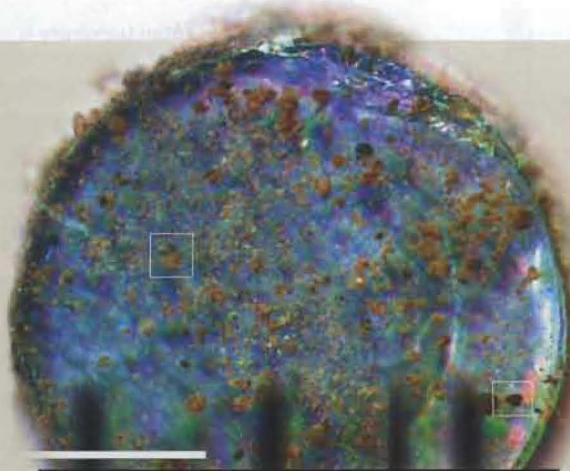
Drawing expertise from across the University, the Institute will focus on cross-campus

collaborations in the field. The initial areas of focus include genetics and population health, health disparities in the St. Louis region, international diseases and interventions, environment and health, and health services and policy.



Geoff Story

At the Institute for Public Health's Inaugural Symposium on September 5, students, faculty, and staff learned about many of the public health projects under way at the University.



Students 'Dig' Mars Mission Assignment

From the landing of NASA's *Phoenix* Mars Mission Lander on May 25, 2008, through November 2, when NASA lost contact with the spacecraft, mission researchers commanded the lander to find soil and ice samples, and to take pictures of the Red Planet (left).

Among the University mission workers were Raymond E. Arvidson, the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor; Thomas C. Stein, a computer specialist in Earth & Planetary Sciences; and four students.

The goal of this group was to infer from images and other data the geological

history of the landing site and imply some theories about current and past climate.

Just one week after landing, the *Phoenix* Mars Lander took its first scoop of Martian soil to test the robotic arm.

"I was the 'dig czar,' helping organize the team's desires for digging with the robotic arm," says Arvidson.

The students were *Phoenix* Mission documentarians, responsible for recording all that was done on the mission and for naming geological sites in the area.

"Landing Day was exciting, especially when ... we saw those first images of the open solar arrays," says Tabatha Heet, A.B. '08, a graduate student in Earth & Planetary Sciences.



Courtesy of NASA/JPL-Caltech/University of Arizona/Imperial College London

Business School Forms Alliance with Indian Institute

The Olin Business School and the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta (IIMC) announced the creation of a partnership designed to advance research, teaching, and cultural understanding.

The collaboration opens opportunities for students and faculty at both institutions. The schools plan to organize joint programs in business and industry management training. The agreement facilitates the creation of joint publications, conferences, and research projects. It also establishes new exchange programs for faculty and students.

"We are very excited about our connection with the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta," says Mahendra Gupta, dean of the Olin Business School and the Geraldine J. and Robert L. Virgil Professor of Accounting and Management. "Both schools excel in business education and research, and the ability to join forces will strengthen both of our reputations as global leaders."

Social Work Professor Helps Veterans Cope with PTSD

A recently released Department of Defense report shows a 50 percent increase in documented post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) cases in veterans in 2007. Monica Matthieu, an expert on veteran mental health and an assistant professor of social work at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, says, "While it is important to know the number of men and women returning from war with PTSD, it is also critical that veterans and their family members know where to go to access mental health services."

Matthieu notes that the Department of Veterans Affairs' VA Medical Centers and Vet Centers have specialists that assist military service members who have returned home and find themselves struggling with their recovery and readjustment to civilian life.

"Often the family, friends, and military buddies closest to our veterans are the



ones that find the resources for veterans needing assistance," she says. "They are the bedrock of support for many veterans and are usually the ones that notice problems, such as chronic difficulties sleeping, concentrating, and reacting as if they were back in a war zone."

A number of evidence-based approaches are used to treat PTSD, from cognitive behavioral therapies to the use of certain medications.

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Morgan Sets Record at Paralympic Games

Kerri Morgan, instructor in the Program in Occupational Therapy at the School of Medicine, set a U.S. record in the women's 100-meter T52 wheelchair track race at the 2008 Paralympic Games in Beijing on September 15, 2008.

Her U.S. record also was a season-best time for the 100-meter event. With a time of 21.56 seconds, she placed first among the American athletes and fifth overall. Morgan also placed fifth in the 200-meter T52 wheelchair track race with a time of 40:82.

Disabled since the age of 1, Morgan became interested in wheelchair sports about seven years ago. She originally focused on rugby and did everything she could to play on the same level as the males. [There are roughly 500 male wheelchair rugby players in the United States and only about 10 female players.] Taking the advice of team members, she began to push a track chair during the off-season to increase her speed. As a result, Morgan was invited to try out for the national U.S.A. rugby team, the first female to do so. Though she didn't make the team, she refocused her training and worked with her coaches, Steve and Alicia Bunn, to try to qualify for the U.S.A. Paralympic track team.

"I qualified to go to the U.S. trials [for the Paralympic track team] in June 2008 and won first place in the 200-meter and second in the 100-meter," says Morgan. "My times were fast

enough to receive an invitation to the team. The rest is history."

Morgan adds that she received a lot of support along the way. This support came from family, friends, colleagues, students, and local organizations. Emerson Electric helped her out financially, while ShowMe Aquatics and Fitness and the St. Louis Wheelchair Athletic Association provided her with training.

"I could not have accomplished what I did without all this support," she says.



Kerri Morgan (right) practices with trainer Steve Bunn for the wheelchair track races at the 2008 Paralympics in Beijing.

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Art Student First to Win MFA Grant

Ian Weaver, who earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in May 2008 from the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, has won a \$15,000 M.F.A. Grant, a prestigious award from the Joan Mitchell Foundation in New York.

Weaver was one of 15 students nationwide to receive the award, and the first ever from Washington University.

Though primarily a painter and printmaker, the Chicago native

One of Ian Weaver's works that was displayed in the M.F.A. Thesis Exhibition is Black Power Helmet (2008).

focused this past year on multimedia installations informed by anthropology and archaeology, as well as African-American and European history.

Weaver's work, *A Partial History of the Black Bottom Community*, was on display in the Sam Fox School's 2008 M.F.A. Thesis Exhibition at the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum. The exhibit included 11 works in a variety of media that formed a fictionalized account of Chicago's Black Bottom neighborhood. This neighborhood is a historically African-American enclave, where Weaver's mother grew up. It was bulldozed in the 1950s to make room for the Dan Ryan Expressway.

"I wanted to marry an accepted historical format, the educational museum, with the story of my mom's community," says Weaver.



Courtesy photo

Campus Sundial Marks 100 Years

On August 8, 2008, a group of sundial enthusiasts met in St. Louis to tour 15 area sundials, some of historical importance, including one on the campus of Washington University that is marking its centennial anniversary. The sundial on the Cupples I building façade, donated by the Class of 1908, faces south on Brookings Quadrangle. The motto on the sundial is “I am a shadow/So art thou/I mark time/Dost thou?”

The tour, organized by Donald L. Snyder, senior professor of electrical and systems engineering in the School of Engineering & Applied Science, was one component of the 2008 Annual Conference of the North American Sundial Society.

Sundials can be traced to antiquity and come in many designs. Some are elaborate and beautiful, others plain and practical, but all measure time by the position of the sun. Key components of sundials are a shadow-casting object called a gnomon and a surface with lines indicating the hours of the day and important dates.

Two other sundials exist at the University, one inlaid on a sidewalk between Crow Hall and the Earth & Planetary Sciences Building and the other in that building itself on a Mars rover-scaled replica. The sundial is in use on Mars with *Spirit* and *Opportunity* for color calibration for the rovers' cameras.

The core of sundials is a stew of mathematics and physics. “I’m interested in them because of their mathematical relation to the position of the sun at any time,” says Snyder, who has



The sundial on the Cupples I building façade on view in Brookings Quadrangle marks 100 years in 2008.

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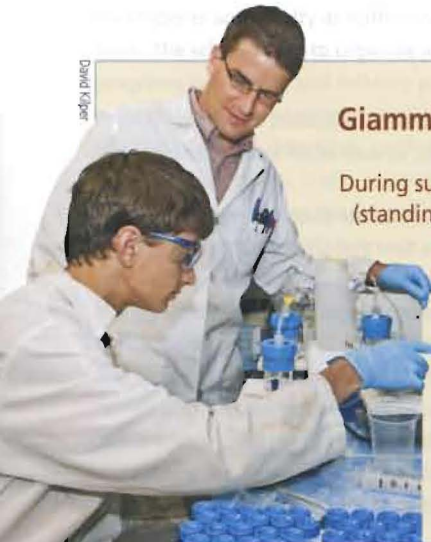
made a number of portable, wooden sundials for family members. “It is a thing of beauty to design an instrument on the basis of mathematics, the physics of solar and Earth motion, and the effects of sunlight.”

Giammar Mentors St. Louis Students in Science

During summer 2008, Dan Giammar (standing), associate professor of energy, environmental, and chemical engineering at the School of Engineering & Applied Science, mentored a local high school student. Giammar worked with Nevin Peebles (seated), a senior at Saint Louis University High School, to study lead concentrations in drinking water.

Peebles was one of 83 high school students participating in the 2008 Students and Teachers as Research Scientists (STARS) program, which provides high school students with the opportunity to participate in research at one of St. Louis' distinguished academic institutions. Overall, 21 University faculty members volunteered with STARS in 2008.

For his efforts, Giammar received the Environmental Engineering Student Association's Professor of the Year Award and the Association of Graduate Engineering Students "Big Fish" Mentor of the Year Award.



Law Students Serve in Developing Nations

Several Washington University law students interned in South Africa, Ghana, and Cambodia with legal aid agencies, public interest law offices, and international organizations this past summer. The internships in South Africa and Ghana are part of the Africa Public Interest Law & Conflict Resolution Initiative, led by Karen Tokarz and Kimberly Norwood, both professors of law. The initiative fosters study, travel, and research in Africa.

In summer 2008, five students worked for 10 weeks with the Legal Aid Board in South Africa. This organization provides free legal assistance on civil and criminal matters to indigent South Africans. The students engaged in client interviewing and counseling, legal research and writing, trial preparation, and appellate brief writing.

Three students spent 10 weeks with the Black Sash, a human rights organization in South Africa. They helped with client intake

and research, served as liaisons with service providers, monitored parliament, observed the implementation of government programs, provided assistance to paralegals, and taught legal education in the community.

Additionally, six students interned at the Legal Resource Centre in Ghana. The centre works with communities to ensure human rights, social progress, and economic development, especially in the areas of civil liberties, health, employment, education, and housing. These students were involved in client counseling and advocacy, community education, and dispute resolution.

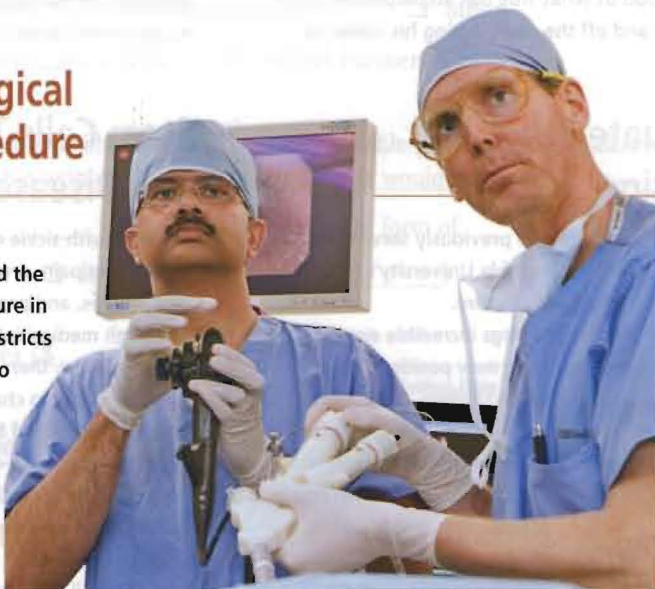
Four others spent the summer at Bridges Across Borders in Cambodia, "an international, nongovernmental organization formed to address the root causes of violence and hatred in the world." The organization is a collaboration of activists, artists, students, and educators.

First Non-Surgical Obesity Procedure Performed

Doctors at the School of Medicine have performed the first non-surgical procedure in the United States that restricts the size of the stomach to treat obesity. The investigational procedure uses direct endoscopic visualization with specialized instruments passed into the stomach through the mouth. The first U.S. patient received the treatment on July 23,

2008, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

The procedure was part of the TOGA Pivotal Trial, a multi-center study evaluating an incision-free procedure using the TOGA® System (transoral gastroplasty). Like surgery to treat obesity, the TOGA procedure alters



Sreenivasa Jonnalagadda (left), associate professor of medicine, and J. Christopher Eagon, assistant professor of surgery, perform the first incision-free procedure for obesity in the United States.

a patient's anatomy without any incisions to give a feeling of fullness after a small meal.

"The key benefits from an endoscopic procedure, as compared to laparoscopic or open surgery, are a quicker recovery period, shortened hospital stay, decreased risk of

Fulbright Scholarships were awarded to 11 students for the 2008–09 academic year. The winners include **EMILIE BOONE**, **RAYMOND DENG**, **MARIA DOMINGUEZ**, **RISA EDELMAN**, **MAURICE GATTIS**, **ELIZABETH HAGUE**, **GEOFFREY HART-COOPER**, **KEVIN HESS**, **JESSICA ROTHSTEIN**, **DAVID SOBOL**, and **NEIL-JEREMY WINGKUN**. These students will spend a full semester in a host country.

MICHAEL R. DEBAUN, professor of pediatrics, of biostatistics, and of neurology at the School of Medicine, was named the Ferring Family Chair in Pediatric Cancer and Related Disorders.

TIMOTHY MCBRIDE, professor of social work, was named the first associate dean for public health at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work.

JAMES E. MCLEOD, vice chancellor for students and dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, was honored with the 2008 *St. Louis American* Foundation Lifetime Achiever Award.

JOSEPH A. O'SULLIVAN, the Samuel C. Sachs Professor of Electrical Engineering at the School of Engineering & Applied Science, was appointed dean of the University of Missouri–St. Louis/Washington University Joint Undergraduate Engineering Program.

T.S. PARK, chief of pediatric neurology at St. Louis Children's Hospital and the Shi Hui Huang Professor of Neurological Surgery at the School of Medicine, received the H. Richard Winn Prize, the highest honor of the Society of Neurological Surgeons.

On the Web For more "Honors," see www.magazine.wustl.edu/.

complications, and an incision-free procedure," says Sreenivasa Jonnalagadda, associate professor of medicine and co-principal investigator at the St. Louis study site.

Both Jonnalagadda and J. Christopher Eagon, assistant professor of surgery and local co-principal investigator for the study, expect the TOGA procedure eventually could be performed on an outpatient basis with sedation rather than general anesthesia, depending on the study's results.

Ruths Named Academic All-American of the Year

Troy Ruths, B.S.E.S. '08, of the national champion men's basketball team has been honored as the 2007-08 *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-American of the Year, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America. Ruths is the first student-athlete in Washington University history to receive the honor.

The announcement was made to a national television audience on August 12, 2008, on ESPNU. Ruths, one of two student-athletes honored nationally, picked up the college division award.

"Winning the Academic All-American of the Year award is a dream come true for me," says Ruths, who began work in fall 2008 on a doctorate in computer science at Rice University. "I've always felt college athletics were all about sports competition and academic achievement."

Honored as the 2008 NCAA Division III National Player of the Year, Ruths led the Bears to a 25-6 record and the national



Troy Ruths averaged 20.5 points per game for the Bears during the 2007-08 season, and he led the Bears to a national championship last spring.

championship on March 22, 2008. "We are so proud of what Troy has accomplished both on and off the court during his career at

Washington University," says coach Mark Edwards. "Being named the Academic All-American of the Year is an unbelievable honor and one that is well-deserved. He is the true student-athlete who left his imprint on everyone he worked with at the University."

As a senior, Ruths started all 31 games and averaged 20.5 points, with a .507 field goal percentage, and 6.5 rebounds per game. He ranked second on the Bears' all-time scoring list (1,801).

The Academic All-American of the Year honor, dating to the 1987-88 season, is chosen from the student-athletes who have been awarded Team Member of the Year honors, which Ruths was awarded in men's basketball. From more than 360,000 student-athletes in the nation, 816 are selected as Academic All-America Team Members, 24 are selected as Team Members of the Year, and two are named Academic All-Americans of the Year.

Kathryn Dean to Lead Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design

Acclaimed architect Kathryn Dean, founding partner of Dean/Wolf Architects in New York City, has been appointed director of the Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design in the Sam Fox School of Design &

Visual Arts. She previously served on the faculty of Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture.

"Kathryn brings incredible experience to this important new position," says

Bruce Lindsey, the E. Desmond Lee Professor of Community Collaboration and dean of architecture in the Sam Fox School. "She will maintain her innovative architectural practice in New York City, while building on her extensive teaching experience to help us envision, design, and develop the future of our School."

The award-winning Spiral House by Dean/Wolf is anchored to a shear rock formation.



Stem Cells Treat Sickle Cell Disease

Children with sickle cell disease often face severe pain, organ damage, recurrent strokes, and prolonged hospital stays. Although medical interventions can lessen the symptoms, there is no cure.

In an effort to change that, researchers at the School of Medicine are leading a nationwide, multi-center clinical trial to determine the effectiveness of transplanting blood stem cells into children with severe sickle cell disease.

Sickle cell disease is an inherited blood disorder affecting red blood cells. In patients with this disease, red blood cells contain an abnormal type of hemoglobin that causes the normally round, flexible red blood cells to become stiff and sickle-, or crescent-, shaped. The sickle cells can't pass through tiny blood vessels, which can prevent blood from reaching some tissues and can result in tissue and organ damage, pain, and stroke.

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The award ceremony will be held at the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American Awards ceremony on November 15, 2008, in St. Louis, Missouri. Ruths will be one of the winners of the award.

"We are proud to have Tracy Ruths named Academic All-American of the Year," said the director of the program. "Tracy's achievements on the court and in the classroom are a testament to her hard work and dedication to the sport."

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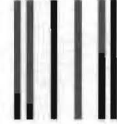
Kathryn Dean of Architecture

Architectural student Kathryn Dean, a member of Dean Wolf, N. & D. Inc., has been appointed the graduate student of Architecture in the College of Arts and Sciences.



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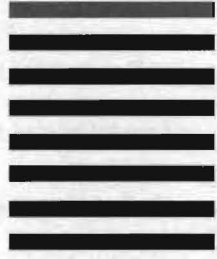


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— Virginia Morsey Talley, JD '42



Help students achieve their dreams

Virginia Talley, who spent most of her career as an international lawyer with the World Bank, created the Virginia Morsey Talley Endowed Scholarship Fund for Washington University Law. Her estate plan includes a gift to the University which will add to her scholarship fund.

You, too, can help students achieve their dreams, or support Washington University in other ways through a gift in your estate plan, which may:

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Educating Youth in Remote Indian Village

BY RICK SKWIOT

Unlike countless other 15-year-olds in rural India, Sravanthi Kanuri is not starting a family or working in rice fields for a dollar a day. Instead, she has been learning English and journalism from a Washington University student/volunteer teacher at Pai Junior College in the village of Kalleda.

"Trisha Madam tells us the right way to speak and write," says Sravanthi. "Now I have two ambitions: teaching and journalism."

"Trisha Madam," senior anthropology major Trisha Wolf, spent her summer vacation teaching at the Rural Development Foundation (RDF) school in the Andhra Pradesh hinterlands, along with five other Washington U. undergrads, in the University's Village India Program. But she got as good as she gave.

"The people impacted me," says Wolf. "As I worked with the kids, we all gained confidence. I'm going to miss them, and I couldn't have loved them more."

Anthropology Professor Glenn D. Stone, who initiated and orchestrates the Village India Program, says that the affection and learning go both ways.

"This experience has a profound effect on both the University undergrads and their Indian students. You should see the bedlam and tears when the program ends," says Stone. "For our students, living in an Indian village is more valuable than anything we could convey in a classroom."

Senior Alma Carver, an anthropology and economics double major, concurs.

"India captured my heart in a way I didn't expect. I knew I would be learning a lot about cultures and teaching, but I never thought I would come away with so much," says Carver, who is eyeing Peace Corps or Teach For America work upon graduating.

The profound opportunities the six-week Village India Program presents both to Washington U. students and to students at the junior college (equivalent to U.S. high school junior and senior grades) sprang from Stone's work. Over the years, Stone has studied agricultural practices and biotechnology's effects on the transmission of traditional knowledge among poor cotton farmers in Andhra Pradesh.

There, he encountered Rammohan Rao Errabelli, a descendant of the family that once dominated agriculture, commerce, and transportation in the area. In 1996, Rao and other family members founded the RDF—dedicated to providing high-quality education to rural children who otherwise might get only limited training at substandard government schools—and turned the enormous



Glenn D. Stone

former family mansion into a grade school. The RDF now runs four rural schools in Kalleda and surrounding villages plus Pai, educating some 500 students in grades K–12 and emphasizing English-language education for the native Telugu-speaking children.

"The RDF offers both education and opportunities for poor rural people that keep them engaged in their communities," says Stone, noting that 99 percent of RDF students go on to junior college versus just 15 percent of government-school students.

He also saw value for Washington University undergraduates in the RDF schools.

"As soon as I saw what they were doing for rural education, I started trying to figure out how to get Washington University students over here," says Stone. "I recognized it would be a wonderful opportunity for them. It gets them into a village—which is tough to do in a study-abroad program—allows them to work closely with an NGO (nongovernmental organization), and teaches them how interventions for the poor really work."

