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What a season!
All-Conference forward Missy King helps MC to the NCAA national tournament

Construction Zone: Alumni dig into new Science Center
Chime, class photos, chuckles — it’s Homecoming!
Greetings from Manchester College!

As this issue of Manchester Magazine describes, it is an especially exciting time for us. The year has been marked by many successes, with just enough challenges to remind us of the need for humility and of the importance of remaining focused. And always, development of our strength and confidence is what will serve us well in the current turbulence in higher education.

First, some of our terrific news:

- We have broken ground on our $17 million Science Center. At 86,000+ square feet, it is the resource that will sustain our strength and renown in undergraduate education in the sciences. It took years to accomplish, but it is debt-free and the facility that our science faculty wanted!

- We have met all of the wonderful fund-raising challenges set for us by Lilly Endowment over the past several years, and the Endowment soon will have provided us with a full $4.5 million, most of it to help construct the Science Center. Four challenges have been met – to Trustees, alumni, faculty and staff, and parents and students. This success, achieved by those who are closest to the College and know us best, is awesome – and it is a key resource as we ask others to help us address our needs.

- We expect construction will soon begin on our terrific new Recital Hall in Winger Hall. It should be ready for fall 2004. At $1.2 million, it will be an anchor for our efforts in the arts, both to encourage performers and develop audiences for the nation.

- Thanks to new gifts and the recovery of the equities market, our endowment approaches $30 million. Our decision over the past several years not to draw income from a wounded endowment while it healed proved wise, if painful. New Board policies will cushion us against sudden or dramatic change in the future.

And there is much more. Our men’s and women’s sports teams have done very well; our terrific A Cappella Choir will be off soon to Italy to perform; and students, faculty, and graduates amass successes in many areas. As ideas collide on campus, as seems to be happening more often, we grow stronger as a fine, distinctive American college.

There are challenges. The lack of endowment income has been troublesome, and we have made difficult financial choices. In a time when our students come to us more and more skilled with computers, we are stretched to fulfill their expectations in information technology. A late-night fire in Schwalm Hall in October, ruled as arson, was unsettling and costly, although, thankfully, no one was injured and everyone responded well and immediately to the crisis.

Overall, it is a very exciting time at Manchester College. Success does not just happen. It is supported by a campus culture that encourages hard work that has led to such accomplishments. In turn, that culture is based in the great generosity and encouragement that we receive from our alumni and other friends. Together, we are doing something of real consequence and acclaim, and I am proud and grateful to be part of it.

Respectfully,

Parker G. Marden
President Parker G. Marden
pgmarden@manchester.edu
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Lilly Endowment’s challenge fuels extraordinary MC fund-raising success

A debt-free fall construction start on a $17 million Science Center – incredibly – is just the tip of the iceberg of Manchester College’s enormous success in Lilly Endowment Inc.’s dollar-for-dollar challenge to alumni and other important members of the College community. Indeed, Manchester is a poster child for the Endowment’s goal to strengthen philanthropy for higher education in Indiana.

The challenge was to raise $3.5 million from alumni, faculty, staff, students, parents and friends within 19 months. If Manchester did, the Endowment would match those gifts, up to $3.5 million.

So how much did Manchester actually raise toward the goal? More than $5 million!

Among the 31 private Indiana colleges and universities, MC ranked 7th in qualifying donations raised during the challenge period.

Alumni took to heart the Manchester College motto of Faith, Learning and Service. “The response from alumni has been extraordinary,” said Director of Development Mary L. Chrastil. “Many doubled up usual giving or paid off current pledges to meet the challenge.”

On that path to “winning” the Endowment’s challenge, Manchester donors also bolstered The Next Step! campaign launched in July 1996.

The Next Step! seeks to raise $52 million before 2007 for projects that include a new Science Center and Recital Hall and reconstructed College Union, and vitally important, The Manchester Fund.

“That was such an ambitious goal back in 1996. Many thought we’d never make it,” said Cathy D. Gatchel, director of The Manchester Fund. “It’s just incredible.”

Even though MC is reaching its $52 million goal far ahead of schedule, several projects are pending.

MC broke ground in November on the Science Center; the new Recital Hall awaits a spring start, and construction on the College Union may begin yet this year, predicts President Parker G. Marden.

Of course, construction costs have risen since 1996, as have operating costs. Needs continue to grow, especially for technology and maintenance of a mature campus.

The Manchester Fund, the lifeblood of the operation of the College, has suffered amid the emphasis on construction that will invigorate campus and enrollment.

And students are more in need of financial aid than ever before.

“The challenge remains to do the unusual, to go beyond the dollar goal … to fund fully every project, all aspects of the campaign, from lab and other equipment, to faculty to maintenance,” said Vice President for College Advancement Stephen O. Mason.

Here are some examples of what the Lilly Endowment challenge inspired at Manchester College:

Faculty and staff gave more than ever before: 99 percent of faculty and 68.5 percent of staff participated, giving $304,875 toward their $250,000 challenge goal.

President Marden donned a clown suit and let delighted students spray his hair green to celebrate meeting their challenge goal.

Parents and students exceeded their $250,000 goal by more than $16,000.

Trustees raised $1 million in a separate Endowment challenge. (See winter 2003 Manchester Magazine)

Accounting and Business alumni – acting on a challenge from Trustees Chair David A. Haist ’73 and wife Sandra Cleveland ’74 Haist – donated enough to name a laboratory in the Science Center.

New donors stepped up – 373 first-time donors to Manchester College.

That’s what this $3.5 million Endowment challenge intended: to create habits of giving among our alumni, employees, students and friends. To inspire excitement about philanthropy. To reinforce the legacy. To fuel the Manchester College Mission.
Students, faculty, alumni, staff and friends come together to celebrate the construction start of the new Science Center

More than 300 people – including faculty, students, trustees, staff, townsfolk and 160 benefactors – gathered Friday, Nov. 14 to give thanks and turn a shovel of earth to celebrate the groundbreaking on a $17 million Science Center. The wind was brisk but the smiles were warm.

“This accomplishment is made possible by great offering of finances and spirit,” President Parker G. Marden told the crowd.

“So many have given generously in some combination of their time, talent and treasure. Some have done so sacrificially.”

The philanthropists include Lilly Endowment Inc. MC will not go into debt or raise tuition to pay for construction of the 85,600-square-foot Science Center, the largest building in the history of the College.

Construction by general contractor R.L. Turner Corp. of Indianapolis is in full swing, aiming toward a summer 2005 finish.

While MC is building a new facility, it builds on an already sturdy science program, one rich in accomplishment – from nationally recognized medical school admission rates to acclaimed scientists. Scores of science teachers, scientists, environmentalists, and medical and psychology professionals got their start at Manchester.

“Even in a 40-year-old facility, our program measures up and even surpasses those offered in bigger universities with bigger, better facilities,” said chemistry and biology major Amy Minnicus ’04 of Delphi, Ind., to applause.

“The professors and the students here are committed to their work, whether that is teaching, learning, or both,” she said.

“I am impressed with what we have been able to do with the resources we have had.

“The new building will strengthen an already solid program by allowing us to reach our full potential.”
Fifty-two years later, the Recital Hall in Otho Winger Hall still looks like the classroom it was constructed to be – the wall-long blackboard along the west side, the tile floor, the cement block walls. It’s airless, tone deaf, depressing (for performers and audiences) and uninspiring.

But not for long! With fund-raising for the $1.2 million renovation invigorated by a highly successful dollar-for-dollar Lilly Endowment challenge, Manchester College’s fine arts students and their audiences soon will have an inspirational and exciting environment.

Soon, they will have a hall that will enhance their performances as well as audiences’ experiences.

“We’re breaking ground this spring – our students will be performing in a splendid recital hall next fall,” said MC’s Director of Development Mary A. Chrastil, who is the staff shepherd for the Recital Hall Committee. “It’s going to lift up the fine arts for Manchester College.”

Manchester will not go into debt or raise tuition to pay for the Recital Hall: Generous donors are enabling the College to break ground with construction funds in hand.

Fund-raising continues, however, to equip the Recital Hall and to provide endowed fine arts programs to ensure Manchester and its students get maximum benefits from the renovations.

The recital hall will put a striking new facility, a new look, on the center of campus, said Chrastil. In addition to a renovated stage, new acoustics, lighting and seating, Winger will get an East Street lobby opposite the College Union. Full accessibility and new, close-at-hand restrooms also are designed into the construction.

“The audience will find it 100 percent different,” said Trustee Carolyn Moldenhauer ’61 Hardman, chair of the Recital Hall Committee. A soprano, she performed in the recital hall as a student. “It’s going to be warm,” she said of the forthcoming audience experience. “It’s going to be welcoming. It will be uplifting.”

Proposed East Street lobby to the new Recital Hall

Architect for the 2,720-square-foot renovation and 3,650-square-foot new construction for the Recital Hall is The Odle, McGuire & Shook Corp. of Indianapolis. General contractor is CME Corp. of Fort Wayne.

For an A Cappella Choir that has performed in Carnegie Hall and is lifting its collective voice this spring in the towering cathedrals of Italy, the renovations cannot come too soon.

The pianists and jazz ensembles and other instrumentalists can only excitedly imagine how their music will sound within an acoustically “tunable” hall.

“I’m excited!” said clarinetist Jennifer E. Hann ’06, a music education major from Peru, Ind. “The sound will be so much better for my senior recital.”

As alumni know, the Recital Hall is not just for music majors and minors. Manchester is a liberal arts college and a Church of the Brethren college, so music is an integral element of campus life.

“This is a centerpiece of everything we do – the arts,” said College President Parker G. Marden.

Every MC student must complete coursework in experiencing the fine arts, and students of all disciplines (from peace studies to biology-chemistry to education) participate in concert choirs and orchestras and ensembles to expand their college experience.

Other important advantages will come from a new recital facility. Students will have a (small) sound-proof recording studio to create portfolios for future jobs and graduate study applications. And the two 7-foot Steinway pianos and a harpsichord that currently are stored on-stage will have their own small storage area.

“The Recital Hall renovation is one more growth indicator for the Music Department, and will be a tremendous asset for recruiting,” said Music Department chair, Dr. Deborah E. DeWitt.

“New students will be able to take a tour of Winger, culminating in that new Recital Hall, and will see that excitement and growth first-hand.”

Starting this fall, at Manchester College.
You still can
“Claim Your Seat”
in Manchester’s
new Recital Hall

While the five-month
construction project begins this
spring, fund-raising for equipment
and seating continues to ensure all
will be ready for students and
audiences in fall 2004.

Recital Hall gifts also enable MC
to shift unrestricted funds to the
College Union reconstruction.

In addition to fund-raising for new lighting
and sound systems, a “Claim Your Seat”
campaign is under way.

For $1,000, donors can dedicate a chair in the
new Recital Hall with a commemorative plaque in
memory or honor of a loved one, an inspirational
teacher or their musical experiences at
Manchester College.

The dedication possibilities are endless, but
the seats are not, notes Director of Development
Mary L. Chrastil.

With only 160 seats available for dedication,
donors should act quickly.

Claim your seat in the new
Recital Hall today!
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Have you seen Spectrum,
Manchester’s literary magazine?

By Krzysztof Kardaszewicz ’05

Spectrum is Manchester College’s literary magazine, providing
students with an opportunity for artistic expression through poetry,
essay, short story, drawing and photography. Published every spring,
the magazine contributes to the College’s marketplace of ideas,
provides a souvenir and an artistic journal.

The magazine is undergoing major changes, with computerized
design, color, artistic contests and expanded advertising. Internet
publication and a larger format are planned. New art contests will
include a Plowshares peace studies literary contest, a general
collegewide contest, art contest and Spectrum Cover Contest.

To purchase a Spectrum, e-mail Editor Kris Kardaszewicz at
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Class of ’73

Class of ’78
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Class of ’83
Row 2: Alvin Hinchen, Mary Borntrager Rufferacht, Cindy Miller Stichter, Jan Bledsoe Viehweg, Mary Lou Carver and Kim Yaussy Albright. Row 3: Scott Helm, Marsha Carter Kehr, Russell Reahard, Ronda Mendenhall Dix, Pam Casey Kienitz and Joseph Varga.

Class of ’88
Front Row: Dwane Rice, Kem Marks, Nat Bryan, Kelli Ann Coyer Poole, Kristene Merritt Miller, Laurie Young Kenealy, Debra Pejza Degucz, Rebecca Copp Phillips. Row 2: Brad Flora, Dan Poole, Jeff Stern-Gilbert, David Bowman, Brenda Mack Self, Beth Montel Beckner, Shawn Miles.
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Class gatherings and photos for classes of ’64, ’69, ’74, ’79, ’84, ’89, ’94

