

Endeavors

To Our Alumni and Friends

Effective leadership is a vital component of a successful volunteer organization. In this *Endeavors* issue, four members of the College of Education Alumni Chapter Board of Directors take time to discuss the value of their volunteer service. Although the roles of the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer vary, these alumni view their efforts as a meaningful learning experience that contributes to personal and professional growth.



Bob Ramin

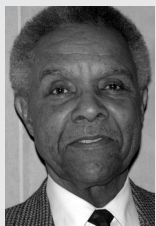
"By volunteering my time, I am able to meet extraordinary education professionals and learn new things all the time," explains board treasurer, Bob Ramin. He adds that understanding how the college affects various educational disciplines has been an eye-opening experience. "It is amazing what a huge impact the College of

Education has on the campus, the region, the nation, and the world. The research and the activities of the college's graduates are astounding, and something I learn more about constantly."



Jennifer Jarosinski

As a teacher herself, board secretary Jennifer Jarosinski, appreciates the challenges and dedication of persons in the profession and was inspired to volunteer on their behalf. "I stay active with the college because it provides students who want to become teachers with a superior education and preparation to enter the classroom. I believe these new teachers will have a positive impact on their students."



Carl Anderson

Vice president of the board, Carl Anderson, served for many years as Howard University's vice president for student affairs before retiring. A seasoned and astute administrator, he shares his cumulative

expertise with the board because he appreciates the value of his college education and admires the strides the university has made in recent years. "Over the years since my matriculation the university has climbed the ladder toward excellence," notes Carl. "Becoming engaged with your alma mater not only offers the opportunity to give back, but also provides the opportunity to associate with individuals from various walks of life that strive for one thing— to make the University of Maryland a better institution."



Jean Mullan

Alumni Board President Jean Mullan is a dedicated and enthusiastic volunteer on behalf of the college and the university, who enjoys personally welcoming each new graduate to the Alumni Chapter during the college's commencement ceremonies. Jean says she offers her leadership to the board because it provides an

opportunity to let both "old and new alumni know how much we appreciate them, and how much we need them for the future strength of the college." She believes alumni should be proud to be part of the College of Education and encourages others to find ways to support the board's efforts, such as attending alumni activities and becoming members of the University of Maryland Alumni Association.

All four members of the board's leadership team recognize and appreciate the excellence of the college's highly ranked programs and value the importance of its research enterprise. Although they volunteer for various reasons, the sentiments they expressed contain a common theme: alumni play an important role in fostering connections between each other, the College of Education, and the University of Maryland.

If you would like to learn more about the College of Education Alumni Chapter and its activities, contact Pat Costantino, Director of Alumni Relations, at pmc4@umd.edu, or visit the web at www.education.umd.edu.

Dr. William Strasser, Jr., Receives 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award

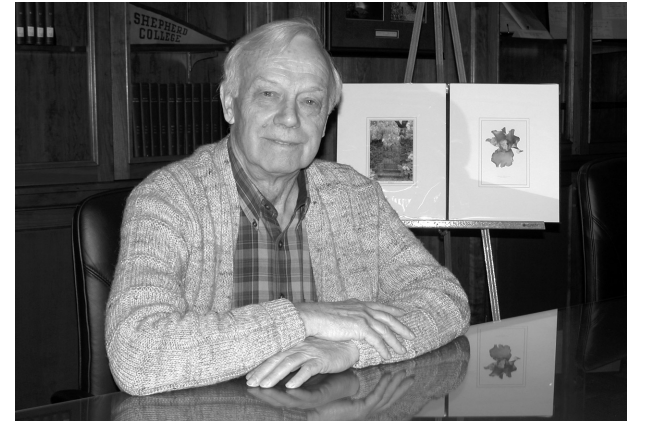
William Strasser, Jr., is quite humble when asked about his selection for one of the University of Maryland's most prestigious awards. "This honor was unexpected, and that makes it all the more appreciated," said Strasser. "I am most grateful to the University of Maryland and the College of Education for recognizing me in this way."

Strasser is the 2006 recipient of the College of Education Distinguished Alumnus Award. He is one of 17 individuals being honored April 8 at the University of Maryland Alumni Association Awards Gala. Strasser, who earned a B.A. in secondary education English (1952), an M.A. in arts and humanities (1954), and a Ph.D. in education administration (1961), has had an exceptional career spanning more than 35 years in the administration of public secondary and higher education. Strasser has many happy memories of his University of Maryland years and the friends he met there, and he remains in close contact with his faculty advisor, retired professor Clarence Newell.