Those opportunities were valuable particularly to junior economics major Sumit Agarwal, whose parents came to America in 1984 from northern India and who looks forward to a career in social entrepreneurship.

"I wanted to do something socially for India and to learn about NGOs, and this was a great place to start," says Agarwal, who taught Web design to his first-year Pai students and Indian and American government to his second-year students.

While those were his nominal topics, his teaching focused on developing his students' computer, English, and reasoning skills.

"Those skills are much more valuable than learning Web design," says Agarwal. "Indian schools are tracked factually, focusing on rote learning. I was trying to get them to do comparative and evaluative thinking."

Agarwal himself came away with valuable lessons. Although he had traveled to India twice before, he knew only the India of his affluent New Delhi relatives. Working and living among poor rural Indians affected him deeply.

"The No. 1 thing I discovered was how fortunate I am to be an NRI (nonresident Indian). I have the best of both worlds—the high U.S. standard of living and the values of Indian culture, the focus on family and respect," says Agarwal.

University undergrads lived at the junior college along with many of their students and ate food prepared by a village cook. While they enjoyed running water and electricity, the water was cold and

Left: Junior Mike Hirshon (standing), a design major, taught drawing at Pai Junior College in the village of Kalleda. He was among six WUSTL students spending their summer vacation teaching in the Village India Program.

the current occasional. The neighboring towns of Kalleda and Parvathagiri offered them dirt roads and little diversion by American standards. However, they did learn how to milk water buffalo, plow rice paddies with oxen, and plant rice.

"I had underestimated my ability to adapt to such a rural, outdoor setting," says junior design major Mike Hirshon, who taught drawing at Pai and who, the three previous years, taught at American summer camps. "I definitely lived more ruggedly than I thought I could."

India also altered Hirshon as an artist: "It changed my style. India is so different from America; everything has another dimension and texture."

But what affected him most were the students and villagers.

"The people are so genuine, so different from in America, so open," he says.

Yet those differences open pathways to learning for both students and teachers, says sophomore photography major Lane Goodman, who taught photography at Pai.

"We have so much to share and learn just by talking," says Goodman. "The greatest gift we can give is education, to show them how our lives are, and they in turn educate us: 'Look at how different our lives are from yours.'"

Senior anthropology and political science major Jessica Farrell agrees.

"I think it's remarkable how we are able to truly connect despite great differences in our lives," she says. "I embrace the power of language. I never thought about how blessed I am to have a language that is used and understood everywhere."

Now, thanks in part to the efforts of these Washington University undergrads, poor Indian students are gaining that same power. 📖

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For more information on the Village India Program, please visit: <http://artsci.wustl.edu/~anthro/RDF/vip/index.htm>.

Among other University programs with India connections are the Olin Business School's partnership with the Indian Institute of Management Calcutta: <http://news-info.wustl.edu/news/page/normal/11835.html>; the George Warren Brown School of Social Work and Tata Institute for Social Sciences' Institute in India: <http://gwb-web.wustl.edu/ProspectiveStudents/Pages/InternationalInstitutes.aspx>; and the law school's long-standing relationships with two law schools and several NGOs in Nepal: <http://law.wustl.edu/international/index.asp?ID=6053>.

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PLANTING SEEDS:

Professor Kimberly Norwood founded a program in St. Louis to introduce high school students to law, and to encourage them to embrace academic

success. BY JUDY H. WATTS

“**F**rom a distance, some believe youth in our inner cities just want to hang out, get high, and get in trouble. And many are quick to decide that, ‘Well, that’s how they are; that’s what they want for themselves,’” says Kimberly Jade Norwood, professor of law and of African and African American studies in Arts & Sciences. While Norwood is referring to popular assumptions about poor, black people born in the United States, her observations also are broadly applicable to underprivileged urban members of other races and ethnic groups. In her research and teaching, she focuses on these groups and the educational disparities they encounter. At a deep level, her work is about the society the U.S. legal system seeks to govern; how stereotypes on all sides affect decisions at every conceivable level and play out in lawsuits; and “how the law can help create systems that will improve people’s lives and eventually change negative attitudes.”

Using the Law to Help Young People Grow



Professor Kimberly Norwood engages the community in multiple ways. In the law school's Civil Justice Clinic, for example, she advises students who help women and children of domestic violence. (Photograph by Joe Angeles)

“Children in these seriously disadvantaged communities seldom know of anyone from the neighborhood who has taken an educational path to success,” Norwood says.

Books, documentary films, and countless articles describe black students at inner-city schools—living in poverty, danger, and defeat yet somehow expected to succeed in institutions with appalling facilities and demoralizing, crumbling infrastructures. Norwood’s own observations include the following:

- “Children in these seriously disadvantaged communities seldom know of anyone from the neighborhood who has taken an educational path to success. Rather, success often means being a rapper, gang banger, or a basketball player.”

- “Black youth are sold the myth of the millions to be made playing sports. The myth is that this dream is realistically attainable.”

- “The graduation rates for black youth are horrific throughout the country. And for many who do graduate, they are functionally illiterate.”

- “There is so much hopelessness. So these young people join gangs to boost their self-esteem and make money with drugs. Why should they go to McDonald’s and make under \$7 an hour when they can make a thousand a day? Choosing long-term education is very, very hard.”

- “Add to this the layer that if a black student does well in school, he or she is sometimes taunted and shunned for ‘acting white.’ The pressure ‘to be black,’ and thus loyal to the race, means doing poorly in school,



cutting class, avoiding AP courses, and other destructive behaviors.” [Norwood’s article, “Blackthink’s ‘Acting White’ Stigma in Education & How It Fosters Academic Paralysis in Black Youth,” and others appear at <http://law.wustl.edu/faculty/index.asp?id=303>.]

Harlem roots

The support that once helped Norwood herself explains her conviction that powerful action is needed on behalf of these unrealized lives. While a strong network of family and friends helped save her life (“it was a village thing”), Norwood says even that doesn’t entirely explain “how I was able to stay on the right path. Some other force was definitely looking out for me!”

Raised in Harlem in the ‘60s and ‘70s “when it was 99 percent black,” Norwood says: “Heroin was big. I had to step over people lying on the sidewalks.”

Her parents divorced when she was 2. Because her mother worked two jobs, her grandmother often took

Professor Norwood speaks with students at Soldan International High School. Here, she created a high-school-to-law-school pipeline for disadvantaged youth of color. Her course, "Race, Education, & the Law," matches University student-mentors and professional lawyers with the high school students to interest them in education and the law.

care of her and her cousins—and talked constantly about their staying in school.

Norwood always performed well, academically, in school and can almost pinpoint the moment she chose a career in law: "When I was in elementary school, I think maybe 6th grade, I met a black lawyer for the first time," Norwood says. "She was so tall, smart, and beautiful, and that planted a seed."

Growing an interest in law

After ignoring a college counselor's verdict that in spite of top grades, her low LSAT scores meant that she would never be accepted into a "real" law school, Norwood went on to attend the University of Missouri law school. She also became the first black student to be accepted on the *Missouri Law Review*, the school's prestigious law journal. After graduation, she clerked for U.S. District Judge Clifford Scott Green. She later joined the firm of Bryan Cave, LLP, in St. Louis and in 1990, while pregnant with her first of four children, joined the Washington University School of Law faculty.

Perhaps the capstone of her many contributions (see sidebar at right for examples) is a course she created as part of a high-school-to-law-school pipeline for disadvantaged youth of color. Her course "Race, Education, & the Law" has a tall order. It is designed to interest high school students in education and in the law, and to help them develop close mentoring relationships with wonderful role models. It offers law students something as well. It is designed to get them thinking about the realities poor urban youth grapple with daily. The course also aspires to interest them in changing the educational structure currently contributing to the academic demise of these students and to value mentoring.

Soldan International High School, a magnet school in the City of St. Louis, was the 2007 test case for the new course. In the first half of the semester, the WU law students researched and wrote about public education in America and its impact on minority races, ethnicities, cultures, and economically depressed populations. They also formed mentoring relationships with the Soldan students and conducted various workshops on the necessary steps from high school through law school. Several attorneys conducted workshops with the Soldan students as well. (Her husband, Ronald Norwood, was one).

By mid-semester, Norwood divided the lawyers, law students, and Soldan students into hypothetical law firms, each comprising the following: a lawyer (who serves as the senior partner in the firm), several law students (acting as senior associates in the firm and the prime weekly teachers of the Soldan students), and three or four Soldan students (as new associates).

The firm worked on a case in which an illiterate high school graduate sues his former school and district for failure to educate. Three mock firms represented the graduate; three the school district. After the students sorted through myriad issues and developed their positions, they spent a day touring the St. Louis Civil Courts, sat in on actual court proceedings, met with judges, and then argued the merits of the case before Judge David Mason.

Says Linda J. Riekes, development officer for the Saint Louis Public Schools: "Kim's enthusiasm, organization, dedication, and ability to connect with students were incredible, and the Washington University law students were wonderful mentors! Soldan students truly benefited from the experience."

For the academic year 2008–09, the pipeline program at Soldan expanded to two classes. In addition, Norwood, her law students, and several lawyers started a smaller project at Imagine College Prep High School, a charter school in the city.

"My hope is that this project will eventually become part of an education law clinic," Norwood says.

Sometimes Norwood is asked about the tens of thousands of desperate students who aren't being reached. She believes change multiplies. "I was saved by people who rejected that defeatist theory. Because I was saved, I try to save others," she says. "We keep forgetting that we are all in this boat together. We can't take a cynical attitude or we'll all drown. So, we need to, and must, help each other, one 'starfish' at a time." 📖

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Educating, Giving Back, Empowering

In addition to her high school pipeline program (see article) and her traditional courses, Professor Kimberly Norwood teaches other courses not historically offered. These equip law students with specific skills and empower clients and community members so that legal recourse becomes less necessary.

Civil Justice Clinic Students interview clients—primarily indigent women and their children who are victims of family violence—gather evidence, argue in court, and counsel clients about safety plans, safe housing, and survival.

Externship program in Accra, Ghana One of five Washington University law school programs in Africa, the Ghana program has, for three summers, supported students who help struggling people protect themselves from scourges, such as human trafficking, and improve their living and working conditions.

Workshop for public school teachers in St. Louis Through a grant provided by the U.S. Department of Education's Teaching American History Program, Norwood participates in a multidisciplinary effort at Washington U. by teaching a workshop to Saint Louis Public School teachers. The workshop is titled "The Struggle for Education in Black America: From Slavery Through the Reconstruction."

A Passion for Politics

Professor Steven Smith leads the University's Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy. Among his pertinent research, he analyzes the U.S. presidential nomination process and leadership in the Senate.

BY C.B. ADAMS

Writer P.J. O'Rourke once wrote: "Politics are for foreigners with their endless wrongs and paltry rights. Politics are a lousy way to get things done. Politics are, like God's infinite mercy, a last resort."

Steven Smith would beg to differ.

As the Kate M. Gregg Professor of Social Sciences, a professor of political science, and the director of the Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy, all in Arts & Sciences, Smith has spent his career researching, writing about, and teaching politics with a passionate intensity. And because 2008 was an election year, the dial of Smith's intense interest in politics—both American and otherwise—was turned a bit higher.

One of Smith's interests is the American presidential nomination process. He believes the major parties would be far better off if the presidential nominees were chosen much later in the process.

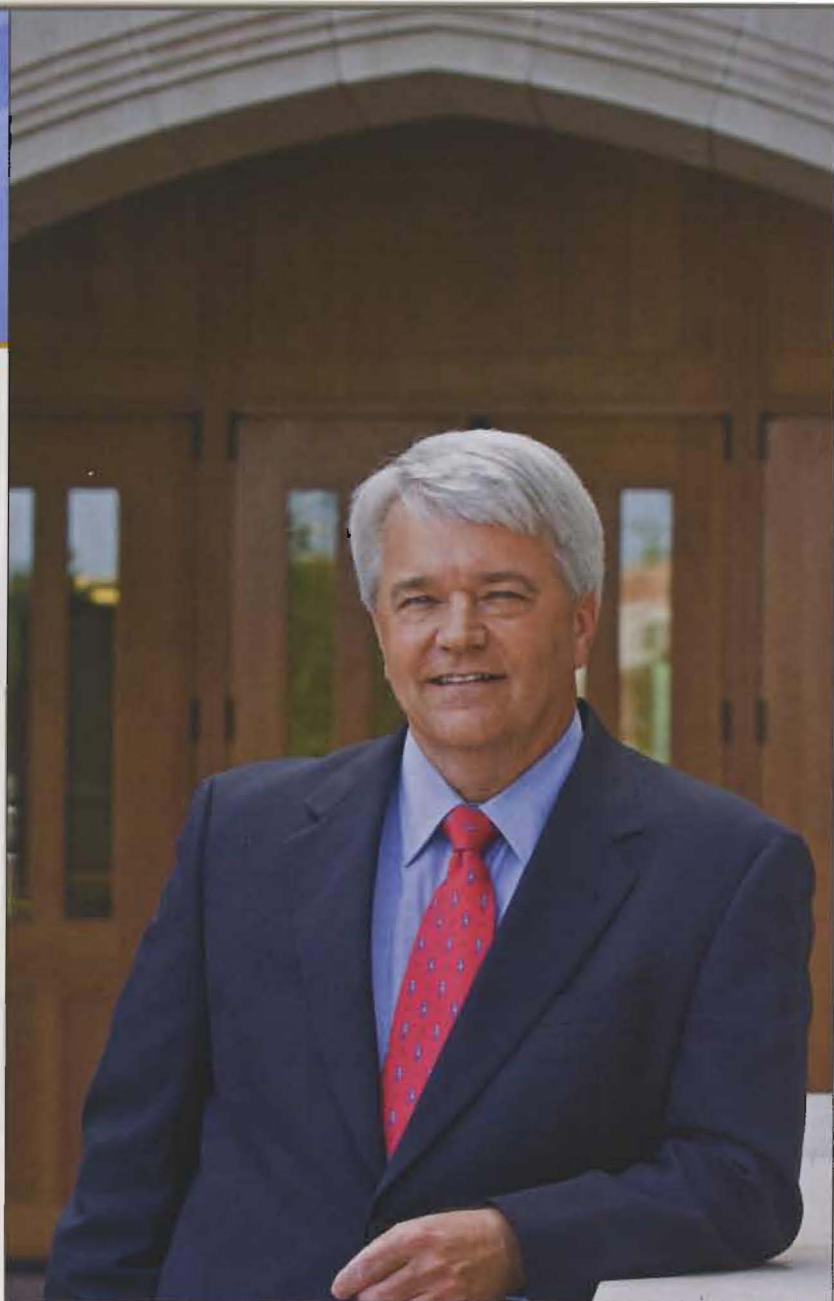
"I wouldn't be surprised if both parties were to begin pushing for major reforms in the nomination process shortly after the 2008 elections," he says.

Smith has nothing against states with early caucuses and primaries, such as Iowa and New Hampshire. But like many who follow national political races, he has serious misgivings about those states' special role as the first in the nation to select nominees. Iowa, for instance, is far from representative of the nation because its population is too rural and too white. And, the way in which Michigan and Florida were treated during the 2008 election, both early in the process and later on, was also a controversial matter.

"Reforming the process is perhaps one of the more convoluted aspects of the American political system. We have some expertise in the subject at the University, and it makes sense that we pursue this," Smith says.

Reform is a special challenge because America has a system in which the national parties set their own rules for selecting their nominee. However, the mechanisms by which these processes are implemented, especially at primary elections, are in the hands of state legislatures that have interests that may differ from those of the national parties. Smith cites Florida and Michigan specifically because their legislatures chose to move their primaries earlier in 2008 than allowed by national party rules.

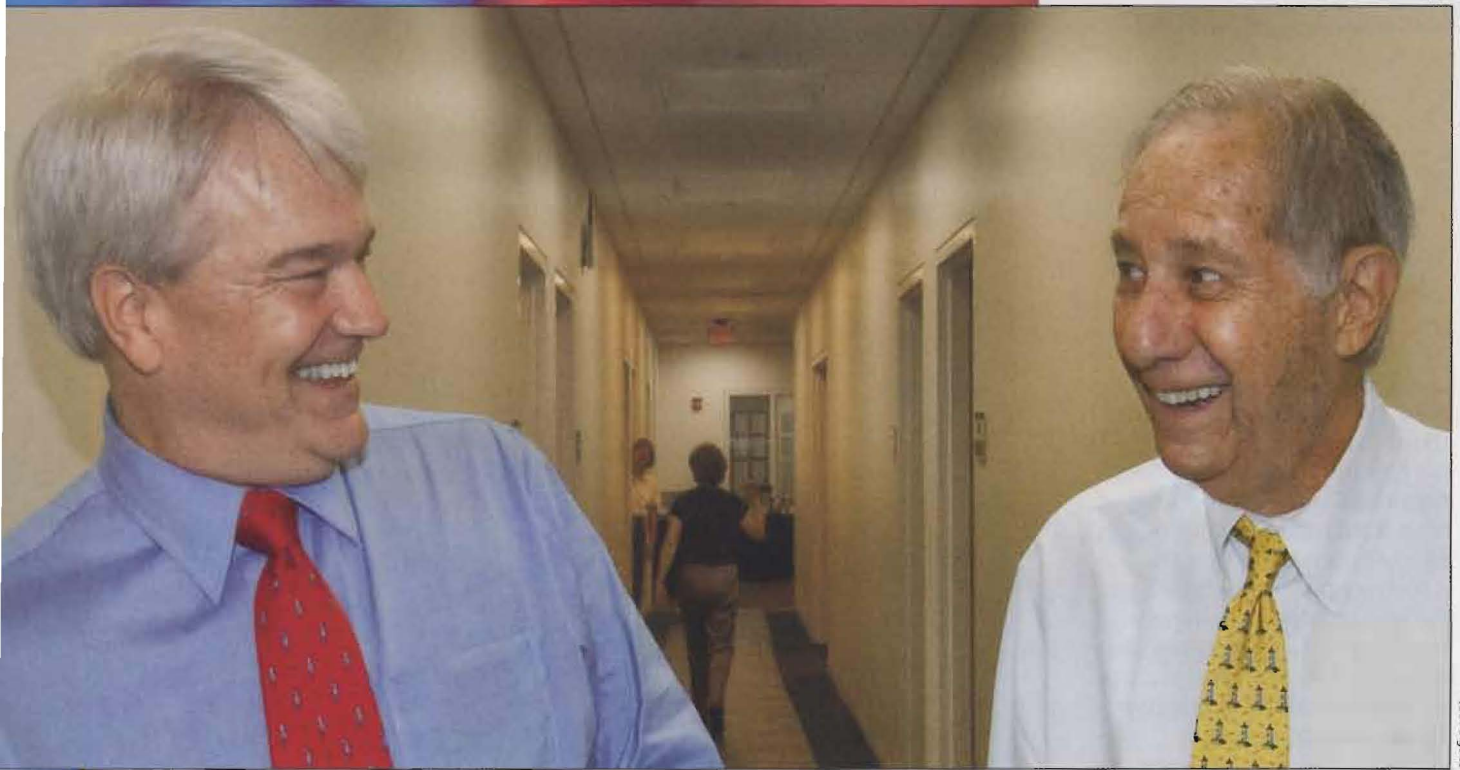
"This created a bit of a stalemate and a tactical problem for the parties' own candidates because they wanted to do well in those states in November. They didn't want to alienate Floridians or Michiganders, yet they also wanted to recognize the legitimacy of their parties' national rules," Smith says.



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The confluence of an election year and the Weidenbaum Center's mission to serve as a bridge between policymakers and scholars—by supporting scholarly research, public affairs programs, and other activities—provided special opportunities to address public policy issues facing America. For example, the Center invited experts in the presidential primary process to contribute essays to an edited volume printed this past fall. The volume will be followed by a conference and other activities associated with the project.

Included in the volume was a national survey of public attitudes toward the process and reform



Joe Angeles

Professor Smith succeeded Distinguished University Professor Murray Weidenbaum (right) as the Weidenbaum Center director. Weidenbaum founded the Center in 1975 as the Center for the Study of American Business. It was named later for him to honor his contributions in public service.

proposals, prepared by James Gibson, the Sidney W. Souers Professor of Government, and Melanie Springer, assistant professor of political science.

"This volume will probably be the only major national survey on the subject available at the time serious reform discussions take place. And our book came out at the very time those reform efforts got under way," Smith says.

INFORMING POLICYMAKERS AND THE PUBLIC

The Program in American Politics' reform project is one of many diverse projects being steered by Smith and supported by the Weidenbaum Center. The Center's other major research programs are Multinational Enterprises and the Global Political Economy; Macroeconomic Policy; and Citizenship, Civil Society, and Democratic Values.

The Center is named for Murray Weidenbaum, the Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor in Arts & Sciences, who founded it in 1975 as the Center for the Study of American Business. The Center was renamed when Smith arrived to reflect both Weidenbaum's contributions in public service and to the University, as well as the broad mission of the Center.

When Smith became Center director in 2001, he vowed to expand opportunities for Washington University students and faculty to become more involved in Center research.

"My agenda is to enhance the research opportunities in economics, political science, and related fields," Smith says. "I do not impose my personal research agenda on my colleagues, but rather allow the important work done by Washington University faculty to drive the agenda of the Center. I cultivate collaborations and seek outside funding to further their programs of research."

With the Center's support, Gibson is engaged in the debate about whether state judges should be elected or appointed. He recently published a popular piece advocating for a more democratized elective process for judges.

"It puts him at odds, I think, with most political scientists on the matter, and certainly most people in the legal profession, who really don't like subjecting judges to election," according to Smith.