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Class of ’93

Class Notes

Marriages

Omer Dean Yoder ’63 and Janie Hill of Sarasota, Fla., July 12, 2003
Miriam Brandt ’65 and Will Doetsch of Leo, Ind., Oct. 4, 2003
Amy Coffman ’82 and Kevin Clark of Littlestown, Pa., March 1, 2003
Scherri Good ’89 and John Ontiveros of South Bend, Ind., July 2, 2003
Helen Fernung ’92 and Marc Szakaly of Indianapolis, May 3, 2003
Lori J. Baker ’93 and Steve Peffer of Kingston Springs, Tenn., May 24, 2003
Matthew DeVault ’93 and Nelly Beth Nehring of Alexandria, Ind., July 26, 2003
Laura Knight ’94 and Matthew Harris of Phoenix, Ariz., July 5, 2003
Christen Pettit Miller ’94 and Robert B. Pettit of Fort Wayne, June 21, 2003
Chad A. Sommers ’94 and Linna Kim of Bremen, Ind., June 7, 2003
Amy Conover ’95 and William Oldendorf of Cedar Lake, Ind., June 30, 2001
Niles D. Schwartz ’94 and Lisa Renee Haltom of Fort Wayne, Oct. 12, 2002
Stephanie Shultz ’95 and Jon Beck of Fort Wayne, June 29, 2002
Amy L. Yoder ’95 and Aaron N. Durnbaugh ’96 of Chicago, Aug. 16, 2003
Valarie L. Van Voorhis ’95 and Daniel Kline of Middletown, Ind., Oct. 12, 2002
Eric P. Callahan ’97 and Shanna Smith of Hartford City, Ind., June 8, 2003
Kimberly Ruby ’97 and Michael Ross of Mishawaka, Ind., Aug. 16, 2003
Neah Akey ’99 and Brett Eltzroth of Auburn, Ind., Aug. 9, 2003
Stacy Cain ’99 and Josh Poca of Bowling Green, Ohio, June 15, 2002
Reena Chandler ’99 and Cory Markstahler of North Manchester, June 22, 2002
Patricia L. Bonebrake ’00 and Michael R. Peo ’00 of DeMotte, Ind., June 21, 2003
Heather M. Vanlaningham ’00 and Toby L. Harney of Warsaw, Ind., Nov. 29, 2003
Jesse Ringen ’00 and Khara Hamilton ’01 of Fort Wayne, June 28, 2003
Jennifer L. Vining ’00 and Jeremy A. Smith ’00 of Novi, Mich., Sept. 27, 2003
Joshua W. Brockway ’01 and Kristine A. Aeschliman ’02 of Richmond, Ind., June 15, 2002
Amy Friend ’01 and Michael Ritchie ’01 ’02ma of Middlebury, Ind., Aug. 9, 2003
Teri J. Getts ’01 and Matthew J. Seitz ’01 of Fort Wayne, Aug. 9, 2003
April M. Gathtshall ’01 and Christopher L. Smith of Marion, Ohio, May 18, 2002
Andrew G. Helnrich ’01 and Amanda L. Petry ’02 of Valparaiso, Ind., July 13, 2002
Nicole S. Keim ’01 and Matthew A. Boersma ’02 of Fort Wayne, July 14, 2001
Tara Lynn Leedy ’01 and Sean Alan Slagel of Peru, Ind., May 10, 2003
Myranda L. Rusie ’01 and Jimmie Kruschinska of Portland, Ore., Sept. 6, 2003
William G. Alter ’02 and Kelly Klee ’03 of Pikeville, Ky., July 5, 2003
Angela Bolton ’02 and Russ Davies of Bryan, Ohio, Oct. 5, 2003
Amanda E. Brand ’02 and Nathan A. Culler of Waterloo, Ind., Nov. 15, 2003
Sarah E. Thomas ’02 and Jason Cumberland of Fort Wayne, July 19, 2003
Jennifer Durnall ’02 and Maria Cadenas of Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 9, 2003
Cassie R. Matz ’02 and Peter A. Seal of Grand Forks, N.D., Aug. 10, 2003
Thomas S. McFarland ’02 and Jessica L. Hodges ’03 of Mentone, Ind., July 19, 2003
Michael A. Meredith ’02 and Stacey Dilsaver of Wabash, Ind., Aug. 9, 2003
Alicia J. Osterlund ’02 and William J. Redinger ’02 of Syracuse, Ind., Nov. 8, 2003

n: 2-year degree     h: honorary degree     x: attended but did not graduate

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Celeste C. Alspaugh '03 and Caleb Rupel of Wabash, Ind., Aug. 23, 2003
Laura K. Fischer '03 and Randall J. Companion of Albion, Ind., Aug. 16, 2003
Jessica L. Hodges '03 and Thomas S. McFarland '02 of Mentone, Ind., July 19, 2003
Amy Breaton '03 and James Flack, of Wabash, Ind., Sept. 13, 2003
Kimberly S. Heckard '03 and Jeff Pursch of Noblesville, Ind., May 31, 2003
Tara Richmond '03 and James Soké of Fort Wayne, Sept. 20, 2003
Ryan J. Yoder '03 and Kristina Higdon of Athens, Ohio, July 19, 2003

Births

Samuel Alton, born Aug. 8, 2003 to Greg and Twyla Jean Gross '81 Hunter of Columbia City, Ind. Antonio and Paul, both 15; and Effrem and Ashley, both 14, adopted March 21, 2003 by Mary E. Boudreau '84 and Susan Grettenberger of Lansing, Mich.
Dawn Marie, born April 4, 2002 to Kenneth and Laura Glick '84 Proctor of Elkhart, Ind.
Jacques David, born Oct. 9, 2003 to Jean-Louis and Cynthia Hoff '85 Trochu of Dallas, Texas.
Margaret Rose, born July 22, 2003 to Amy and David L. Leising '88 of Indianapolis.
Riley Mae, born May 24, 2003, to Jodi and Derek S. Eveland '91 of Plymouth, Ind.
Cooper Sterling, born June 27, 2003 to Jackie and Rodrick A. Eveland '91 of Plymouth, Ind.

Nora Joan, born September 21, 2003 to Brenda and Robert W. Cheeseman III '92 of Loveland, Ohio.
Ava Laine, born May 8, 2003 to Deanna Beth Myers '93 and Michael '92 Chupp of Goshen, Ind.
Kourtney, born Mar. 8, 2003, to Kathryn Niedzwiecki '93 and Kelly A. Green '95 of Fort Wayne.
Sydney Arin, born April 30, 2003 to Troy and Lara Shultz '93 Reinoehl of Ashley, Ind.
Isabel Ruth, born Aug. 1, 2003 to Sara Steiner '96 and Pedro '94 Larco of Zionsville, Ind.
Nathan Alexander, born March 11, 2002 to Jennifer and Guy H. Trobaugh '94 of Kokomo, Ind.
Avery Becca, born Oct. 4, 2002 to Jennifer and Keith A. Hudson '95 of Muncie, Ind.
Anna Lee, born and adopted Sept. 16, 2003, to Darren and Laura Bartley '95 Strong of Kendallville, Ind.
Jonathon Scott, born October 10, 2003 to Jamie Barnes '95 and Samuel N. '95 Faulkner of Fort Wayne.
Emilia Diane, born Apr. 5, 2003 to Jon and Stephanie Shultz '95 Beck of Fort Wayne.
Nicholas Everett, born Aug. 29, 2003 to Annette Stemen '95 and Benjamin T. '95 Jarman of Columbus, Ohio.
Cooper Jon, born June 6, 2003 to Philip and Krista Scheumann '95x Wiens of Nappanee, Ind.
Hannah Blue Shepherd, born Dec. 11, 2001 to Emily Shepherd '95 and Ben '95 Kreider of Muncie, Ind.
Andrew, born Sept. 20, 2003 to Leanne Strader '97 and Timothy '96 Kreps of South Bend.
Anna Gray, born April 23, 2003 to Laura and Jeremy Markham '96 of South Bend.
Branson Cody, born Sept. 3, 2003 to Beth Rose '96n and Brandon C. '96 McBrier of Mentone, Ind.
Katherine, born March 12, 2002 to Scott and Rebekah Ousley '96 of Claypool, Ind.

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Brendan Ryan, born Aug. 22, 2003 to Beth and Damon Gleim ’97 of Middlebury, Ind.

Kayla Grace, born Sept. 5, 2003 to Seth and Elizabeth Reading ’00 Hippensteel of North Manchester.
Tehya, born June 21, 2002 to Ravi and Laura A. Bowman ’00 Shah of North Manchester.
Merisa Grace, born June 27, 2003 to Matt and Lianna Lance ’00 Walter of Huntington, Ind.
Mikaila, born Aug. 28, 2002 to Martin and Hillary Hobbs ’01 Blake of Greenwood, Ind.
Kendall Rian, born July 11, 2003 to Jeff and Sara Irish ’01 Dieringer of St. Mary’s, Ohio.
Mackenzie Rae, born May 8, 2003 to Rachel Carroll ’01 of Osceola, Ind.
Keegan, born Feb. 8, 2002 to Kyle and Angela Gakstatter ’01 Tom of Warsaw, Ind.
Morgan Grace, born Mar. 20, 2003 to Stephanie and Thadius M. Stout ’02 of Huntington, Ind.

Even USA Today finds interesting stories at Manchester College

Stories about Martin Luther King Jr.’s last campus speech here, our debt-free groundbreaking for the Science Center and announcement of President Parker Marden’s retirement plans appeared in national media this year.

Here are some of the exciting stories that major newspapers, television stations and radio found interesting, too. All also received Page 1 attention in very local newspapers: News-Journal, The Monitor, Wabash Plain Dealer, The Paper and the Warsaw Times-Union.

Mars viewing. Fort Wayne television, radio and newspapers, two area PBS stations (Page 34)

Science Center. USA Today, Indianapolis Star, every major Indiana newspaper (Page 5)

Martin Luther King Jr. Every major newspaper in Indiana and Louisville Courier-Journal ran a lengthy story offered by The Journal Gazette of Fort Wayne; also area PBS stations and other radio stations. (Page 22)

Presidential search. The Chronicle of Higher Education, Indianapolis Star; major newspapers in Indiana, education newsletters (Page 35)

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Alumni Deaths

Mary Gilbert '26 Sheller of North Manchester, Jan. 28, 2004
Doris Sanders '26n Siferd of Monticello, Ind., Aug. 30, 2003
Elizabeth Kiracofe '27 Wampler of Bridgewater, Va.
Irene King '29n Bailey of Waterloo, Ind., Dec. 24, 2002
Moses H. Diehl '30 (Mount Morris College) of La Verne, Calif., Nov. 22, 2003
June Babcock '31n of Corona, Calif., Jan. 19, 2003
Fred R. Malott '31x of Leesburg, Ind., Sept. 22, 2003
Alberta Andrews '32 Smith of Mount Horeb, Wis.
Katharine Swartz '32 of Merrillville, Ind., June 26, 2003
Ruth Duffey '32 Weir of South Bend, Oct. 7, 2003
J. Edward Boase '33 of Frankfort, Ind., Nov. 26, 2003
Kathryn Metzger '34 Brown of North Manchester, Oct. 24, 2003
Lowell E. Erbaugh '34 of Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 28, 2003
Miriam Fidler '34 Wilson of Sebring, Fla., Aug. 11, 2003
Arlene McFadden '34n Winkler of Wooster, Ohio, Sept. 4, 2003
Max E. Bechtold '35 of West Grove, Pa., Feb. 17, 2004
W. Ken Groff '35 of Greenville, Ohio, May 15, 2003
Evelyn Clair '35n Huneke of Lena, Ill., Sept. 20, 2003
Jess E. Dice '36 of Peru, Ind., April 7, 2001

Martha Darley '36 Scott of Twelve Mile, Ind., Sept. 30, 2003
C. Emmert Bright '37 of Greenville, Ohio, Nov. 27, 2003
Rachel E. Road '37 of West Lafayette, Ind., Nov. 14, 2003
Helen M. Barnhart '38 of Toledo, Ohio, July 8, 2003
Joanna Landis '38n Gordon of Sweetser, Ind., Dec. 4, 2003
Lester A. Young '39 of North Manchester, July 30, 2003
Walter Malony '40 of Albion, Ind., July 18, 2003
Velma Kraus '40x Markland of Ladlow Falls, Ohio, Sept. 18, 2003
Herbert E. Henry '41x of Roswell, Ga., Oct. 20, 2002
William B. Stewart '42 of Sunrise, Fla., Feb. 9, 2004
Joan Miller '42 Striggle of South Whitley, Ind., Aug. 28, 2003
Robert W. George '43x of Venice, Fla., March 15, 2000
John C. Warrick '43 of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, Feb. 2, 2004
Leonard Loveless '43x of Lebanon, Ind., Oct. 15, 2003
Donald E. Fitchhorn '44x of Albuquerque, Oct. 28, 2002
Frances E. McDonald '44 of Dayton, Ohio, Aug. 13, 2003
Robert G. Schrank '44x of Menominee, Mich., July 20, 2002
Nada Waters '44x Trommetter of Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 29, 2002
Maxine Milam '45 Smith of Covington, Ga., May 25, 2003
Melvin S. Ritchey '46 of Mundelein, Ill., Dec. 28, 2003
Donald E. Rowe '46 of Westminster Md., Feb. 3, 2004
Arthur Hess '47 of North Manchester, Feb. 11, 2004
Allan R. Shultz '48 of Blacksburg, Va., Sept. 8, 2003

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Alumni deaths include two acclaimed research chemists

Two highly accomplished research chemists who got their start at Manchester College died this winter.

**Dr. Max F. Bechtold ’35**, was recognized as a world expert in silicic acid polymerization. He died February 17, 2004.

He worked more than 40 years at the Experimental Station of E.I. DuPont de Nemours in Wilmington, Del., until his retirement in 1980. He held more than 40 patents in ceramics, film, plastics and fibers and helped develop heat pumps, turbines and battery technology.

**Dr. Dale L. Oxender ’54**, former director of the University of Michigan Center of Molecular Genetics, died Dec. 11 in Tucson, Ariz. He was 71.

At the University of Michigan, where he taught biochemistry for 30 years, he directed the Center of Molecular Genetics from 1986 to 1990. He was vice president/technology at Warner Lambert-Parke Davis.

He leaves his wife, **Nila Jean Johnson ’55 Oxender**, and sons Theodore and **Derrick Oxender ’80x**. Memorials: The Dale L. Oxender Memorial Scholarship Fund, an endowment to benefit outstanding natural science students.

Alumni Deaths, continued

**Lydia Mae Yoder ’49 Bowman** of North Manchester, Jan. 16, 2004

**Robert G. Burwell ’50x** of Winona Lake, Ind., Aug. 10, 2003

**Harold E. Showalter ’50** of Wabash, Aug. 29, 2003

**Carol Helstern ’52** of North Manchester, Dec. 20, 2003

**Faith Elizabeth Alber ’53x** of Hendersonville, N.C., Aug. 31, 2003

**Thomas Heery ’54** of Dayton, Ohio, June 20, 2003

**Dale L. Oxender ’54** of Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 11, 2003

**Jerry L. Durnbaugh ’57** of Blue Hill, Maine, Sept. 24, 2003

**B. Elaine Dunnuck ’57 Fugate Hill** of Mentone, Ind., Jan. 30, 2003

**Richard Deardorff ’58** of Wakarusa, Aug. 12, 2003

**Margarette Wiese ’58 Shaffer** of North Manchester, June 19, 2003

**Roger D. Weimer ’59** of Garrett, Ind., Oct. 6, 2003

**Mary Burdine Slisher ’61** of Batesville, Ark., Aug. 10, 2002


**Ruth McCombs ’65x** of North Manchester, Dec. 5, 2003

**David N. Walker ’67x** of North Manchester, Sept. 10, 2003

**Carl F. Lozier ’68** of Warsaw, Feb. 29, 2004

**Janet Novak ’88** of Muncie, Ind., Nov. 19, 2002

**Deaths -- Friends of the College**

**Dr. N. Jean Loveland** of Paris, Ill., Jan. 8, 2004

**Bernice Hazel Swartz** of North Manchester, Sept. 15, 2003

**Rev. Albert L. Whitmore** of North Manchester, Feb. 6, 2004

“I pledge to explore and take into account the social and environmental consequences of any job I consider and will try to improve these aspects of any organizations for which I work.”