Following graduation, Strasser held various teaching, administrative, research, and public policy positions in education during the 1950s and 60s. As a specialist in educational administration in the U.S. Office of Education during President Lyndon Johnson's development of the "Great Society" programs, Strasser conducted national policy research related to financing shared-time/dual-enrollment programs in public, parochial, and private schools.

Born in Washington, D.C., Strasser grew up in the city and surrounding suburban areas when that region was undergoing tremendous population growth after the Second World War. Upon accepting appointment as the president of the then Montgomery Junior College, he viewed his responsibility as an opportunity to help the County open new paths to higher education and community enhancement. In that position he led the county-wide development of a long-range master plan to transform Montgomery Junior College into a highly diversified, three-campus community college, renamed Montgomery College.

"Community colleges play a unique role in the intellectual, economic, and cultural life of a community," notes Strasser. "Only very few and limited higher education opportunities existed within the County when I became president, and I believed a much broader scope of programs, services, and facilities would be advantageous for area residents. I thought that, if the College could expand its programs and facilities, more people who wanted to pursue a higher education could have access locally to a high quality institution, and more people would benefit from the many economic and cultural enhancements that such a community college would bring to the area."



Dr. William Strasser, Jr. creates photo art using digital imaging software—one of his many retirement hobbies.

With this perspective, Strasser lobbied tirelessly to interest persons within the College and the Montgomery County and State governments to support expansion. Once the master plan was approved by the College Board of Trustees, Strasser took the lead in securing financing and overseeing the plan's implementation. During his tenure as president for 13 years, enrollments and course offerings quadrupled, a new campus at Germantown was created, the Takoma Park Campus was redeveloped and expanded, the Rockville Campus more than doubled in capacity, and a major off-campus program of continuing adult education was established.

A respected academic, Strasser throughout his career published in various national journals and presented at numerous regional and national forums. In addition, he was awarded grants from the Ford Foundation and the Danforth Foundation. He served as a Carnegie Postdoctoral Fellow in the Administration of Higher Education at the University of Michigan and a Visiting Scholar at the University of California-Berkeley. His biography is included in *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in the World*.

Now retired, Strasser resides in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. On his retirement, the College Board of Trustees granted him the rank of President Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Montgomery College. He enjoys a wide variety of retirement hobbies, including exhibiting some of his artistic digital photography, researching and writing his family's colonial and early American history and genealogy, working outdoors at his country home, and occasionally composing poetry.

Editor's Note: Also honored at the 2006 Alumni Association Awards Gala are College of Education alumna, Jacqueline Heise '49, and her husband, John. They are recipients of the Spirit of Maryland Award. To read more about the honorees and the University of Maryland Alumni Association, visit: www.alumni.umd.edu/programs/annualawards.html.

Anderson Honored with President's Volunteer Service Award



President George W. Bush congratulates Dr. Carl E. Anderson, upon receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award during a White House celebration of African American History Month. Photo by Paul Morse, courtesy of the White House.

College of Education Alumni Chapter Vice President Carl E. Anderson, Ed.D., was one of five individuals honored on Feb. 22 at the President's Volunteer Service Awards Ceremony hosted at the White House.

Held in commemoration of the 80th celebration of African American History Month, attendees of the ceremony included

Vice President Dick Cheney and civil rights pioneer, Dorothy Height. As noted in President George Bush's remarks that day, "The President's Volunteer Service Award is the highest level of commendation a President can give in recognition of those who have contributed their time and their talent and their energy to helping others."

Anderson was commended for his work with the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity's Alumni Chapter in Washington, D.C. He was among the chapter's founders, and served for 10 years as president of the Kappa Scholarship Endowment Fund—a scholarship program for deserving seniors in financial need attending public high schools in the District. More than 300 scholarships have been funded in part from proceeds of the annual Celebrity Auction and Soul Food Feast, an event Anderson has chaired for the past 22 years.

Anderson is vice president emeritus for Student Affairs at Howard University. He earned his Ed.D. in student personnel administration from the College of Education. Among his many honors, he has been recognized by the University of Maryland Alumni Association with the 2003 College of Education Distinguished Alumnus Award.

A Message from the Dean:



Edna Mora Szymanski

The promise of spring encourages thinking about renewal, growth, and potential. In the natural world, visible signs are easy to see: the grass greens, plants grow, and all things seem possible.

