

# Endeavors

## Dear Alumni and Friends:

Another year has passed and I am proud to report the College of Education Alumni Chapter is getting bigger and better. Membership is growing with each new



Jean Mullan

graduating class, and with the outstanding college rankings more and more alumni are eager to hear about what we are doing and to become involved.

It's hard to believe that this is the fifth issue of *Endeavors*. Its success and popularity has led to a decision to publish it more frequently, in part because we have so much news to share—just keep sending in your "Class Notes" information. We love to hear from you.

Many exciting activities have been planned for the upcoming year, including the annual **College of Education Alumni Award Ceremony** scheduled for **November 18**, and another gathering of **Baltimore area alumni set for March 3** at the National Aquarium. We also plan to be part of **Terrapin Pride Day** being held in Annapolis at the Capitol on **February 15**, and we will be part of the **Maryland Day festivities** next April.

Many of our alumni attend these events and have found them to be a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with their alma mater. In fact, our annual awards ceremony last November was attended by more than 150 alumni, family and friends. We are honoring 14 distinguished alumni at the upcoming ceremony, perhaps you might know someone we have chosen to honor. If you know any of this year's recipients (see the announcement of this year's honorees on this page), I encourage you to come and join us at this wonderful celebration of our outstanding alumni.

I am sure by now you are aware of the building of the new Riggs Alumni Center next to Byrd Stadium. It is a very impressive building and was designed by a former alum. The center is scheduled to open in February 2005. This is the first time our university has had such a special place for alumni and friends to gather. We are looking forward to the opening of the center and perhaps one of our College of Education alumni events will take place there in the future.

Homecoming weekend events are planned for October 14-17. I encourage you to visit the University of Maryland Alumni Association website for details: [www.alumni.umd.edu](http://www.alumni.umd.edu)

I'm happily anticipating another busy year, and encourage you to look through our calendar events and join us if you can. If you aren't able to be part of our plans, you can support our efforts another way: Join the University of Maryland Alumni Association as a College of Education graduate. A portion of your modest annual dues is directed toward our chapter's projects (details on the benefits of membership can be found at [www.education.umd.edu/alumni](http://www.education.umd.edu/alumni)). In closing, I want to wish all of our alumni a happy and productive year, and ask you to join with me in saying: Go Terps!

Jean Mullan  
Class of 1968  
President, College of Education Alumni Chapter

## Outstanding Alumni to be Honored November 18 at Awards Ceremony

As part of the American Education Week this November, the College of Education and its Alumni Chapter Board of Directors will host a dinner and ceremony to recognize fourteen distinguished alumni for their achievements in the field of education.

The college's ceremony, *Celebrating Education: A Tribute to Teaching and Learning*, will take place from 5:30 to 9 p.m. on November 18 at the University of Maryland Inn and Conference Center. The Alumni Awards will be presented by the president of the College of Education Alumni Chapter, Jean Mullan '68, along with the Dean of the College, Edna Mora Szymanski. The honorees are:

**Outstanding Leader in Education**  
Edna May Merson, M.A., '49 and Ph.D. '61

**Outstanding Leader in Education**  
Timothy C. Muzzio, M.A., '75 and Ph.D., '80

**Outstanding Leader in Education**  
Patricia J. Jamison, M.Ed., '72 and Ph.D., '81

**Outstanding Professional in Education**  
Mary Batcher, B.A., '72 and Ph.D., '86

**Outstanding Professional in Education**  
Ronald Steven Honberg, J.D., M.Ed., '83

**Outstanding Professional in Education**  
Minnie L. Reynolds, Ed.D., '99

**Outstanding Scholar in Education**  
Terence J. G. Tracey, Ph.D., '81

**Outstanding Scholar in Education**  
Marita Danek, M.Ed., '74 and Ph.D., '79

**Outstanding Scholar in Education**  
Janice Field Almasi, M.Ed., '89 and Ph.D., '93

**Distinguished Service to the College of Education**  
Charles Beatty\* (Ph.D., '67 – Ohio State)  
Mary Ann Beatty, Ph.D., '82  
\*Deceased September 2004

**Alumni Entrepreneur of the Year**  
Jane West, Ph.D., '88

**Outstanding New Scholar in Education**  
Jacqueline Leonard, Ph.D., '97

**Outstanding New Professional in Education**  
Alicia Ardil-Rey, M.Ed., '97 and Ph.D., '02

**Alumni Teacher of the Year**  
Phillip O'Dell, B.S., '96  
(M.S., '99 – Western Maryland)

A complete biography on each recipient can be found at: [www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu). The cost to attend is \$25 per person. To RSVP, contact Leslie Brice, 301.405.0903 or send an email to: [lbrice@umd.edu](mailto:lbrice@umd.edu). Deadline for reservations is November 12.



## First Annual Distinguished Lecturer Series Kicks Off with October 28 Talk by Professor Nancy K. Schlossberg, Professor Emeritus



Nancy K. Schlossberg

As adults reach different stages in their lives, they are faced with an array of challenges and transitions which can often lead to feelings of being overwhelmed and confused.

Nancy K. Schlossberg, Ed.D., an expert in the areas of adult transitions, career development, adults as learners, and inter-generational relationships, will address these challenges and discuss managing change at the October 28 inaugural presentation of the First Annual Distinguished Lecturer Series by the Department of Counseling and Personnel Services.

The lecture, titled: *Transitions—Challenges and Bridges through Life*, begins at 3 p.m. at the University of Maryland Golf Course Clubhouse. It will be followed by a 4 p.m. reception and book-signing. The Schlossberg presentation kicks off a new annual lecture series being launched by the department to highlight distinguished scholars and practitioners from the counseling and psychology fields.