Gibson understands the importance of the Center's support to both his research and that of others. "Under Steve's leadership, the Weidenbaum Center has become a major research organization with programs generating valuable insights into the performance of democracy in

America, both in its institutions and in the beliefs, values, attitudes, and behaviors of ordinary citizens," says Gibson.

Concurrent with these activities, the Center sponsors a wide range of public affairs programs that help to inform the public and policymakers by providing community contributors with a venue for addressing major questions on public policy. For example, this past fall, the Center facilitated a program on the economics of ethanol that was generally sponsored by the International Center for Advanced Renewable Energy and Sustainability (I-CARES) and the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

"Our contributions are really quite broad, and a number of projects in which we participate end up having a significant influence," Smith says.

For instance, Melinda Warren, director of the Weidenbaum Center Forum, participates yearly as a co-author on a report about spending by government agencies that regulate the American economy or business. Publications such as *The Wall Street Journal* regularly cover this report and note its affiliation with the Center.

Smith believes the Center is positioned to remain a vibrant and robust part of the University. "It is sometimes difficult to measure concretely the ways in which we contribute to the larger public debates, but we do know that people very much appreciate being informed," Smith says.

STUDYING CONGRESS AND BEYOND

Smith himself is uniquely positioned to lead the Center and continue to pursue his own academic interests. He is the author of 56 articles and chapters and 10 books either in print or forthcoming. Earning a doctorate in 1980 from the University of Minnesota, Smith joined that university as associate professor of political science in 1987 and was promoted to professor in 1990. He later was named to two endowed professorships. A senior fellow at the Brookings Institute from 1985 to 1987, he continues to participate in Brookings programs. His new book on reform of the presidential nomination process will be published by Brookings.

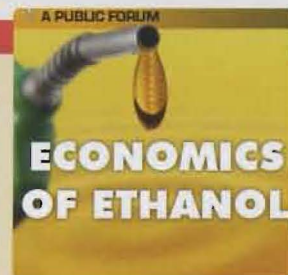
At Washington University, Smith currently is working on several projects on the institutional development of the U.S. Congress, including *Steering the Senate: The Development of Party Leadership in the U.S. Senate*, a nearly complete book-length study of party leadership and organization and the

emergence of the modern Senate (with Gerald Gamm, associate professor of political science and history, University of Rochester). Smith is interested particularly in investigating why the party leadership developed and grew late in the Senate's history.

"The first person to be called a majority leader served in that capacity in the 19-teens, which is very late in the Senate's history," says Smith. "The central question we are looking at is, 'How did the Senate organize itself before it had any real leadership?' We are also looking at why the party leadership emerged when it did, and how it has evolved since that time," he says.

Reuniting with Thomas Remington, Smith also is working on a project about the development of presidential parliamentary relations in Russia. Their


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On November 14, 2008, the Weidenbaum Center sponsored a forum on the costs, benefits, and future prospects of biofuels.

previous collaboration on the development of the Russian Duma and its parliament yielded the book, *The Politics of Institutional Choice: The Formation of the Russian State Duma*.

Smith engages in a variety of other research projects having to do with congressional and American politics. With graduate and former graduate students, he addresses the biases introduced in conference committee negotiations in Congress, theories of the development of political institutions, and the mathematical ways in which we characterize the policy-making space in legislative bodies.

"I'm always interested in the mix of theoretical, methodological, and applied puzzles," he says. 

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For more information on the Weidenbaum Center and its research and programs, please visit: <http://wc.wustl.edu/index.php>.

STUDENTS ARE THE

On October 2, 2008, the Washington University community welcomed Sen. Joe Biden and Gov. Sarah Palin to campus for the only vice presidential debate of the election season. Energized and enthused, students participated in the event in many exciting ways.



WINNERS



Mary Borkin

Megan Petra, second-year doctoral student in social work, was the first name selected out of 7,942 students entered in the student ticket lottery; a total of 432 saw the debate live.

For most Washington University students, the opportunity to witness a presidential or vice presidential debate live comes along once in a college career, if they are lucky. For a University-record 432 students, that dream became reality October 2, 2008.

"You could feel the anticipation in the hall before the debate started, and everyone seemed to know this was a once-in-a-lifetime experience to see the political process up close," says freshman Alicia DiGiammarino, Arts & Sciences Class of '12.

As in past debates (1992, 2000, 2004), the University received tickets from the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD). All tickets received were made available to students via a ticket lottery, held September 26.

This time, the lottery was more popular than at any other University-hosted debate, with 7,942 undergraduate and graduate students applying for tickets. A computer program made the random selections, and those lucky enough to be chosen received notification via e-mail.

Earth sciences graduate student Bamidele Otemuyiwa was the second student selected.

"I felt really lucky knowing that I was going to get in," Otemuyiwa says. "I could hardly believe my luck that my name came out second out of nearly 8,000 people. Seeing the debate live was an amazing experience."

Yet student participation was not limited to seeing the debate "live." Students engaged themselves in multiple ways: some volunteered, some covered the event with student media outlets, some attended pre- and post-debate events, and many watched at numerous on-campus remote sites.

Of the more than 500 University students who applied to be volunteers, 200 gained valuable experience in logistics and media relations.

Students worked with the national news media, helped in the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) office and the press office, led tours of the debate facility, and supported engineering and staging aspects. Volunteers also provided hospitality for a variety of special events around campus and assisted with different efforts, including tickets, credentials, security, and parking. A small number of volunteers even worked in the debate hall on the night of the event as ushers and credential checkers.

As a media runner, sophomore Shira Solomon, Arts & Sciences Class of '11, directed media staff and moved their equipment into the debate hall. Solomon, who is considering a career in government and diplomacy, also ran errands for the CPD as a shuttle.

"Walking around with my volunteer credentials around my neck made me feel very important,"



Ell Stover

Senior Buck Smith (far right) and junior Tim Taylor, both members of the football Bears, helped moderator Gwen Ifill to her chair. Ifill had broken her ankle earlier in the week.

Outside Graham Chapel, students gathered behind the MSNBC stage to display their preferences in candidates, and they formed the backdrop to such broadcasts as Chris Matthews' Hardball.

Kevin Lowndes

How do you prompt college students out of bed before 5:30 a.m.? Correspondent Bob Schieffer and anchor Maggie Rodriguez found a way: They broadcast CBS' *The Early Show* from campus on both Thursday, October 2, and Friday, October 3.

Solomon says. "I had the privilege of witnessing things I never would have been able to see through mere television broadcasting of the debate."

Becky Light, a University College student studying journalism, assisted in the press office and served as a media runner.

"I was thrilled to be able to see how the press operates under stress and deadlines," Light says. "The view from the news trenches was eye-opening to say the least."

Working alongside the Secret Service, junior Fernando Cutz, Arts & Sciences Class of '10, helped with security aspects. His role involved checking and securing the perimeter around campus and controlling access to the debate hall.

"It was so fun to learn more about the work of the Secret Service and to get to know the agents," Cutz says.

Cutz also worked security in "Spin Alley" after the debate.

"Meeting Katie Couric, Sen. Joe Lieberman, Rudy Giuliani, Sen. Claire McCaskill, Sen. Kit Bond, and several others was amazing," he says. "I even appeared on live television behind CBS News, MSNBC, and FOX News during the 'Spin Alley' interviews."

Other students had opportunities to engage the national and international media as CNN, C-SPAN, and Rock the Vote election buses were on campus, as were several high-profile national media shows, including CBS' *The Early Show* and MSNBC's *Hardball with Chris Matthews*.

Perhaps not as well known were the student media personalities and outlets, yet they had the unique challenge of tying the historic event directly to the University.

Junior Sam Guzik, editor-in-chief of *Student Life*, and his counterparts from KWUR radio, WUTV cable television, and the *Washington University Political Review* joined forces to offer an array of live media coverage from the debate and from the Danforth University Center.



David Johnson

"We wanted to provide solid political reporting through the lens of the Washington University community," Guzik, Arts & Sciences Class of '10, says. "We were striving to tell the story of how students, faculty, and friends of the University were affected by and benefiting from the debate."

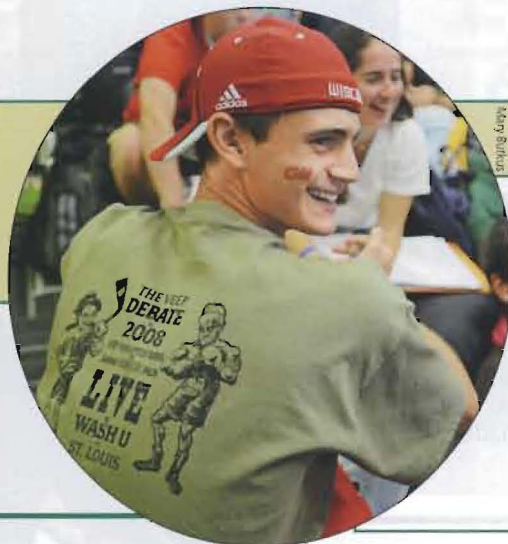
The University's student media also worked among thousands of credentialed journalists (3,100 requested credentials before the debate) from around the world.

"I operated a camera, taped interviews, and shot other video of 'Spin Alley' alongside the national media," says junior Brian Whitaker, WUTV co-general manager and Arts & Sciences Class of '10. "I just feel lucky to have witnessed what the national media do while learning a few of their tricks."

Many students didn't get such a close-up view of things, but they were engaged nonetheless.

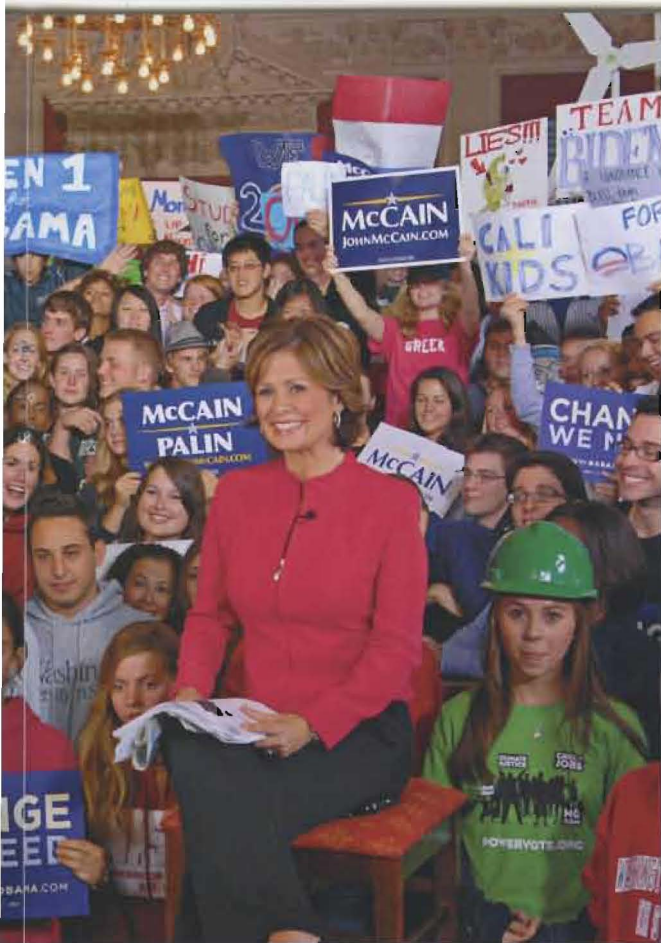
Graham Chapel was one of six remote viewing sites on campus. Before the debate started, about 150 students had arranged themselves in the pews, most dressed in jeans and sweatshirts, some with political buttons pinned to their shirts, some carrying placards supporting their candidates. The pre-debate mood was light, but students were clearly eager for the show—isolated calls of "Woo hoo!" and "Yes!" came when the lights dimmed about 10 minutes before the start of the debate.

The solemn ambience of the chapel likely set the energy level a notch or two lower than that of other remote sites. According to students who later came to the chapel for the post-debate discussion, viewers in



Andy Shilling

A student sports a "Veep Debate" T-shirt. Student Union sold more than 2,000 of the shirts the week of the debate. Senior Sam Washburn, Art Class of '09, designed the back (Matthew Strom designed the front, not pictured).



As president of Student Union, Brittany Perez, Arts & Sciences Class of '09, welcomed those gathered inside the debate hall to the University. This capped her involvement in months of debate preparations.

Bill Spencer

Edison Theatre and the Danforth University Center were rowdy at times, with some heckling, laughing, applauding, cheering, and waving of banners. Other remote sites for students were Ursa's Café, Whitaker Auditorium, and Lab Sciences Auditorium.

In Graham Chapel 30 minutes after the debate, about 50 students participated in the Red vs. Blue Post-Debate Program.

Conservative commentator Jonah Goldberg, editor-at-large of *National Review Online* and a contributing editor to the *National Review*, and liberal commentator Peter Beinart, editor-at-large of *The New Republic*, led a lively discussion.

"This was far more fun than the actual debate," says freshman David Lee, Engineering Class of '12. "They brought up some things that didn't occur to me when I was watching the debate."

Other learning opportunities took place on campus throughout the first half of the semester.

From organizing voter registration drives to attending activities fairs and watch parties to building red and blue robots, the WUSTL student body was heavily involved in debate preparation.

"I am really amazed at all the energy and enthusiasm generated by the debate and the election itself," says Robin Hattori, program director of the Gephardt Institute for Public Service. "Students have definitely shown that they care about the issues, and the youth vote is a vital force."

Hattori said the debate challenged students to think about politics in new ways.

"Since funding was made available to students, a variety of programs emerged—everything from a political poetry slam focused on human rights to a panel discussion for international students to gain a deeper understanding of the U.S. election," she says.

"Students are the ones who organized much of the programming surrounding the debate and the election season," says Brittany Perez, president of Student Union and Arts & Sciences Class of '09.

Of particular note are three engineering students, who created quite a stir on campus.

EnCouncil president Lee Cordova, a senior biomedical engineering major, and seniors Sam Wight and Matt Watkins, mechanical engineering majors, built red and blue robots that duked it out by the Danforth University Center before the debate.

Cordova, Wight, and Watkins used durable aluminum tubing for arms, sheet metal for bodies, and a backpack-like strap that allowed the robots to move and pivot with various students manning the controls. Though no ultimate winner was determined, students enjoyed seeing the robots in action (see table of contents for image of robots).

"The colors are coincidental," Cordova says. "We gave them different colors to tell them apart. But it soon became obvious there was political significance."

The three had been working on the idea and fine-tuning the robots since Thurtene Carnival in spring 2007.

"EnCouncil always comes up with games to raise money for charity [at the carnival], and we hatched this idea," Cordova says.

Overall, the Vice Presidential Debate featured not just two candidates, but amazing students, visitors, and supporting events—it was certainly the highlight of the semester on campus, and possibly for a very long time to come. 📺

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For more information on the Vice Presidential Debate, please visit the October 9, 2008, issue of the *Record*: <http://record.wustl.edu/issue/page/normal/1816.html>

Understanding the Ancients, Understanding Ourselves

Alumni archaeologists Michael Cosmopoulos and David Gilman Romano unearth the past, revealing shards of the origins of Greek government, religion, and athletics.

BY CANDACE O'CONNOR

Michael Cosmopoulos and David Gilman Romano are successful archaeologists, who have three other things in common. They are both excavating ancient Greek sites. They both graduated from Washington University. And they both had their lives and careers shaped by George E. Mylonas, renowned archaeology faculty member and department chair for more than 25 years.

MYTH AND CULTURAL MEMORY: MICHAEL COSMOPOULOS

As a child in his native Greece, Michael Cosmopoulos, M.A. '86, Ph.D. '91, was intrigued by the myth of Odysseus, the ancient king of Ithaca whose return trip from the Trojan War took 10 long years. On the way, Odysseus (known as the "cunning one") faced one obstacle after another—such as lotus-eaters and a cyclops—before finally reaching his homeland.

Now an archaeologist, working on a large-scale excavation near the city of Pylos on the west coast of Greece, Cosmopoulos is a little like Odysseus himself. He has embarked on a difficult journey, fraught with

questions and adventures. If definitive answers come at all, they will take years of work, a lot of ingenuity—and a bit of luck.

Just recently, he and his team of 20 staff members, plus some 50 student-helpers, discovered the skull of a teenaged girl buried near a cluster of houses on the outskirts of the ancient city they are uncovering. She had suffered from hypoplasia, a condition caused by severe physical stress. Why was she buried there? What caused her stress? Is her family buried with her?

"I cannot describe the feeling of laying eyes on an object that has been buried for thousands of years, knowing that you are the first to see it since it was buried," says Cosmopoulos, the Hellenic Government-Karakas Foundation Endowed Professor of Greek Studies and professor of archaeology at the University of Missouri–St. Louis (UMSL). "There is always a human story behind what we find, and it is moving to experience part of an ancient person's life."

A veteran of other digs, with 12 books to his credit, Cosmopoulos is currently engaged in the Iklaina Archaeological Project (IKAP), named for a small Greek village near Pylos. From 1998 to 2006, he did a surface survey of the site, which had briefly been studied by archaeologist Spyridon Marinatos in 1954. In 2006, he switched focus to excavation, working to uncover the remains of what was likely an important district capital from the Mycenaean period (1600 to 1100 B.C.).

So far, Cosmopoulos and his crew have completed work on only 2 percent of the vast site, which encompasses nearly 25 acres. While one major focus



Courtesy of Michael Cosmopoulos

Michael Cosmopoulos (left), the Hellenic Government-Karakas Foundation Endowed Professor of Greek Studies at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, leads the Iklaina Archaeological Project near Pylos, Greece. During summers, he and his team work with students to excavate remains of what was likely an important district capital from the Mycenaean period.

has been a palace with its adjacent town, dating from the period of the Trojan War, they have also discovered four small villages and a number of ancient farms and cemeteries. “If you look at the area from above, it is like a puzzle,” he says. “With every trench we open, it’s like finding a new piece of that puzzle.”

This IKAP site is also steeped in Greek mythology, says Cosmopoulos, since it is mentioned in Homer’s *Iliad* as one of the state capitals of the kingdom of Nestor, a powerful Greek king who set off for Troy with 90 of his ships. As Homer described it, Nestor’s kingdom contained nine main cities, one being “the powerful Aipy.” The royal archives of that kingdom, with more than 1,000 clay tablets found in the so-called “Palace of Nestor,” reveal that the kingdom was organized as a quasi-federal state with a two-tiered government: a central and nine state capitals.

“The tablets also give the names of those capitals, one of which is spelled ‘Apy’—matching the name of the city mentioned by Homer!” says Cosmopoulos, excitedly. “So in the place that we are excavating today, the stories of Homer meet the texts of the tablets as well as our spades.”

Cosmopoulos, raised in Athens with monuments all around him, always knew he wanted to be an archaeologist. He graduated from the University of Athens in 1985 and then took part in digs at Mycenae under the direction of former Washington University archaeology faculty member George Mylonas, who had retired to his native Greece. Mylonas persuaded Cosmopoulos to come to Washington University for his graduate work.

New to the United States, he says, “everything seemed exciting and wonderful”—especially the collegiality that he found at the University. He took classes with many of the art history and archaeology faculty, including his mentor Sarantis Symeonoglou, professor of art history and archaeology, who Cosmopoulos describes as a wonderful teacher both in the classroom and on the field; William Wallace, the Barbara Murphy Bryant Distinguished Professor, who introduced Cosmopoulos to the art of the Renaissance; and Patty Jo Watson, the Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor Emerita, who taught him anthropology.

For several years, he taught at the University of Manitoba, Canada, as the professor of classics and

director of the Centre for Hellenic Civilization. When he came to UMSL in 2001, he brought with him the field school that he had begun in 1999: a three-week summer program that has attracted students from around the United States and Europe.

Now he spends most school years in St. Louis and summers in Greece, where he is engaged in two other projects: archaeological work at Eleusis, to trace the origins of ancient mystery cults; and a survey at Oropos, to explore the rural history of Greek city-states. In 2003, he was awarded the Archaeological Institute of America Award for Excellence in Teaching.

At the IKAP location—where he is joined by his wife, Deborah, also an archaeologist, and their three children ages 5, 4, and 1—he has been investigating an exciting new hypothesis. This ancient kingdom is the first-recorded example of a quasi-federal state, but how did it develop? Did a long-ago king, either by force or voluntary submission, manage to unite some formerly independent chiefdoms into one domain? And did the king give these districts a measure of autonomy to make it easier to manage them?

“So far it seems that we do have a settlement, from the right period, which was destroyed around 1600 B.C. and succeeded by a new town. This destruction seems to confirm that the establishment of the new ‘quasi-federal’ state was the result of violent annexation,” he says. “Once these districts were united, a two-tiered form of government was born from the need of the kings of Pylos to control a large territory by granting local rulers the right to self-administration.”

A great deal more work remains to be done, he adds, and the project—which is funded by his own chair at UMSL, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Institute for Aegean Prehistory, the Loeb Classical Library Foundation, and private donors—will go on for another 10 to 15 years. Their discoveries along the way should illuminate more than just the past.

“One of our main targets is to understand the ancients’ way of life and ways of thinking, because in doing so we are understanding our own culture,” he says. “Ancient Greece is not isolated in time and space from our own western civilization, but is part of the same cultural continuum. To understand our own world, we need to understand its roots and development.”

MYSTERIES AT MOUNT LYKAION: DAVID GILMAN ROMANO

In the ancient world, Mount Lykaion was known as the birthplace of Zeus, mightiest of Greek gods, with power over wind and rain, crashing thunder and brilliant lightning. Since 2004, archaeologist David Gilman Romano has been excavating this site in the heart of Greece’s Arcadia region, and he is still struck by its majestic scenery and furious storms. Even now, it is not much of a stretch to feel that Zeus may be involved.