By Megan E. Hineline ’04

It’s a custom at Manchester College: At least half the graduating seniors and faculty sport bright green ribbons on their gowns at Commencement to proclaim their passion for The Graduation Pledge.

But MC grads aren’t alone. Nurtured by the dedication of Dr. Neil J. Wollman, director of the Graduation Pledge Alliance and senior fellow of the Peace Studies Institute at the College, word is spreading to campuses across the United States and the world.

Manchester College began hosting the Graduation Pledge Alliance in 1996. Today, graduates at more than 100 colleges and universities take the Pledge. The devotees also include colleges and universities in Canada, Australia, France and Singapore.

But it’s difficult to measure the effect the pledge has in the workplace. “It would be great if people would tell us how they are utilizing the pledge so we can see if it really is making an impact.”

Are you keeping the Graduation Pledge? Have you started a recycling campaign at work, participated in some other action – personally or by carrying the message – that serves society and/or the environment? Let Dr. Wollman know: njwollman@manchester.edu or at Manchester College, 604 E. College Ave., North Manchester, IN 46962.

The Graduation Pledge Alliance is online at: http://www.graduationpledge.org/
Schwalm Hall arson terrifies, but all escape swiftly and safely

Arson in the basement recreation area of Schwalm Residence Hall at about 1 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25, caused extensive damage to the basement and smoke damage to the other three stories. Nobody was seriously hurt, as an efficient evacuation system swiftly brought all student residents outside even before the North Manchester firefighters arrived shortly afterward.

Awards totaling $6,000 are offered by Crime Stoppers and by the Indiana Arson & Crime Association Inc. Despite the incentives, the state and local investigators have made no arrests and continue to investigate, said North Manchester Police Chief David A. Young.

About 160 students reside in the 42-year-old building, but several had left campus for the weekend. The 130 evacuated students spent the remainder of Saturday night elsewhere on campus or with friends. Two students received on-scene treatment for smoke inhalation.

Four area fire departments responded.

The basement fire immediately triggered the Schwalm, campus security and North Manchester Fire Department alarms, enabling a swift and complete evacuation and room check. The fire alarm system was immediately rewired, repairing what was destroyed by the fire.

The students were evacuated again Sunday to enable a professional cleaning company to fog for smoke and to clean the filth off literally everything in the building. Most students returned to their rooms the next day, and the cleaning continued through the week.

The damage was covered by insurance. Repair of the basement rec room and to the fused wiring continues.

Counseling and other support was made continually available for students, and parents were notified. Campus security increased.

“I offer the College’s sincere appreciation to everyone who responded appropriately and courageously to this challenge,” said MC President Parker G. Marden.

Adopt Manchester College?

Just like family, many alumni include Manchester College in their estate plans. It’s kinda like a hug that lasts forever … as a significant final gift to an important part of your life and to provide life-changing opportunities for others.

It’s as simple as a sentence in your will: “I give to Manchester College, North Manchester, Indiana, __ percent of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, to be used as endowment for the general purposes of said charity.”

Want more ideas on ways to display your fondness for Manchester College? Ed Cable ’78, director of gift planning, can help. Reach him toll-free at 888-257-2586 or by e-mail at plannedgiving@manchester.edu.

And, please … if you already have included Manchester College in your estate plans, let us know. We want to give you our personal thanks … and a big hug.
Class Notes

1930s


1940s


Albert “Bang” Kiracofe '41 of Gratis, Ohio, was inducted into the Preble County Athletic Hall of Fame in May 2003.

Mary Ann Sibbitt '49 Markley of Flora, Ind., and her husband, Charles, are enjoying their retirement in their country home.

Loren G. Speicher '49 of Sun City West, Ariz., has retired as a U.S. Army chaplain in the Valley of the Sun with his wife, Ellen.

1950s

John P. Fruth '50 of Schereville, Ind., has retired from Purdue University Calumet.

Mary Murden '52 Armstrong of Crosby, Texas retired after 30 years of teaching.


Richard O. Shock '54 of Fishers, Ind., retired after teaching 39 years in public schools.

Irma C. Gall '55 of Middlesboro, Ky., was part of an article in Kentucky Heritage, supplement to American Heritage.

E. Gifford Ammermann '56 of Roanoke, Va., was honored at the Virilina Church of the Brethren District Conference for his 50 years in ministry.

Larry L. Tracy '56x of Costa Mesa, Calif., retired as manager of systems engineering for Boeing Co. in March 2003 after more than 42 years with Douglas Aircraft/McDonnell-Douglas/Rockwell/Boeing.


1960s

Paul E. Nye '60 of Plymouth, Ind., rode his bicycle coast to coast with Wandering Wheels from Seattle, Wash., to Rehoboth Beach, Del. The trip started June 20 and ended Aug. 7, 2003.

Ann Rickert '60 of Fort Wayne, has retired from Fort Wayne Community Schools after teaching fourth and fifth grades for 39 years. She now is a consultant for Leona Group Inc. She also has written a book for beginning teachers: Annie’s Attic, Ideas from The Past That Work in The Present.

Philip W. Compton '64 of Ada, Ohio retired May 2002 after 35 years of teaching at Ohio Northern University. He completed a course in July 2003 at Duke Divinity School. He is serving his seventh year as pastor of Rhinehart United Methodist Church.

Sharon Studebaker '64 Sibert of Sugar Land, Texas retired June 23, 2002 after 26 years with Gulf/Chevron/ChevronTexaco.

Larry A. '64 and Gloria Titter '64 Taylor of Walkerton, Ind., both have retired from John Glenn School Corp. in Walkerton. Larry retired in June 2001 with 37 years as director of driver education and vocational education; Gloria retired in June 2003 after 25 years teaching visual arts. They plan to spend time on their farm in Walkerton when not at Mesick, Mich. or Sebring, Fla. or traveling.

Pamela Armstrong '65 Bley of Salem, Ore., retired from teaching in Salem-Keizer Public Schools.

Ronald E. Frieden '65 of Indianapolis retired after 38 years as a CPA with Ernst & Young.


Dennis R. Jones '66 of Birmingham, Ala., received the John H. Buchanan Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.

Robert W. Knechel '66 of Bethany, W. Va., is vice president for institutional advancement at Bethany College.

Allen J. Burnett '68 of Monroeville, Penn., is supervisor of instructional systems design for Mountaintop Technologies Inc., a startup company developing web-based training.

Harold D. Chapman '68 of Houston, Texas retired in May 2001 from teaching mathematics at Tomball College in Tomball, Texas.
Barbara Baker ’68 Overdeer of Columbia City, Ind., retired in June 2003 after teaching in Whitley County Consolidated Schools since 1968.

Judy Minnich ’68 Stout of San Diego, Calif., is in Germany on a 12-month Fulbright Teacher Exchange for 2003-2004. She is living in Erbach and teaching English and French in Michselstadt in the Odenwald. Her Fulbright exchange partner, Hermann Jose Wagner, is teaching French and German at Patrick Henry High School in San Diego. In Fulbright tradition, they have swapped homes and cars as well as jobs.

Gail M. Evans ’69 of Bethany, W. Va., is corporate planning coordinator for Farmers Alliance Insurance Co. of McPherson, Kan.

Patricia J. Hippensteele ’69 of Fort Wayne retired in May 2003 after 34 years as a mathematics teacher in Fort Wayne Community Schools.

Marcia L. Kump ’69 of Nashville, Tenn., is an assistant professor of religion and philosophy at Culver-Stockton College. She received her Ph.D. in religion from Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

1970s

Jack A. Gochenaur ’70 of Columbia City, Ind., is vice president for finance and treasurer of Manchester College.

Allen R. Johnson ’70 of Dunmore, W.Va., is director of Pocahontas County Free Libraries, one of three library systems to win the National Award for Museum and Library Service, the nation’s highest honor for community service by libraries. The libraries will receive $10,000 and be honored in a ceremony in Washington, D.C., by former First Lady Barbara Bush in March 2004.


Joyce Johanning ’73 Harvey of Lancaster, Ohio retired in November 2003 after 27 years with Fairfield County District Library.

Rebecca L. Siefer ’73 of Mancos, Colo., served on the 2002 American Board of Disability Analysts. She moved to Colorado in 2003, where she enjoys hiking and kayaking.

Elaine C. Snyder ’73 of Pleasanton, Calif., is a project manager with ProBusiness/ADP in Pleasanton. She continues to sing and is a member of the cantor ministry with the local Catholic parish. In her spare time, she spends time at the gym, runs, does needlework, gardens and avidly follows the San Francisco Giants Major League Baseball team.

Stephen C. Bowne ’74 of Sharpsville, Ind., is an educational counselor at North Central Juvenile Correctional Facility in Logansport, Ind.

Ding-Jo Hsia ’75 Currie of Huntington Beach, Calif., is president of Coastline Community College.

Randall Gratz ’75 of Columbus, Ind., is principal of Columbus Central Middle School.

Nancy A. Warner ’75 of Portage, Mich., is a self-employed financial consultant with AXA Advisors.

Doris Beigh-Slaymaker ’76n of Sun City, Calif., tutors first-grade students at Menifee Elementary School with the Foster Grandparents Program.

G. John Ikenberry ’76 of Washington, D.C., is leaving Princeton University to return to Georgetown University’s international relations faculty, where he was an assistant professor 1984-92. His After Victory recently won the award for Best Book in International History and Politics from the American Political Science Association.

Mark R. Mason ’76 of Shelbyville, Ind., recently retired after 25 years with the Indiana State Police Department and now is director of security for Argosy Casino in Lawrenceville, Ind.

Delmas L. Keeney ’77 of Leola, Penn., is executive director for Congregational Life Ministries of the General Board, Church of the Brethren.

Sue Ann Stevenson ’77n of Indianapolis is in her second year at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, studying for a master’s degree in pastoral care and counseling. She is involved in prison ministry at Indiana Women’s Prison and completed chaplaincy internship at Larue Carter Hospital in 2003.

Frances R. Townsend ’78 of Onekama, Mich., is pastor of Onekama Church of the Brethren.

Terry L. Kester ’79 of Tallahassee, Fla., is executive director of party development for the Republican Party of Florida.

1980s

Linda A. Knoll ’80 Arney of LaPorte, Ind., is head debate coach at La Porte High School.

Christine Heitzman ’80 Peterson Elkhart, Ind., has been inducted into International Who’s Who of Business Professionals for 2003.

Liza Walker ’81 Giles of Cincinnati, has received a master’s degree in school library media from Wright State University.
Twyla Jean Gross ’81 Hunter of Columbia City, Ind., is a registered dietician at Parkview Whitley Hospital and for Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Joe A. Harvey ’82 of Zionsville, Ind., is president of the Indiana Athletic Trainers Association and Indiana representative to the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association. He was named to Who’s Who Among America’s Educators for the third time. He is director of guidance and head athletic trainer at Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis.

Sherry Clark ’83 Bowman of Curryville, Pa., received her MSW degree from University of Pittsburgh in December 2003, and her Pennsylvania Social Work License in January 2004. She is a mobile therapist, behavior specialist consultant for Northwestern Human Services.

Lisa J. Keller ’83 of Brattleboro, Vt., is district director of Child Protection Services and Juvenile Services in Brattleboro.

David A. Olson ’83 of Angola, Ind., was elected to the Angola City Council, and is the first Democrat since 1991 to serve on the council.

Jed Freels ’84 of Auburn, Ind., is a teacher for Dekalb Central School District and is co-owner with his wife, Keli Martin ’85 Freels, of The Athletic Training Center in Waterloo and Auburn Custom Canvas.

Patricia Sprunger ’84 Menge of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, received her bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Coe College in Cedar Rapids in May 2003. She is a substitute teacher.

David F. Berg ’85 of Fort Wayne is an emotional disability specialist for Fort Wayne Community Schools.

Sandra Bruch ’85 Monce of North Manchester is a physical education teacher for Warsaw Schools.

Lori Neff ’85 of Franklin, Ind., was recognized as Outstanding Advisor for the second year in a row at Franklin College.

Debra Brown ’86 Nally of Franklin, Ind., completed the K-12 Administration Licensure Program at Indiana University in summer 2003 and is assistant principal at Franklin Community High School.

R. Gregor Badry ’87 of Peru, Ind., received his master’s of secondary school administration from Ball State University. For 16 years, he has been an athletic trainer at Peru High School and for 14 years, an elementary teacher for Peru Community Schools.

Jon E. Rinehart ’87 of Indianapolis is a supervisor at Courtyards at Kessler and was August Employee of the Month.

Gregory R. Burkholder ’88 of Martin, Mich., is manager of the Plainwell Super Wal-Mart.

Vera J. Jones ’88 of Chesterton, Ind., is a teacher and coach for Michigan City Area Schools.

Lorna Rayner ’88n Sherwood of Elkhart, Ind., is a homemaker.

1990s

Anthony C. England ’90 of Warsaw, Ind., is director of alternative services for Warsaw Community Schools.

Stephen M. Mishler ’90 of Fort Wayne is a CPA and president/owner of Mishler & Associates Inc., CPA. Mishler also recently launched Attitude Like Wings LLC, Inspirational Poetry (many written while at Manchester College).

Michael R. Pries ’90 of Frankfort, Ind., is director of athletics for Community Schools of Frankfort.

Carl L. Rouch ’90 of Brentwood, Tenn., is an interventional cardiologist at Cardiology Association of Nashville.

Eric B. Snyder ’90 of Spring Lake, Mich., is an assistant professor at Grand Valley State University.

Heather White ’90 Schilling of North Manchester has taken a full-time position as assistant professor of education at Manchester College.

Mark A. Baer ’91 of Powell, Ohio, has been elected partner in Crowe Group, the holding company of Crowe Chizek and Company LLC, a Top 10 U.S. public accounting and consulting firm.