"It is an honor to present Dr. Schlossberg as the inaugural speaker in our new Distinguished Lecturer Series," said Dennis Kivlighan, Jr., chair of the Department of Counseling and Personnel Services. "Her noteworthy career at the university as well as her scholarship is a credit to the department, our college and the University of Maryland. We are looking forward to welcoming her back to the campus."

Schlossberg's lecture will draw from her most recent book, *Retire Smart, Retire Happy: Finding Your True Path*. She will share insights from her life's work on how career upheavals, changes in marital status, children leaving home, or other life challenges can create uncertainty and anxiety as they are often unexpected or outside of one's control. According to Schlossberg, there are ways to respond to changes that can help individuals gain confidence, ease the transition, and even thrive while navigating life's challenges.

Schlossberg is professor emeritus from the College of Education and a University of Maryland Distinguished Scholar. The author of several books, she is also the president of a consulting group, TransitionWorks. Before coming to the university, she served on the faculties of Wayne State University, Howard University, and the Pratt Institute. She was the first woman executive at the American Council of Education (ACE), where she established the Office of Women in Higher Education in 1973. She has appeared on PBS' *In the Prime*, Derek McGinty's national talk radio show, Fox News, CNN *Sonia Live*, CBS *Evening News*, CBS *This Morning*, the NBC *Knowledge Series*, and two PBS/College Board live video-conferences.

She also served in leadership positions in academic and civic organizations, and is the recipient of several awards, including the Walter Storey Career Development Professional Award of the American Society for Training and Development, and has been honored by the National Career Development Associate, the National Associate of Student Personnel Administrators and the American College Personnel Association. A complete biography of Schlossberg can be found on the college's web site, [www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu).

The First Annual Distinguished Lecturer Series featuring Professor Schlossberg is free and open to all. To attend please RSVP by contacting Betty Bowers at 301.405.6825 or via email at: [ebowers@umd.edu](mailto:ebowers@umd.edu).

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## A Message from the Dean:



Edna Mora Szymanski

At this writing, I am now into my sixth year as dean. We are ranked 20th in the nation, with nine programs in the top 20 and five programs in the top 10.

Sounds like a numbers game, doesn't it? But it's not. The College of Education is far more than statistics, rankings, enrollment and programs. We are a complex and vibrant institution, part of a highly regarded research university, and are on the brink of greatness.

That message was deftly articulated during a VIP Briefing we hosted at the college in June. As part of our continuing efforts to strengthen our reach and influence with stakeholders, we assembled some of our top faculty to present highlights from their on-going research. Members of your alumni board attended with other VIPs.

Following a "tapas" format, we offered samplings across several disciplines and assembled a comprehensive briefing book with one-page summaries of our teacher preparation and graduate degree programs, highlights of the work of our centers and institutes, and abstracts of our top-funded research projects.

The chair of our Board of Visitors, Raymond "Buzz" Bartlett, joined with William "Bud" Thomas to weave the presentations, lunch program, and discussion into a cohesive overview of our college. Thomas, vice president of student affairs emeritus of the university, closed the briefing with insightful commentary that I have chosen to share in my column here.

"We have heard impressive examples of the excellent scholarship being done in the University of Maryland College of Education.

We have been impressed by the magnitude and the scope of the work being done and the successes that have accrued. We have heard of productive collaborations and involvement of the faculty and the college in multiple arenas and external agencies.

We have once again witnessed the exciting, enthusiastic, and contagious commitment of Dean Szymanski to pursue excellence without faltering...even under difficult circumstances. What of all this?

Simply summarized, we have a better understanding of the work of the college...today will help to get us all on the same page. We are now better equipped to promote the mission and agenda of the college in the future. That said, serving for the past few years as a part-time consultant and occasional project facilitator for the dean, as well as a long-time observer of the college's fortunes, it is my observation that the College of Education, in this time in its long history, is alive and well...

- Or well enough to have survived periodic hardships when others did not.
- Well enough to have accomplished new and expanded missions and exciting new research, when others were content or forced to meet only minimal expectations.
- Well enough to have experienced more than a few moments of grand achievement and distinguished recognition, when others could only dream of such moments...but occasional moments of greatness are not frequent enough, and 'well enough' is not good enough for a world class college!

Bear in mind that it is a widely accepted tenet of the quality assurance movement in world businesses that complex organizations are never static. If an organization is not improving... it is getting worse. If an organization is not growing, it is decaying.

Our College of Education has chosen not to settle for 'well enough.' It has chosen to improve and to grow.

But to gain and sustain excellence, the college needs active and generous support. It needs active champions in any arena, agency, or discussion where issues or priorities emerge that might help or hurt its mission.

It needs generous supporters who share with the college the timeless, yet still passionate belief that the advancement of education is a noble venture, as well as the stark realization that any society simply cannot long endure, let alone flourish, without maintaining a grand system of effective education.

The students, staff, faculty, and administration of the college are, as we have heard today in so many ways, all about 'effective education' in our society. The college is a central player in society's duty to educate itself effectively.

The college has been good at its work. The college has gotten, over the past several years, considerably better at its work. The college strives to be permanently among the very best.

That can only happen if each of us, and those we can recruit, are active as champions, and generous as supporters."

I want to thank Dr. Thomas for his thoughts, and thank our alumni and friends for their commitment to the College of Education.