Renewal, growth and potential are terms that can also describe key elements of our thriving College of Education at the University of Maryland. The very process of education reflects constant growth and renewal. Students are absorbed in their studies, and faculty members reach out through their teaching and research.

Our alumni are also part of this cycle. Through dedication and financial support, alumni help the college reach its potential and address critical societal needs, for example, developing strategies to help all students, including those most disadvantaged, to succeed.

The college goals for the upcoming capital and endowment campaign are to expand and upgrade the aging Benjamin Building, endow and name distinguished faculty chairs and professorships, expand graduate fellowship opportunities, and add scholarships for deserving students. I hope you will join me by investing in these goals.

We have been fortunate in the past that many of our alumni have made regular, sustained gifts to our college and its programs. These wonderful alumni have gotten into a "habit of giving," providing a sustained source of funding that is deeply appreciated. As a dean, I find it interesting that many of our alumni have been making regular annual gifts for five, ten years, and in some cases even longer. Clearly these benefactors are in the habit of giving and understand regular gifts support the renewal and growth for scholarship awards, programmatic support, and discretionary funding that can be used to leverage additional funds.

It is only natural that part of our campaign planning includes a review of giving patterns so we can seek out prospects who find our case for support to be compelling and worthy of gifts. We continue to hear from alumni who want us to be aware of their career accomplishments and who appreciate how much their education contributed to their success. Naturally, we hope to find more of these benefactors.

We also will explore new ways to recognize those benefactors who have made a commitment to support the College of Education through sustained gifts over a number of years, or new gifts that create a lasting legacy. One way we plan to recognize our major benefactors is with a special celebration, "The Bash at Benjamin" on Saturday, May 20. This formal event will be used to reflect on the college's rich and vibrant history, as well as to look ahead to the future. Long-time donors will join university VIPs, corporate supporters, and friends of the college in being treated to an evening reception, special program, and dinner and dancing under the stars, all taking place on the plaza between the Benjamin Building and Tawes Fine Arts Building.

I'm looking forward to "The Bash at Benjamin" where we will celebrate our heritage and share our dreams with friends, alumni and supporters. Best of all, it's not too late to expand our invitation list with the names of additional alumni who want to be part of our legacy and our future. If you would like to learn more about our upcoming campaign and "The Bash at Benjamin," celebration, I invite you to send an email to me at Endeavors@umd.edu. Happy Spring!

Edna Mora Szymanski

Edna Mora Szymanski, Dean
College of Education

College Launches Landmarks and Legacies History Web Site

Oral history interviews, archival photos, and records of historic firsts are just some of the interesting components that describe the milestones of the College of Education and are depicted on a new website, *Landmarks and Legacies: A History of the College of Education, 1920 to present*.

The comprehensive, web-based timeline is part of the college's Landmarks and Legacies history project, conceived of two years ago by Dean Edna Mora Szymanski in an effort to collect and preserve a record of the significant and noteworthy achievements from the last 86 years of the college's history. The timeline is found at: www.education.umd.edu/CollegeHistory.

Celebrating the college's role within the 150-year history of the University of Maryland, the site features: quotes from interviews with retired faculty and staff, excerpts from historical documents and publications, photos of each of the college's 20 deans, pictures from 16 sites the college has occupied since 1920, dozens of photos from University of Maryland archives depicting early childhood education and industrial technology education, as well as vintage shots of faculty and students.

The timeline also reflects significant events in the college and university history that were shaped by larger national events, such as the Great Depression, World War II, desegregation, and trends in education that contributed to the growth and expansion of programs.

"Through this project, we have come to appreciate how the efforts of many faculty, staff, and alumni have shaped the college and the significance of our contributions to the University of Maryland, the state and the nation," Szymanski said. "We have discovered photos and files that were thought to be lost forever. It has been an exciting project—one that has allowed our current and retired faculty and staff, and our alumni, the chance to capture the past for future generations."

A collection of photos and College of Education artifacts is also on display in the main lobby of the Benjamin Building, open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. To keep up-to-date on all of the campus activities for the university's year-long 150th anniversary celebration, visit www.150years.umd.edu.



We Need Your Help!

Do you think you are the oldest graduate of the College of Education? We have heard from one graduate from the Class of 1934...did you graduate before then? If so, please contact Deborah Hudson, Assistant Dean, 3119 Benjamin, College Park, MD., 20742, or call 301.405.8145. We want to talk with you!