Rodrick A. Eveland ’91 of Plymouth, Ind., is employed at Pactiv Corp.

Craig E. Hopple ’91 of Plymouth, Ind., is a sixth-grade teacher, high school boys track coach and high school boys junior varsity basketball coach at Culver Community Schools. He received his master’s degree in education in 2002 from Purdue University.

Matthew K. Kitson ’91 of Ligonier, Ind., is president/owner of The Kitson Group Inc., which does tax preparation, payroll processing and bookkeeping. Kitson is starting his third season broadcasting Fairfield High School football and basketball for Hoosier 103.5 FM in Syracuse.

Stephen W. Snider ’91x of Auburn, Ind., is controller for Ultrex Inc. of Avilla, manufacturer of medical implants and instruments.

Paul K. Strode ’91 of Urbana, Ill., is a Ph.D. candidate in natural resources and environmental sciences at the University of Illinois. In August 2003, his first scientific paper was published in the international journal Global Change Biology.

Lisa Kinsey '92 Callaway of East Grand Rapids, Mich., is a physician for Grand Valley Internal Medicine Specialists PC.

Jeffrey D. Webb '92 of Rensselaer, Ind., is the controller of Jasper County Hospital.

Jodie Moser '93 Daugherty of Indianapolis is a legal assistant with Barnes & Thornburg.

Kathryn Niedzwiecki '93 Green of Fort Wayne, is a stay-at-home mom for her three children.

Brent A. Kulp '93 of Elkhart, Ind., is teaching physical education for grades 4-6, and is assistant varsity and junior varsity football coach, and head varsity softball coach for Jimtown Intermediate School.

Lori Baker '93 Peffer of Kingston Springs, Tenn., is a CPA for Bumpus Hall CPAs, Nashville.

J’nise A. Ramsey '93 of Flint, Mich., is a certified athletic trainer for Mid Michigan Orthopedics in Owosso, Mich.

Jennifer A. Savage '93 of Warsaw, Ind., has worked with mentally challenged adults since 1994 at Cardinal Center Inc. in Warsaw. She enjoys a hobby of working for Championship Auto Racing Teams.

Angela R. Tate '93 of Corpus Christi, Texas is a district casework director for U.S. Congress.

Jennifer L. Andres '94 of North Manchester is an accountant at Naragon & Purdy Inc. CPAs, North Manchester.

Bradley S. Arbuckle '94 of Indianapolis is an assistant principal for Greenfield Middle School. He earned his master's degree in school administration in 2000 from Indiana University.

Michelle Jackson '94 Ash of Granger, Ind., is a stay-at-home mom for her three daughters and operates a home daycare.

Jason E. Bass '94 of Shelbyville, Ind., teaches health and physical education at Morristown Middle-Senior High School. He also is varsity baseball coach and assistant athletic director. Jason is working toward a master’s in education at Indiana Wesleyan University.

Lori Pippenger '94 Bryant of Jackson, Tenn., teaches English as a second language at Milan Special School District.

Christina Engle '94 Doberstein of Warsaw, Ind., has been a first-grade teacher at Eisenhower Elementary in Warsaw, Ind., for nine years.

Anthony N. Downing '94 of Greentown, Ind., is a self-employed sales representative for Pioneer Seed. He also farms and is a school bus driver.

Nicole Eastridge '94 Downing of Greentown, Ind., is a stay-at-home mom for her two sons. She also is an independent demonstrator for Stampin’ Up! decorative stamp sets and accessories.

Lori Bramble '94 Eaton of Caledonia, Mich., is a preschool/childcare coordinator for Kentwood Public Schools.

Christina Miller '94 Felgar of Goshen, Ind., is a broker associate for Century 21 Landmark Realty Group.

Aaron L. Fetrow '94 of Fort Wayne has joined the law firm of Baker & Daniels as an associate in the Fort Wayne office. Aaron received his master's degree from Truman State University in 1997 and his law degree from the University of Tennessee College of Law in 2003.

Sonia J. Hensley '94 of Knox, Ind., received her master's in education from Indiana University, South Bend in 2002. She is a licensed school counselor.

Carmita Hendrick '94 Hunter of Sturgis, Mich., is a preschool teacher for Hansel and Gretel Cooperative Preschool in Centreville, Mich.

Kelly Knecht '94 Inderlied of Huntington, Ind., is a finance department supervisor at Transwheel Corp. in Huntington.

Stacey Shively '94 Keily of Franklin, Ind., is a server at Hillview Country Club and a stay-at-home mom.

Rebecca J. Kuehl '94 of Winchester, Ind., is business and marketing teacher, DECA advisor, senior class sponsor and varsity volleyball coach at Randolph Eastern School Corp.

Corie Leininger '94 Kulp of Elkhart, Ind., is a psychotherapist for the Center for Behavioral Medicine with Elkhart General Hospital. She received her MSW in 1999 and her LCSW in 2003.

Christa Schuneman '94 Lyons of Framingham, Mass., is a copyright administrator for the ECS Publishing Corp. in Boston.

Laurie Keys '94 '95ma Martin of Linden, Mich., is an internal audit manager for Amerisure Insurance Co. in Farmington Hills, Mich.

Christen Pettit Miller '94 of Fort Wayne has left her post as pastor of the Manchester Church of the Brethren and begins an internship in hospital chaplaincy at Lutheran Hospital in March 2004.

Mandy Barrick '94 Murray of Delphi, Ind., is an admission coordinator and bookkeeper for Milner Community Health Care in Rossville, Ind. She began Administrator-In-Training for long-term care in October 2003.

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By Craig Rimlinger

This sleepy town in Wabash County is not known as an incubator for commotion.

Protesting college students don’t draw the ire of area residents. No need for law enforcement to be positioned along the main route into town from Fort Wayne. And college administrators aren’t lying awake at night concerned about a possible disturbance.

Berkeley, Calif., it isn’t. But that was the scene in the late 1960s as Martin Luther King Jr. prepared to address students and area residents. King spoke at Manchester College on Feb. 1, 1968. It was his last campus speech before he was assassinated two months later in Memphis, Tenn., on April 4. The school will remember King’s legacy and birthday during an on-campus service Monday.

Numerous residents sent letters to the school, voicing their strong disapproval toward the visit.

"We ... feel outraged that your school would allow the unpatriotic and communistic Dr. Martin Luther King to speak at an Indiana college, which we believed to be an excellent institution," wrote one Macy resident in 1967 in a letter to Helman.

"With his views on racial equality and his un-American attitude towards our beloved country, his utterances would be a disgrace to our honored dead, even in Vietnam," a World War I veteran from Urbana said in a separate letter from the same time to Helman.

Around the Manchester campus, placards stating, "Crucify the King," were posted. FBI agents reported that death threats against King were made.

"This whole experience did a lot for the college town," former Manchester College president A. Blair Helman said. "Now it’s a multiracial campus. Now it’s a multiracial community."

King’s controversial arrival to the small, predominantly white, liberal college sparked the ire of residents in North Manchester and the surrounding area.

Media recall Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s final campus speech 36 years ago – at Manchester College
Adding to the tension were statements King made on April 4, 1967, at Riverside Church in New York tying his civil rights movement to an anti-war stance. Resistance to the war by college students was escalating around the country. Manchester is a school rooted in the Church of the Brethren, which places an emphasis on peace.

At an anti-war march Manchester staged in downtown months before King’s arrival, some residents pelted students with walnuts.

“It was a very volatile time,” said Richard Harshbarger, a retired Manchester College economics professor, last week. Some people viewed King as a Communist and, thus, accused the school of pushing a Communist agenda.

George Scheerer, an insurance agent in North Manchester who has a son enrolled as a senior at Manchester, ran blood drives at the college in the late ’60s. He said some possible volunteers had concerns about their image if they worked at Manchester.

“We don’t know if we can go up there and work because the college is envisioned as being so pink,” Scheerer remembered some potential workers saying.

Helman said last week that the King visit was years in the making. He said he first met King in Boston in 1960 when Helman was there for a conference of the American Association of Colleges. Helman and some colleagues went to the Harvard Memorial Church for a service.

King ended up speaking at the service because the scheduled pastor became ill. After the service, Helman met King and invited him to speak at Manchester. Strengthening his effort was the fact that Andrew Young, former Atlanta mayor and aide to King, was married to a Manchester alumna.

Helman had also attended King’s landmark “I Have a Dream” speech that he delivered on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963.

In early 1966, King agreed to come to Manchester. After working out the scheduling kinks, the May 11, 1967, date was set. But indelent weather that day prevented his plane from arriving in Wabash County. Manchester officials worked with King’s representatives to schedule a new date. Feb. 1, 1968, was reached.

Some school officials and alumni saw the delay as an opportunity to back out of the speech, Helman said.

In response to one alumna who wanted the speech called off, Helman recalled saying: “We aren’t going to cancel, but if you want to hear a good speech, maybe you can get a seat in the balcony.”

Helman said he spent the night before the event lying in his bed, checking in with the faculty and staff who were walking outside of the auditorium as a security precaution, but also fretting that some matter had been forgotten.

The day of the arrival, Helman drove to Baer Field, now Fort Wayne International Airport, in his own car to pick King up, instead of having King use his private plane to minimize the chance of protesters causing havoc.

According to Manchester College archives, the FBI and state police had cars at every intersection from Fort Wayne to North Manchester.

The auditorium was locked for the 36 hours before the speech. Lights in the gym were kept on all night. Plain-clothes officers were spread throughout the crowd. Police officers were stationed at every door and window.

Buses filled with troops were seconds away in case of a disturbance.

But in the end, the speech went smoothly. There were no outbreaks or violent fights, possibly because it was a gloomy, rainy day.

About 2,000 students and area residents crowded into the auditorium to hear “The Future of Integration” speech, in which King decried the discrepancy in the money being spent to fight the Vietnam War compared to the amount allocated to combating poverty.

He also warned that race riots would lead to years of discontent.

“It’s certainly one of the main speeches I can remember in my life, partly because it came at such a raw time in the country,” said Jim Garber, a retired administrator from the Manchester College Office of Development, in a recent interview. “The impact was great. It wasn’t the tube. It was the man. It stimulated me.”

Two years after King’s speech, black students on campus successfully pushed the administration to open an African-American Forming Righteous Objectives, or AAFRO, house — a gathering place for black students.

To provide a counterpoint to King’s views, Manchester booked the late-Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater, a conservative, before the King visit to speak exactly one week later.

Today, Manchester College has displays in its library and administration building honoring King. An on-campus service to remember King’s legacy featuring choirs and a speech is scheduled for Monday night.

The auditorium King spoke in was demolished in December 2000 to make room for a new science center. The podium and the section of the floor he stood on were preserved.

School officials cited studies showing the building was unsafe for use. At the time, some students opposed the destruction of the 74-year-old building because of its history.

Though he had been dead more than 30 years, King still managed to incite some fervor at Manchester College.

Manchester College saved this podium and the floor Martin Luther King Jr. stood upon. Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young ’00h is seated in the foreground.
Mark A. Piechowiak '94 of Mishawaka, Ind., is enrolled at Indiana University, South Bend, expecting an associate's degree in psychology in April 2005.

Mark A. Rodriguez '94 of Terre Haute, Ind., is an assistant track and field coach for Indiana State University. He is official coordinator for the NCAA Division I Cross Country National Championships for 2004-2006. In June, he coached his 17th All-American in throwing events at Indiana State.

Michael K. Sabanski '94 of Argos, Ind., is a production manager at Cardinal Center in Warsaw.

Niles D. Schwartz '94 of Fort Wayne is an orthopedic surgery resident.

Noah T. Smith '94 of Fort Wayne is employed with First Federal Savings Bank of Wabash.

Chad A. Sommers '94 of Bremen, Ind., is controller for Flexco Products in Elkhart.

Michael D. Swihart '94 of Fort Wayne owns MJM Painting Inc. and is employed in the rolling mill at Steel Dynamics in Columbia City.

Guy H. Trobaugh '94 of Kokomo, Ind., is a police officer for the City of Kokomo.

Steven E. Trump '94 of Pierceton, Ind., is controller for Steve Reiff Inc.

Stacy Cheek '94 Webb of Rensselaer, Ind., is a First Steps developmental therapist for Homefront Family Services Inc. and a Mary Kay sales director.

Stacey A. Willbur '94 of Nashville, Tenn., is with EMI Music Publishing, working with many country artists.

Stephanie Shultz '95 Beck of Fort Wayne is employed at Northwestern Mutual Financial Network.

Janae Flora '95 Belovich of Huntington, Ind., is a human resources manager for The Stride Rite Corp. in Huntington.

David C. Bremer '95 of Albion, Ind., is a second-grade teacher at Central Noble Community Schools.

Tara A. Butler '95 of New York, N.Y., is working on her master of social work degree in grass-roots community organizations at Hunter College School of Social Work, University of New York.

Brenda Johnson '95 Craig of Warsaw, Ind., is self-employed.

Jami Barnes '95 Faulkner of Fort Wayne is a senior accountant for RediMed.

Samuel N. Faulkner '95 of Fort Wayne is employed by Do It Best Corp. in retail data processing. He received an associate's degree from IPFW (Purdue) in information systems in 2003.

Heather Waymire '95 Flack of Fort Wayne is an instructor/department chair at Michiana College.

Anthony R. Frieden '95 '96ma of Goshen, Ind., is tax manager for RSM McGladrey Inc. in Elkhart.

Clinton R. Gard '95 of Rochester, Ind., is a math teacher and head wrestling coach at Rochester High.

Jamey C. Gordon '95 of Columbia City, Ind., is a physical therapist for RediMed Physical Therapy.

Kelly A. Green '95 of Fort Wayne is parts, service and warranty director at Dutchmen Manufacturing, Goshen.

Jason House '95 of Fort Wayne is a detective with Indiana State Police.

Benjamin T. Jarman '95 of Columbus, Ohio, is a chief surgery resident.

Valarie Van Voorhis '95 Kline of Middletown, Ind., is pastor of Upper Fall Creek Church of the Brethren in Middletown and a substitute teacher for Shenandoah Schools. She is completing study for a shared ministry through Bethany Seminary.

Jeremy B. Kuskye '95 of South Bend is an accountant for Select Health Network in South Bend.

Mary Jo Unsicker '95 Martin of Goshen, Ind., is a special education teacher at New Paris Elementary.