*Edna Mora Szymanski*

Edna Mora Szymanski, Dean  
College of Education

## College Moves up in U.S. News Rankings to 20th in Nation



Rankings released this spring by *U.S. News & World Report* showed the University of Maryland College of Education moved up to rank 20th in the nation, with the Department of Counseling and Personnel Services retaining its number one ranking for the fifth consecutive year.

"Over the past years, our college ranking has steadily increased," said

Edna Mora Szymanski, Dean of the College of Education. "This is a strong reflection of the quality and productivity of our excellent faculty, staff, and students."

This year's edition of the "Best Graduate Schools" by *U.S. News* ranked the college within the top 20 in eight out of 10 education specialties, as well as one allied health specialty (rehabilitation counseling, last ranked in 2003). Of these nine top 20 rankings, five programs are ranked within the top 10 in the nation. The college has more top-20 ranked programs than any other college on campus.

The rankings for 2005:

- Administration and Supervision (17)
- Counseling and Personnel Services department (1)
- Curriculum and Instruction department (11)
- Educational Policy (13)
- Educational Psychology (9)
- Elementary Education (17)
- Higher Education Administration (10)
- Rehabilitation Counseling program (9)  
(Note: Ranked in 2003 in the Allied Health category)
- Special Education department (7)

"No other college of education in the greater Baltimore-Washington area is ranked in the top 20," said Szymanski, who is beginning her sixth year as dean of the college. "Our alumni have much of which to be proud."

Dean Szymanski also noted that in comparison, the College of Education has more top-20 ranked education specialties than all but one of the University's stated peers (University of California-Los Angeles, University of California-Berkeley, University of Michigan, University of Illinois or University of North Carolina) and that is University of Illinois.

## Silver and Gold Anniversary Celebration Honors Graduates from 1979 and 1954 on May 21



Silver and Gold Anniversary Group Photo, May 21 2004. Top row, left to right: Karen H. Otis, Donna L. Walsh, Joyce M. Kalish, Paula M. Landy, Gloria F. Henderson, Nancy Naomi Carlson, Frederick H. Spigler, Jr., John R. Leach, Robert J. Durbin, Robert L. Derbyshire

Middle row, left to right: Susan Shatto Berkheimer, Wolfgang M. L. Maier, Carmen S. Gonzalez, Rosa I. Mirabile, Beth P. Edelstein, Jacquelyn P. Moseman, Philip W. Kyne, Richard F. Douglas, Julia A. Layton, Myra M. Martin

Bottom row, left to right: Jeanne H. Olsen, Esther M. Schmerling, David B. Chase, Julianne K. Ferris, Christine A. Courtois, Pamela A. Splaine, Dora F. Kennedy  
Photo credit: Lisa Helfert Photography

This past May 21, alumni from the class of 1979 and seven alumni from the class of 1954 came together with family, friends, university faculty, staff, and Dean Edna Mora Szymanski to celebrate the Silver and Gold Anniversary of graduation from the College of Education. More than 80 people attended the luncheon and ceremony, where anniversary alumni were dressed in graduation regalia to receive a special certificate from the college.

Several of the 25- and 50-year alumni joined the class of 2004 College of Education commencement at Cole Activities Building to continue the nostalgic day of memories and

reconnecting with their alma mater. One of the anniversary alumni, Nancy Naomi Carlson, celebrated her 25th silver anniversary on the same day of the 2004 spring commencement ceremony.

On May 20, 2005, the College of Education will host another Silver and Gold Anniversary celebration for our alumni from the Class of 1980 and the Class of 1955. Graduates from those years will receive an invitation, and future issues of *Endeavors* will include more details. To contact us before the ceremony, call Patricia Costantino, Director of Alumni Relations, at 301.405.5607.

## Two College Faculty Recognized with Regents' Awards

Two College of Education professors were honored in April with University System of Maryland Regents' Faculty Awards for 2004. This award is the highest honor the Board of Regents bestows to recognize exemplary faculty achievement.

Peter E. Leone, Ph.D., Department of Special Education, was recognized for Excellence in Public Service. John T. Guthrie, Ph.D., of the Department of Human Development was selected for his Scholarship/Research/Creative Activities.

Leone specializes in behavior disorders with service to troubled youth, as well as field-based research that examines the multi-dimensional problems associated with behavior disorders. His research interests focus on program environments for troubled youth, educational entitlements of incarcerated youth, and policy studies. Leone is the director of the National Center on Education, Disability, and Juvenile Justice (EDJJ)—a research, training and technical assistance project funded with a multi-year \$3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Justice.

Guthrie is director of the Maryland Literacy Research Center at the University of Maryland. His research interests are literacy development and environments for learning. Guthrie is currently directing a large-scale literacy research project in Frederick County Public Schools titled, "Increasing Reading Comprehension, Motivation, and Science Knowledge through Concept-Oriented Reading Instruction (CORI) in a District-wide Experiment." The project is funded through a \$4.1 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

The Board of Regents established the faculty awards in 1995 to publicly recognize distinguished performance by educators and researchers within the university system. Each year up to 15 awards are presented in five categories: scholarship/research/creative activities, collaboration, mentoring, public service, and teaching. Each awardee receives \$1,000 and a plaque of recognition.