“We have mountains all around, eagles swirling past, and clouds flying by, often below us. On some days we



can’t work at all because it is too windy,” says Romano, A.B. ’69, co-director of the Mount Lykaion Excavation and Survey Project with colleagues from the University of Arizona and the Greek Archeological Service. “When you come here, you think: ‘Wow! This is a special place.’”

Aided by a large summer crew of students, Romano is working to unravel the mountain’s mysteries, which have only deepened through the years. At the start, he only hoped to discover new details surrounding the worship of Zeus at this site, last excavated in the early 20th century. But an open-air “ash altar” used for animal sacrifices has revealed a stunning surprise.

“This has probably been the most exciting aspect of our work,” says Romano, senior research scientist in the Mediterranean section at the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology. “When my predecessor excavated this altar, his earliest finds dated to the 7th century B.C. But we have found evidence that it went back to the 3rd millennium or earlier, which was 1,000 years before Zeus came into the Greek world.”

So what gods were these ancients worshipping at the site? Who were these people, how did they get to Mount Lykaion, and what exactly did they do there? How early did they first begin coming, and how often did they come? These are a few of the questions that Romano and his collaborators are pondering.

“We think we have a good chance to answer some of them because the site is remote and has been relatively untouched, so there is probably good material to be found. There are also written records from ancient authors and historians,” he says.

Romano’s introduction to his future career came while he was a pre-med undergraduate at Washington University. As a freshman, he got an “A” in an art course from Norris K. Smith but a near-failing grade



(Far left) Archaeologist David Gilman Romano is co-director of the Mount Lykaion Project in Greece's Arcadia region. (Left) The project is studying the "ash altar" of Zeus (in background); in the foreground are bases for columns of Zeus. (Inset) Among artifacts excavated at the site is this Arcadian League silver stater (5th century B.C.), which shows the head of Artemis or Despoina.

in a chemistry course—and then Dean Burton Wheeler summoned Romano to his office. Wheeler offered him a deal he couldn't refuse: switch from pre-med studies to art and archaeology, and he would receive credit for the chemistry course.

The next year, Romano's fate was sealed when he took an exciting class from illustrious archaeology Professor George Mylonas, whose own discoveries at Eleusis, Mycenae, and Attica in Greece had drawn international attention. Wondering whether he should become an archaeologist, Romano decided to visit Mylonas during his office hours, scheduled so early in the morning that students rarely came.

"He assumed I must be failing the class, but I told him I was actually doing well in it—I just wanted to ask him something," says Romano. "After I did, he replied that he had three questions for me: Did I know Greek and Latin? Was I independently wealthy? Did I plan to marry a rich wife? I couldn't answer yes to any of them, so he said: 'FORGET IT! Pick a different career.' It seemed to me like a challenge, and I decided then to become an archaeologist."

Romano, a serious runner, first had other stops along the way: a fifth-grade teaching stint, a master's degree in physical education at the University of Oregon, and another year of teaching. While at Oregon, he took his first trip to Greece and visited sites from the ancient Olympic games. The thrill of that visit propelled him to Penn for graduate school in archaeology, and he remained on the faculty after graduation.


As part of his student research, he traveled to Mount Lykaion, known for its ancient games honoring Zeus. In 1996, he did survey work there and in 2004 returned for two seasons of planning, with teams of architects, surveyors, geologists, and historians. State-of-the-art equipment, such as remote-sensing devices and ground-penetrating magnetometry, helped in this effort.

In 2006, he and his team began digging in earnest, but they faced daily challenges. They work on a 4,500-foot mountaintop, and until recently no good road led to the site. For supplies, they must travel 35 minutes away, though a tiny village—winter population: 23—is close by. The villagers, eager to promote their cultural heritage, are helpful, finding them places to eat and live.

While the earlier excavations uncovered such treasures as a large "stoa" (colonnaded building), a "xenos" (hotel), and a fountain house, Romano's team has focused on two other areas: the ash altar and, in a nearby meadow, an open-air hippodrome where horse and chariot races took place. At the hippodrome, the only one still visible in Greece today, they found pottery sherds and ancient starting blocks that will help date the site.

At the ash altar, they penetrated to bedrock, finding drinking cups, votive figurines, and other objects. Among the most-intriguing is a Late Minoan rock-crystal seal, bearing the image of a bull. Was this site connected to Crete, with its bull iconography and fame, as another possible birthplace of Zeus? And what about a link to Olympia, 22 miles away, also a sanctuary of Zeus, with its own ash altar and history of ancient athletic contests?

During future excavations, funded by their universities, individuals, and foundations, Romano and his team will tackle these problems. Eventually, they would like to create an archaeological heritage area in Arcadia that would unite a number of ancient sites.

"The origin of Greek religion and athletics—those are big questions and really at the heart of this project," says Romano. "That is the reason why we want to work here." 

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For more information, visit: <http://www.umsl.edu/~cosmopoulosm/IKLAINA04/index.html> and also <http://corinth.sas.upenn.edu/lykaion/lykaion.html>.



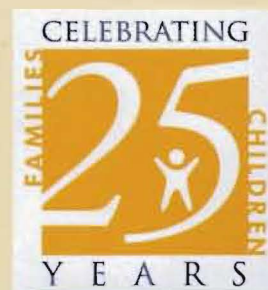
At Center's Core Is Helping Children

As president and CEO of Parents as Teachers, alumna Susan Stepleton helps provide parents with child development knowledge and parenting support.

BY KRISTIN TENNANT



Joe Angeles



Susan Stepleton, president and CEO of Parents as Teachers (PAT), works with Evonna Watford (left) and Lucy McGrosso at the University City Children's Center. Officially implemented in 1984, PAT celebrates 25 years in 2009.

out how we can better meet the needs of children and families, in any way possible."

Started in Missouri in 1981 and officially implemented in 1984, Parents as Teachers provides parents with child development knowledge and parenting support. It has since expanded to all 50 states and many countries. Parents learn of PAT by word-of-mouth from friends and referrals from obstetricians and pediatricians, clinics, schools, and nonprofits. A voluntary program, it serves about 350,000 children a year.

The organization's core program, *Born to Learn*®, sends parent educators into homes to visit parents and children during the crucial early years of life, between birth and kindergarten. Other key PAT programs support educators and effect change through policy work.

For every child helped, money is needed, making fund development an important part of Stepleton's job. While many see it as a necessary evil of nonprofit work, Stepleton has a different take.

"Successful fund development is matchmaking, in a way—marrying those who need something with those who want and are able to help," she says.

Unfortunately, Stepleton says, the lagging economy creates a Catch-22: Nonprofit giving is down, but the number of people needing services is up. Effectively motivating people to care—and ultimately give—requires understanding their differences and perspectives. Some people, for instance, are motivated by compassion; others, by logic.

"It's always been impossible for me to understand how some people cannot care about giving children what they need," Stepleton says. "But at the policy level, the conversation is not just about being compassionate. It's a social justice matter, a matter of global competitiveness, and an economic matter—it just makes sense."

Helping people and making the world a better place was ingrained in Stepleton during her childhood in Greencastle, Indiana, due in large part to the example set by her minister father and teacher mother.

"I grew up with the idea that there are important things to do in the world involving people," she says.

That impulse was developed and honed through a variety of life-defining experiences in Stepleton's teens

The stories of hundreds of children are safely stored in the mind and heart of Susan Stepleton, M.A. '73 (German studies), M.S.W. '79. Some of the stories are heart-wrenching and painful; all of them are compelling, urging Stepleton out of bed each morning and inspiring her to do what she can to improve children's experiences.

As president and CEO of Parents as Teachers National Center, Stepleton can do a lot for children, on a large scale. She meets with congressional staff about initiatives like Head Start and No Child Left Behind. She collaborates with other national organizations like the Children's Defense Fund. She visits the Pentagon to help solve problems for military families. And as an expert in nonprofit organizations and fund development, Stepleton not only guides Parents as Teachers (PAT), but she also advises other entities.

"My position involves lots of collaboration and think-tank work," Stepleton says. "We're always trying to figure



Susan Stepleton talks with Kenisha Stallings and her 5-month-old daughter, Raegan Stallings, on the playground of the University City Children's Center. At the Center, which provides a developmentally appropriate and highly nurturing environment, all staff members are trained in the Parents as Teachers Born to Learn® model.

and twenties: a year spent in Germany as an exchange student in the mid-sixties, a summer of volunteer work in Appalachia, work in a mental hospital, and visits to Austrian schools for kids with special needs.

"I was always interested in working with people who face greater challenges than most," she says.

Then, Stepleton says, she got "very good advice" to continue her education and earned not only an M.S.W. at Washington University, but also an M.B.A. from the University of Missouri–St. Louis. The combination perfectly prepared her for 20 years with Edgewood Children's Center, a large St. Louis social service agency and treatment center. During her last 13 years at Edgewood, Stepleton served as director.

When the position at Parents as Teachers became available, a solid program model was in place, but the organization needed someone with nonprofit experience to expand and elevate its profile. Stepleton saw it as an opportunity to shift her work from treatment to prevention, intervening for younger children and having a greater effect on public policy. In February 2002, Stepleton began at PAT with what she calls a "missionary fervor."

"The emotional imperative is definitely there—it's why I do what I do," she says. "But I like to approach the problems logically, too, and find they're easier for me to deal with on a national policy level."

Stepleton is widely known as a trend watcher of issues affecting parents and children. Two of the trends she's paying particular attention to are the changing needs of military families and issues surrounding cultural diversity.

"Army parents are often just 19 or 20 years old," says Stepleton. "They've just graduated from high school, enlisted, moved away from family, and had a baby, which is overwhelming. Then you add a layer of stress and danger with active duty. It's eye-opening to realize what we're asking these young parents to do."

To better meet their needs, PAT teamed up with members of Congress to develop the program Heroes

at Home. Stepleton says they began the conversation in 2003 with a close examination of how separation, trauma, fear, and being away from a support system affect child development. Led by Senator Christopher "Kit" Bond of Missouri, the pilot's first funding was included in the 2006 Defense Appropriations Bill.

Cultural diversity, the other key issue, has intensified in recent years with the increase of immigrant

families entering the United States. Because PAT is often one of these families' first contacts in their new country, parent educators serve as a bridge to other services people need, like health care and food stamps.

"I don't mean to be a Pollyanna, but I see the increased number of cultures [in the United States] as an opportunity for everyone," Stepleton says. "There's a wonderful richness in these cultures, and an opportunity for reciprocal learning. We have a chance to affect the cultural biases children form before they even talk."

Stepleton is also acutely aware of trends, like the economy, affecting nonprofit organizations. To respond effectively, she says nonprofits need to be "more business-like without losing the heart of their mission."


"We need to be more collaborative and guided by good business principles like efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability," she says.

When asked if and how her organization was affected by the presidential race and general political landscape, Stepleton laughs.

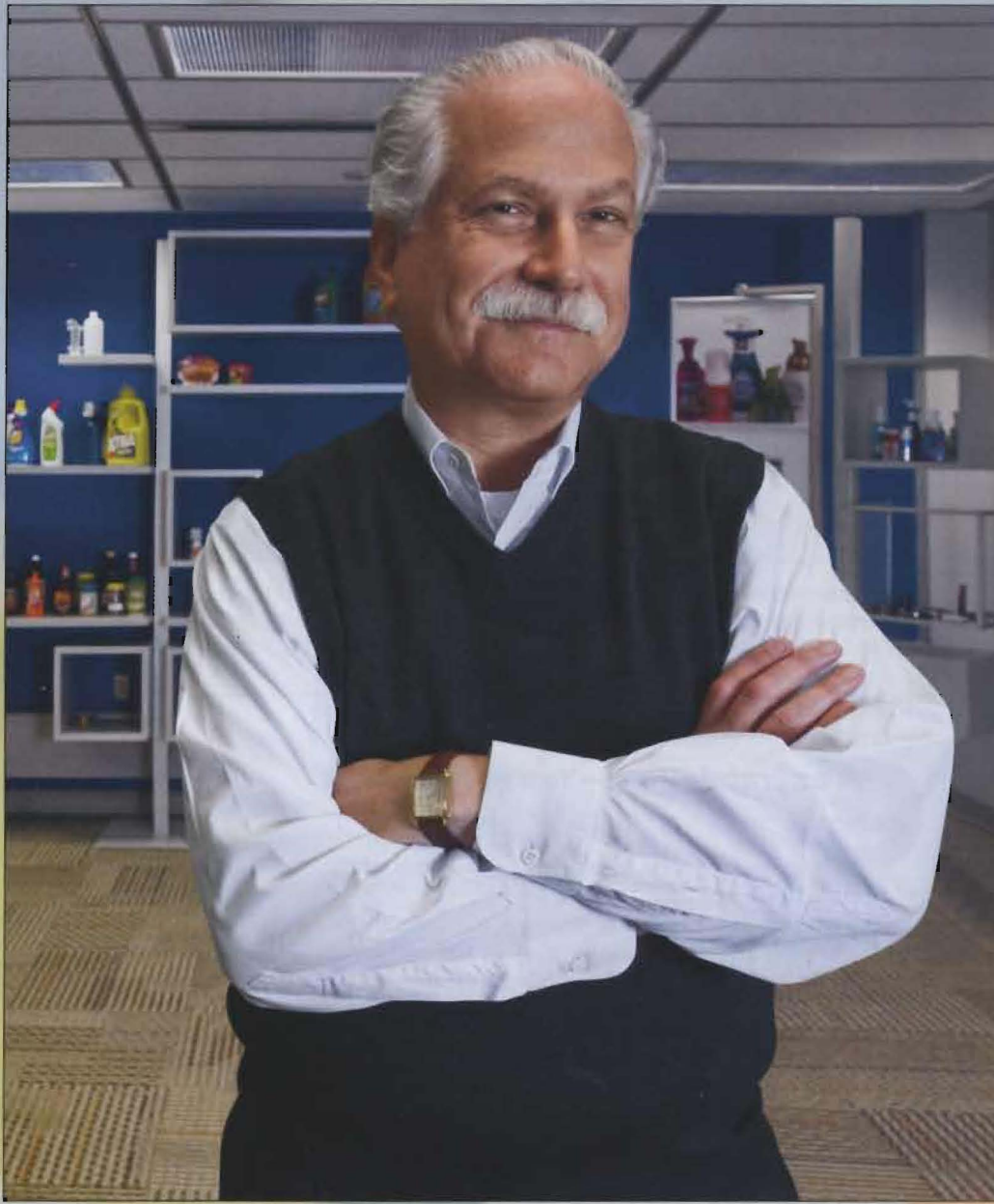
"Working with children is intensely political, from local school boards clear up to the federal level with Congress. We're intensely focused on every election—we have to be. We don't endorse any candidate, but we have a very clear platform that we push with both sides."

Although there wasn't an endorsement, Stepleton still has political dreams she's willing to articulate.

"It's really my dream that no one would ever get elected, to any seat anywhere, without being seriously confronted on how his or her policies will affect children and families," she says.

"My goal is to widen the circle of those who care about children, then to put some teeth into that caring," she says. "The key is meeting people where they are and talking about what matters to them—and then showing them how their concerns intersect with the concerns of children. I am never lacking in energy for this." 

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Kim Brent

He's Got It Covered

Alumnus David Beckmann has spent more than 30 years shaping packaging designs that provide for the safe and efficient delivery of consumer products.

BY LISA CARY



All images by Kim Brent

David Beckmann, managing director of Closures for Rexam, discusses production issues with employees in the company's Injection Closure Evaluation Center in Perrysburg, Ohio. Rexam is the leading beverage can manufacturer and second-largest consumer packaging company in the world.

Congratulations—You're a Winner!

The lure of finding this phrase printed on the underside of a plastic bottle cap undoubtedly inspires teenagers to purchase thousands of additional bottles of their favorite soft drinks.

In their search for the prize-winning message, those teens probably never stop to think about the bottle cap in terms of its design, function, and ease of use—and that's just the way it should be, says David Beckmann, A.B. '70, M.B.A. '72. As the man responsible for the creation and manufacture of most of those plastic caps, he knows that consumers of all ages only notice "packaging closure design" if it's problematic.

Beckmann is the managing director of Closures for the British company, Rexam, the leading beverage can manufacturer and second-largest consumer packaging company in the world. Coca-Cola and Pepsi are among the soft drinks packaged in aluminum cans, and that also use plastic closures manufactured by Rexam at more than 100 manufacturing facilities around the globe.

"Contests aside, packaging isn't generally considered a provocative subject," says Beckmann, "but we wouldn't have our current quality of life without it. Our role is to provide safe and efficient delivery of medicines, beverages, food, cosmetics, and other products to consumers."

In fact, you probably have Rexam products in your home right now. The company manufactures much of the packaging you take for granted, but depend on, every day. In addition to Coca-Cola

and PepsiCo products, Beckmann's plastics division boasts a client roster that includes Campbell Soup Company, Colgate-Palmolive, cosmetics giants Avon and L'Oreal, and drug manufacturers Pfizer, Abbott Laboratories, and GlaxoSmithKline, among others.

Plastic is now the fastest-growing sector within the \$450 billion global consumer packaging market. In 2007, London-based Rexam decided to shed its glass business and expand into the lucrative U.S. plastics market by acquiring American manufacturer O-I Plastics.

Rexam also secured the expertise of key members of the O-I Plastics management staff, including Beckmann, then serving as vice president of global commercial operations for O-I's Closure & Specialty Products division. "I had gone to work for O-I right after my M.B.A. graduation from Washington University," says Beckmann, "and I was still with the company when the Plastics Group was purchased by Rexam."

Today, as the head of Rexam's Closures division, Beckmann oversees its management—including research and development (R&D), manufacturing, pricing, sales, distribution, and compliance—from his offices in Perrysburg, Ohio. Last year, the division generated global sales of about \$875 million.

The growing market for plastic pharmaceutical closures makes Beckmann's division a star performer within his company and the packaging industry. Rexam's purchase



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of O-I Plastics positioned it as No. 1 in U.S. prescription pharmaceutical packaging with a 70 percent share of the current market.

"Rexam's pharmaceutical plastics sector grew 9 percent last year, compared to annual growth of just 3 to 4 percent for the general packaging industry," says Beckmann.

Growth is partly due to an increasing demand for innovative, well-designed medical packaging that's child-proof—but not adult-proof—as American baby boomers enter their "senior" years. "Most people don't realize how much mechanical engineering goes into closure design," says Beckmann. "We are continually testing new systems to help consumers dispense their medicines safely, easily, and accurately."



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Another factor driving up demand for new medical packaging is the recent rise in medical counterfeiting. So-called "intelligent" packaging includes tamper evidence and RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) features that allow drug manufacturers and pharmacies to validate and track medicines throughout the supply chain.

At the time Beckmann joined the staff at O-I in the early 1970s, more than 200 children under the age of 5 were dying each year in the United States due to accidental ingestion of household cleaners and medications. Congress enacted the Poison Prevention Packaging Act in 1970 and established the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in 1972.

Plastic's molding capabilities made it well-suited to child-resistant packaging and a host of other applications. Recognizing the growth potential in the newly developing plastics industry, the young Beckmann decided it would be a good place to start a career.

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Beckmann stays sharp by traveling the globe—to Rexam headquarters in London and manufacturing facilities in Singapore, Malaysia, Mexico, Hungary, Brazil, and the United Kingdom. Operations must meet strict corporate and governmental standards for safety and environmental performance while striving for continual improvements in efficiency and waste reduction.


Looking back, Beckmann credits his early professional success to Washington University's emphasis on learning both inside and outside the classroom. "I was an OK student," he says, "but the experiences that really helped me were the opportunities to develop leadership—in my fraternity Kappa Sigma, the Student Union government, the InterFraternity Council, and other organizations."

He met his wife, Esther Strenger Beckmann, A.B. '71, M.A. '73, on campus. After the couple married and moved to Ohio for his job, Esther earned a Ph.D. in clinical psychology and now has a successful private practice in Toledo, where they reside.

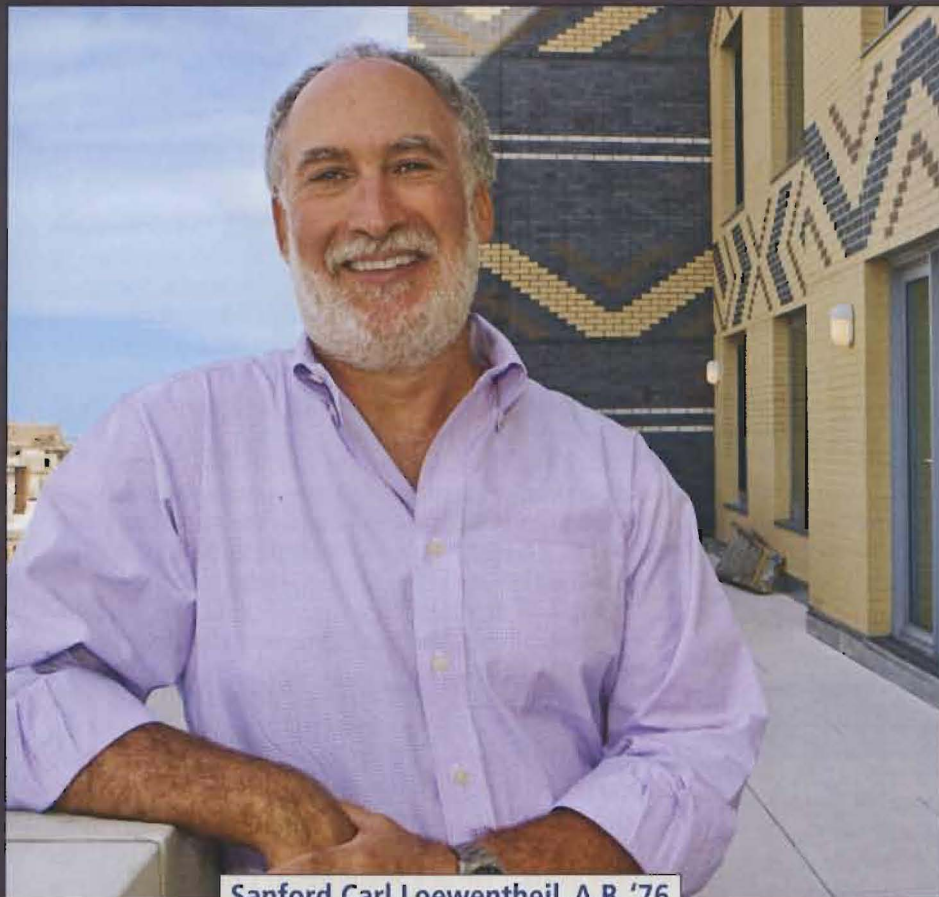
The Beckmanns have returned to St. Louis often over the years. "We're a Washington University family," he says. "Having visited the campus and spoken to our daughter and son about what a positive school experience we'd had there, we were delighted when they both chose to attend the University for their undergraduate education."