Nicole Eagleson '96 Martin of Goshen, Ind., is employed part-time in customer service for Goshen General Hospital.

Robinn Caudill '95 Mitchell of Wolcottville, Ind., is executive director of Northeastern Indiana CASA Inc. (Court Appointed Special Advocate).

Mark D. Moore '95 of Huntington, Ind., is employed with Tyson Foods Inc., as a junior buyer for pork procurement in the fresh meats division.

Charles E. Murray '95 of Delphi, Ind., is a Menard's manager.

Amy Conover '95 Oldendorf of Cedar Lake, Ind., is a cost accountant for Smiths Medical/Portex in Gary.

Holly Hoese '95 Pomranka of Niles, Mich., is a program administrator for Residential Services of SW Michigan Inc.

Rex W. Pomranka '95 of Niles, Mich., is a teacher/coach at Brandywine School in Niles.

Jennifer Kinsey '95 Riccius of Orleans, Mich., is employed at Ionia Public Schools.

Keith A. Roberts '95 of Muncie, Ind., is a general music teacher for grades K-5 for Gaston Elementary and Harrison Elementary in Gaston.

Tera Harley '95 Sabanski of Argos, Ind., is a social worker at Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester.

Emily D. Shepherd '95 of Muncie, Ind., completed her master's degree in math education at Ball State University in summer 2003.

Laura Bartley '95 Strong of Kendallville, Ind.,
teaches first grade at Milford Elementary.

**Donna Overmyer ’95 Stump** of Silver Lake, Ind., is a fourth-grade teacher at Silver Lake Elementary. She received a master's of education from IPFW in 2003.

**Krista Scheumann ’95x Wiens** of Nappanee, Ind., is a registered nurse.

**Amy L. Yoder ’95** of Chicago is a service coordinator for the State of Illinois Early Intervention Program. She received a master's degree in child development from Erikson Institute in Chicago in May 2003.

**Mary Ring ’96 Blackburn** of Wabash, Ind., is a special education teacher at Wabash Middle School and the special education department head for Wabash City Schools. She is continuing her education at Ball State University.

**Amy L. Borrelli ’96** of Middlebury, Ind., is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at Bethel College in Mishawaka.

**Aaron N. Durnbaugh ’96** of Chicago is a horticulturist for the City of Chicago, Department of the Environment. He recently received a master's degree in geography and environmental studies.

**Tamara Dafforn ’96 Ester** of Fort Wayne is accounting manager for Panoramic Corp. in Fort Wayne.

**Jill Foley-’96 Arbuckle** of Indianapolis, is a school counselor at Martinsville East Middle School. She is working toward a master's degree in school counseling from Indiana University in May 2004.

**Stephen R. Foster ’96** of Lafayette, Ind., is a senior project manager for GM Construction Inc. in Indianapolis.

**Elizabeth Houser ’96 Fourman** of North Liberty, Ind., is an OB/GYN nurse practitioner.

**Jennifer Clemens ’96 Garrett** of Batavia, Ohio is a physician's assistant in pediatric oncology at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center.

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**Angela K. Jarvis ’96 ’97ma** of Kokomo, Ind., is the southern U.S. regional sales representative for Functional Devices Inc. of Russiaville, Ind.

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**Tracy Hendricks ’96 Martin** of Goshen, Ind., is taking a year off from teaching fourth grade in Warsaw at Madison Elementary to spend time with her daughter, Meg.

**Brandon C. McBrier ’96** of Mentone, Ind., is an Indiana State Trooper for the Bremen Post.

**Curtis E. Meyer ’96** of Warsaw, Ind., is in sales for Warsaw Siding Co.

**Kimberly Fretz ’96 Meyer** of Warsaw, Ind., is a teacher for Manchester Community Schools.

**Brandon H. Miller ’96** of Rochester, Ind., is manager of marketing at Biomet Inc. in Warsaw, Ind.

**Debra Barcus ’96 Miller** of Rochester, Ind., is a licensed clinical social worker and a school counselor for Tippecanoe Valley School Corp. in Akron, Ind.

**Gerald K. Miller ’96** of Goshen, Ind., is a dairy farmer and head of delivery and warehouse manager for Park Home Medical Equipment in Goshen.

**Dana Nixon ’96** of Indianapolis is a political organizer with The Hoosier Environmental Council in Indiana, affiliated with The Progressive Action Network Nationwide.

**Andrea L. Raney ’96x** of Noblesville, Ind., is a registered nurse with Community Hospitals, Indianapolis.

**Jennifer L. Rice ’96** of Bloomington, Ind., is a Ph.D. candidate in economics at Indiana University.

**Jared E. Sponseller ’96 ’97ma** of Elkhart, Ind., is a division controller at Patrick Industries in Elkhart.

**Douglas M. Stahl ’96** of Walden, N.Y., is a vendor support specialist for Sears, Roebuck & Co. in Hoffman Estates, Ill. On Jan. 6, 2003, Corland underwent his third open-heart surgery.

**Wendie Hardebeck ’96 Vanette** of Lafayette, Ind., is a lab technician in the quality control lab at Eli Lilly & Co. (Tippecanoe Labs).

**Kenneth C. Weir ’96** of Hammond, Ind., works for the Social Security Administration in Chicago.

**Aaron T. Wolfe ’96** of Warsaw, Ind., is an eighth-grade science teacher at Edgewood Middle School and is freshman basketball coach at Warsaw High School.

**Eric P. Callahan ’97** of Hartford City, Ind., is a certified athletic trainer with Central Indiana Orthopaedics in Muncie.

**Jared D. Clark ’97** of Granger, Ind., is an area sales consultant for McBee Systems Inc.

**Michael C. Ester ’97** of Fort Wayne is an adapted physical education teacher and head wrestling coach for Fort Wayne Community Schools.
Carrie Dearth ’97 Markham of Goshen, Ind., is a fifth-grade teacher at West Goshen Elementary.

Victor Sanchez-Soto ’97 of Barcelona, Spain, was a student at Thunderbird, The American Graduate School of International Management in Arizona. He received his MBA in international management.

Samantha A. Sheets ’97 of Nappanee, Ind., is a registered nurse in Elkhart, Ind.

Tiffany A. Vanlandingham ’97 of Milwaukee, Wis., is a program services coordinator for National Association of Health Education Centers. She also has a part-time position with Skylight Opera Theater.

Aaron D. Wellman ’97 of East Lansing, Mich., is assistant strength and conditioning football coach for Michigan State University.

Kristi Zimmerman- ’97 Frost of Portage, Mich., is a student volunteer services coordinator at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.

Darrian H. Ainsworth ’98 of Okinawa, Japan, is an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is a KC-130 pilot for squadron VMGR-152.

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Bradford S. Aquino ’98 ’99ma of Bourbon, Ind., is employed by Zimmer Inc. in finance for external reporting and financial analysis.

Brandon S. Baker ’98 of Warsaw, Ind., is a junior high school teacher and assistant football coach at Northfield High School.

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Jessica J. Eller ’98 of Portland, Maine, is a life skills coach for adults with developmental disabilities. She also is a volunteer with Peace Action Maine.

Christopher S. Fitz ’98 of Portland, Maine, is a sound designer/coordinator for the Portland Stage Company. He also is technical director for Winter Harbor Theatre Company.

J.P. Freeman ’98 of North Manchester is minister of the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, where ground has been broken on a $375,000 addition.

Tamela A. Garrison ’98 of Marion, Ind., is a youth care worker at New Horizons Academy, a private Christian boarding school for troubled teens.

Amy J. Graber ’98 of Toledo, Ohio, is director of client services at David’s House Compassion Inc. providing services to HIV-positive individuals.

Erica Nicodemus ’98 Hunt of Osceola, Ind., is a stay-at-home mom, a team leader for Mary Kay Cosmetics and an active volunteer for the American Cancer Society.

Jami Wagoner ’98 Johnson of Rochester, Ind., is principal of Riddle Elementary School in Rochester.

Joshua D. Kline ’98 of Granger, Ind., is a resident physician for Memorial Family Practice Residency Program, Memorial Hospital, South Bend. He graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine last May with honors. He also won the Department of Family Practice Award for the top student entering family medicine.

Cari Gilbert ’98 Martin of Angola, Ind., is director of the Steuben County Youth Improvement Program.

Kristina Morrison ’98 Pentelow of South Bend teaches math at New Prairie Junior High.

Rachel M. Powell ’98 of Macon, Ga., received a master’s degree in college student personnel from Bowling Green State University in spring 2002. She is director of recruitment for the office of admissions at Wesleyan College in Macon.

Nicholas A. Primozic ’98 of Brunswick, Maine, is an aviator for the U.S. Navy.

Aaron A. Santner ’98 of Westfield, Ind., is working on his Ph.D. at IUPUI in biology.

Isabel Porrata-Doria ’98 ’99ma Santner of Westfield, Ind., is a senior tax accountant at Katz, Sapper and Miller in Indianapolis.

Kenneth E. Smith ’98 of Indianola, Iowa, is an area coordinator for the Department of Student Development at Simpson College in Indianola.

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Christine Cullers ’98 Traub of Avon, Ind., is a physical therapist at Hendricks Regional Health in Danville, Ind.


David R. Wilson ’98 of Nappanee, Ind., is a biology teacher and assistant football coach at Goshen High.

Sonya Sheets ’98 Wolfe of Warsaw, Ind., taught fifth grade for three years and now is a stay-at-home mom for her two children.
Betsy Nottoli ’98 Woods of North Manchester is executive director of the North Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

Heather Wolfe ’98 Woosley of Greenwood, Ind., is a quality assurance specialist for J.F. Molloy & Associates.

Matthew D. Bell ’99 of Fortville, Ind., is a stock broker at Charles Schwab in Fishers, Ind.

Robyn M. Boettner ’99 of Baltimore, Md., is an HIV outreach worker, counseling and advocating for homeless HIV clients at Project PLASE Inc., a transition shelter for medically and mentally fragile homeless individuals in Baltimore.


Jennifer Carson ’99 Diller of North Liberty, Ind., is a teacher at Circle of Mercy.

Neah Akey ’99 Eltzroth of Goshen, Ind., is a first-grade teacher at Middlebury Community Schools and pursuing a master’s degree at IPFW.

Jeremy L. Petty ’99 of Sterling Heights, Mich., is a law clerk for Judge Kathleen Jansen, Michigan Court of Appeals.

Sara L. Herendeen ’99 of Syracuse, Ind., is a school psychologist for Wawasee Community Schools.

Joanna Killingbeck ’99 Johnson of Laurel, Ind., is a forensic scientist with the Indiana State Police Lab.

Joshua J. Johnson ’99 of Laurel, Ind., is varsity boy’s basketball coach and a math teacher at Franklin County High School in Brookville, Ind.

James E. Johnston ’99 of Porter, Ind., is an advanced accountant for Henry Crown and Co. in Chicago.

Jason M. Kendall ’99 of Kokomo, Ind., is employed at Shelter Insurance in Kokomo.

Stacey L. Kesler ’99 of Chicago graduated from Illinois College of Optometry in May 2003 and is an optometrist at Lasik Vision Institute in Chicago.

Shawn A. Kobb ’99 of Portland, Ore., is a 911 dispatcher/operator for the City of Portland.

Jennifer M. Kunkle ’99 of Elkhart, Ind., is math department chair and junior varsity girl’s basketball coach at Concord High School.

Elizabeth Gaier ’99 Larkin of Cleveland Heights, Ohio received a master’s degree in epidemiology from Case Western Reserve University in 2003 and is an epidemiologist for the Center for Adolescent Health at Case Western Reserve University.

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Amanda K. Lauer ’99 of Granger, Ind., is a bilingual (Spanish) social insurance specialist for the Social Security Administration in South Bend.

Phillip J. Martin, Jr. ’99 of Angola, Ind., is a fifth-grade elementary school teacher for MSD of Steuben County, Angola.

Amanda Miller ’99 Maxwell of Kendallville, Ind., is a juvenile probation officer for Miami County Probation.

Madalyn A. Metzger ’99 of Elkhart, Ind., was promoted in August 2003 to foundation and corporate gifts associate for Church World Service.

Jennifer Weinberg ’99 Miller of Goshen, Ind., has completed her doctor of physical therapy at Midwestern University in Downers Grove, Ill.

Kara Morris ’99 of Churubusco, Ind., is office manager for Connolly’s Do It Best store in Fort Wayne.

Denise C. Runyan ’99 of Kalispell, Mont., is case manager for adults with developmental disabilities at Opportunity Resources Inc.

Amy E. Schnick ’99 of Goshen, Ind., is an English teacher at Northridge High School in Middlebury, Ind. girl’s varsity tennis coach and boy’s assistant tennis coach. She is working on a master’s degree in education.

R. Dane Simcoe ’99 of North Manchester is general manager of Hardee’s restaurant, North Manchester.

Laura L. Sloop ’99 of North Manchester is assistant director of development for the Office of College Advancement at Manchester College. She also is MC Spartan cheerleading coach and co-advisor for the Student Alumni Council.

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Molly B. Woodhouse ’99 of Fort Wayne is a health system specialist for the office of the director for VA Northern Indiana Health Care System.

Donavan F. Yarnall ’99 of Macon, Ga., is a physical education teacher at St. Joseph School and assistant baseball and softball coach at Mount DeSales Academy in Macon. He plans to begin graduate studies in educational supervision in spring 2004 at Georgia College & State University.

Lisa Brost ’99 Zimmerman of Columbia City, Ind., is in her fifth year of teaching third grade at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Fort Wayne. She also is the volleyball coach at Canterbury High School.

Stephen A. Zimmerman ’99 of Columbia City, Ind., is teaching special education at Northwood High School and coaches baseball.
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Donald J. Brooks ’00 of Indianapolis is a chemist at Parker Hannifin Process Filtration.

Angela Twedt ’00 Bryant of South Bend is a mental health counselor at Saint Mary’s College. She received a master’s in counseling from Marquette University.

Ted A. Bryant ’00 of South Bend is pursuing his Ph.D. in cognitive psychology at the University of Notre Dame.

Angela K. Bungard ’00 of Kendallville, Ind., teaches eighth-grade math, pre-algebra and algebra at Kendallville Middle School. She also coaches the middle school cheerleaders and volunteers with Youth for Christ.

Sally Liszewski ’00 Calland of Wanatah, Ind., is an adjunct professor at Valparaiso University.