## College of Education, Senate, Honored Six Faculty and Staff at New Awards Ceremony

The University of Maryland's College of Education honored six of its faculty and staff during its First Annual Awards Ceremony held on May 14. The awards ceremony, which took place in 0220 Benjamin, was preceded by a college-wide celebration brunch for the awardees. Following are the 2003-04 honorees and the awards received:

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Robert W. Lent, Ph.D.  
Professor  
Department of Counseling and Personnel Services

### TEACHING AWARD

Gregory R. Hancock, Ph.D.  
Professor  
Department of Measurement, Statistics and Evaluation

### SERVICE AWARD

Hanne B. Mawhinney, Ph.D.  
Associate Professor  
Department of Education Policy and Leadership

### EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLLEGE – EXEMPT STAFF AWARD

Kathleen A. Angeletti, Ph.D.  
Assistant Dean  
Office of Student Services

### EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLLEGE – NON-EXEMPT STAFF AWARD

Judy A. Foster  
Administrative Assistant II  
Department of Special Education

### COLLEGE LEADERSHIP AWARD

William O. Strein, D.Ed.  
Associate Professor  
Department of Counseling and Personnel Services

According to William G. Holliday, chair of the College Senate, the six honorees were chosen by unanimous vote of the College of Education Awards Committee. The Committee, chaired by Jing Lin, Department of Education Policy and Leadership, established the awards program, determined the criteria, and accepted nominations and supporting materials. (See awards criteria at [www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu))

"We expect this college-wide awards ceremony will be the first in a tradition we will establish to formally recognize the outstanding contributions of our faculty and staff," said Edna Mora Szymanski, Dean of the College. "We are a top-ranked college of education because we have a dedicated faculty and talented professional staff that serve our students, our college, and the university community."

For more information on the College of Education Senate or the Awards Ceremony, contact William G. Holliday, Senate Chair, 301.405.3145, or via email: [holliday@umd.edu](mailto:holliday@umd.edu).

## Two-day Symposium on Minority Achievement Features Presentation by Alumnus William Tate

A two-day research symposium hosted by the Maryland Institute for Minority Achievement and Urban Education, with funding from the National Science Foundation, focused on ways of optimizing mathematics achievement for minority learners. "Optimizing Mathematical Achievement for All Students" was the theme for the symposium, which was held September 23-24 at the University Inn and Conference Center.



William Tate

The four keynote speakers for the symposium program were Patricia F. Campbell, University of Maryland; Ronald F. Ferguson, Harvard University; Danny B. Martin, University of Illinois; and William Tate, Washington University in St. Louis. Tate is an alumnus of the College of Education, and was the recipient of the Outstanding Scholar Award from the College of Education Alumni Chapter in 2000.

The goal of the event was to "stimulate and encourage a new group of researchers to take a direct and active role in finding solutions to the problems of underachievement," said Martin L. Johnson, associate dean for Urban and Minority Education and director of the institute. "Underachievement continues to be well identified within the minority student population."

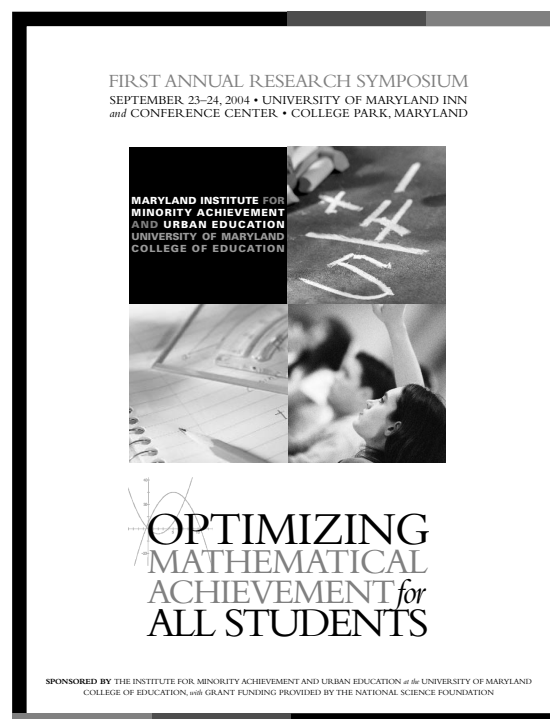
Nearly 100 graduate students and their professors from across the nation attended the event, which will be held again next year, Johnson said, thanks to a second-year grant from the National Science Foundation. Next year's theme will focus on optimizing minority achievement in science.

Summaries of research from each speaker's area of expertise were presented with topics that represent different aspects and

complexities of urban schooling. Among the areas examined were teachers and teaching, curriculum and curriculum reform, classroom culture, and student expectations.

Participants formed working groups to explore current research to identify factors impacting mathematics achievement of minority students; identify the research needed to inform policy-makers, practitioners, and curriculum developers; and develop a research agenda.

All of the conference presentations, along with statements of research interests from the participants, will be posted on the institute's web site, [www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu).



## Faculty Member Barbara Finkelstein Honored with Award from Japan's Emperor



Prof. Finkelstein & Ambassador Kato

College of Education Professor Barbara Finkelstein was awarded the Order of the Rising Sun, Golden Rays with Rosette on June 25 at a ceremony held at the Ambassador of

Japan's residence in Washington, D.C.

Ambassador Ryozo Kato presented the prestigious award to Finkelstein in honor of her efforts to foster cultural exchange between Japan and the United States. The award, conferred by Japan's Emperor Heisei, recognizes Japanese and foreign nationals for their outstanding contributions to promoting knowledge of Japanese culture throughout the world.

The Order of the Rising Sun (*Kyokujitsu*) was the first order established in Japan. The custom of often awarding foreigners for their services to Japan began in 1981. Finkelstein is among a handful of women to be honored with the award. She was recognized for her work with hundreds of educators over the past 20 years, which contributed to mutual understanding between Japan and the United States in the classrooms of both nations.

Finkelstein is a professor in the Department of Education Policy and Leadership, and is director of the International Center for Transcultural Education's Mid-Atlantic Region Japan in the Schools (MARjS) Program.