The Beckmann's daughter, Katherine (Katie), A.B. '99, studied psychology at the University before earning a master's degree in public health from Yale University. She is now finishing her doctoral studies in development psychology at Columbia University in New York City.

Their son, Daniel, A.B. '01, studied political science and American culture studies at Washington U. before earning his master's degree in journalism from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. Dan's résumé already includes work at ABC News, Current TV, and, more recently, for the Obama presidential campaign in media development.

"The academics have become even more rigorous since our student days," notes Beckmann, "but both Katie and Dan were encouraged to balance their studies with experiences outside the classroom. Washington University has been a springboard to success for all four of us, and we're proud to support it." 

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Sanford Carl Loewentheil, A.B. '76

Providing
Quality
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Jennifer Westford

More than 35 years ago, a young man from New Rochelle, New York, saw the Washington University campus for the first time and decided, "this is it." Today, Sandy Loewentheil is working to make that experience possible for students from Harlem, the Bronx, and other disadvantaged communities.

Loewentheil's firm, L&M Development Partners Inc., has become one of the nation's premier companies in the field of affordable housing. It builds and develops mixed-income residential housing in the New York City metropolitan area, and its properties include a million square feet of commercial, retail, and parking garages.

Learning and building

As an undergraduate, Loewentheil majored in psychology and studied business. He also took real estate classes through University College, which

were taught by local businessmen. In his senior year, he was the campus rep for the Chase Park Plaza Hotel.

He returned home after graduation, planning to enroll in the M.B.A. program at New York University. But when his father offered him a chance to join the family real estate business, he seized the opportunity.

Loewentheil began his career building luxury homes and condominiums in affluent communities of suburban New York and Connecticut. By the early 1980s, he was looking for a new challenge. He found his chance in the East Village, which had not yet become a trendy Manhattan neighborhood.

"I looked at a building on Avenue A," he recalls. "Later that day, I was introduced to Ron Moelis, a lawyer from New Rochelle. By coincidence, he had just looked at the same building. We sat on a bench in Washington Square park and decided to go into business together. We've been partners ever since."

In 1984, they formed L&M Equity Participants Ltd., which became L&M Development Partners Inc. in 2007.

In the beginning, they shared a desk and a secretary.

Their next project in the East Village, on Avenue B, had a deed restriction requiring 25 percent of the units to be reserved for low-income tenants. "That was our entry into affordable housing," Loewentheil explains. "The field was just getting started, and we had to figure it out as we went along."

At that time, the city was beginning to set up programs with developers to create housing for low- and middle-income tenants. To assess potential properties, Loewentheil and his partner hired a consultant, who selected "a gem of a site" in the Bronx. "We didn't realize he was being sarcastic," Loewentheil says. L&M was designated to develop this site, consisting of 59 two-family houses.

"That was our first designation from the city," Loewentheil says. "We learned a lot." The project turned out to be very successful, and they started to do one or two projects for the city each year, progressing from duplexes to dilapidated tenements to mid-rise apartment buildings. Today, the workload has expanded dramatically to include approximately a dozen development projects annually.

"We raised the bar for quality, and that helped us make a name for ourselves," Loewentheil says. L&M developed a successful model of constructing quality affordable housing with creative financing packages that include low-income tax credits, bond financing, and government subsidies.

Today the company has 150 employees, with offices in Westchester County and New York City. Working with Fortune 500 companies, governmental agencies, not-for-profit organizations, and other developers, it has completed more than \$2 billion in construction and development and more than 8,000 residential units, of which more than one-half are currently owned and operated by L&M.

The firm has been widely honored for its achievements. Recently it announced a \$100 million joint venture equity fund with Goldman Sachs to invest in affordable urban housing on a national level. Its current interests include brownfield development and the use of environmentally sensitive construction practices to earn LEED-certification for its buildings.

Investing in the community

From the beginning, Loewentheil was committed to improving the quality of life in urban neighborhoods. L&M works closely with schools, organizations, and community leaders, providing pro bono assistance to help rebuild local churches and parks. The company also mentors minority developers, works with at-risk youths, and sponsors sports programs.


Fifteen years ago, L&M established its first scholarship for urban high school students. Loewentheil initially supervised the application process and went to graduations. Today the company sponsors seven scholarships at New York high schools.

In 2001, Loewentheil began providing annual scholarships for students at Washington University. He serves on the National Council of Arts & Sciences and the New York Regional Cabinet, and he and his wife, Karen, are Life Patrons of the Eliot Society. They sponsor several annual scholarships and have endowed two scholarships. The Sanford C. Loewentheil Scholarship focuses on students with high financial need from Manhattan, the Bronx, and Brooklyn. The Sanford and Karen Loewentheil Scholarship extends their support to students from other urban areas as well.

Loewentheil personally took on the challenge of encouraging qualified students in these neighborhoods to consider Washington University. In 2007, he hosted a program in Harlem to introduce University representatives to a group of 50 influential high school principals, college advisors, and community leaders. In the fall of that year, Naia Ferguson, a student from East 119th Street in Manhattan, entered Washington University as the first recipient of the Sanford C. Loewentheil Endowed Scholarship. Ferguson, a sophomore psychology major in Arts & Sciences, says: "The opportunity to come to Washington University has been a dream come true. Since my first visit, I have felt at home."

James E. McLeod, vice chancellor for students and dean of the College of Arts & Sciences, led the University delegation to the Harlem program. He says: "Sandy has made it possible for us to reach out to students who otherwise might never discover the opportunities at Washington University. It is a pleasure to work with him, and I look forward to our ongoing collaboration."

In 2007, Loewentheil scaled down his responsibilities with L&M and now serves as vice chairman, allowing him to focus on a variety of personal interests, including philanthropy. He contributes his time and support to a variety of charitable and not-for-profit organizations, with a particular focus on scholarships.

Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton says: "Sandy Loewentheil is genuinely engaged with helping people and communities. He is dedicated to opening doors for deserving students, and his generosity of spirit ensures that many more outstanding students will have the chance to achieve their dreams at Washington University." 

—Susan Wooleyhan Caine

ACQUIRING KNOWLEDGE Around the Globe

2009 Travel Program offers learning and service opportunities

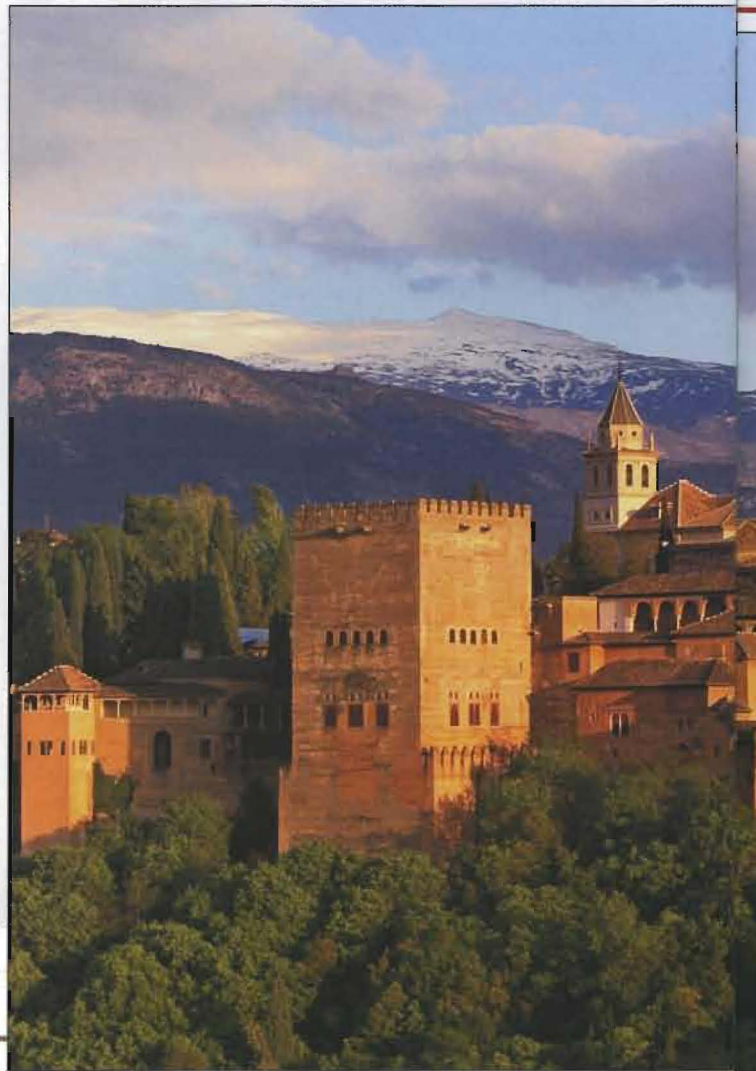
Each year the Alumni Association Travel Committee selects a variety of travel destinations for alumni and friends. These trips allow participants to visit interesting places around the world and offer unparalleled learning experiences.

Tom Lowther, J.D. '62, M.L.A. '99, chairman of the Washington University Travel Committee, says participants now have another option: to reach out to people of other countries. "In partnership with the Gephardt Institute for Public Service at the University, we have contracted with Cross Cultural Solutions for Insight Abroad, a service trip for all ages to Peru," he says. "We hope alumni and friends will consider this unique travel opportunity to work side-by-side with

people in the community of Villa El Salvador—a shantytown nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize for Social Development. Many opportunities exist to volunteer in day-care centers, schools, women's groups, and more."

Lowther states that all of the Alumni Association travel programs are outstanding. "My fellow Travel Committee members and I strongly encourage alumni to participate in 2009," he says.

For more information or to request a brochure on the 2009 Travel Program, please contact the Alumni Association Travel Program Office at 314-935-7378 or 866-WUTRIPS, or send an e-mail to alumni.travel@wustl.edu. Visit the Association's Web site at alumni.wustl.edu for the latest information.



2009 Travel Program Schedule

January 25–February 7

Australia and
New Zealand

March 7–16

Alumni Campus
Abroad: Israel
*Featuring
Professor Nancy E. Berg*

March 8–14

Costa Rica Explorer

April 11–18

One Week in London

April 28–May 11

Alumni Campus Abroad:
Ukraine on the
Dnieper River

April 29–May 18

Singapore to Dubai

May 8–16

Saxony on the Magnificent
Elbe River

May 13–21

Alumni Campus
Abroad: Tuscany

May 15–22

One Week in Paris

May 19–27

Village Life Along the
Dalmatian Coast

June 8–16

Alumni Campus
Abroad: Iceland

June 20–27

Service Trip, Insight Abroad:
Lima, Peru

June 23–July 1

Alumni Campus
Abroad: Lucca

July 16–29

Cruise the Passage of Peter
the Great
*Featuring Professor Milica
Banjanin*

September 8–16

Alumni Campus
Abroad: Provence

September 10–25

China and the Silk Road

September 13–21

Alumni Campus Abroad:
Swiss Alps and Italian Lakes

September 23–October 3

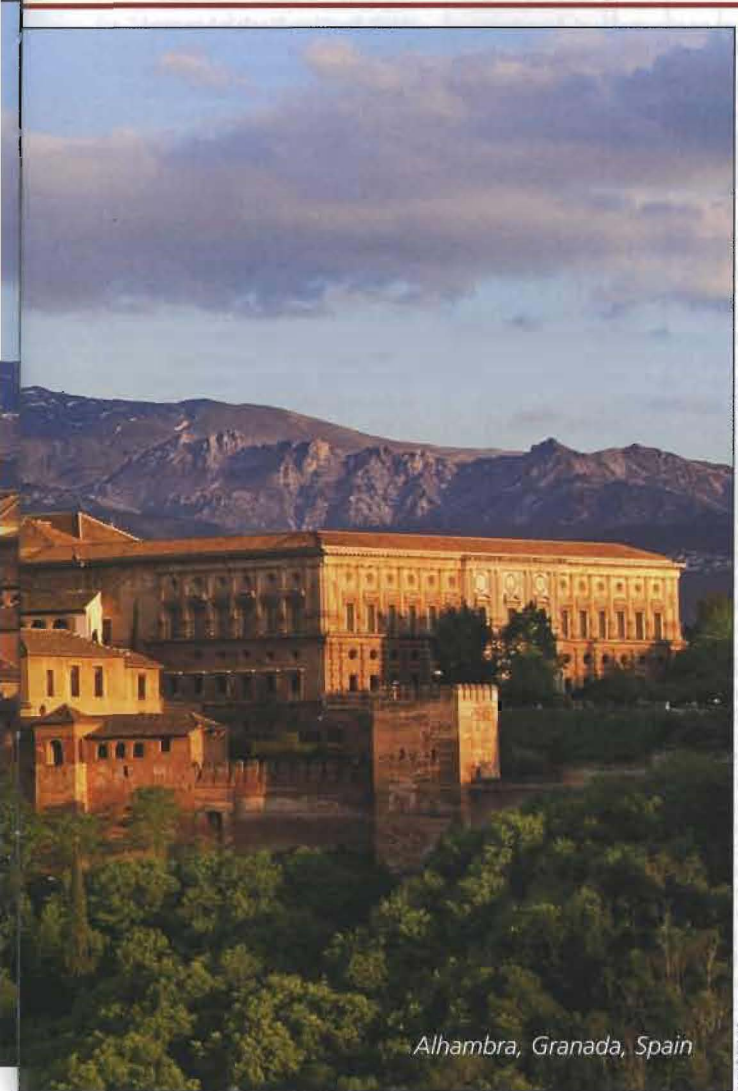
Spain at Leisure

October 2–12

Treasures of Tanzania

October 11–21

Budapest, Vienna, and
Prague Discovery



Alhambra, Granada, Spain

Founders Day 2008

Founders Day honors the University's rich history and promising future. This year's celebration took place at the America's Center on November 8, 2008. Jon Meacham, editor of *Newsweek*, gave the keynote address. Distinguished alumni, faculty, and friends were recognized for their contributions to the University:

Robert S. Brookings Award

- Harvey A. and Dorismae Hacker, A.B. '42, Friedman
- Harry, A.B. '68, and Susan Seigle

Distinguished Alumni Awards

- John Berra, B.S.S.S.E. '69
President, Emerson Process Management
- Mel F. Brown, A.B. '57, J.D. '61
Retired President and CEO, Deutsche Financial Services
- Hank Klibanoff, A.B. '71
Author and 2007 Pulitzer Prize winner, *The Race Beat: The Press, the Civil Rights Struggle, and the Awakening of a Nation*
- Leslie F. Loewe, A.B. '42
Retired Chairman, Angelica Corporation
- Sandy Loewentheil, A.B. '76
Vice Chairman, L&M Development Partners Inc.
- Cynthia Weese, A.B. '62, B.S. '65
Principal, Weese Langley Weese Architects, Ltd.

Distinguished Faculty Awards

- Elizabeth C. Childs
Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Art History & Archaeology, Arts & Sciences
- Dorsey Daniel Ellis, Jr.
William R. Orthwein Distinguished Professor of Law Emeritus and Dean Emeritus, School of Law
- Robert J. Rothbaum
Professor of Pediatrics, School of Medicine
- Gautam N. Yadama
Associate Professor of Social Work and Director of International Programs, George Warren Brown School of Social Work

MILICA BANJANIN

Professor Emerita of Russian and Comparative Literature

Banjanin received her bachelor's degree from Washington University in 1961 and her doctorate in 1970. She taught at WUSTL from 1964 to 2005, chairing the Department of Russian from 1986 to 2005. Throughout her tenure, she introduced a wide range of courses on different aspects of 20th-century Russian literature and culture.



She is the author of a number of articles on the Russian avant-garde and on the interrelationship between Russian poetry and art. Her most recent publications discuss the transformation of time in Russian modernist poetry and the relationship between nature and culture in Russian literary and artistic imagination.

Banjanin has studied, conducted archival research, and traveled extensively in Russia and Eastern Europe. Among many honors, she received the Arts & Sciences Faculty Award and a Fulbright fellowship.

Join Professor Banjanin in Russia next July.

NANCY E. BERG

Associate Professor of Modern Hebrew Language and Literature, and of Comparative Literature

Berg teaches courses on Israeli literature, culture, and society at Washington University. For several years, she has lived and worked in Cairo, Jerusalem, and Tel Aviv. Her first book, *Exile from Exile*, explores the writings of Israeli Jews from Iraq, heirs to the longest continuous Jewish community—Babylonian Jewry.



In her next book, *More and More Equal*, she analyzes the literary career of writer Sami Michael, a champion of human rights and the underdog. His increasing popularity and critical acclaim reflect changes in Israeli society, especially attitudes toward immigrants. Berg also has written several articles on Israel.

Join Professor Berg in Israel next March.

We want to hear about recent promotions, honors, appointments, travels, marriages (please report marriages after the fact), and births, so we can keep your classmates informed about important changes in your lives.

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ALUMNI CODES

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EN Engineering	GR Grad. Arts & Sciences	PT Physical Therapy
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GA Grad. Architecture	HS House Staff	SU Sever Inst. Undergrad.
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in Arts & Sciences to a graduating senior who has shown a commitment to the study of American politics and demonstrated outstanding work in that field.

Manon Cleary, FA 64, had work exhibited in *Herb White: A Taste for Art* at the Pepco Edison Place Gallery in Washington, D.C. She also had two pieces acquired by the John H. Wilson City Hall Art Collection in Washington, D.C.

Jan (Schonwald) Greenberg, LA 64, published two books in 2008. The books are *Side by Side: New Poems Inspired by Art from Around the World* and *Christo and Jeanne-Claude: Through the Gates and Beyond*.

Robert E. Markland, GB 65, GB 69, retired in June 2008 after 40 years as a business school professor and administrator. He worked for 30 years at the University of South Carolina, nine years at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, and one year at Arizona State University. Bob and his wife, Mylla, have been married for 43 years and enjoy traveling, volunteering, tennis, bicycling, and gym workouts. The couple resides in Irmo, S.C., and has two sons and nine grandchildren.

Sandy Baum, AR 66, recently displayed his photographs of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, at Barnes & Noble in Chesterfield, Mo. He also has two recently released books, *San Miguel's Mexican Interiors* and *San Miguel's Mexican Exteriors*.

Eric Flamholtz, GB 66, has published a new book titled *Leading Strategic Change*. He is professor emeritus at the Anderson School of Management at UCLA and president of Management Systems Consulting Corporation.

Perci Chester, FA 67, exhibited her sculpture at the Parish Gallery Georgetown from Sept. 19 to Oct. 14, 2008.

George William Wynne, LA 70, LW 73, and his wife, Janet Ruegg Wynne, are instructors of English at Guangzhou International Economics College in Guangzhou, China.

J. Stuart Showalter, LW 71, is the chief compliance officer for Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System, which is headquartered in Baton Rouge. It comprises four hospitals and related health-care organizations throughout southern and north-eastern Louisiana.

Sanford V. Teplitzky, LA 71, was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2009*. He is the health law practice chair

at Ober|Kaler in Baltimore. He also is the 2008 recipient of the American Health Lawyers Association's (AHLA) David J. Greenburg Service Award. The award is given to those lawyers who have made significant contributions to the AHLA over the course of their careers. Teplitzky has been a member of AHLA for more than 30 years. He served on the board of directors from 1986 to 1995 and as president from 1993 to 1994. He was named a Founding Fellow in 2005 and is currently the chair of the AHLA Fellows Program.

Charles O. Hartman, GR 72, GR 76, published *New & Selected Poems* in September 2008. The book includes work from his previous six collections and reaches back to his time in graduate school. Hartman is professor of English and poet-in-residence at Connecticut College, where he currently chairs the English department.

Valerie (Komar) Murrain, LA 72, GR 77, was installed as the first woman president of The American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology in July 2008.

Howard Birnberg, GB 74, published *Project Management for Designers and Facilities Managers* in August 2008.

Branch Morgan III, LA 74, has released his first dance DVD titled *Take #13: Dance Is What We Do ... Can You Keep Up?* Branch has dedicated more than 30 years to professional dance.

Gary L. Myers, LA 75, has returned to full-time operations of the Family Investment Center Inc. in St. Joseph, Mo.

Claretta McDaniel, LA 77, LA 77, is the assistant dean for student affairs at the Howard University School of Divinity. She provides leadership and organization in administering all student services functions, including retirement, admissions, financial aid, advisement, and student programming.