Shari L. Clark ’00 of Claypool, Ind., is studying to sell insurance in Indiana. At this time she has no plans to teach but plans to renew her elementary teaching license by 2005 in case the perfect job opens up.

Michael R. Peo ’00 of DeMotte, Ind., is a government teacher and a coach at Kankakee Valley High School.

Jennifer Lucas ’00 Graefnitz of LaGrange, Ind., is certified exercise physiologist at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

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Corbin L. Miller ’00 ’01ma of Goshen, Ind., is a senior associate at McGladrey and Pullen in Elkhart.

Joel T. Pippenger ’00 of Ligonier, Ind., is a physical education teacher and head athletic trainer at Westview Jr./Sr. High School.

Marisa Matsko ’00 Primozic of Brunswick, Maine, is an assistant athletic trainer for Bowdoin College.

Laura Bowman ’00 Shah of North Manchester is a homemaker.

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Shawn B. Sollenberger ’00 ’01ma of Fort Wayne is a CPA and senior accountant for Baeden, Gage & Schroeder LLC.

Scott E. Steele ’00 of West Alexandria, Ohio, is a paralegal for a lawyer in Dayton, Ohio and expects to graduate in August 2004 from the paralegal program at Capital University Law School.

Tamatha N. Terman ’00 of Valparaiso, Ind., teaches seventh-grade math at Hobart Middle School and is the freshman volleyball and girls basketball coach at Hobart High School.

Derek A. Thompson ’00 of Hebron, Ind., is an instructional assistant for the Freshman Academy at Merrillville High School and the freshman football coach and baseball coach.

Jennifer Vining- ’00 Smith of Novi, Mich., is an assistant compliance coordinator for Wayne State University in Detroit.

Pamela E. Walkowski ’00 of South Bend is a physical therapist assistant for McDonald Physical Therapy in South Bend.

Michelle C. Wanamaker ’00 of Wabash, Ind., is director of social services for Rolling Meadows Health Care in LaFontaine, Ind.

Blake T. Williams ’00 of Fort Wayne teaches seventh-grade social studies at Carroll Middle School in the Northwest Allen School District.

Richard L. Yeager-Stiver ’00 of Marion, Ohio is the pastor for First Church of the Brethren in Marion.

Benjamin R. Barkey ’01 of Winona Lake, Ind., teaches eighth-grade science and math at Edgewood Middle School and is head golf coach at Warsaw High School.

Danelle Wion ’01 Barkey of Winona Lake, Ind., teaches art at Northwood High School in Nappanee, Ind.

Christina Stephan ’01 Barlow of Wabash, Ind., is an administrative assistant of ILB Trust Department.

Melanie A. Beam ’01 of Indianapolis is a third-year student pursuing her D.D.S. degree at Indiana University School of Dentistry.
Eric S. Bendes '01 of Bluffton, Ind., was promoted to assistant branch manager at Three Rivers Federal Credit Union in Scott's Town & Country Center, Columbia City.

Hillary Hobbs '01 Blake of Greenwood, Ind., teaches pre-K-6 music for Indiana Academy of Fine & Performing Arts in Greenwood.

Nicole Keim '01 Boersma of Fort Wayne, Ind., is a third-year medical student at Indiana University School of Medicine.

Joshua W. Brockway '01 of Richmond, Ind., is pursuing a master's degree in theology at Bethany Theological Seminary. He is program director for Exploring Your Call for high school youth.

Sara Irish '01 Dieringer of St. Mary's, Ohio is a social worker for Family Resource Centers and a seventh-grade basketball coach for St. Mary's City Schools.

Ivan V. Eikenberry '01 of Bloomington, Ind., is in his third year as an M.D./PhD. student at Indiana University, researching platelet signaling in diabetes.

Spencer A. Folkerts '01 of Decatur, Ind., is a junior varsity soccer coach at Bellmont High School, where his team posted a 12-4 record.

Amos N. Frye '01 of Syracuse, Ind., is an accountant for Staufer & Co., CPAs.

Jessica Rixman '01 Frye of Syracuse, Ind., is a benefits analyst for Goshen Health System.

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Andrew G. Helfrich '01 of Valparaiso, Ind., is in his final year at Valparaiso University School of Law.

Christopher C. Malec '01 of Minneapolis, Minn., is a potter for Grey Fox Pottery in Arden Hills, Minn.

Tiffany M. Ozbun '01 of Mattoon, Ill., is an assistant softball coach at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Ill.

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Julie A. Schwier '01 of Chicago is an accountant for Ernst & Young, LLP in Chicago.

Matthew J. Seitz '01 of Fort Wayne is a staff accountant at Superior Aluminum Alloys in New Haven, Ind.

Teri Getts '01 Seitz of Fort Wayne is a second-grade teacher at Morrison Mock Elementary in Muncie.

Kari Green '01 Shepard of Goshen, Ind., is a kindergarten teacher at Goshen Community Schools.

Tara Leedy '01 Slagel of Peru, Ind., is an assistant manager for Sherwin-Williams Co. in Kokomo.

Jennifer Lundin '01 Studebaker of Vancouver, Wash., is a team leader with the AmeriCorps program, Washington Reading Corps.

Nicholas J. Studebaker '01 of Vancouver, Wash., is a manager for Smile Savers, a non-profit dentist facility that serves low-income families.

Angela Gakstatter '01 Tom of Warsaw, Ind., was on Kosciusko Community Hospital's billboards along with her baby boy, Keegan, in Warsaw, Pierceton, Syracuse, Mentone and Silver Lake. Angie was on nine of the 18 billboards; Keegan was on all 18.

Tasha H. White '01 of Fort Wayne is currently in her third year of graduate school, pursuing a Ph.D. in school psychology at Ball State University.

William G. Alter '02 of Pikeville, Ky., is attending Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

Angela M. Andrew '02 of Rossville, Ind., is a SAFTIP case manager at The Counseling Center in Lafayette.

Lindsey G. Bellino '02 of Elkhart, Ind., is English and language arts teacher, assistant swim coach and girls lacrosse coach at Concord High School.

Kathryn Cohee '02 Blocher of North Manchester is an operations assistant/field trial manager for Sakata Seeds America.

Matthew A. Boersma '02 of Fort Wayne is a programmer and support technician for Tempus Technologies in Auburn, Ind.

Christopher Branam '02 of Warsaw, Ind., is a certified athletic trainer at Kosciusko Community Hospital and Warsaw High School.

Angela J. Bolton '02 Davies of Bryan, Ohio, teaches seventh- and eighth-grade developmentally handicapped students at Hixsville High School.

Kristie Aeschliman '02 Brockway of Richmond, Ind., teaches seventh-grade special education at Dennis Middle School in Richmond.

Jennifer B. Bruhler '02 of Lewes, Del., is a program assistant in direct service coordination, HIV prevention education for Public Allies Delaware, AmeriCorps, with the Sussex County AIDS Committee.

Kristy R. Burman '02 of Rensselaer, Ind., is a fourth- and fifth-grade special education teacher at Van Rensselaer Elementary School and coaches seventh-grade girls volleyball.

Christina R. Carr '02 of Marquette, Mich., is the resident director of Hunt Hall at Northern Michigan
University in Marquette, where she is pursuing a master’s degree in training and development.

Emily J. Chandler ’02 of Peru, Ind., is in her second year of teaching at Maconaquah School Corp.

Lisa Boothby ’02 Church of Goshen, Ind., teaches eighth-grade math in Milford, Ind.

Laura R. Coffel ’02 of Fort Wayne is a wholesale department manager for Waterfield Mortgage in Fort Wayne.

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Bryan K. Edwards ’02 of North Manchester is an assistant cross country and track coach at Manchester College.

Amanda Petry ’02 Helfrich of Valparaiso, Ind., is the program director for Boys & Girls Club, Valparaiso.

Darin J. Holsopple ’02 of Pittsboro, Ind., is employed with Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Catherine Y. Kingsley ’02 of East Lansing, Mich., is a graduate teaching assistant while finishing her master’s degree in communications at Michigan State University, while beginning her doctoral studies.

Jason P. Marshall ’02 of Portland, Ore., is an account manager for Coca-Cola enterprises, Portland Oregon Sales Center, where he was Employee of the Month for September 2003. He also is working on his commercial helicopter certification/license.

Sean M. Maxwell ’02 of Kendallville, Ind., teaches eighth grade at Prairie Heights Middle School.

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Jenny M. Newhart ’02 of Crawfordsville, Ind., teaches junior high math at Southmont Jr. High in New Market, Ind. She also is the seventh-grade volleyball coach, junior high tennis coach, and strength and conditioning coach for varsity volleyball and varsity softball. Jenny received her Personal Training Certification in winter 2002.

Amie C. Fletcher ’02 of Oxford, Ohio, is in her second year of the English literature master’s program at Miami University, Oxford. She also teaches Introduction to Composition at Miami as a graduate assistant.

Elizabeth K. Geisewite ’02 of Kirkville, Mo., is working toward a master’s degree in vocal performance at Truman State University, where she is a teaching assistant for the Music Department.

Kati E. Hanes ’02 of Concord, Ohio is a child youth specialist at Crossroads Mental Health Services in Mentor, Ohio. She is seeking a master’s degree in counseling at John Carroll University in Cleveland.

Carrie E. Hummer ’02 of Fort Wayne teaches seventh-grade math at New Haven Middle School.

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Tara J. Niles ’02 of Mishawaka, Ind., is a case management supervisor at REAL Services Inc. in South Bend. She plans to receive her MSW in May 2004 from Indiana University, South Bend.

Kacey Schroeder ’02 Quaderer of Gas City, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in occupational therapy at the University of Indianapolis.

Carlos E. Reyes ’02 of Daly City, Calif., is with Bridges to Community, an international organization with community development programs in Nicaragua. Carlos recently worked on a housing project for a family affected by Hurricane Mitch.

Laurel R. Sampson ’02 of Waukesha, Wis., works at Jeremy House, a homeless transition shelter for adults with mental illness.

Nicole Bearman ’02 Sauder of Grabill, Ind., is a kindergarten teacher at Harlan Elementary School.

Nicholas H. Scheumann ’02 of Auburn, Ind., is an independent financial consultant with Linsco/Private Ledger.

Cassie Matz ’02 Seal of Grand Forks, N.D., is an exercise specialist/personal trainer at Altru Hospital’s Health & Fitness Center.

Patrick D. Seymoure ’02 of Peru, Ind., is employed by Recycled Plastics & Steel.

Anthony E. Shepard ’02 of Goshen, Ind., is self-employed.

Thadius M. Stout ’02 of Huntington, Ind., is a staff accountant with American Express Tax & Business Services.

Jessica L. Taylor ’02 of Indianapolis is an accounting specialist at Fox, Trahin and Fox Inc.

Christina Middleton ’02 Wolfe of Noblesville, Ind., is a site director for the YMCA Before and After School Program at Carmel Elementary School.

Nicolas A. Wyse ’02 of Sarasota, Fla., is owner/operator of a Quizno’s Subs franchise near downtown Sarasota.

Elizabeth J. Allen ’03 is a Fulbright scholar in Marburg, Germany until June 2004. In summer 2003, she worked on Mackinac Island, Mich.
Kelly Klee ’03 Alter of Pikeville, Ky., is teaching seventh-grade math and eighth-grade science at Betsy Layne Elementary School.

Mary K. Bean ’03 of Indianapolis is an accounting assistant at St. Luis de Montfort Catholic Church in Fishers, Ind.

Kari L. Brinkmeier ’03 of Pearl City, Ill., is a special education teacher for Eastland Community Unit School District No. 308.

Matthew D. Carver ’03 of Amboy, Ind., teaches history, government and economics at Wabash High School, where he coaches junior varsity basketball and football.

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Clinton S. Dickason ’03 of Davenport, Iowa, is a student at Palmer College of Chiropractic.

Amber N. Dionne ’03 of Honolulu is attending graduate school at the University of Hawaii.

Jennifer D. Eisberg ’03 of Markle, Ind., is studying radiology technology toward a June 2005 graduation.

Amy Breaton ’03 Flack of Wabash, Ind., is a victim’s advocate for Hands of Hope in Marion, Ind.

Mary Kathryn Grieser ’03 of West Lafayette, Ind., is working on a master of accountancy at Manchester.

William C. Guisinger ’03 of Peru, Ind., is a manager in training for National City Bank in Tipton, Ind.

Alicia S. Hagan ’03 of Muncie, Ind., is an art teacher at Muncie Community Schools.

Eric S. Holsopple ’03 of Beech Grove, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in physical therapy at the University of Indianapolis, where he is a graduate assistant for athletic training.

Wade L. Jagger ’03 of Syracuse, Ind., is a Spanish teacher and National Honor Society advisor at Wawasee High School.

Kacey L. Kottkamp ’03 of Akron, Ind., teaches seventh-grade language arts and coaches seventh- and eighth-grade cheerleading at Bremen Elementary/Middle School.

Clarice T. Kominowski ’03 of Angola, Ind., is an English teacher at Angola High School.

Holly A. Locke ’03 of Muncie, Ind., is a cost accountant at Modernfold Inc. in New Castle, Ind.

Jessica L. Manning ’03 of Columbia City, Ind., is a community specialist for Passages Inc. and is pursuing a master’s in counseling at Ball State.

Jessica Hodges ’03 McFarland of Mentone, Ind., is pursuing a master’s of accountancy degree at Manchester College.

Jessica M. McInnis ’03 of Rensselaer, Ind., teaches fourth- and fifth-grade special education at Monon Elementary.

Dana M. Miller ’03 of Osceola, Ind., is in the Master of Accountancy program at Manchester College.

Kristy M. Miller ’03 of Bradford, Ohio, is employed by Trimble in customer service/invoicing.

Margo R. Miller ’03 of Goshen, Ind., has taken a Church of the Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) assignment with Bridgeway Homes for Pregnant Teens in Lakewood, Colo.

Miranda L. Miller ’03 of Rochester, Ind., is an adult case manager at Four County Counseling Center.

Mary Swartzentuber ’03 Moore of Goshen, Ind., is an analytical chemist at Accra Pac in Elkhart, Ind.

Michelle L. Myers ’03 of Peru, Ind., teaches second grade at Swayzee Elementary School.