Silver & Gold Graduation Event Honors Classes '56, '81

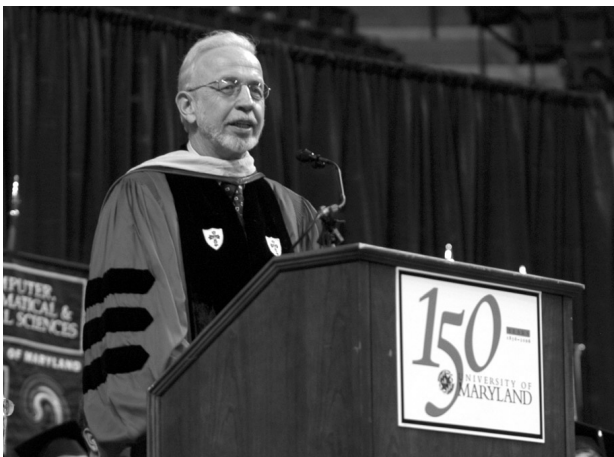
Twenty-five and 50-year anniversaries are exceptional occasions to be celebrated in grand style. The College of Education intends to do just that as it hosts a special luncheon and ceremony on Friday, May 19, to commemorate the silver and gold graduation anniversaries of alumni from the Class of 1981 and Class of 1956. The college's annual tradition of honoring these milestone graduates is especially fitting this year as the University of Maryland continues celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding.

The Silver and Gold Anniversary Celebration is a wonderful opportunity for alumni to revisit their alma mater to relive their

memories and reunite with old friends. Honorees will be part of a special ceremony and receive commemorative medallions and wear silver and gold regalia. In addition, the Silver and Gold alumni are invited to participate in the College of Education's May 22 graduation ceremony, where they will process in with the students and faculty, be seated with the graduates and help welcome the Class of 2006 to the college's alumni family of more than 36,000.

Invitations will be sent to members of the Class of 1981 and Class of 1956. For more information, contact Pat Costantino, Director of Alumni Relations, at: pmc4@umd.edu

Splaine Chosen Commencement Speaker for Fall Ceremonies



John E. Splaine delivers his commencement address to the Class of 2005. Photo courtesy of University of Maryland.

The University of Maryland fall graduating Class of 2005 chose one of the College of Education's most popular faculty members to deliver the commencement address on Dec. 21, 2005. Associate Professor Emeritus John E. Splaine, Department of Education Policy and Leadership, delivered an inspiring address greeted by cheers and applause.

"I try to challenge students to think for themselves. However, I believe that they need knowledge in order to think critically about what they read, hear and see," says Splaine, who added that he always appreciates the chance to communicate with students. "I believe the rewards of being an educator really come from being around those who want to learn and encouraging them to explore their interests."

Splaine joined the College of Education's education policy and leadership faculty in 1973, retiring in 2001 as associate professor emeritus. He accepted a position at the University of Denver, where he held the Amos B. Hostetter, Jr., Chair and taught courses in political communication until his retirement in 2003. Since then, he has taught education courses part-time at the University of Maryland. Splaine has received many honors throughout his career, including the Outstanding Educator Award from Kappa Delta Pi (Iota Upsilon Chapter) in 2000. In 2005, he was named as a faculty mentor by one of the University of Maryland Philip Merrill Presidential Scholars.

A well-respected scholar, Splaine has been an education consultant with C-SPAN television since 1987. He has presented at a Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) seminar, and has appeared on National Public Radio (NPR). Splaine is the author of *Road to the White House Since Television* and *A Companion to the Lincoln-Douglas Debates*.

New Alumni College Event, "Return to Learn" on June 24

The College of Education and its Alumni Chapter will host 'Return to Learn,' a one-day Alumni College, on June 24, 2006. College and University of Maryland alumni, friends and guests are invited to return to campus for a day of discovery and professional development featuring presentations by top faculty, outstanding teachers, and education policy experts at the College of Education.

"Return to Learn' is a terrific way for our alumni and friends to participate in stimulating discussions on topics that are timely and important," said Toni Ungaretti, an alumni board member and Alumni College coordinator. "It will be a great day of learning because we've assembled outstanding faculty, educators, policy experts, and teachers. The hardest part of the day will be choosing which sessions to attend."