Bruce E. Friedman, LA 78, was selected for inclusion in the 2008 edition of *Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers in Family Law*. He is a principal at Paule, Camazine & Blumenthal, PC, in Clayton, Mo. Friedman is currently president of the Missouri chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and practices exclusively in the area of family law, with particular emphasis in substantial net worth cases, high-end alimony, prenuptial agreements, and surrogacy law.

Daniel R. Fuhrmann, EN 79, is chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Michigan

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Ruth (Borngesser) Schueler, LA 35, participates in activities at Springhouse, an assisted living facility. She helps other residents who are incapacitated. She is past chairman of 99s, an organization of airplane pilots originated by Amelia Earhart.

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Richard B. Zingre, EN 49, is an active member of the art guild in Hendersonville, N.C. Zingre tries to keep abreast of science and business via television college courses and special programs, such as NOVA on PBS.

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Cynthia Kagan Frohlichstein, UC 50, won second prize for children's literature in the National 2008 Communications Contest sponsored by The National Federation of Press Women. Her book is titled *The Perils of the Peanut Butter Kid*.

Nancy P. Jeffert, UC 51, is the 2007 recipient of the prestigious Golden Achievement Award. The award is given by the ITHF to individuals who have made important contributions to tennis administration, promotion, or education, and have devoted long and outstanding service to the sport. Jeffert is president and trustee of the Maureen Connolly Brinker Tennis Foundation.

Aryeh "Larry" Wineman,

LA 54, retired from his congregation in Troy, N.Y., and has moved to Northampton, Mass., where he plans to continue his scholarly work and writing in the fields of Hebrew literature and Jewish mysticism.

Wayne F. Schlosser, FA 58, received the President's Volunteer Service Award for a lifetime of service and civic participation in his community. The award is presented to Americans who dedicate more than 4,000 hours to serve others. Schlosser, a retired advertising and public relations executive and a veteran member of the State of Illinois Seniors Hall of Fame, continues to help nonprofit organizations in his community.

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Robert Frick, EN 60, GB 62, embarked on a 3,300-mile bicycle trip across the country on Sept. 3, 2008. He is cycling to raise awareness and money for Habitat for Humanity.

Susan Grossman Alexander, LA 63, established the Grossman-Alexander Prize in American Politics at Washington University in 2006. The prize is in memory of her parents, David and Sadye Grossman, who introduced her to politics and led her to develop her continuing interest in the political scene, and her husband, Herb Alexander, who always shared her outlook on and fascination with politics. The prize is awarded each year by the faculty in the Department of Political Science

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Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum Permanent Collection

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Technological University in Houghton. Previously, he served for 24 years on the faculty of the School of Engineering & Applied Science at Washington University.

Shelby (Johnson) Kneer, SW 79, is a trained mediator in the areas of family and business. She has extensive experience as a therapist with completing assessments of children, adolescents, and families. She also provides individual and family counseling, as well as EAP work.

David Sanjek, GR 79, GR 85, is professor of music and the director of the Popular Music Research Centre at the University of Salford in the United Kingdom. E-mail: dlsanjek@gmail.com

80s

Kenneth Crews, LW 80, is director of the newly established Copyright Advisory Office at Columbia University in New York, where he also is a lecturer in the law school. Crews recently completed a major study of international copyright statutes for the World Intellectual Property Organization, and he is the author of several books and articles on copyright law.

Randal Farber, BU 80, GB 81, was named a "Top Lawyer" in Houston by *H Texas* magazine. Farber is a partner in the transactions, financial services, real estate, and construction practice areas at Jackson Walker.

Greg Millman, GB 80, GR 80, and his wife, Martine, have published a book titled *Homeschooling: A Family's Journey*. They have homeschooled their six children for 15 years, at all ages and on all subjects.

George J. Nassar, Jr., GL 80, was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America 2009*. He is an attorney at Glankler Brown, PLLC in Memphis. Nassar specializes in tax law, trust, and estates.

Melissa A. Wood, FA 80, exhibited her solo installation of *hive2: sweet layers* at Rouge River Community College in Oregon this year. Web site: www.MelissaWoodArt.com

Andi (Lavine) Arnovitz, FA 81, won the 2007 Short Fiction Contest for Jewish short fiction from *Moment Magazine*.

Scott C. Jones, LA 81, was named the North America Medical Director, Imaging Solutions and Pharmaceutical Products, Radiation, Environment, Safety, and Health for Covidien, Inc. He also serves as medical director of BarnesCare, the occupational medicine division of BJC HealthCare.

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ACROSS

- Traces
- Do damage to
- Newborn
- "My Kingdom Is the Right Size" artist
- Tooth trouble
- Land unit
- "Crying Girl" artist (full name)
- Trample
- Sticks to
- Marsh
- On the ocean
- Nonverbal O.K.s
- Welcome ___
- Seal
- "___ tu" (Verdi aria)
- Island south of Sicily
- Like a horse or lion
- "Five Rudders" artist (full name)
- Thesaurus man
- Pungent bulb
- New Year's ___
- Lecterns
- Beaver's work
- TV's talking horse
- Rejuvenation spaces
- Old name for Tokyo
- Against

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- "Saturday Night" artist (full name)
- Requisite
- Jai ___
- American employee
- Norms: Abbr.
- Geeky sort
- Hawks

DOWN

- Blemish
- "Are you ___ out?"
- Eye problem
- Rice dishes
- Nasty
- Chemistry Nobelist Otto
- Do stage work
- Flightless birds
- Artist Leopoldo, who has four untitled works in the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum
- Diminish
- Maple genus
- Soft cheese
- Urges
- Swindler
- Animistic religious leader: Var.
- Goes to

24. Close

- Ship deck
- Artist Rivera whose "Metamorfosis" is part of the Kemper's collection
- Designer Gucci
- Bud
- Below
- Tick off
- "Nature morte aux oranges" is one of his pieces in the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum
- "Mi chiamano Mimi," e.g.
- Historic Scott
- Crossed (out)
- Awaken
- Tarzan, for one
- Cult member
- Discombobulate
- Discontinues
- Possesses
- Mondrian whose "Farm on a River" is part of the Kemper's collection
- Begged
- The "O" of REO
- Lose traction
- Tab
- Chemical compound
- Certain NCOs
- Sensory organ

CLASSMATES

Miriam R. Simon, LA 82, and her husband, Larry Sandler, announce the birth of William Elliott Sandler on Dec. 5, 2007. The family resides in Glendale, Wis.

Bruce D. Eisenberg, LA 84, joined STV Incorporated as associate and director of the Buildings and Facilities' New York Architecture Studio. STV is a national leader in the planning, design, and construction management of buildings and facilities, infrastructure, and transportation systems.

Beth Springer, LA 84, is celebrating her sixth year as founder and designer of Beth Springer handbags. The Los Angeles Film Festival 2008 is providing her handbags to 16 of their female celebrities, including Jada Pinkett Smith, Mariah Carey, Roseanna Arquette, Jennifer Tilly, Janeane Garofalo, Laura Dern, Diane English, and others. Springer's bags are available in exclusive boutiques, such as Takashimaya, Fred Segal's, and Cusp. Web site: www.bethspringer.com

Theresa J. Kaijage, SW 85, graduated from the Graduate School of Public Health and the School of Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh in 2004. She teaches social work and psychology at the Institute of Social Work (ISW) in Tanzania. Kaijage has initiated partnerships between ISW and Jane Adams College of Social Work, the University of Illinois, the University of Addis Abbaba, and the University of Bergen. She volunteers for WAMATA, a nongovernmental organization in Tanzania that works with people affected by HIV/AIDS.

Robert G. Sieber, LA 85, and Lucio Maramba were married on June 17, 2008, in West Hollywood, Calif. The couple resides in Long Beach, Calif. They both sing in the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles, which kicked off its 30th anniversary season on Aug. 25, 2008, at the Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Arthur F. Binder, LA 86, recently completed his license to practice in the State of California as a licensed marriage and family therapist. He was hired as a program manager/team leader for an outpatient mental health program in Vallejo, Calif.

Kathleen A. Porter, EN 86, is the librarian at Foxborough Public Schools, her high school alma mater.

John J. Edwards, LA 87, resides in St. Georges, Del., with his wife, Sonya, and their children: Victoria, 11, and Thomas, 9. John is a senior manager at Deloitte Consulting in Philadelphia. He continues to serve in the Army

National Guard, where he is a lieutenant colonel and commander of the 193rd Training Regiment. E-mail: johedwards@deloitte.com

Liz (Karff) Kampf, LA 87, is a psychotherapist/marriage and family therapist in private practice. She is hoping to make more time for her passion, singing/performing. E-mail: Liz@lizkampf.com

Michael Rickman, LW 87, is currently serving a two-year term as president of the Valparaiso University Alumni Association. He co-edited *The Valentine Act: A Monograph on Ohio's Antitrust Law* (2008) and co-authored one of the monograph's chapters, titled "Ohio Civil Investigative Demands." Rickman leads the law team for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company's North American Tire Business Unit.

Jim Sacchettini, GM 87, is professor of biochemistry and biophysics with Texas AgriLife Research and Wolfe-Welch Chair in Science director.

Michael M. Tamburini, LW 87, is the chief operating officer of Galichia Medical Group, P.A., a multi-specialty physician group with principal offices located in Wichita, Kan.

Tracey Hardman, LA 88, and Ron Kenney were married on Aug. 2, 2008, in Chicago.

Ari Levy, EN 88, MD 94, is a newly board-certified neurosurgeon and the medical director of the stroke center at St. Anthony's in St. Louis. His wife, Stephanie, is a urogynecologist at DePaul and Christian hospitals in St. Louis. They have two children: Matthew, 5, and Alexander, 4. E-mail: ari_levy@alum.wustl.edu

Thomas Metzger, LA 89, completed a 12.5-mile swim around Key West, Fla., on June 21, 2008. The swim took just under five hours. E-mail: TMetzger@Littler.com

Janni Lee Simner, LA 89, LA 89, recently published her first teen fantasy, *Bones of Faerie* (Random House). She previously has published four books for younger readers, as well as more than 30 short stories. Web site: www.simner.com

90s

Lyn (Mattox) Ankelman, LA 90, retired from professional counseling and teaching. She now lives on a 50-acre ranch in Alabama, where she raises goats and mules.

Rebecca (Holman) Jeffers, EN 90, and her husband, Bobby, announce the birth of George and Henry on July 22, 2008. E-mail: RebeccaJeffers@swbell.net

Jeffrey H. Woodruff, LA 90, was appointed to the boards of the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Arts and Etown.org, a national radio program. Woodruff recently ran the Imogene Pass run, climbing 13,200 feet. He is training for his 15th marathon this October in Denver.

Alison (Brownstein) Dow, LA 91, and her husband, Ian, announce the birth of Emily Vivian on Dec. 21, 2007.

Marion Hayes III, EN 91, SI 94, was honored by the *St. Louis Business Journal* as one of the region's most influential minority business leaders. Hayes was recognized for both his success as founder and president of BRK Electrical Contractors, LLC, and for his work to improve the local union construction industry. He is a founding board member of the PRIDE Regional Urban Construction Center, the area's first-ever minority small construction business incubator.

Aileen Raborar-Dressler, LA 91, and her husband, Dennis, announce the birth of Claudia Josephine on Aug. 17, 2008.

The family resides in Chicago, where Aileen is an architect with PappaGeorge/Haymes Ltd. E-mail: i_dzine@yahoo.com

Harsono Sutanto, GB 91, and his wife, Peggy Laoh, have two children: Olivia, 15, and Derrick, 10. The family resides in Surabaya, Indonesia.

Vicki (Bergang) Tahl, LA 91, and her husband, Joseph, announce the birth of Alexander Jacob on June 5, 2008. He joins big brother, Max, 3, and big sister, Danielle, 2. The family resides in New York City, where Vicki is working part time as a pediatric occupational therapist.

Fiona E. Gallahue, LA 92, MD 97, and her husband, Retsu Takahashi, announce the birth of Neve Saya Takahashi on Sept. 9, 2008. She joins big sister, Teagan Emi, 3. Fiona is the attending emergency medicine physician at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

Karen (Klaus) Kolin, LA 92, and her husband, Lawrence, announce the birth of Abigail Beth on May 27, 2008. She joins big sister, Dena Rose, 2. The family resides in Orlando, Fla., where Karen is the membership director at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Orlando. Lawrence is an attorney, mediator, and arbitrator.

Adrienne Felder Mittelman, LA 92, and her husband, **Bryan Mittelman**, BU 92, announce the birth of Eli Gabriel on May 26, 2008. The family resides in Northbrook, Ill. Adrienne is a health-supporting chef specializing in cooking for cancer prevention

and survival. She provides cooking instruction and consulting services through her business, The Whole Bite, Inc. Bryan is vice president-finance, North America for Seimens Healthcare Diagnostics. E-mail: beam@springmail.com

Andrew Moger, LA 92, and his wife, Robin Blum, announce the birth of Lily Charlotte on Sept. 9, 2008. She joins big brother, Matthew, 2. The family resides in New York City, where Andrew is the owner of BCD, a restaurant development firm. Web site: www.bcdevelopment.com

Laura Regan, BU 92, and Charles Recer were married on May 17, 2008, in Little Rock, Ark. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in Dallas, where Laura is a corporate service manager for Verizon Business and Charles is a senior bond underwriter with The Hartford. E-mail: ler629@hotmail.com

Gary Rosenblum, LA 92, and Naomi Ben-Or were married on May 25, 2008, in Santa Rosa, Calif. The wedding guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in the Bay area.

Nick Santora, LA 92, wrote and produced *The Longshots*, a film starring Ice Cube. It was released nationwide on Aug. 22, 2008. Nick also co-wrote *Punisher: War Zone*, which was released on Dec. 5, 2008.

Amit B. Shah, LA 92, LA 92, was selected by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* as one of Missouri's "rising stars" and recognized in the publication's 2008 "Up and Coming Lawyers" list. Amit is an attorney at Armstrong Teasdale in St. Louis. He is a member of the firm's business services department, where he focuses his practice in the areas of general corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, and real estate. He also co-founded the firm's diversity committee. As a result of Shah's efforts, Armstrong ranks third among St. Louis and Kansas City law firms in percentage of minority attorneys.

Staci (Schatzman) Solomon, LA 92, and her husband, Steven, announce the birth of Brooke Shea on Sept. 3, 2008. She joins big brothers, Matthew Yale, 7, and Daniel Eli, 5.

Katrina L. Stierholz, GR 92, was promoted to officer in the research division at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Brittany Collier-Gibson, LA 93, and her husband, Rheuben, announce the birth of Collier Dalzell "Zell" Gibson on Aug. 26, 2008. She joins big sister, Mead, 3. Britt is the director of education outreach at Ohio State University at Lima, and she also

Help students achieve their dreams.

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WASHINGTON PROFILE

Dan Glazier, M.S.W. '80, J.D. '81

Providing Equal Access to Justice

Like some future attorneys, Dan Glazier, M.S.W. '80, J.D. '81, grew up watching television shows of criminal lawyers and dreamed of being in their place.

During his undergraduate studies at Syracuse University, however, he started to take an interest in social work and began to refocus his future plans. "In my social work courses, I started to connect with the information being taught about how we can deliver vital services to those in need. I truly enjoyed my studies in these courses and realized I wanted to be an advocate to help people improve their lives," Glazier says. "What I needed to figure out next was what kind of advocate I wanted to be and what kinds of tools I would need."

That search led Glazier to Washington University's dual degree program in law and social work and, eventually, to the organization he joined 27 years ago: Legal Services of Eastern Missouri (LSEM). LSEM is an independent nonprofit organization that provides high-quality civil legal assistance and equal access to justice for all low-income people in eastern Missouri.

Glazier is executive director and general counsel for the organization, which has a staff of approximately 80 and serves the low-income population in 21 counties in eastern Missouri. He began working at LSEM as a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow after graduating from the University.

As a fellow in the welfare unit, he represented clients in administrative proceedings and courts to help them obtain welfare and social security benefits. Next, in the housing unit, Glazier assisted the homeless and those on the verge of being evicted. In March 2005, he assumed his current position as agency director.

"Working here, where your job is to be a representative for individuals whose voices would not otherwise be heard, is what I wanted to do," he says. "We provide the kind of assistance that helps people to survive and ultimately thrive."

LSEM's nine departments run the gamut of the legal spectrum, offering services that range from helping strengthen and support the victims of domestic violence, resolving landlord-tenant issues, challenging predatory lending practices, helping special needs children get educational services, ensuring access to state-administered public assistance programs, and more. The organization focuses on

coordinates a teacher education program for medical students. She enjoys gardening and raising animals on her farm and is the volunteer coordinator, with her husband, for the local farmers' market.

Allison Manley, FA 93, and her husband, Robert Coleman, announce the birth of Reeve Alexander Coleman on Sept. 4, 2008. The family resides in Chicago, where they own an award-winning design firm, Rogue Element. They specialize in print and Web design for companies that work in sustainability and corporate responsibility. Web site: www.rogue-element.com

Dave Rifkin, LA 93, has published an article titled "An Overview of the 'Tax Gap'" in the November 2008 issue of *TAXES, The Tax Magazine*. The article can be downloaded at <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1162493>. He is an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center.

Tana Senn, LA 93, is the marketing and communications director at the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle. E-mail: tana-senn@gmail.com

Arnor G. Bieltvedt, GF 94, exhibited new paintings in September at the Open Art Fair in Utrecht, the Netherlands.

Shira (Lazar) Blate, LA 94, SW 96, and her husband, Richard, announce the birth of Abigail "Abby" Jaye on May 30, 2008. The family resides in Atlanta, where Shira works on medical-behavioral health integration for United Behavior Health.

M.J. Divino, LA 94, is assistant professor in the Department of Design at Kean University in Union, N.J. Divino recently published *The 18 COMMANDments: The version-independent way to creatively draft, draw, and design in AutoCAD*.

Derek Levy, BU 94, and his wife, Becky, announce the birth of Shane Hudson on June 2, 2008. The family resides in Woodcliff Lake, N.J.

Cynthia (Martinez) Lyons, FA 94, continues to produce magazines with Active Interest Media, including *Vegetarian Times* and *Whole Foods Market Magazine*. She moved to Redondo Beach, Calif., with her husband, **Andrew Lyons**, LA 94, and their daughter, Julia, 2.

Rachel (Williams) Mantz, LA 94, and her husband, Grant, announce the birth of Ella Catherine on March 27, 2008. She joins big sister, Allison Rose, 2. The family resides in Chicago, where Rachel is a partner at McGuireWoods LLP and Grant is an options trader.



Dan Glazier provides legal assistance to low-income people in eastern Missouri.

providing "holistic advocacy" by tying together the support and counseling of social workers with the legal advocacy of attorneys.

According to Glazier, one of the benefits of his career at LSEM has been the ability to see the impact of his work on a day-to-day basis. In one case, Glazier ran into a former client while in the grocery store, 10 years after helping her avoid eviction. The client was still in the same apartment and had been able to avoid falling into poverty and homelessness because she and her children had stable housing available.

"When I first met her, she was on the precipice of being evicted, and it could have thrown her entire equilibrium and family into disarray, from which they may never have recovered," Glazier says. "That's an example of how, over time, what you do continues on and resonates. Because her family had stable housing, the children had a place to go and a base from which they could grow."

Since graduating from the University, Glazier has maintained close ties with both the George Warren Brown School of Social Work and the Washington University School of Law. In addition, many students from both schools pass through the LSEM office as interns, gaining clinical experience to round out their classroom education.

After nearly three decades in the same office, Glazier still enjoys his job and looks forward to the continuing challenge of advocating for and building connections within the community.

"Participating in the dual degree program allowed me to realize my dream," Glazier says. "I've been here for 27 years, and I have felt fortunate and good about what I do every single day."

—Sam Guzik, Class of '10

Danielle Forget Shield, EN 94, and her husband, Chris, announce the birth of Sydney Anne on July 28, 2008. She joins big brother, Alex, 2.

Stephen S. Smith, LA 94, and **Bryant Harris**, EN 94, founded myRete with the singular focus on bringing an exceptional proximity networking experience to the iPhone and its millions of users. The business recently launched WhosHere, an application that enables users to create profiles and meet other users with similar interests.

Staci Anson, LA 95, and her husband, Peter, announce the birth of Matthew Aaron on Sept. 9, 2008. The family resides in northern New Jersey. Staci teaches high school history and anthropology, as well as graduate classes in social studies education.

Kirsten Dockstader, EN 95, and her husband, Noah Bigwood, announce the birth of Benjamin Konrad on May 12, 2008. The family resides in Salt Lake City.

Jodi (Honigbaum) Granok, SW 95, has created her own company, Organizing Magic, LLC. It is a professional organizing company serving residential clients in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Web site: www.organizingmagic.com

Anthony V. Green, BU 95, is plant controller of the recycling facility of Exide Technologies, Inc. in Vernon, Calif. Exide Technologies, with operations in more than 80 countries, is one of the world's largest producers and recyclers of lead-acid batteries. E-mail: anthonyg9@yahoo.com

Kassidy (Brown) Lindholm, LA 95, and her husband, Howard, announce the birth of Zevyn Martin on Jan. 1, 2008. The family resides in Chicago, where Kassidy is a school social worker.

Carlos Narvaez-Hasfura, GL 95, GL 97, and Angeles Lopez-Ortega were married on July 12, 2008. Carlos has established his own law firm, NH Lawyers Company, S.C. The firm specializes in corporate and intellectual property law. Offices are located in Mexico City and Saltillo, Coahuila. E-mail: cnh@nhlawyerscompany.com

Jennifer (Bassen) Strasser, EN 95, and her husband, **Scott Strasser**, LA 97, announce the birth of Elizabeth Drew on Aug. 8, 2008. She joins big sister, Sammi. The family resides in New York City, where Scott is a principal with GB Merchant Partners and Jenn is the director of the NY office at Cambridge Systematics.