She earned her Ed.D. from Columbia University, Teachers College. Her research interests are cross-cultural education policy, history of education, and history of childhood, youth and family values.



## Would you like to invest in educational excellence?

The University of Maryland College of Education ranks 20th in the nation. Our future is bright with progress and prestige. There's a way that you can help today.

- Are you interested in making a gift that returns **fixed, guaranteed, lifetime income** to you and/or to one other person, and later supports the education initiatives at the University of Maryland?
- Are you able to make a gift of \$5,000 or more using cash or appreciated securities?
- Do you own stock or cash assets yielding 5% or less annually?
- Are you over 50 years of age?

If you can answer "yes" to at least three of these questions, a **Charitable Gift Annuity** to benefit the College of Education may be an ideal opportunity for you to invest in excellence. When you establish a gift annuity with a contribution of cash or appreciated securities, you receive in return a **fixed, lifetime, guaranteed annual payout** and a one-time charitable income tax deduction. Payout rates are higher the older you are.

For more information or a no-obligation gift annuity illustration tailored to your age and circumstances, contact: Darcelle H. Wilson, Assistant Dean for Development, College of Education, 301.405.6644 or visit [www.urhome.umd.edu](http://www.urhome.umd.edu).

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# ClassNotes

## 1951

**Dwight Coblentz (B.S.)**, Lakeside, Calif., retired in 1992 after serving as the director of curriculum and staff development for the San Diego County Office of Education.

## 1955

**Morris Tischler (M.A.)**, Baltimore, Md., as the president of Self-Science Instruments Co., patented and sold the first pacemaker. He has written 118 books on teaching electronics and health occupations and has been a nominee to the Inventors Hall of Fame and the Radio Club of America.

## 1957

**Mary Bowman-Kruhm (B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D.)**, writes from Frederick, Md., that she has published two new children's books in 2003, *Busy Fingers*, and a young adult biography, *Margaret Mead: A Biography*.

## 1964

**Ingrid B. Weise (Ph.D.)**, Bethesda, Md., retired from Montgomery County Public Schools where she served as a math supervisor and area director for curriculum.

**Marsha McNamara (B.S.)**, Ocalon, Fla., has retired after teaching elementary school for 27 years.

## 1965

**Betty Schaaf DeGraff (B.A.)**, Annapolis, Md., is a special educator at Laurel High School, and has taught history and geometry while providing services for gifted/learning-disabled students.

## 1967

**Linda Parsons Ludvickson (B.S.)**, Annapolis, Md., is a teacher in Anne Arundel County.

## 1968

**Harry Banks (B.S.)**, Columbia, Md., has been teaching for 35 years and currently teaches Russian to middle school students.

## 1969

**Cherie Tompakov Stewart (B.S.)**, Owings Mills, Md., is a special education resource teacher in Baltimore County Public Schools.

**David L. Baker (B.S.)**, Montverde, Fla., is an education supervisor with the State of Florida.

**Sharon J. Chevalier Keenan (B.S.)**, Highlands, N.J., is a learning consultant with the Sayreville Board of Education.

## 1970

**Bette-Lynne Rheinhardt (B.S.)**, Baltimore, Md., is a reading specialist with Abingdon Elementary School.

## 1971

**Diana (Elliott) Dixon (B.S.)**, New Windsor, Md., retired from teaching kindergarten in Montgomery County in 1980 to raise a family.

**Jacqueline L. Frierson (B.A.)**, Baltimore, Md., is the program director for the Resident Teacher Certification Program at University of Maryland, University College.

**Linda Wohlmuth Salzman (B.A.)**, Wilmington, N.C., is a health education consultant and trainer.

## 1972

**Bonnie D. Marvel King (B.S.)**, Baltimore, Md., serves as an assistant vice-president at Paine Webber.

**Chuck Woods (M.Ed.)**, Springfield, Va., retired after 27 years in human resources with Fairfax County Public Schools and is currently working as a basketball official and volunteer.

## 1972 (cont.)

**Genevieve Sheridan (M.Ed.)**, Frederick, Md., retired after spending 18 years as a special education teacher and five years as a child welfare social worker.

**Michael Holmes (B.S.)**, Brookside, N.J., is an executive manager with American Isuzu.

## 1973

**Catherine Milkie Rosenfeld (B.S.)**, resides in Olney, Md., and has taught in the public schools, worked as a media specialist, and in educational training and development.

**Claudia B. Cappel (B.S.)**, lives in Silver Spring, Md., and is a math support teacher at Jackson Road Elementary School in Montgomery County.

**Larry Hansch (B.A.)**, Mt. Airy, Md., is currently the principal of Briggs Chaney Middle School in Montgomery County.

## 1974

**Frieda K. Lacey (M.Ed.)**, Silver Spring, Md., is chief of staff for Montgomery County Public Schools.

## 1975

**Bonnie D. Velasco (B.A.)**, Mt. Airy, Md., is an art teacher in Frederick County Public Schools.

**Cynthia Webb (M.Ed.)**, Baltimore, Md., is a professor of technology and applied arts at Baltimore City Community College.

**Carolyn E. Bryant (M.Ed.)**, from Wernersville, Pa. is an elementary counselor with Conrade Weiser Area Schools.

## 1976

**Yvette O. Dill (B.A.)**, works in the Department of Surgery at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C.

## 1977

**Chuck Gerardi (M.A.)**, Dunedin, Fla., is a licensed clinical psychologist and psychopharmacologist who holds a copyright on psychonutrition.