Faculty, alumni, and guest presenters will cover a wide variety of topics in multiple sessions. Excellence in teaching will be discussed by a panel of former and current Maryland Teachers of the Year, including Michele Zurad, alumni board member. Federal education policy will be discussed by alumni board member Jane West, who is vice president for government relations with American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (AACTE) and David Imig, professor of practice at the college and president emeritus of AACTE. Christine Frank and Jolynn Tarwater, representing the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, will talk about teacher preparation. Professors Melanie Killen and Kenneth Rubin from the Department of Human Development will discuss social and emotional development of children. In addition, Deputy Director of the Peace Corps Jody Olsen and member of the alumni board, will talk about the anniversary of the founding of the Peace Corps. Nationally known speaker and professor emeritus, Nancy Schlossberg, will also offer a presentation on retirement based on her popular book, *Retire Smart, Retire Happy*. The guest luncheon speaker is popular College of Education associate professor emeritus, John Splaine.

Sessions begin at 9 a.m. Morning refreshments, lunch, and a motor coach tour of campus in the afternoon are included in the registration fee. Activities will conclude at 2 p.m.

Tuition for 'Return to Learn,' is \$25 for University of Maryland Alumni Association members and \$30 for College of Education alumni, students, and guests. The deadline to enroll is Friday, June 9, 2006. All classes and activities will be held in the Benjamin Building, home of the College of Education. The building is handicapped accessible. Directions and parking information can be found online at: www.transportation.umd.edu.

To register, request additional information, or if you require special accommodations, contact Pat Costantino, Director of Alumni Relations, 301.405.5607, or send an email to: pmc4@umd.edu.

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ClassNotes

1933

Evelyn (Bixler) Griffith (M.A.), Alexandria, Va., is a retired District of Columbia elementary school teacher, a position she held from 1935 to 1967.

1954

Joyce Elaine (Ames) Huyett (B.S.), Kansas City, Mo., recently celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with her 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is a member of *Who's Who in American Women*.

1963

Esther F. Boleyn (B.S.), Hagerstown, Md., taught for 20 years in public elementary school education and 10 years as an English as a Second Language (ESOL) instructor before retiring.

1964

John K. Fisher (Ed.D.), Ridgefield, Conn., currently serves as the president and chief executive officer of St. Vincent's College in Bridgeport.

1968

Pamela E. Geiger Collins (B.S.), Southport, N.C., retired from Montgomery County Public Schools in 2004 and relocated to North Carolina, where she just completed her first year as principal at Bolivia Elementary School.

1969

Marilyn Davis Coolidge (B.S.), Crofton, Md., has been married 28 years and has two daughters.

1970

Laurie Siegel (B.A.), Washington, D.C., was selected as the Outstanding Arts Teacher for 2005 by the D.C. Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

Mary Chase Wood (B.S.), Columbia, Mo., works at the University of Missouri's Ellis Library.

1972

Stevie Auld Brinkerhoff (B.S.), Richland, Mich., a first-grade teacher in Comstock Public Schools, was recently featured in a recent edition of *Words Their Way*, by Shane Templeton.

Gary Clarke (M.Ed.), Bethesda, Md., retired from Montgomery County Public Schools after 33 years at Whitman Senior High. He is now both a teacher and a coach at the National Cathedral School for Boys.

Jim Callahan (B.S.), Hyattsville, Md., is the father of six daughters and retired from the Washington D.C. AFL-C10 Bakery Union 118, where he served as president.

1973

Sharon Sappington Thoemke (B.S.), Naples, Fla., is a math teacher at Naples High School in Florida, where she has taught for 33 years.

Randall Gills (B.S.), Boynton Beach, Fla., is the author of a recent book, *Images of America: Boynton Beach* published this summer. Royalties from the book are dedicated to the Schoolhouse Children's Museum.

1974

Gary E. Eddy (B.S.), Peapack, N.J., has been named medical director of the Metheny Medical and Educational Center, a teaching hospital, special education school, and a comprehensive medical center designed to meet the healthcare needs of persons with all types of disabilities.

Janet (Sheoler) Meltzer (B.S.), White Plains, N.Y., is working as a pre-school special education teacher in Westchester County, N.Y.

1975

Robert Caruso, (PhD.), Webster, N.C., is vice chancellor for student affairs at Western Carolina University and interim director of the college student personnel program. He was the opening speaker at the annual North Carolina College Personnel Association (NCCPA) meeting in Greensboro, N.C. He was also honored as the NCCPA Distinguished Scholars for the past year for co-developing the Western's masters degree program in college student personnel.