Kevin D. Trost, LA 95, is an associate at Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A., the nation's largest creditors' rights law firm based on revenue and placements. Kevin is

working in the Detroit office in the complex litigation department.

Lonny Zion, BU 95, shot an independent film in St. Louis titled *My Dad*. The film is a dark comedy fairytale that starts when the father of the main character, Clyde, dies. Clyde, played by Zion, goes to his father's house and finds hundreds of audiotapes from his dad. By listening to these messages from beyond the grave, the pair reconciles and a parent's love shines through.

Danielle Coe Carter, LA 96, OT 98, and her husband, **Chad Carter**, EN 97, GB 97, announce the birth of Zachary Joseph on May 9, 2008. He joins big sister, Zoe, 4. The family resides in Maple Grove, Minn.

Gina Galati, LA 96, is a professional opera singer. She has founded her own company, New Opera St. Louis.

Bridget A. Glynn, EN 96, has relocated to her hometown of Chicago after living on the East Coast for the past 12 years. She is the global EHS manager of operations & compliance at General Electric. E-mail: bridget.glynn@ge.com

Wook Jin, SI 96, has been working in crash performance of Hyundai-Kia vehicles for more than 20 years.

Rachel (Cohen) Kassenoff, LA 96, and her husband, Jarred, announce the birth of Ethan Daniel on June 13, 2008. Rachel is an ob/gyn in New York.

Will Rainford, SW 96, was named the 2008 Idaho Social Worker of the Year by the Idaho chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. He is an associate professor in the Boise State University School of Social Work. Rainford has worked on numerous community projects, including the Interfaith Sanctuary Homeless Shelter and the Catholic Charities of Idaho.

Noa (Tal) Ashman, LA 97, and her husband, **David Ashman**, EN 97, announce the birth of Aidan Joshua on Aug. 25, 2008. The family resides in Rockville, Md. Noa is a clinical social worker, who is taking some time off to be a full-time mom. David is the director of engineering at Blackboard, Inc.

Andrew D. Fenzel, LA 97, and Elizabeth S. Cleveland were married on Sept. 13, 2008, in New York City. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in San Francisco.

Kate Haimsohn Kassar, LA 97, SW 98, and her husband, John, announce the birth of Simon Haimsohn on March 20, 2008. He joins big brother, Ethan, 4. The family resides in La Jolla, Calif.

Kevin M. McDonald, LW 97, has relocated with his employer, Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., to northern Virginia. He is an assistant general counsel for product and regulatory matters. He also serves as a professional lecturer in law at George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. E-mail: kevin.mcdonald@vw.com

Ted Perlstein, EN 97, has launched an innovative new company, Fill in the Blank Greetings. He transforms the traditional monologue of greeting cards into a fun, personalized discourse between the sender and receiver. The company offers a unique collection of printed greeting cards with cover "cut-outs" that correspond to blanks in the message on the inside of each card. The cards instruct the recipient to "fill in the blanks" with answers to several provided clues, so the inside of the cards will reveal fun, personal messages that incorporate the recipient's entries. The recipient can then share his or her creation with the sender online through a patent-pending process. Web site: www.fillintheblankgreetings.com

Noel Sloboda, GR 97, GR 01, has published a book of poetry titled *Shell Games*. Sloboda also is a Penn State York teacher and Harrisburg Shakespeare Festival dramaturge.

Mitchell Wunsh, LA 97, and his wife, Supriya, announce the birth of Aurelia Barbra in July 2008. The family resides in San Francisco. Mitchell is a family law/immigrant attorney with Legal Aid Marin.

Dianne Chong, SI 98, SI 98, received the Managerial Leadership award from *Women of Color* magazine, IBM Corporation, and the selection panel of the National Women of Color Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Conference.

David Cosloy, LA 98, and Jessica Hope Brodie were married on Oct. 18, 2008. David is senior manager at Deloitte in New York City, where he focuses on services to retail industry clients. He joined Deloitte four years ago after completing his M.B.A. at Georgetown. Jessica is a chef.

Melissa (Levine) Dane, LA 98, and her husband, Jason, announce the birth of Jared Hunter on Sept. 3, 2008. He joins big brother, Logan, 3. The family resides in Northbrook, Ill., where Melissa is a speech language pathologist.

Lura DiAntonio Godfrey, GA 98, and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of Samuel Thomas on Aug. 14, 2008. The family resides in Greenville, S.C. Lura owns a residential architecture firm, LDG Design, LLC.

Paul Hirst, GA 98, designed the "Manifesting Building," a sustainable building that features 76 solar panels. The building was pictured in the fall 2008 magazine. See <http://magazine.wustl.edu/Fall08/AlumniProfiles.html>. Hirst is the principal of Oldham Hirst Design, PC in Brainerd, Minn. Web site: www.ohdesignpcc.com

Brian N. Hoffman, LA 98, was selected to receive the Burton Award for Legal Achievement, which recognizes excellence in legal writing. He is an attorney at Morrison & Foerster in Denver.

Marc Lazar, LA 98, and Katherine Drinen were married on Sept. 13, 2008, in St. Louis. The wedding guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in St. Louis, where Marc is the owner of Cellar Advisors, LLC and Cellar Private Wine Storage, consulting and logistics companies that serve clients with large wine collections nationwide. Katherine is directing the expansion of wine storage facilities in several new markets. Email: marc@cellaradvisors.com

Ashleigh (Moses)

Lindenauer, FA 98, and her husband, Alec, announce the birth of Grace Ava on Feb. 10, 2008. Ashleigh owns her own graphic design firm in Hollywood, Fla. Alec is a financial advisor at UBS Financial Services in Aventura, Fla.

Stefani Pine Pollack, LA 98, started a blog titled the "Cupcake Project" (www.cupcakeproject.com). She also runs a second blog, "Food Interviews" (www.foodinterviews.com) and writes for AOL's food blog (www.slashfood.com). Her husband, **Jonathan Pollack**, EN 98, takes photos for her blogs. He is a freelance photographer for *Sauce Magazine*. Samples of Jonathan's work are available at www.jpollackphoto.com.

Dave Tannehill, LA 98, LA 98, lives in Fenton, Mo., with his wife, Julie, and their sons Drew, 4, and Dylan, 2. Dave completed an internal medicine residency at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis, where he is now in a critical care medicine fellowship.

Alissa (Hartman)

Thibeault, LA 98, PT 00, and her husband, Eric, announce the birth of Thomas Joseph on Sept. 10, 2008. The family resides in Denver, where Alissa is a physical therapist specializing in spinal cord injury rehabilitation.

Laurie Marin, LA 99, and her husband, Mark Kranis, announce the birth of Joshua Eli Kranis on July 24, 2008. He joins big sister, Abigail. The family resides in Grafton, Mass. Laurie is a hospitalist at Milford Regional Hospital in Milford, Mass.

WASHINGTON PROFILE

Bisola Ojikutu, A.B. '95

Advocating for AIDS Patients

Though Bisola Ojikutu, A.B. '95, came to Washington University to study political science, her true passion was connecting with individuals and trying to help those around her. "Due to my interest in political issues, I did a lot of advocacy work in the St. Louis area," Ojikutu says. "I then realized that I really wanted to have a one-on-one impact on people's lives, and I thought medicine was a way I could do that."

To make her vision a reality, Ojikutu went on to medical school at Johns Hopkins University and then to a residency in internal medicine and primary care at New York–Presbyterian Hospital. While working at an HIV clinic during her residency in New York City, she encountered a city with a notably high rate of infection, especially among minority and under-resourced populations.

"That was the point when I had an epiphany. I could see this as a disease that I wanted to spend my life working on because I understood the politics of the issue," she says. "I thought I could be that person to really link the policies and the communities that are at highest risk."

After her residency, Ojikutu studied disparities in health-care access through a fellowship at the Harvard School of Public Health and completed an infectious disease fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital. Since then, she continues to work to increase awareness and treatment of HIV/AIDS around the world. Based on the lessons learned during her training, Ojikutu concentrates her efforts on two things: one, helping under-resourced patients gain access to life-saving treatments, and two, working within communities to help provide for women affected by and children orphaned by AIDS.

"Children orphaned [by AIDS] are a high-risk group. Many are homeless, and they do not go to school or have access to adequate health care," Ojikutu says.

Beyond her clinical responsibilities, Ojikutu serves as director of the Office of International Programs within the Division of AIDS at Harvard Medical School. In that role, she founded a program that increases access to HIV testing and treatment for women and children in rural South Africa. In addition, she trains health-care workers and helps integrate HIV management into primary health-care systems.

Ojikutu's extensive effort spans communities in South Africa and minority communities within the United States, both of which



Courtesy photo

Bisola Ojikutu works to increase awareness and treatment of HIV/AIDS around the world.

have been particularly impacted by the AIDS epidemic. Within both groups, she faces the challenge of overcoming the stigma of the disease, but she works to increase the rates of patients seeking testing and treatment.

In the years since beginning work in South Africa, Ojikutu has observed many more patients seeking treatment for AIDS, though much still remains to be done.

According to Ojikutu, one of the biggest challenges she battles fighting AIDS in the United States is imparting the urgency of increasing HIV testing and ensuring access to treatment for those who are newly infected.

"One of the interesting things I noticed while working overseas is higher adherence to treatment because in many countries in Sub-Saharan Africa, HIV is a national emergency," she says. "In the United States, we have access to more than 25 different medications to treat HIV, so there is less of a sense of urgency. This may translate into lower adherence and poorer outcomes. In terms of both HIV testing and treatment, we have failed to make HIV a national emergency, even though there are certain U.S. cities with higher prevalence rates than areas in Sub-Saharan Africa."

In the United States, AIDS affects minority communities more severely than it affects the general population. This trend may give the sense that the disease only poses an isolated problem, but, to Ojikutu, it presents a significant challenge.

Ojikutu recently edited a book that aims to help health-care providers address the needs of their communities regarding the treatment of HIV. She also works extensively with community organizations like the Women of Color Roundtable, where she acts as a consultant training others to advocate for public health issues on the community level.

Her desire to have an impact on people's lives continues undaunted.

—Sam Guzik, Class of '10

Bess Puvathingal, LA 99, and **Jon Milde**, EN 99, were married on Aug. 11, 2007, in St. Louis. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in Philadelphia. Bess is a graduate student in social psychology at Temple University, and Jon is a graduate student in history & sociology of science at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dana (Wendler) Scheidt, LA 99, GR 00, and her husband, **Matthew Scheidt**, LA 00, announce the birth of Peter Douglas on Aug. 10, 2008. He joins big brother, Nathan Christopher, 2. The family resides in St. Louis, where Matthew is an attorney at Bryan Cave LLP. Dana is tutoring while taking leave from her teaching career.

Hedvig B. Wibskov, LA 99, relocated to Washington, D.C., with her husband, Michael, and their son, Gregers. The family previously resided in Copenhagen, Denmark. Hedvig is the assistant director of medical and dental alumni programs at Georgetown University. E-mail: hedvig_w@hotmail.com

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Amy Dodson, LA 00, and **Carl Rueffert** were married on Sept. 13, 2008. The couple resides in Reston, Va. Amy is pursuing a master's degree in marriage and family therapy, and Carl is a senior consultant for SolomonEdwardsGroup.

Emily George, LA 00, and **Ian Neugeborn** were married on Aug. 2, 2008, in New York City. The wedding guests included many University alumni. Emily is a social worker at the Ross Global Academy, a charter school in Manhattan. Ian is a third-year resident and a clinical assistant instructor in anesthesiology at the State University of New York's Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn.

J. Scott Hanson, GR 00, GR 04, was promoted to vice president at Decision Analyst Inc., a leading international marketing research firm based in Dallas-Fort Worth.

Meghan Holland, LA 00, and **Greg Squires**, AR 02, were married in April 2008 in Seattle. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in Seattle's central district.

Ron Laboray, GF 00, is a conceptual artist with a studio at his home in Granite City, Ill. He is a member of the city's downtown rehabilitation committee that is working to bring in a cultural center. Ron also is a lecturer in drawing and design at the University.

Sabrina G. Lupero, GA 00, and Christopher Reichert were married on Aug. 16, 2008, in a civil ceremony in Germany. Their church wedding was held on Sept. 27, 2008, in New York City, where the couple resides.

Sarah Nurmela, LA 00, and her husband, Brian Bordenave, announce the birth of Sophie Rose on Sept. 22, 2008. The family resides in Oakland, Calif. Sarah is a senior associate planner and urban designer with Dyett & Bhatia in San Francisco.

Tracy (Odvody) Figueroa, LW 01, and her husband, Brian, announce the birth of Mallory Claire on Aug. 15, 2008. She joins big sister, Sabrina.

Paul J. Jacobson, LA 01, and Lisa Gartner were married on July 6, 2008, in Sydney, Australia. The wedding guests included many University alumni. Paul is a rabbi for Emanuel Synagogue, and Lisa is a pre-school teacher and helps manage a local yoga and pilates studio.

David Nakayama, FA 01, is a freelance artist in the comic book industry. Nakayama has drawn popular characters, including Spider-Man and the Hulk for Marvel Comics. He is now drawing for a brand-new comic titled *Big Hero 6*, which follows the exploits of Japan's premiere superhero team in the Marvel Universe.

Solana Rice, LA 01, and **Nate Dewart**, LA 01, were married in

St. Louis on May 25, 2008. The family resides in Oakland, Calif., where Nate is in his first year at the University of California, Berkeley. He is pursuing a master's degree in public policy with an emphasis on energy and the environment. Solana is working for a national nonprofit. E-mail: solananate@mac.com

Peter T. Richtsmeier, LA 01, is married to Erin L. O'Bryan. He finished his Ph.D. in linguistics in summer 2008. He is a postdoc at the University of Kansas.

Ashley (Weiner) Royle, BU 01, and her husband, Andrew, announce the birth of Alec Lance on July 15, 2008. The family resides in Baltimore.

Christie (Wolff) Schmuke, LW 01, is an associate attorney at Affinity Law Group, LLC in St. Louis. She specializes in corporate law, tax, estate planning, and mergers and acquisitions.

Justin L. Silver, BU 01, graduated from Harvard Business School, where he received the Dean's Award for Leadership. He is now a health-care venture capitalist in New York City at Radius Ventures.

Taro Tateiwa, GB 01, is the general manager of global human resources development at Mitsui & Company HRD Institute in Tokyo, Japan.

Liz (Connolly) Zimmerly, EN 01, is pursuing a master's degree in public administration at the University of Washington. She

recently completed an internship with Stockholm Environment Institute that focused on projecting the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions that Seattle can achieve through various policies.

Ashley (Wright) Baker, LA 02, and her husband, Marcus, announce the birth of Finley Audrith on March 28, 2008.

Rachel K. Katz, LA 02, founded Natural Zest, LLC, an integrative nutrition counseling service. She works locally in St. Louis and with distance clients. She also is pursuing a master's degree in human nutrition. Web site: www.naturalzest.com

Danny M. Meyer, LA 02, is a high school history teacher in Miami.

Bob Becnel, SI 03, was named a Fellow in the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE). This membership honors active NSPE members who have demonstrated exemplary service to the profession, the society, and the community. Becnel is a network systems engineer for the ISAS Program for the Boeing Company Advanced Systems in St. Louis.

Lexi Cullen-Baker, LA 03, and **Ryan Cassilly**, EN 05, were married on Sept. 14, 2008, in New York City. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in New York City, where Lexi is a stand-up comedian and Ryan is a medical student at Columbia University.

Roger E. Janovsky, SI 03, is an IT manager for BJC HealthCare System. For the third consecutive year, he rode his bicycle 500 miles across Iowa with 10,000 other people in the 36th annual RAGBRAI (Registers Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa).

Christopher C. King, EN 03, LA 03, is lead engineer at Gravity Mobile in San Francisco. He also is technical editor for an upcoming book on Java ME development.

Laurel (Griggs) Larsen, EN 03, GR 03, defended her Ph.D. at the University of Colorado and is a research hydrologist with the U.S. Geological Survey. She is working on restoration science for the Everglades.

Charles J. Vaske, EN 03, and Yvette S. Mimieux were married on Jan. 1, 2008, in Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii. The couple resides in Santa Cruz, Calif., where Charlie is a fourth-year graduate candidate for a Ph.D. in bio-informatics at the University of California-Santa Cruz. Yvette also is a fourth-year candidate for a Ph.D. in biochemistry at the university.

Lori Adrienne Apfel, LA 04, joined Brian O'Keefe Architect, P.C. The firm designs both traditional and modern high-end residential architecture. Some

of the firm's projects have been featured in *Architectural Digest*, *Elle Decor*, and *Palm Beach Cottages and Gardens*. Lori resides in Manhattan. E-mail: LoriA@wustl.edu

Tafline Crawford, GR 04, joined the faculty in the anatomy department at Des Moines University.

Santina Grant, LA 04, and **Chris Wheat**, LA 04, were married on July 12, 2008, in Chicago. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. Chris is in the MBA program at the University of Chicago, and Santina is in the MD/MPH program at the University of Illinois.

Sarah Holtz, LA 04, SW 07, and Daniel Stout were married on June 7, 2008, at the Old Cathedral in St. Louis.

Tara Liss, LA 04, FA 04, and **John-Carlos Marino**, FA 04, were married on Aug. 16, 2008, in Philadelphia. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in Philadelphia, where they both attend the University of Pennsylvania. Tara is pursuing a doctorate degree at the Annenberg School for Communication, and John-Carlos is working on a master's degree at the Graduate School of Education.

Rose-Louissa Oburra, LA 04, is a graduate student at Cornell University.

Julia Reardon, BU 04, and **Evan Noetzel**, LA 04, were married in May 2008 in New Orleans. The wedding party and guests included many University alumni. The couple resides in Chicago. Julia is a graduate student at the University of Chicago, pursuing a master's of business administration degree and a master's of social service administration degree. Evan is an associate editor at Talcott Communications.

Alexa Simon, LA 04, and **Michael P. Meara**, EN 03, were married on June 1, 2008, in Boston. The wedding guests included many University alumni. Michael is in the second year of his general surgery residency at East Carolina University (ECU) in Greenville, N.C. Alexa is a first-year internal medicine resident at ECU as well.

Jessica Sperling, LA 04, and **Graham Smokoski**, LA 05, were married on July 13, 2008. The couple resides in New York City.

Dan Wald, EN 04, is a test director for a research and development satellite to be launched in 2009.

Nicole Buskus, LA 05, moved to Chicago from Madison, Wis.

Jami L. Crespo, LA 05, recently moved to Madison, Wis., to begin a dual-degree program in law and public affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum Permanent Collection

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WASHINGTON PROFILE

Daniel Solove, A.B. '94

Exploring Privacy on the Internet

When the World Wide Web was introduced in the 1990s, many people were excited about the promises the new technology held. At the time, scholars and the media paid little attention to the legal questions raised by the new development. Over time, however, concern for privacy laws regarding the Internet has grown significantly.

As a student, Daniel Solove, A.B. '94, began to research this legal topic. He predicted the relationship between the World Wide Web and privacy would be "an increasingly important issue of concern, given the revolutionary ways that information now could be collected, stored, and disseminated," he says.

After graduating from Yale Law School, he clerked at both the federal district and appellate court levels and worked for the law firm of Arnold & Porter in Washington, D.C. In 2000, he joined the faculty at Seton Hall University School of Law and moved to George Washington University Law School in 2004, where he is a professor. As a professor, author, and blogger, he continues to explore the relationship between privacy and the Internet and looks for ways to balance this with free speech.

His interest in this relationship has resulted in four books. The first, *Information Privacy Law*, is a textbook. "Writing that book helped me understand the field as a whole, and it really shaped my future research," Solove says. His three other books are meant for a more general audience.

In *The Digital Person: Technology and Privacy in the Information Age*, he examines the processes of information gathering and use by businesses and the government. He discusses the problems this can cause, including identity theft. Solove believes that the biggest issue facing people today is the fact that "information about us is being kept without our knowledge or participation, and decisions about us are being made based on this information," he says. "This can be reductive and harmful."

His next book, *The Future of Reputation: Gossip, Rumor, and Privacy on the Internet*, explores the way people are using others'



Courtesy photo

Daniel Solove explores the relationship between the Internet and privacy in his books.

personal information to hurt them online. "Blogs and social networking sites, such as Facebook and MySpace, allow people to express themselves to the entire planet without needing access to a lot of money or to the mainstream media," Solove says. "However, this can lead to gossip and rumor online. Everything said on the Internet is permanently available to all."

Understanding Privacy is his most recent book. It examines what privacy is and why it is valuable. "I argue that it is not just valuable to individuals ... it is important to society as a whole," he says.

As a founding member of the blog, "Concurring Opinions" (concurringopinions.com), Solove discusses cases, book reviews, and several other issues with law professors, attorneys, government officials, journalists, law students, and others. The blog has had nearly three million visitors since its inception in 2005.

According to Solove, studying at Washington University helped prepare him for his career. "Classes were terrific, and professors were bright, accomplished scholars and also accessible—the ideal combination," he says. "The University was strong in nearly all areas—it is a wonderful place to get a general liberal arts education." In addition to his English classes, Solove took courses in philosophy, economics, sociology, psychology, and more to broaden his studies.

What's next for Solove? "I have plans for many more books in the future—some similar to my previous ones, some on other topics, and maybe even a work of fiction," he says. "One of the joys of an academic job is that I have the freedom to explore issues that fascinate me."

Solove's book, *The Future of Reputation: Gossip, Rumor, and Privacy on the Internet*, is available online for free. Visit futureofreputation.com to download. —Blair Leible Garwitz

Rena Goodman, LA 05, is attending University of California-Davis for a doctorate in chemistry.