## Ira Robert Greenstein (M.A.)

Columbia, Md., is the executive director of Global Systems & Strategies, Inc. in Vienna, Va., and Baltimore, Md.

**Janet Kay Houston Clinton (Ph.D.)**, Glyndon, Md., teaches at Owings Mills High School in Baltimore County.

**Sandra Bond (B.A.)**, Columbia, Md., serves as the chief for information systems for NIH/NINR.

## 1978

**Bryan Borda (B.S.)**, Darnestown, Md., is the vice president of sales for the netDecide Corporation. She was the amateur champion for the Maryland State Golf Association and has a beautiful daughter, Erin, who is eight years old.

**Catherine (Twining) Giovannoni (B.S.)**, of Arlington, Va., began practicing law in Washington, D.C. after teaching special education for 17 years in Maryland.

## 1979

**Charlene Cooper Boston (Ph.D.)**, Ellicott City, Md., is employed by Baltimore City Public Schools as an area executive officer.

**Janet Lannon (B.S.)**, Hunt Valley, Md., is an executive assistant for New Enterprise Associates in Baltimore.

## 1980

**Phyllis M. Brown (M.Ed.)**, Marlboro, Md., is a teacher for the Board of Education in Prince George's County.

**Virginia Singhaus (B.S.)**, Olney, Md., works as a classroom teacher at Shady Grove Middle School in Montgomery County.

## 1981

**Alise Orloff (B.S.)**, Silver Spring, Md., has worked for 22 years as a tour guide at the U.S. Capitol.

**Evelyn S. Moore (M.Ed.)**, of Washington, D.C., taught for 10 years and was an elementary math resource educator for 14 years before retiring. She also worked in the Washington library system for 14 years.

**Lisa (Wager) Davis (B.S.)**, Davidsonville, Md., teaches science in Anne Arundel Public Schools.

**Diana Stathopoulos Laco (B.S./M.Ed.)**, of Pomfret, Md., is a teacher in LaPlata, Md.

## 1982

**Mary Ann W. Franklin (Ed.D.)**, New Orleans, La., embarked the Queen Mary 2 as part of its inaugural voyage.

## 1983

**Deborah Mobray Kirch (Ph.D.)**, Hershey, Penn., is a licensed psychologist with a private practice.

**JoAnn Feldmann Post (B.S.)**, Bay Village, Ohio, works for Rocky River City Schools as a reading recovery and Title I reading teacher.

**Willary Watter (B.S.)**, of Hastings, Neb., has recently been promoted to the rank of full professor.

**Debra S. Munk (M.A./Ph.D.)**, Kensington, Md., has been promoted to principal of Middletown High School.

## 1985

**James H. VanSciver (Ed.D.)**, Salisbury, Md., has published a children's book entitled, *Close Play At Home*.

**Phyllis Perloth (M.Ed.)**, San Diego, Calif. is a resource specialist in San Diego City Schools.

## 1987

**Nina-Jo Moore (Ph.D.)**, Vilas, N.C., has recently been appointed associate dean in the College of Fine Arts at Appalachian State University.

## 1988

**Suzanne Talbot (M.Ed.)**, Gaithersburg, Md., serves as a field-based instructor for University of Maryland at College Park.

## 1989

**Karen Alexander (B.S.)**, Columbia, Md., is a teacher in Howard County Public Schools.

## 1990

**Jyotsna M. Kalavar (Ph.D.)**, Monroeville, Penn., is an associate professor in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies at The Pennsylvania State University's New Kensington campus.

**Sharon Fratta-Hill (Ph.D.)**, Glendale, Md., is a professor at Prince George's Community College.

**Brigid M. Noonan-Klima (M.A./Ph.D.)**, Orlando, Fla., teaches in the Counselor Education Graduate Program at Stetson University.

## 1991

**Alison Klumpp (B.S.)**, Silver Spring, Md., is a second-grade teacher in Montgomery County Public Schools.

**Mitchell J. Shon (B.S.)**, Mt. Airy, Md., is a field representative for Choice Point Commercial of Hunt Valley, Maryland.

## 1992

**Andrew H. Williams (B.A.)**, Fancy Farm, Ky., is a social studies teacher at Graves County High School.

**Russell A. Poch (A.G.S.)**, Columbia, Md., is a full-time physics professor.

**Samantha (Bilger) Miller (B.S.)**, Hackettstown, N.J., is a kindergarten teacher with the Mt. Olive Board of Education.

## 1993

**Dennis Hoffman Breen (B.S.)**, Winter Park, Fla., is an office manager for Breen Financial Planning Services. He has been married for three years and has a two-year old son.

**Kathleen Kirk (M.Ed.)**, Silver Spring, Md., is a French teacher at Magruder High School in Rockville, Md.

**Yvette Miranian Pruett (M.Ed.)**, Ellicott City, Md., is a guidance counselor with Howard County Public Schools.

## 1994

**Colleen Ruddell Adair (B.S.)**, Annapolis, Md., teaches middle school math in Baltimore County.

## 1995

**Amy Smith (B.S.)**, Waialua, Hawaii, remarried in March 2003 and had her first baby, Keenan Makai Wiech, in December. She is currently in private practice as a behavioral consultant.

**Donna Lynn (Obermeier) Pattison (B.S.)**, Houston, Texas, is currently pursuing her Ph.D. at Rice University.

## 1996

**Amy (Tomasulo) Beatty (B.S.)**, Bartlett, Tenn., teaches high school math at Bolton High School in Arlington, Tenn. She had her first child in July 2004.

**Donna Johnson (B.S.)**, Wheaton, Md., is on leave from her teaching position with Montgomery County Public Schools to care for her first child.