1976

Karen Franks (B.S.), Bloomington, Ind., an educator of gifted students, was awarded the 2005 Butler-Cooley Teaching Award and was named in the *2005 Who's Who Among American Teachers*.

1976 (cont.)

Michael J. Creveling (B.S.), La Plata, Md., retired after 30 years in Prince George's Country Public Schools. He is teaching biology in the Charles County Public Schools.

Jeanette M. Sorren Tino (AGS), Laurel, Md., is retired from the Maryland State Department of Education where she worked for 22 years as an accreditation specialist. She has co-authored a book, *Children: Their Growth and Development*, and received the Judith P. Hoyer Award for Outstanding Service to Children from the Prince George's County Interagency Early Childhood Committee.

Archie van Norden (B.S.), Hagerstown, Md., is a principal with the Board of Education in Washington County, Md.

Dana Kelly (B.S.), Lakeland, Fla., is a K-5 teacher of gifted students for the Polk School Board. She was a member of the *2005 USA Today All Teacher Team* and named for the third time in the *Who's Who Among America's Best Teachers*.

1977

Matilde E. Vallejos (B.S.), Mount Airy, Md., was the first Hispanic student in the college when she graduated. She now serves as a pupil personnel worker in Montgomery County Public Schools.

Faith Christensen McInuis (B.S.), Lacey, Wash., a special education teacher leader at Chinook Middle School, was awarded the Intel Teacher-Project Award and the Washington State High School ASB Excellence Award.

1979

Bernice R. Sandler (Ed.D.), Chevy Chase, Md., whose work focused on sex discrimination in education, is a senior scholar at the Women's Research and Education Institutes. She has recently co-authored a book on student-to-student sexual harassment in K-12 education.

1980

Karla Berg Walker (M.Ed.), Silver Spring, Md., is a reading specialist and curriculum support teacher for Montgomery County Public Schools.

1981

Christine Barbara Bogar (M.A.), Spanish Fort, Ala., is a counselor and adjunct professor at the University of South Alabama in Mobile, where she moved six years ago.

Elaine Lynn Jacobowitz (M.Ed.), Frederick, Md., is in her 25th year as a professor at Gallardo University's Department of ASL and Deaf Studies. She is also the president of ASL Rose, LLC, a DVD/book production company focusing on ASL and English materials for K-12 users.

1988

Pamela Leffler (B.S.), Laurel, Md., is an AP science teacher at Paint Branch High School in Montgomery County, where she was appointed as chair of the science department in 2003.

Jill Irely (M.Ed.), Rockville, Md., is a professor in the Applied Technologies Department at Montgomery College.

1990

Jack Anders (AGS), Silver Spring, Md., a practicing divorce mediator at the age of 89, is still facilitating divorce recovery groups.

Renee Roth (M.A.), Pasadena, Md., received the National Board Certification in the area of early and middle childhood literacy, the first and only Prince George's County Public Schools teacher to receive certification in this area.

Joan Irwin (Ed.D.), Saddle Brook, N.J., who served as the International Reading Association's director of publications from 1991 to 2004, was inducted into the Association of Educational Publishers Hall of Fame.

1993

Lynn D. Nathan (B.S.), Waldorf, Md., a gifted education resource teacher for Charles County Public Schools, achieved national board certification in the area of middle childhood generalist.

1994

David Pressley (M.A.), Mars Hill, N.C., has been voted Counselor of the Year by his peers in the Henderson County Public School System, where he serves as a high school counselor.

1994 (cont.)

Jason Jaffe (B.S.), Furlong, Pa., recently earned his national board certification and works as a sixth-grade teacher in Central Bucks (County) Schools.

1995

Robert A. Morse (Ph.D.), Washington, D.C., a physics teacher at St. Albans School, spent part of his 2004 sabbatical as a Wright Fellow at Tufts University where he completed a project on Benjamin Franklin's electrical experiments.

1996

Kim Mattison (B.S.), Crofton, Md., taught for two years in Charles County and six years in Anne Arundel County. She is now at home to care for her two children.

1998

Karen Haven (B.S.), Silver Spring, Md., is employed as a consulting teacher with new and underperforming educators in Montgomery County Public Schools.

1999

Cory Chimka (B.S.), Washington, D.C., was named National Kind Teacher for 2005 by the National Association for Human and Environmental Education. He was featured on WAMU's Metro Connection.