Brandon Heller, EN 05, SI 07, and **Saumya Garg**, EN 07, SI 07, EN 07, won \$10,000 in the Wal-Mart Better Living Business Plan Competition. Brandon and Saumya's business plan was the runner-up in the competition.

Elle Stewart, LA 05, and **Josh Morton**, EN 06, were married on June 28, 2008, in Philadelphia. The couple resides in Arlington, Va. In May 2008, Elle earned a master's degree in speech-language pathology from George Washington University. She works for Fairfax County Public Schools. Josh is a civil engineer for Kiewit Construction Company.

Sally Zweimueller, LA 05, is attending the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. She is pursuing a master's of public health degree in global health.

James R. Eckstein, EN 06, graduated with a master's degree in aerospace engineering at Purdue University in May 2008. He is an engineer on the liquid propulsion team at the Aerospace Corporation.

Brandi Adams, LA 07, spent summer 2008 in Tanzania working in the ob/gyn department of a hospital. She is in her second year of medical school at Cornell.

Lynn Eisenberg, LA 07, is the deputy field director of the Campaign for Change in South Florida. Before taking on this position, she worked in a variety of roles in the Obama campaign.

Emily J. Hessler, LA 07, is attending medical school at the University of Missouri in Columbia.

Laura M. Holzweg, GR 07, is a second-year Ph.D. student in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations at the University of Chicago. She is studying Near Eastern art and archaeology with a focus on Islamic archaeology.

Kevin M. Kiley, GB 07, was promoted to senior associate director of M.B.A. admissions at the Olin Business School at the University.

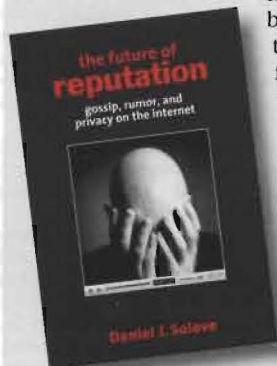
Jason Sperling, LA 07, is a marketing analyst at CarMax headquarters in Richmond, Va.

Jacquelyn L. Whitney, LA 07, is a second-year medical student at the Saint Louis University School of Medicine.

Sally Bergmann, BU 08, is attending Georgetown University Law Center.

Morgen Leonard-Fleckman, LA 08, is a Teach For America corps member in Kansas City.

Melissa R. Loeb, LA 08, is pursuing a master's degree in public policy from the Harris School at the University of Chicago.



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Sudie Nallo, SW 08, is director of service scholar programs at the Francis Center for Servant Leadership at Pfeiffer University.

David I. Schwartz, LA 08, is a student in the Master of Arts in Teaching program at the University.

Rekha Sharma, LA 08, is a financial services representative with John Hancock Financial Network. She also is a part-time substitute teacher in the Webster Groves School District. Her husband, Tamir Siam, is a graduate student in electrical engineering at the University.

Stuart Webb, LA 08, is pursuing a Ph.D. in finance at Duke University in the Fuqua School of Business.

In Memoriam

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Sept. '06 • **Robert B. Lashly**, LA 38; Feb. '08 • **George W. Rahing**, BU 38; July '08 • **Marian (Milks) Cummins**, FA 39; Aug. '08 • **Raymond F. Kuhlmann**, MD 39; Aug. '08 • **Kathryn (Galle) Reinhardt**, LA 39; Sept. '08 • **Wilma (Farrington) Shields**, LA 39, MD 43; April '08

1940s

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C. Norbury, NU 47; June '08 • **Joseph Bukant, Sr.**, LA 48; Feb. '07 • **Raymond W. Diering**, EN 48; Aug. '08 • **Mary Jane (Henske) Fournier**, AR 48; July '08 • **Russell B. Kite**, BU 48; July '08 • **Edward L. Kuff**, HS 48, GR 52; April '08 • **Roberta (Hornbein) Landau**, GR 48; July '08 • **John E. Nangle**, LW 48; Aug. '08 • **James V. Naughton**, EN 48; Sept. '07 • **Ruth (Otto) Schnackenberg**, NU 48, NU 49; July '08 • **George W. Williams, Jr.**, UC 48; July '08 • **Melvin B. Gad**, EN 49; April '06 • **Winston J. Gintz**, BU 49; July '08 • **Lois (Abrams) Greenman**, LA 49; Aug. '08 • **Walter G. O'Guin**, BU 49; May '08 • **Don G. Quicksilver**, BU 49; Sept. '08 • **Ehret O. Ramey**, MD 49; April '08 • **Byron S. Wenger**, GR 49; Sept. '08 • **Thomas W. White IV**, LW 49; July '08

1950s

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UC 52; Sept. '08 • **Robert T. Taylor**, LA 52; Sept. '08 • **Mark C. West**, DE 52; July '08 • **Lynne Kelly**, LA 53; July '08 • **Elizabeth (Whitlow) McCoy**, LA 53; April '07 • **Paul H. Rother**, MD 53; Aug. '08 • **James L. Zemelman**, LA 53, LW 57; Aug. '08 • **Gilbert H. Adkins**, EN 54; July '08 • **Fred Drews**, LW 54, LA 54; Aug. '08 • **Anne Carol (Wiese) Dunsford**, NU 54; July '07 • **Clinton K. Higgins, Jr.**, LA 54, LW 54; Jan. '08 • **Eugene Hirsch**, BU 54; Feb. '08 • **Meckie (Binkley) Knutson**, NU 54; Aug. '07 • **Constantine G. Pulos**, BU 54; Aug. '08 • **Patricia (Collins) Stubbe**, LA 55; July '08 • **William C. Cowdery**, EN 56; Aug. '08 • **Ann Harrell**, GR 56; July '07 • **Donald L. Horton**, EN 56; April '06 • **James B. Tunny, Jr.**, LA 56; Jan. '08 • **G. Robert Bowles**, MD 57; Aug. '08 • **Gordon S. Marks**, DE 57; Oct. '07 • **John T. Masterson**, FA 57; April '08 • **Shirley (Banta) Maul**, LA 57; Sept. '08 • **James A. Hopson**, GR 58, GR 66; Sept. '08 • **John D. Marsh**, LA 58; Sept. '08 • **Ronald H. Pflueger**, DE 58; July '08 • **Jack Coffman**, LA 59; May '08 • **Arthur C. Krause**, GR 59; March '06 • **Jeanne (Withrow) Quaid**, BU 59; Aug. '07 • **Virgil M. Stapf**, EN 59; Jan. '08

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In Remembrance

Geoffrey E.H. Ballard

Geoffrey E.H. Ballard, Ph.D. '63, a pioneer of the fuel-cell industry, died Saturday, August 2, 2008.

In 1979, Ballard founded Ballard Power Systems, Inc., which makes hydrogen fuel cells that are used in materials handling, residential cogeneration, backup power, and transportation. He served as chairman of the company until 1997. He also founded Ballard Research, Inc. in 1979. The company researches and develops high-energy lithium batteries. In 1999, he started General Hydrogen.

He developed the world's first hydrogen-fuel-cell-powered, zero-emission transit bus. Science World, a science center in Vancouver,

British Columbia, unveiled the vehicle in 1993.

Time magazine named Ballard as one of its "Heroes for the Planet" in 1999. He received Canada's highest civilian honor, the Order of Canada, in 1999 and the Order of British Columbia in 2004.

Jack Barrow

Jack Barrow, M.D. '46, former associate clinical professor of medicine at the School of Medicine, died Saturday, July 5, 2008.

He was a member of the faculty at the School of Medicine from 1951 to 2000 before serving on the medical school admissions staff from 2002 to 2006.

For his 35 years of service training allergy immunology fellows, he received a Volunteer Clinical Faculty Award from the American Academy of Allergy and Immunology.

A diplomat of the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Allergy and Immunology, he was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society, the American College of Physicians, and an emeritus member of the American Federation for Clinical Research.

Washington University honored Barrow with an Alumni Achievement Award in 1983.

Alvin Goldfarb

Alvin Goldfarb, BU '37, a clothing executive whose foundation helped the University build several facilities, died Wednesday, September 3, 2008.

In 1940, he founded Worth Stores Corp., a retailer of women's apparel. He is a past director of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis.

The Alvin Goldfarb Foundation, established by Goldfarb, gave major donations to various organizations, including the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, Washington University, and the University's School of Medicine. The Foundation has supported a range of building projects at the University, including facilities at the Olin School of Business, the Jeanette Goldfarb Plant Growth Facility (named for Goldfarb's late wife), and the Alvin Goldfarb Auditorium in James S. McDonnell Hall.

In addition, the building that houses the St. Louis Hillel Center adjacent to the University was named the Alvin and Jeanette Goldfarb House in recognition of the Goldfarbs' support. Their support also enabled the George Warren Brown School of Social Work to construct Alvin Goldfarb Hall, which opened in 1998.

Goldfarb and his late wife were founding sponsors of the Scholars in Business Program at the business school. The Alvin and Jeanette

Goldfarb Scholarship has been an important part of that program since 1981.

Goldfarb received an honorary Ph.D. from the University in 1999.

S. Lee Kling

S. Lee Kling, B.S.B.A. '50, a businessman, philanthropist, and Democratic Party leader, died Saturday, July 26, 2008.

He was chairman of the Kling Co., an insurance, consulting, and investment firm. Kling also was the longtime board chairman and chief executive officer of Landmark Bancshares Corp. He served as chairman of the board of the Barnes-Jewish Hospital Foundation, and he helped fund the Goldfarb School of Nursing and the Kling Center for Proton Therapy, slated to open next year.

In 1982, Kling received the Democratic National Committee's Distinguished Service Award for his many political accomplishments. He was finance chairman for the Democratic National Committee in the 1970s. He also served as treasurer of President Jimmy Carter's re-election campaign, and twice he was treasurer of U.S. Rep. Richard Gephardt's presidential committee.

Kling also participated in international peace negotiations. In 1978, he co-chaired a committee for the ratification of the Panama Canal treaties. He served as an economic adviser in 1979 during the peace negotiations between Israel and Egypt.

Robert D. McClure

Robert D. McClure, B.S. '36, former chairman of the Engineering Alumni Advisory Committee at the University, died on Saturday, August 2, 2008.

He was president and owner of Rodamac Corporation from 1966 until his retirement in 1990. In Frontenac, Missouri, McClure was a former alderman and a long-standing member of the planning and zoning commission.

At the University, he was also a member of the Alumni and Parents Admission Program and a sponsor of numerous engineering scholarships.

Jason D. Morrow

Jason D. Morrow, M.D. '83, chief of clinical pharmacology at Vanderbilt University, died Tuesday, July 8, 2008.

The son of Ralph Morrow, former provost at the University, he was a Howard Hughes Fellow before joining the Vanderbilt faculty in 1994. The clinical pharmacology program at Vanderbilt is the oldest and largest program of its kind in the world.

In 1990, Morrow and a colleague discovered substances that

could provide the most exact measure of how cells "rust," a damaging process that may contribute to heart disease and cancer.

He was a leading expert in his field and lectured in dozens of countries, including England, Singapore, and India.

Selwyn Pepper

Selwyn Pepper, A.B. '35, a longtime *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* reporter and editor, died Thursday, September 4, 2008.

During his 50-year career at the newspaper, Pepper served as city editor, features editor, news editor, and reader's advocate. He helped the *Post-Dispatch* win Pulitzer Prizes for public service with three of his stories. The stories covered voter fraud; corruption in the Internal Revenue Bureau; and the Centralia, Illinois, mine disaster and its causes.

Pepper was the editor of the newspaper at Soldan High School in St. Louis. One of his articles impressed the *Post-Dispatch* city editor so much that he offered the 16-year-old Pepper a part-time job as a reporter. While continuing to work part time at the newspaper, Pepper was the editor of *Student Life* during his time at Washington University.

He served five years in the Army Air Forces, part of it in the Southwest Pacific as a press officer on the staff of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. A past president of the St. Louis Press Club, Pepper received the Journalism Foundation of Metropolitan St. Louis' Lifetime Achievement Award in 1986.

Richard D. Todd

Richard D. Todd, a noted child psychiatrist, died Friday, August 22, 2008.

A professor of psychiatry and director of the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Washington University's School of Medicine, Todd was involved for more than 25 years with children and adolescents who were ill or at risk for psychiatric illness.

His research focused on the genetic and environmental influences associated with childhood disorders, including attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, autism, depression, and alcoholism. He and his colleagues published more than 150 peer-reviewed papers.

In 1986, Todd completed his child psychiatry fellowship at Children's Hospital in St. Louis. There, he also began his research, teaching, and clinical practice.

Todd received many of his field's most important honors, including listings in *America's Top Doctors* since 2001 and in *Best Doctors in America* since 2002.



Carmon Colangelo,
Dean, Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts

Joe Angiles

Designing a Collaborative Approach TO ARTS EDUCATION

BY SUSAN C. THOMSON

Carmon Colangelo has a talent for bringing things together in new and creative arrangements. As an artist, he makes arresting multimedia prints that layer images of life forms and inanimate objects. As director of the Lamar Dodd School of Art at the University of Georgia for nine years, he presided over planning for a \$40 million building housing all of the school's programs.

So he was a natural to become the first dean of Washington University's new Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, uniquely combining under one organizational roof an art

school, architecture school, and art museum, each highly regarded in its own distinct right.

Colangelo says he was attracted by the job's open-ended possibilities and by the thrilling new Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum and Earl E. and Myrtle E. Walker Hall, both designed for the Sam Fox School by award-winning architect Fumihiko Maki.

Colangelo arrived at the Sam Fox School from Georgia in mid-2006. "His challenge was to transform the art and architecture schools and museum into one interdisciplinary entity," says Sabine Eckmann, the museum's director and chief curator.

Doing that has been a creative process, Colangelo says, with his role less that of administrator—a title he shuns—and more that of leader, director, or collaborator.

His leadership style is based on "dialogue and communication," and it has proved productive, Eckmann says.

For instance, he organized a faculty committee to write the School's new, unifying tenure and promotion policy. Because he saw to it that the faculty members were invested in it, a task that might have taken several years elsewhere got done in one year, says Bruce Lindsey, dean of Architecture.

Lindsey, formerly architecture head at Auburn University, is among several new people Colangelo has attracted to the Sam Fox School. Colangelo himself was one of the School's attractions, Lindsey says. "He's passionate. He's very positive, and he's got a great sense of humor. It's rewarding working with him."

Interviewed in his Givens Hall office, Colangelo comes across as Lindsey describes him while giving the impression of being totally relaxed and unhurried. But make no mistake for, as Lindsey also says, the dean is "very focused and intense about building a great school."

At the same time, he is equally focused and intense about his own art, maintaining studios at home and school, attending workshops, and continuing to produce and exhibit work. He sees this not as a sideline but as fitting to his and the entire faculty's exemplary role at a professional school that produces "practicing architects, practicing artists, practicing designers."

So how does he do it all? His wife, Susan, an artist he met when both were graduate students at Louisiana State University, says her husband of 23 years has always had a strong work ethic, a high energy level, and an ability to multitask. She remembers him at school—at his desk, drawing while conversing with passers-by.

He's a "very social" person, she says, an observation shared by Lindsey. At a conference of about 100 college arts administrators that the two deans attended together, Lindsey says, "Carmon knew every one of them, and they knew him."

Born in Toronto, Carmon Colangelo was the second of four sons of parents born in Italy. His father was a barber.

Colangelo started drawing in kindergarten. Betraying yet another lifelong passion, his first subjects were sports figures.

He played hockey in his student days and took a year off between high school and the University of Windsor to play semi-professional soccer and to work as a roofer, an occupation that helped him pay his way through college and graduate school and avoid taking out student loans.

Racquetball is his competitive sport of choice these days. He still skates, recreationally, in season at the Steinberg Ice Rink in St. Louis' Forest Park, typically in the company of one or more of his and Susan's three daughters. Jessica is an architect intern in Boston, Ashley studies at the Art Institute of Chicago, and Chelsea is an equestrian and freshman in high school.

Colangelo speaks of the Sam Fox School as a work-in-progress, noting that University Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton promised in his 1995 inaugural address to make a priority of "securing new resources" for the then-separate schools of art and architecture.

Eleven years and \$60 million later, Chancellor Wrighton fulfilled that promise and vision, and the School was officially born. Named for a Washington University alumnus, benefactor, and former vice chair of the Board of Trustees, Sam Fox, the School physically consists of two new Maki buildings and renovated Bixby, Givens, and Maki-designed Steinberg halls.

Looking toward the future, Colangelo talks of the School's long-range strategic plan, which includes space for the 45-student Master of Fine Arts Program, now housed off campus. The plan, a collaboration of the art, architecture, and museum faculties, calls for a number of new initiatives and spaces between now and 2020.

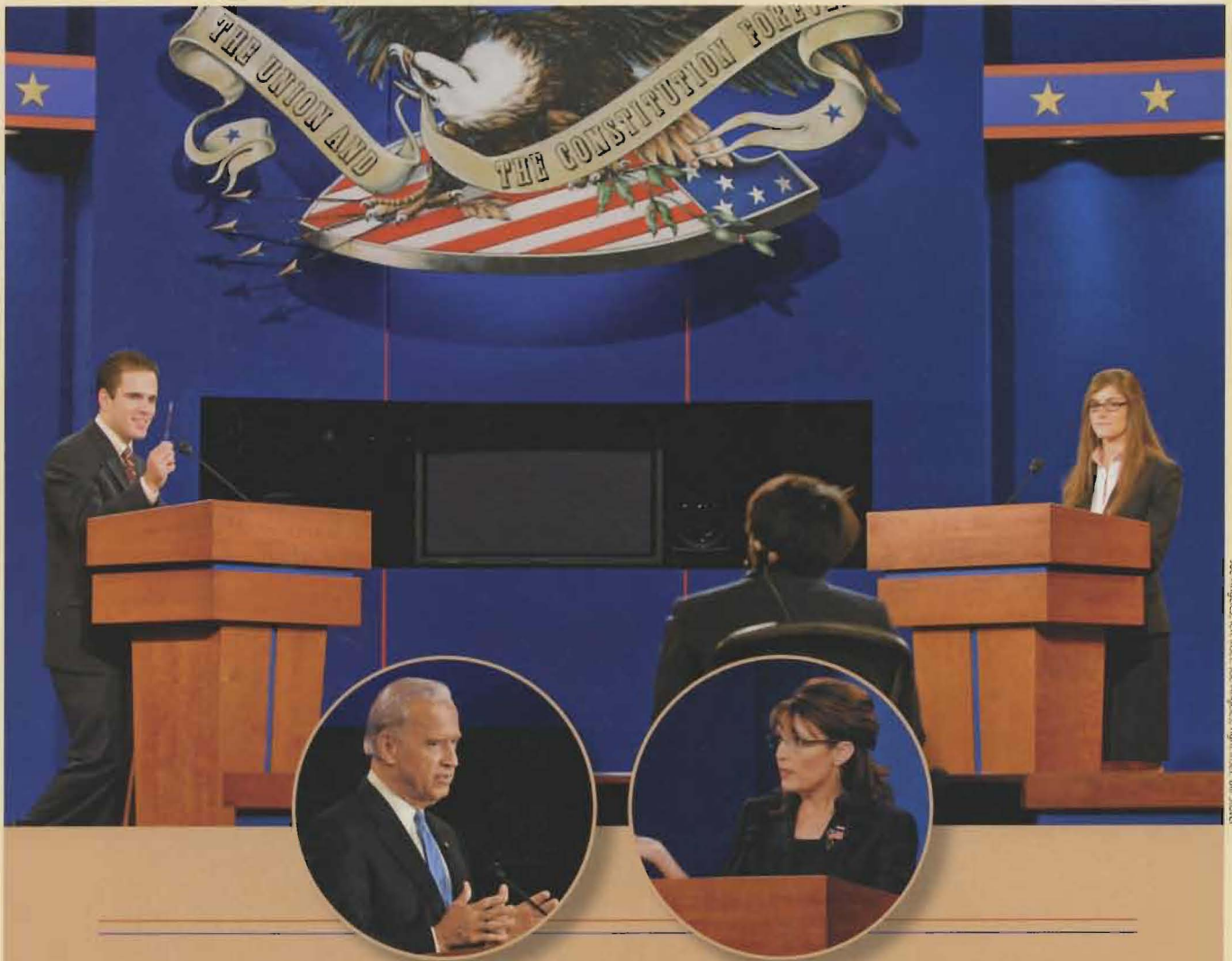
Clearly energized by the prospects, Colangelo ticks off the highlights—a new interdisciplinary undergraduate curriculum, more tenured and tenure-track faculty, more study-abroad programs, more scholarships, more original exhibits, more symposia, more research, and three new graduate programs, including a master of landscape architecture, a doctorate in architectural history and theory, and a master of fine arts with a concentration in communication design.

While he can picture enrollment eventually growing by 50 students to a total of 850, it's not a bigger Sam Fox School that Colangelo or anyone else there has uppermost in mind. "I think we're all impatient to be better, not necessarily bigger," he says. ☐

Susan C. Thomson is a freelance writer based in St. Louis.

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Joe Angeles left, Bill Sauer right

Testing One, Two, Three ... During final preparations for the Vice Presidential Debate on Thursday, October 2, 2008, students stood in for the candidates so that CNN—the network providing the pool feed for all television media covering the debate—could check lights, sound, and camera angles. Standing in for Sen. Joseph Biden was junior Danny Gaynor, for Gov. Sarah Palin was senior Julia Latash, and for moderator Gwen Ifill was senior Lydia Beasley. It was another opportunity for students to be engaged in the historic event (read about other student involvement starting page 20).