**Jane Freiburg Nickerson (Ph.D.)**, Silver Spring, Md., teaches English at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C.

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**1996 (cont.)**

**Karen Snow (B.A.)**, Bethesda, Md., is a math teacher at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School.

**Kathy Boyer-Shick (Ph.D.)**, Hanover, Md., is a special education and mental health consultant with Baltimore City Head Start.

**Mark Schuyler (B.A.)**, Ludlow, Mass., is an instructor for Kaplan.

**Vincent R. Liburd (Ph.D.)**, Rockville, Md., works for Computer Sciences Corporation as a manager in their Falls Church office.

**1997**

**Christine D. (Brown) Satterfield (B.A.)**, Lynchburg, Va., works in Campbell County Public Schools as a high school English teacher.

**John Gourley (B.S.)**, Annapolis, Md., teaches sixth grade at Magothe River Middle School in Anne Arundel County.

**Lara Hoffman (B.S.)**, Arnold, Md., is a first-grade teacher in Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

**Nancy W. Wiltz (Ph.D.)**, Kensington, Md., is an assistant professor at Towson University.

**1998**

**Florencia Sturla (B.S.)**, Bethesda, Md., is a project coordinator with Northrop Grumman.

**Ping Lin (B.S.)**, Gaithersburg, Md., is a design director for Lillian Interior Company.

**1999**

**Brandy L. Ewell (M.A.)**, Glenallen, Va., is the assistant director of the University of Richmond's Career Development Center.

**Mark W. Kandel (Ph.D.)**, Peckville, Pa., is an assistant professor in the Department of Education at the University of Scranton.

**Rebecca (Burns) Feser (B.S.)**, Essex, Md., married in June of 2001 and gave birth to her son Daniel the following year. She is employed by the Medix School.

**2000**

**Alicia Reges (B.S.)**, Beltsville, Md., works in the Prince George's County Public Schools as a biology teacher.

**Carly Driban (B.S.)**, Moorestown, N.J., teaches at Harzion Temple in the Noreen Cook Center for Early Childhood Education.

**Lara Josloff (B.S.)**, Silver Spring, Md., is a kindergarten teacher with Prince George's County Board of Education.

**Lisa Wabiszczewicz (B.A.)**, Hoboken, N.J., currently attends Seton Hall Law School.

**Shelley Mitchell (B.S.)**, Laurel, Md., teaches first grade in Montgomery County Public Schools.

**Stephanie Linders (B.A.)**, Gaithersburg, Md., is an English teacher in Montgomery County Public Schools.

**2002**

**Dawn Kastanek Kriebel (Ph.D.)**, West Chester, Pa., is an assistant professor of psychology at Immaculate University.

**Kathleen M. Wallis (Ed.D.)**, Manchester, Md., is an elementary assistant principal at Mechanicsville Elementary School in Carroll County. She also serves as an adjunct professor in the Graduate Reading Program at McDaniel College.

*We Remember...*

The College of Education mourns the passing of these retired faculty and staff members:

*Charles J. Beatty*, former chair of the Department of Industrial and Technological Education, former Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, and assistant to the dean for college commencement, passed away in September 2004. (See related story, this page).

*Maryellyn Whitney Gammarino*, support staff in the Dean's Office, passed away in June 2004.

*John Dave Lockhard*, retired science education faculty member in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, passed away in July 2004.

*Hoke L. Smith*, adjunct professor in the Department of Education Policy and Leadership, and former president of Towson University, passed away in March 2004.

*Richard Neville*, former faculty member in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, passed away in March 2004.

These deceased faculty and staff members will be honored with special memorial resolutions offered at the next College of Education Faculty-Staff Assembly.

## Memorial Service Planned for October 17 to Honor College Administrator Charles J. Beatty



Charles J. Beatty

Charles J. Beatty, 70, a University of Maryland educator for 33 years who won master teacher and distinguished teaching awards, died of brain cancer September 9 at Casey House in Rockville.

A memorial service for Beatty is planned for 3 p.m. October 17 at the University of Maryland Chapel. A reception will follow at the Rossborough Inn. In lieu of flowers, the family has established a scholarship fund in honor of Dr. Beatty. Proceeds from the fund will be used to support scholarships for transfer students from Montgomery College who want to attend the University of Maryland College of Education.

He retired in 1999 as associate dean for student affairs in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, and after retirement continued to coordinate the College of Education graduation from the office of the dean.

“Those of us who were privileged to work with Chuck will miss his warmth, charm and sincerity,” said Dean Edna Mora Szymanski. “His passing was a great shock to us all. His contribution to the life and spirit of the college will never be forgotten.”

Beatty was born in Iron Mountain, Michigan. He earned his bachelor's degree from Northern Michigan University in 1959, a master's degree in education from Michigan State University in 1963, and a doctoral degree in education from the Ohio State University in 1967. He was married for nearly 38 years to a College of Education alumnus, Mary Ann Miller Beatty.

He joined the University of Maryland's Department of Industrial, Technological and Occupational Education in the College of Education as a professor and acting chairman in 1966. He remained with the college for his entire career. In addition to fulfilling the usual academic obligations of faculty committees, research grants, and scholarly articles, Beatty was active in professional organizations, including Phi Delta Kappa. He was given a special National Humanitarian Award from the International Technology Education Association. The Beattys were presented with the 2004 Distinguished Service to the College of Education award this past September.