Charles W. Rhan (Ph.D.), Bethesda, Md., was recently promoted to marketing director for the LTCi Group—specialist in long-term care and retirement planning.

2000

Lori Johnson DeBoy (M.A.), Edgewater, Md., was recently promoted to associate director of administrative affairs at the School of Music, University of Maryland.

Melissa Miller Kincart (M.A.), Salt Lake City, Utah, is the assistant to the vice provost for enrollment management at Utah State University.

2001

Kim Daugherty (B.S.), Owings Mills, Md., a second-grade teacher in Baltimore County Public Schools, was married in September of last year.

2002

Laurie Chvatal (B.A.), College Park, Md., is the kindergarten chair at Melwood Elementary in Prince George's County. She is working with People to People over the summer.

2003

Jenn Storek Bauer (M.Ed.), Gaithersburg, Md., is an AP psychology teacher at Wootton High School, and was married last year.

Kristen DeMoss (B.A.), Silver Spring, Md., recently received the 2005 New Teacher of the Year award for Prince George's County Public Schools from the Maryland Art Educators Association.

2004

Anthony J. Ramienski (M.Ed.), Olney, Md., was recently hired by Frederick County to teach modern world history to high school sophomores.

We Remember...

The College of Education acknowledges these recent deaths:

Jodellano (Jodey) Statom, former assistant professor in the Department of Education Policy and Leadership, former assistant provost in the Division of Human and Community Resources, and retired director of Teacher Education at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. December 2005.

Marilyn Jean Greenlee Church, former faculty member in the departments of Human Development as well as Curriculum and Instruction, and a former director of the Center for Young Children. June 2005.

These deceased faculty members were honored with special memorial resolutions read into the official minutes of the College of Education Senate as part of the Feb. 3 Faculty-Staff Assembly. To see the resolutions, visit: www.education.umd.edu/college_senate/memorials

We Would Like to Hear From You!

We've been happy to hear from more than 500 of you, but we have more than 36,000 alumni! Please take a moment to fill out this form and return it to the College of Education.

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Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Preferred Email Address _____

Spouse _____

Is your spouse a University of Maryland graduate? Yes No Grad Year(s) _____

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

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Title _____

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Check this box if you do **NOT** want your news to be part of ClassNotes

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Calendar of Events ~ Spring-Fall 2006

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 pmc4@umd.edu. Additional information can be found on the web: www.education.umd.edu/infofor/alumniandfriends.html.

Saturday, April 8, 2006

Seventh Annual University of Maryland Alumni Association Awards Gala

5:30 p.m.

Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center

The University of Maryland will honor and celebrate the achievements of 17 individuals at the Seventh Annual Alumni Association Awards Gala. Awards will be presented by the alumni association and participating colleges and schools. The College of Education will honor William C. Strasser, Jr., B.A., '52, M.A., '54 and Ph.D., '61, president emeritus of Montgomery College, as the recipient of the 2006 Distinguished Alumnus Award (see page 1, *Endeavors*). Invitations will be mailed. For more information, visit: www.alumni.umd.edu

Wednesday, April 19, 2006

Provost's Conversations on Diversity, Democracy, and Higher Education

Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Multipurpose Room, Nyumburu Cultural Center

The Provost's Conversations are a series of interactive lectures open to the campus community and the community at large. At this session William F. Tate, Distinguished Professor in Arts and Sciences, Washington University in St. Louis, will present on "A Matter of Public Interest: Schools, Neighborhoods and Social Inequality." Lunch will be provided. Co-sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Maryland Institute for Minority Achievement and Urban Education. Visit: www.education.umd.edu/MIMAUE

Thursday, April 20, 2006

College of Education Alumni Board Meeting

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

3237 Benjamin Building

www.education.umd.edu

Friday, May 19, 2006

College of Education – Silver and Gold Anniversary Celebration

College of Education alumni from the Silver Class of 1981 and Gold Class of 1956 are invited to return to the University to celebrate their 25th and 50th graduation anniversary. Alumni enjoy a reunion with their classmates and reminisce on that significant occasion in their lives by donning "silver and gold" graduation regalia and participating in a special awards ceremony. For more information, contact Pat Costantino, 301.405.5607, or visit: www.education.umd.edu

Saturday, May 20, 2006

The Bash at Benjamin

Celebrate Our Past. Embrace Our Future

6 to 9 p.m.