Brooke M. Olejniczak ’03 of Argos, Ind., is a substitute teacher in the Argos area.

Kimberly Heckard ’03 Pursch of Noblesville, Ind., is employed at Adams Elementary School in Sheridan.

Stephen N. Quaderer ’03 of Gas City, Ind., teaches sixth-grade health at Noblesville Schools.

Erin E. Reep ’03 of Kokomo, Ind., is finishing her second undergraduate degree at Purdue University in chemical engineering.

Weston M. Rettinger ’03 of Muncie, Ind., is a math teacher at Muncie Central High School.

Aaron B. Roth ’03 of Indianapolis is a move manager for Wheaton Worldwide Moving in Indianapolis.

Shyla K. Russell ’03 of Warsaw, Ind., is a financial analyst at Zimmer in Warsaw.

Justin A. Scheiben ’03 of Richmond, Ind., is an advertising account manager for the Richmond Palladium-Item newspaper.

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Natalie M. Schmidt '03 of Pleasant Hill, Iowa, has taken a Church of the Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) assignment with Oakland Catholic Worker House in Oakland, Calif.

Candice J. Segulin '03 of Fort Wayne recently was a naturalist for the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department.

Brenda S. Simler '03 of Alamosa, Colo., has taken a Church of the Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) assignment with La Puente Home in Alamosa.

Sarah J. Slisher '03 of Mishawaka, Ind., is a teacher for Head Start in Mishawaka.

Rachael Waas Smith '03 of Portland, Ore., is working for AmeriCorps.

Tara Richmond '03 Soké of Fort Wayne is employed at Parkview Behavioral Health Center in Fort Wayne.

Kristin R. Spangler '03 of Greentown, Ind., is an athletic training intern for Manchester College.

Jennifer E. Stewart '03 of Indianapolis is an events and operations assistant with Custom Electronic Design & Installation Association through Raybourn Group International, an association management company in Indianapolis.


Lisa D. Updike '03 of Indianapolis is a student at Indiana University School of Law.

Julie M. Wiescke '03 of Greens Fork, Ind., is a case manager for adult outpatient and recovery at the Dunn Center in Connersville, Ind.

Ryan J. Yoder '03 of Athens, Ohio, has entered the Ph.D. program at The Ohio University in industrial and organizational psychology.

Shanna K. Young '03 of Fort Wayne is a claims adjuster at Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Co.

**Founders Day celebration debuts Mark Johnston ’68 entrepreneurship professor**

The Founders Day celebration on Nov. 16, 2003 inaugurated the Mark E. Johnston ’68 Professorship of Entrepreneurship.

James R. Falkiner ’69, director of the University of Notre Dame’s internship in entrepreneurship, gave the lecture. He had several other rehabilitation business interests and served on the board of the Manchester College Entrepreneurship Exploration Program. He died in 1999.

His wife, Janis Clark ’69 Johnston, established an endowment fund for faculty and program development in entrepreneurship.

**Dr. Jane Henney ’69 endows lecture to honor dad, Harry Henney ’35**

Purdue University President Emeritus Steven C. Beering delivered the inaugural Harry H. Henney ’35 Lecture in Science, Education, and Business at Manchester College on Dec. 3, 2003.

“This is a lecture for the general academic community,” said MC President Parker G. Marden, noting other endowed lectures often focus on specific areas of study. The endowment is a gift from former Manchester Trustee Jane E. Henney ’69.

Harry H. Henney, 90, has posted a lifetime of service to education and community. He began teaching at Maumee Township School in what now is East Allen County School. His 40-year tenure as an educator included as a science and physics teacher, business manager, assistant principal and principal — retiring in 1977.

Meanwhile, Mr. Henney was re-elected six times as clerk-treasurer of Woodburn, Ind., serving 25 years. He and his wife, Jeanette, have four children: Dr. Jane Henney, former commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and current senior vice president and provost for health affairs at University of Cincinnati; Dr. Frederic Henney ’76, a family physician in Monticello, Ind.; Floyd Henney, a prominent Fort Wayne builder; and Ann Hansen.

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**Alumni Tours**

There’s still time to join the 2004 trip to England and Scotland! Professor Emerita Rowan Daggett is leading the tour Nov. 1-12, 2004

Tour the Amazon in 2005 with Professor Emeritus David ’47 and Becky Waas ’46x April 9-21, 2005.

For details:
alumnioffice@manchester.edu
toll-free: 888-257-2586
MC continues its strong job rate for graduates with 2003 class

Manchester graduates continue to find jobs at a much mightier pace than colleagues from other colleges and universities. And, an indication of how connected College officials and faculty are to our students, once again MC’s job placement stats are based on contact with 100 percent of our 2003 graduates.

Just six months after graduation, more than 95.5 percent of MC’s 2003 alumni were employed, in full-time volunteer work or continuing their education.

As expected, the survey of MC’s 198 May graduates reveals a tough job market: More than 20 percent of Manchester’s 2003 grads are working out of their field. “Yet, this year’s placement rate is up slightly over last year, despite an even tougher job market,” said Stuart D. Jones, director of Career Services.

While college grads who cannot find work in their field traditionally return to the classroom, that trend did not continue this year, Jones said. Only 14.6 percent of Manchester’s June 2003 alumni are in grad school – compared to almost 27 percent in 2001, for example.

“Manchester’s continued higher placement of its graduates compared to national and regional averages year after year reflects the College’s stellar reputation in the business world and in graduate schools,” he said.

MC receives $750,000 for local economic development efforts

Manchester College has received a $750,000 incentive for its growing collaboration with Wabash County and North Manchester economic development efforts.

With a four-year grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., the College will develop a wide-reaching local program of student internships and entrepreneurial support that will address two critical economic development concerns:

... Stemming the significant loss of talented college graduates from Indiana, particularly from Wabash County;

... Improving job opportunities for other Indiana workers, whether or not they have college educations.

MC still a “Best Value,” says U.S. News & World Report

Manchester College remains a “Best Value” among Midwest schools, according to a popular college guide for students published by U.S. News & World Report.

The magazine’s 2004 America’s Best Colleges edition also noted that MC graduates are not carrying a heavy burden of leftover college expenses, ranking MC graduates 7th on its “Least Debt” list.

Manchester ranks 5th as a “Best Value” and 8th among Midwest bachelor’s degree colleges for its enrollment of international students. This year, the College has 82 international students from 33 countries.

Well-versed college administrator new leader of MC fund development

Stephen O. Mason is the new vice president for college advancement, but he’s no stranger to college administration or the Church of the Brethren.

The post was held by Timothy A. McElwee ’78, who now teaches peace studies full-time at MC.

For the past six years, Mason served as executive director of the Association of Brethren Caregivers. He has 19 years of experience in college administration, most recently as vice president for financial services and director of development at McPherson College. He has held top administrative posts at colleges in Pennsylvania, Virginia, Rhode Island, Alabama, Illinois, and Iowa. He holds a Ph.D. in higher education from Loyola University, a master's in counseling education from James Madison University, and a bachelor's in psychology from Bridgewater College.

Annual Peru golf classic raises $7,000 for athletics

Fifty-one golfers at the 7th annual Wayne Smith Classic raised about $7,000 for MC athletics and a scholarship fund on Sept. 18.

R. Wayne Smith ’49 served on the Board of Trustees from 1991 until his death on Jan. 31, 2003. Through the years, the annual golf outing at Rock Hollow Golf Club in Peru has raised more than $53,000 for the MC athletic department and the R. Wayne & Virginia Bryant Smith Scholarship Fund.
McClain College posts largest enrollment in 22 years

With 1,170 students, enrollment at Manchester is at its highest since 1981.
The 335-student first-year class is 8.4 percent larger than the 2002 fall incoming class and is the largest since 1989.

“Our enrollments are exceptional this year,” said David F. McFadden ’82, vice president for enrollment management. “The increases in our first-year class and our retention reflect the great value that students and parents find at Manchester.”

Manchester College in the News

MC posts largest enrollment in 22 years

About 83 percent of the students are Indiana residents, although the College also draws students from 29 other states. About 75 percent of the students live on campus. (Manchester students must live on campus through their junior year, unless they live at home or are exempt.)

In addition to an increased first-year class, a total of 82 international students representing more than 33 countries attend Manchester, despite increased hassles in obtaining visas.

Three join MC faculty, two in new roles at the College

Manchester College welcomed three new faculty members this year, including two alumni: Assistant Professor Barbara J. Burdge (social work), Associate Professor Timothy A. McElwee ’78 (peace studies) and Instructor Heather Schilling ’90 (education).

McElwee teaches peace and reconciliation, as the Plowshares professor, in a peace studies program funded by Lilly Endowment Inc. A former MC campus pastor, McElwee most recently was College vice president for advancement.

“This is a dream fulfilled for me,” McElwee said. “I’ve wanted to teach peace studies since graduating 25 years ago.”

Schilling returned to her alma mater as an adjunct professor for the Education Department last year and is now an instructor. “Everything has come full-circle for me,” Schilling said. “This really feels like home.”

Burdge comes to the MC Social Work Department from University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, where she was an instructor.

“The main thing that drew me to Manchester College is the culture on campus and the commitment to social justice,” said Burdge, who now directs MC’s social work program.

600!!! visitors see Mars from Morris Observatory

On Aug. 25-28, 2003, Mars came closer to Earth than it has in 60,000 years, and Manchester College was the place to be to see the planet.

Thanks to enthusiastic (and at first, overwhelming) publicity by area TV and radio stations and newspapers, 600 gazers lined up for hours at our Morris Observatory to see for themselves.

Physics Professor Dwight B. Beery ’59 and members of the Wabash County Astronomical Society were on hand to talk about Mars and give the crowd a peek through a 10-inch F10 Meade Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope in the Morris Observatory dome and other quickly donated telescopes set up close by.

It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and it was at Manchester College!

37 Manchester students appear in 2004 edition of Who’s Who

The 2004 edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges includes the names of 36 Manchester College seniors and one junior – all cited as outstanding campus leaders.

A Manchester nominating committee and Who’s Who editors selected the students based on their academic achievement, service to community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

What’s new with you? Don’t forget to fill out the Alumni card inserted in this edition of your Manchester Magazine!
Manchester College President Parker G. Marden plans to retire from the College on June 30, 2005, shortly after his 11th anniversary as the College’s 13th president.

But the 65-year-old scholar said he still has much to accomplish as president. A $52 million fund-raising goal nears fruition, as well as a unique collaboration of the state’s three peace colleges in an Indianapolis peace studies campus. President Marden’s wife, Ann, also will retire as MC’s Director of Special Events.

“I have truly valued my 10 years of service to Manchester College. But it is not time yet for the College or me to look back,” said President Marden. “I look forward to this time, and to preparing to support my successor.”

The College community and Manchester Magazine plan to enthusiastically celebrate and recognize President Marden’s contributions not only to the College, but to Indiana higher education and the community.

Trustees Chair David A. Haist ’73 and the trustees have high praise for President Marden’s leadership at the college and among other colleges and universities within Indiana and nationally. “We are privileged to have his service and will celebrate his leadership accomplishments for generations to come.”

“President Marden always is focused on the College’s mission that is centered in faith, learning and service,” said Haist. “He has made an unparalleled contribution to Manchester College since his appointment 10 years ago. Under his leadership, the College has grown in the depth and quality of its faculty, staff and facilities and our students have been the beneficiaries of the highest quality education available from an independent, co-educational college in the liberal arts tradition.

President Marden has led Manchester College since June 1994, after six years as vice president for academic affairs and dean of Beloit College in Wisconsin. The Massachusetts native has a bachelor’s degree in sociology from Bates College in Maine, and a master’s and doctorate in sociology from Brown University in Rhode Island. He has taught sociology since 1966, at Cornell University, Lawrence University, St. Lawrence University, Beloit College and Manchester College.

Search Committee advertises nationwide for applicants, nominations

With a nationwide call for applicants, a web site and a 15-member committee, the search for the College’s 14th president is under way. The new president will take office July 1, 2005.

The profile of the perfect applicant contains no surprises: Manchester wants another leader dedicated to academic excellence, a motivator, and a keen fund-raiser with college financial savvy and an appreciation for the College’s Church of the Brethren heritage.

The search committee is comprised of College trustees and faculty, plus representatives from the students, administrators, staff, alumni and the Wabash County community. The deadline for nominations is March 15; with an April 1 deadline for applications.

J. Bentley Peters ’62, chair of the Presidential Search Committee and vice chair of the Manchester College Board of Trustees, said “We are blessed with a great opportunity and the interest in this position has been gratifying.” All nominations and applications will be made directly to the Presidential Search Committee. A link to a Presidential Search website has been established at www.manchester.edu, with nomination forms and other important details about the search.

To request or submit nomination forms and other information, contact: Chair J. Bentley Peters, Presidential Search Committee, Manchester College, P.O. Box 12663, Fort Wayne, IN 46864 or e-mail search@manchestercollege.net
Alumni Days 2004
May 27-28

Reunions for Classes of 1934, 1939, 1944, 1949, 1959
50-year reunion: Class of 1954

Thursday, May 27

7:30-8:45 a.m. Class of ’54 Breakfast Buffet, Union Dining West
9 a.m. Class of ’54 Registration and social time, Helman Hall
10:15 a.m. Welcome Class of ’54
   “Down Memory Lane” with L. Dwight Farringer ’49, Helman Hall
noon Class of ’54 Opening Luncheon, Union Lounge
1:30-3:30 p.m. Class of ’54 Get Reacquainted, Helman Hall
2 p.m.   Registration and social time for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, ’59, Oakwood Hall
3:45-4:45 p.m. Class of ’54 campus briefing, Helman Hall, followed by campus tours
4:45-5:45 p.m. President’s reception for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, ’59, Tall Oaks (President’s residence)
5-6 p.m.   President’s reception for Class of ’54, Tall Oaks (President’s residence)
6 p.m.   Dinner, Union Dining Hall
7 p.m.   “Manchester College Today,” MC President Parker Marden, Union Dining Hall
8 p.m.   Class of ’54 Talent Night, Helman Hall
8 p.m.   Social time for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, ’59, Oakwood Hall

Friday, May 28

7:30 a.m.   Registration, Otho Winger Society and Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, ’59, Cordier Lobby
7:30-9 a.m.   Breakfast Buffet, Union Dining West (all returning classes)
8-9:15 a.m.   Annual Otho Winger Society* and Alumni breakfast and program, Cordier Lobby
9:45 a.m.   Selections from the Chime by Registrar Lila Vanlue ’79 Hammer
10 a.m.   Memorial service, Cordier Auditorium
11 a.m.   Class of ’54 tree-planting service
11:20 a.m.   Class of ’54 class photograph, front steps of Student Union
11:40 a.m.   Class photos for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49 and ’59, steps of College Union
noon   Class of ’54 lunch, Union Lounge
noon   Class luncheons for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, ’59
1:45-3:15 p.m.   Class of ’54 presentations, Helman Hall
2:45-3:45 p.m.   Campus tours for Classes of ’34, ’39, ’44, ’49, and ’59, start in lower Union
4-5 p.m.   Organ recital with Robin Gratz ’70, Cordier Auditorium
5 p.m.   President’s reception, Cordier Lobby
5:30 p.m.   Alumni Honor Award Banquet, Union Dining Hall

* The Otho Winger Society recognizes those who have included the College in their will or estate plan, or have made another
type of deferred gift to Manchester College.