He also served as chairman of the Tootsie Roll Drive for the Knights of Columbus for many years, and also worked with the Burtonsville Health Fair, Christmas in April, Boy Scouts, and Prince George's County Committee for Employment of People with Disabilities. He was a eucharistic minister at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Beltsville, Church of the Resurrection in Burtonsville and St. Alphonsus Rodriguez Catholic Church in Woodstock.

He delighted in sharing stories about his upbringing in Michigan, and was known for his skills with building projects, especially as a woodworker. He enjoyed playing golf and traveling with his wife.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Dr. Mary Ann Beatty of Ellicott City; three children, Dr. Charles Beatty of Tampa, Colleen Dooley of Denver, and Clare Dooley of Billings, Mont.; a sister; a brother; and a granddaughter.

**Editor's note:** Contributions to the scholarship fund can be sent to:  
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# Calendar of Events ~ 2004-2005

Following is a list of upcoming events of interest to College of Education alumni and friends. For information on any of these events, please contact Pat Costantino, '66, '69, Director of Alumni Relations, College of Education, at 301.405.5607, or send an email to [pcostant@umd.edu](mailto:pcostant@umd.edu). You can also visit our web site: [www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu)

## Wednesday through Saturday, October 13-16, 2004

### Maryland State Teachers Association Convention 2004

The College of Education will again host a booth in the exhibit hall at this Ocean City Meeting to welcome alumni and distribute information about new certification and degree programs. Please stop by and say hello.

## Friday through Sunday, October 15-17, 2004

### University of Maryland Homecoming Weekend 2004

The Maryland Alumni Association offers fun and enriching activities for every interest during Homecoming Weekend. Tailgates begin two and one-half hours prior to each Maryland football game at Ludwig Field, adjacent to Lot 1. Come and cheer the Terps onto victory.

[www.alumniconnections.com](http://www.alumniconnections.com)

## Thursday, November 4, 2004

### College of Education Alumni Chapter Board of Directors Meeting

6:30 p.m.

3237 Benjamin, University of Maryland

[www.education.umd.edu/alumni](http://www.education.umd.edu/alumni)

## Thursday, November 18, 2004

### College of Education Alumni Awards Ceremony "Celebrate Education – A Tribute to Teaching and Learning"

5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

University College Inn and Conference Center

The College of Education recognizes alumni who have made significant contributions in the field of education. The categories are outstanding leader, teacher, scholar, professional, entrepreneur, and service. (See story, page 1).

[www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu)

## Sunday, December 19, 2004

### College of Education Winter 2004 Graduation

The graduation ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, December 21. Location: TBD.

[www.commencement.umd.edu](http://www.commencement.umd.edu)

## Saturday, February 5, 2005

### College of Education Alumni Chapter Board of Directors Meeting and Retreat

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Location: TBD

## Saturday, February 12, 2005

### Terp Couples Event

Did you and your spouse meet at the University of Maryland? If so, please join us for this very special event sponsored by the Alumni Association. The College of Education will have a special table for their alums.

[www.alumni.umd.edu](http://www.alumni.umd.edu)

## Thursday, March 3, 2005

### Baltimore Area Alumni Event

The Baltimore Area Alumni Event will once again be held at the National Aquarium in the Inner Harbor! Last year's dinner with the Dean and a special opportunity to visit the "Sea Horse" Exhibit was a great success. It was attended by over 50 alumni who enjoyed the beautiful view of the Inner Harbor while reconnecting with other alums.

[www.education.umd.edu/alumni](http://www.education.umd.edu/alumni)

## Thursday, April 7, 2005

### College of Education Alumni Chapter Board of Directors Meeting

6:30 p.m.

3237 Benjamin, University of Maryland

[www.education.umd.edu/alumni](http://www.education.umd.edu/alumni)

## Saturday, April 30, 2005

### Maryland Day: Explore Our World

University of Maryland, College Park

The University of Maryland, College Park opens its doors for alumni and their families, parents, prospective students, the business community, and residents of the surrounding Baltimore-Washington Metro area to visit our beautiful campus. Come and enjoy a day filled with learning, exploration, and fun for everyone. Stop by the College of Education tent on the mall to meet the Dean and learn about our programs.

[www.marylandday.umd.edu](http://www.marylandday.umd.edu)

## Friday, May 20, 2005

### Silver and Gold Anniversary Program

1955 and 1980 were both very good years. Alumni who graduated in those years will be invited to reminisce on the 25th and 50th anniversary of that momentous event in their lives by once again dressing in special "silver and gold" graduation regalia, participating in a special ceremony, and enjoying a reunion with their classmates.

[www.education.umd.edu/alumni](http://www.education.umd.edu/alumni)

## Sunday, May 22, 2005

### College of Education Spring 2005 Graduation

The College of Education graduation ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, May 22. Location: TBD.

[www.education.umd.edu](http://www.education.umd.edu)



## Fear the Turtle.

## Wednesdays, October 6 & 20, November 17, December 1

### MIMAUE Fall 2004 Colloquium

### School Violence: Impact on Student Achievement

Room 0212, Benjamin Building

University of Maryland, College Park

The Maryland Institute for Minority Achievement and Urban Education presents its Fall 2004 Colloquium focusing on the dimensions of school violence, including the impact of school violence on student achievement. Each session will feature an expert discussing research and/or current school practice related to a different dimension of school violence. The series will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Benjamin Building, Room 0212. Sessions are open to all students, faculty, staff, members of the campus community, and the educational community at large. Refreshments will be provided by the College of Education Outreach Office. For more information, contact Martin L. Johnson, Associate Dean for Urban and Minority Education, at 301.405.0246 or [mj13@umail.umd.edu](mailto:mj13@umail.umd.edu).