Benjamin Building and Tawes Plaza, University of Maryland

A very special evening is planned to recognize the College of Education—how the legacies of the past create the milestones of the future. The Bash at Benjamin will include a historic-themed

reception, reminiscences, a formal dinner, dancing, VIP guests, and an exciting program that will offer a portal to the college's promising future. Invitations will be sent. This is one of several events planned as part of the University of Maryland's 150th Anniversary Celebration, and is part of the College of Education's Landmarks and Legacies project. For more information on the event, contact Deborah Hudson, Assistant Dean, External Relations, at dmhudson@umd.edu

Monday, May 22, 2006

College of Education Spring 2006 Graduation

Noon

Comcast Center

Silver and Gold alumni are invited to walk with the Class of 2006.

www.education.umd.edu/studentinfo/graduation_ceremonies/

(University commencement is on Sunday, May 21, Comcast Center: www.umd.edu/commencement)

Saturday, June 24, 2006

Return to Learn – First Annual Alumni College

College of Education alumni and friends are invited to return to the college for a day of activities, including special faculty presentations, lunch with the Dean, a keynote address by Associate Professor Emeritus John Splaine and a motor coach tour of campus. Sponsored by the College of Education Alumni Chapter. To register, visit: www.education.umd.edu/infofor/alumniandfriends

Thursday, Sept. 14, 2006

Close to Your Home (Base!) – Close to Your Heart College of Education Alumni Picnic and Baseball Game

5:30 p.m. ~ Picnic

7 p.m. ~ Baseball Game, Orioles vs. Red the Sox

Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore

Join College of Education alumni, faculty, staff and friends for a classic night in "Bawlmer" featuring a catered picnic at the ballpark, followed by baseball, when the O's take on the Boston Red Sox. Sure to be a sell out, so reserve your seats right away. The \$25 fee includes the picnic, a great seat, and a free t-shirt. Seats are limited and will sell out fast, so put your name on our reservation list today. For more information, contact Pat Costantino, Director of Alumni Relations, College of Education, at 301.405.5607, or send an email to pmc4@umd.edu.

Friday, Oct. 20, 2006

Alumni Reception in Ocean City

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Ocean City, Maryland

The College of Education Alumni Chapter will sponsor a reception for alumni attending the various education conferences being held in Ocean City, Maryland. Stop by and meet Associate Dean Donna Wiseman, reunite with friends from the past, and enjoy learning what's new at the College of Education. The event is being hosted by alumnus Patricia Gronkiewicz, '71, '77. For information, visit: www.education.umd.edu/infofor/alumniandfriends.html

Now through November 2006

University of Maryland 150th Anniversary – Annapolis Exhibit

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Miller Senate Office Building, Annapolis

As part of the university's sesquicentennial anniversary celebration, the exhibit communicates the importance and value of having one of the nation's top public research universities in the state.

Visit: www.150years.umd.edu

MARYLAND DAY 2006



"Explore our World" April 29, Maryland Day

Maryland Day 2006 promises to be one of the largest gatherings ever, as an extraordinary number of visitors are expected on campus to "Explore Our World" and celebrate the University of Maryland's 150th Anniversary. The eighth annual open house for the community kicks off at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 29, rain or shine.

Alumni, friends, members of the public, prospective students and their families, are invited to campus for an exciting day of discovery, learning, and fun. The College of Education will host numerous events for all ages at various locations. The Benjamin Building will host several activities for children, including the ever-popular face painting, spin art, digital games, storytelling, origami craft, and more. All visitors can enjoy a display of history photos and artifacts installed in the Benjamin South Lobby, and browse the web-based timeline, featuring photos, interviews, memorable dates, and comprehensive accounts of the history of the College of Education from 1920 to present.

Attendees are also invited to visit the Center for Young Children for an Early Childhood Festival. Guests can see a puppet show, explore the playground, tour the Center, and enjoy some light refreshments. The College of Education Tent will be located on McKeldin Mall—the hub of Maryland Day activities—where information about the college and its programs will be available at various tables. Visitors can explore career options in education, get help finding funds to pursue a teaching career, meet the college dean, associate deans and department chairs, and connect with members of the College of Education Alumni Chapter Board of Directors. The Maryland Literacy Research Center will present information on their work.

For a listing of all the April 29 festivities, visit the Maryland Day website at: www.marylandday.umd.edu. For more information on the College of Education's activities, visit www.education.umd.edu, or send an email to Maryland Day coordinator, Pat Costantino, at pmc4@umd.edu.