Campus Store open 8-5 Thursday and Friday – lower level of Calvin Ulrey Hall

It’s time to make your reservations for Alumni Days!
Return your registration form or call your Alumni office
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MC Sports

Four conference titles!

By Doug Shoemaker ’98

The 2003 fall sports season got the year started on the right foot for Manchester College, as three teams captured a conference championship title, and a fourth won the conference tournament to advance to the NCAA Championships.

Women’s Tennis

The women’s tennis team defended its conference title, winning Manchester’s second straight HCAC Championship. The team also set a new record for most wins in a season, going 11-1 for the year and missing an undefeated season following a loss in the final match of the regular season.

In the conference tournament, all nine Spartan positions advanced to the championship finals, and came away with victories from Elizabeth Weybright ’06 at No. 2 singles, Angie Wilcox ’07 at No. 3 singles and Laura Hunter ’05 at No. 6 singles. The duos of Kristen Frick ’05 and Elizabeth Weybright, along with Angie Wilcox and Anna Merryman ’07, staked claims in the 1 and 2 doubles championships.

Todd Hartsough ’99 was HCAC Conference Coach of the Year in women’s tennis for the second straight season.

Women’s Golf

The women’s golf team won its first conference championship this fall, edging out Franklin College by five strokes. The women picked up four tournament titles in the fall, compared to winning just one over the last nine years since the program’s conception in 1994.

The 2003 squad picked up three second-place finishes as well. In the conference championships,
more fall sports ...

first-year student Jessica Strange '07 took medalist honors with a two-day score of 156. She earned Most Valuable Golfer and Freshman of the Year honors. Dorey Bungitak '07 also made the All-Conference team, while co-head coaches Roger Lundy and Bill Rhudy were HCAC Conference Coaches of the Year.

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team also picked up its first conference championship, in a 2-1 defeat of Anderson University in the final game of the regular season. The game drew one of the largest soccer crowds in MC history.

Andrew Bigelow '05 scored both goals for MC in the game to give Manchester the win. Bigelow led the conference in points scored, goals scored and assists, which propelled him to 2003 HCAC Most Valuable Player award for men's soccer.

Joining him on the All-Conference team was Tim Robison '05, making both two-time All-Conference players. The men's soccer team finished with an overall record of 11-6-4, 5-1 in conference play, and lost in the HCAC tournament 2-1 to Defiance College.

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team posted a school record 13-win season, ending the year 13-5-2 and taking their first trip to the NCAA National Tournament. The trip to the tourney followed a 1-0 double overtime win over Anderson University in the HCAC conference tournament semi-finals, and a 3-2 victory over Hanover College in the finals. MC fell 2-0 to Hope College in the NCAA tournament.

Missy King '06, Nikki Sieracki '06, Miranda Ford '07 and Denise Snyder '05 were named to the All-Conference team, and goalkeeper Bri Sawa '07 was HCAC Freshman of the Year. Sawa gave up only eight goals in 18 matches and ranked 30th in the nation with her 0.69 goals against per game average. Filling up the Spartan trophy case was head coach Scott Stan, who took home Coach of the Year honors.

Men's Cross Country

Carrying on with the swing of things around Manchester College, the men's cross country team placed at least third in six of their seven meets, including a second-place finish at the 2003 Conference championships.

In that meet, three Spartans earned All-Conference honors by finishing in the Top 12. Marshall Magaro '04 placed third, followed by Aaron Lahman '04 in fifth place. Josh Wolfe '07 completed tenth. Coach Brian Cashdollar was HCAC Conference Coach of the Year for his team's success through the season.

Women's Cross Country

The women cross country runners had an equally fine season, placing in the Top 5 in six of the seven competitions, highlighted by second-place finishes at
Franklin College and Earlham College. The women placed fourth at the HCAC Cross Country Championships, with Molly Sanders ’04 placing third to give her All-Conference honors for the third-straight year.

Football
The football team ended the year with a 2-8 overall record, 1-5 in the HCAC, with First Team All-Conference awards for B.J. Edwards ’04, Kris Hueber ’05 and Brandon Tugmon ’06. Second Team honors went to Greg Jarrett ’04, A.J. Martzall ’05, Jake Sharin ’07 and Mike Zehner ’06. Jared Markham ’07, Chris Null ’07 and Ryan Sons ’07 picked up Honorable Mention recognition.

In the 33-28 triple overtime victory over Bluffton College, Manchester’s Tugmon set several school records as a wide receiver. He set a new school record for receptions in a game, with 17 catches for 150 yards. He also set a new record for most catches in a season, with 77 receptions. He moves to fifth in all-time receptions and third in career receiving yards.

Women’s Volleyball
The women’s volleyball team turned things around this season with a six-win improvement over last year under first-year coach Wayne Chadwick. The Spartans ended the year 13-22, 2-5 in conference play.

MC finished third in the Manchester Invite, with Abby Schmidt ’04 and Jayme McCollough ’06 named to the All-Tournament team. Senior Jennifer Studebaker ’04 was selected to the Second Team All-Conference.
Four athletes and the 1968 football team are the newest members of the Manchester College Athletics Hall of Fame. September inductees included Jeffrey L. Niespodziany ’81, Alan T. Howenstine ’59, Wendell Beck ’50 and Jerry L. Walther ’69.

Perhaps the greatest team to ever take the MC gridiron was the 1968 football squad. No football team in Spartan history was undefeated, but the 1968 team is among five to finish the season with just one loss to their records.

Over the last 35 years, the 1968 team posted the best record, finishing its season 7-1. The team also is the last to win the conference football championship – the Hoosier College Conference title, thanks to a stingy defense and an offense that ranked second in the nation in scoring. The team was coached by the late Jack Jarrett ’56 and captained by Ralph D. Buzbee ’69, Paul R. Howard ’69x, Larry L. Stewart ’69 and the late James E. Andrews ’69.

The Spartans shared the conference title with Anderson University that year, ending the season with 1,349 rushing yards (3.4 yards per carry average), and passed for 737 yards (completing 62 of 110 attempts, 52 percent). The defense held opponents to 827 yards rushing (2.51 yards per carry), and 822 yards passing.

They were in the Top 35 of small schools in the country in the NAIA polls. Manchester had All-Conference and All-District selections in Buzbee, Howard and Stewart on defense. Offensively, Andrews was All-Conference, while he and offensive lineman Ray E. Hedstrom ’69 made the All-District squad.

Jeff Niespodziany

Some say the only other thing to cover more terrain other than the grounds crew at Manchester College was Jeff Niespodziany of Mishawaka. The four-year track and field and cross country standout dominated meets and invitational meets 1977 to 1981.

Jeff spent his last three years on the cross country squad as the Spartans No. 1 runner and team captain. He advanced to NAIA Cross Country Nationals all four years, and was the team’s Most Valuable Performer three years. He also earned four All-Hoosier Buckeye and All-NAIA District 21 honors as a Spartan.

Jeff was the overall champion at the 1978 Little State cross country meet. His personal best of 25:20 is third in Manchester College history. Jeff was part of the district championship team in 1980, and three-time winner of the Manchester College Invitational meet.

Jerry Walther

Jerry Walther of Claypool was one of the most versatile athletes to come out of Manchester College.
Jerry transferred to Manchester from the University of Oklahoma in 1967, joining Spartan athletics in 1968. He made an immediate impact in the basketball program, posting several game highs: most points in a game (41), field goals (15), rebounds (26), and free-throws (14). He averaged 23.4 points per game for the 1968-69 season, leading the Hoosier College Conference in scoring, while ranking sixth in the NAIA District 21 for most points per game.

In track and field, he was MC’s Most Valuable Performer in 1969. He was team top point scorer, competing in the high jump, the shot put, the 100- and 220-yard dashes, and the 440-yard relay race. Jerry was a national qualifier in the high jump. His school record in the high jump at 6'5 ¼”, remains eighth-best in Manchester College history.

He also represented Manchester at the international level, traveling with several other Spartans to South America with Coach Claude E. Wolfe ’40 to represent the men’s basketball team and the College. (Coach Wolfe died in July 1985.)

Jerry was the M Association “Athlete of the Year” in 1968-69, and received the Rotary Club’s “Mental Attitude Award.”

Al Howenstine

Al Howenstine of North Manchester came to Manchester College in 1941 and spent two seasons with the men’s basketball program.

In his first game as a Spartan, Al poured in 25 points in a 59-35 win over Taylor, and continued to lead the team in scoring, averaging 15.2 points per game. His 274 points broke an MC record held by the late Charles E. Beck ’39. Al ranked second in the state in scoring that season.

He earned Second Team All-Hoosier College Conference honors while the 1941-42 team finished 12-6 in a season highlighted by defeating Ball State twice. Sportswriters in Indiana named him to the College All-Star team.

In his sophomore season, Al averaged 15.4 points per game, ranking him third in the state for scoring, and helping MC to 13-6 on the year, and 12-2 for a second-place finish in the Hoosier College Conference.

Manchester again defeated Ball State twice that year. Al scored a career-high 30 points against Central Normal, breaking the single-game record. That year, he was First Team All-Conference and was once again the team’s leading scorer.

Al joined the U.S. Army in March 1943. Following World War II, he returned to Manchester College in 1955, but not the Spartans. He was selected to try out with the Fort Wayne Pistons, but he stayed with farming instead.

Wendell “Wendy” Beck

“Wendy” Beck came to Manchester College after a stint in the military during World War II. Before the war, he had spent one season at Indiana University, on the freshman basketball team.

In his first year with the men’s basketball team in 1946-47, Wendy was the team’s leading scorer with 261 points. His 13.4-point game average earned him First Team All-Conference honors.

He continued his scoring presence the following year, averaging 13.1 points per game, and shooting a blistering 59 percent from the field. He was fifth in HCC in scoring, and 15th in the state in points per game.

His final year, Wendy scored 316 points to improve his season average to 15.0 points per game, while the Spartans ended the season 12-9. For the third time in his career, he led the team in scoring.

Wendell helped Manchester win the eight-team tournament hosted by Taylor, when the Spartans defeated Wilmington and Indiana Tech, and edged out Indiana Central by a point to bring home the trophy. He was honorary team captain during his senior year and was the team’s Most Valuable Player for all three seasons he played.

Wendy was the first Spartan basketball player drafted by the N.B.A., the Fort Wayne Pistons in 1949. Photo by Scott McAlpine

2003 Hall of Fame inductees Alan Howenstine ’59, Jerry Walther ’69, Jeff Niespodzany ’81 and Wendell Beck ’50
Fort Wayne, BSU standout will lead Spartan football

A well-respected recruiter and collegiate assistant coach who was an Indiana high school All-State/All-Conference quarterback is Manchester College’s new head football coach.

W. Shannon Griffith – who played for Fort Wayne’s Northrop High School in the ’80s and was an assistant coach at Ball State University – joined Manchester College’s staff Jan. 1.

Manchester College was attracted to Griffith’s coaching talents and local ties, his recruiting talents and his love of the game, said Director of Athletics Thomas S. Jarman, adding, “He will be a good fit here. Shannon’s reputation as a player’s coach with high expectations will serve him well in developing the Manchester College football program.”

Griffith replaces Dave Harms, who now is athletic director for Manchester High School.

“I am looking to change the image of the football program within the College environment and the community,” said Griffith. “It’s a process that will take time and hard work, but in the end will result in a better overall program.”

Manchester is in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) of the NCAA Division III.

Griffith has 13 years of college coaching experience at the Division I and Division II levels and played and coached on two Mid-American Conference championship teams at Ball State.

He is known in Indiana as a recruiter who takes good care of the athletes he recruits, Jarman said.

As quarterback coach at Ball State, Griffith helped the team toward the 1996 Mid-American Conference Championship and the Las Vegas Bowl. As video coordinator of the Ball State football program, he took that digital system to the same level as the pro teams.

“We are pleased and excited that Shannon Griffith will lead our football program,” said President Parker G. Marden. “He understands the NCAA Division III philosophy and he will produce graduates of Manchester College while winning football games.”

His father, Bill Griffith, is former president of the Indiana Football Coaches Association and a former member of the IHSAA Board of Directors. Bill Griffith coached at Snider and Wayne high schools in Fort Wayne, Jeffersonville High School and retired last year from Churubusco High School.

Shannon Griffith most recently was assistant football coach and a physical education teacher at Bishop Kenny High School in Jacksonville, Fla. The team, 7-4, had a berth in the Florida High School Play-Offs.

As a Ball State quarterback, Griffith was on the Mid-American Conference Championship team and in the California Raisin Bowl in 1989. At Northrop High School in Fort Wayne, he started three years as quarterback and was All-Conference and All-State quarterback.

At Northwood University in Michigan, Griffith was offensive line coach and co-offensive coordinator. His recruiting territory included western Michigan, northern Indiana, Chicago high schools and junior colleges.

Griffith has a master’s in athletic administration and physical education from Ball State, where he also received his bachelor’s. He and wife, Kimberly, a speech pathologist, have two children, Ashley, 11 and Isaac, 9.
Greetings from Manchester College!

As this issue of Manchester Magazine describes, it is an especially exciting time for us. The year has been marked by many successes, with just enough challenges to remind us of the need for humility and of the importance of remaining focused. And always, development of our strength and confidence is what will serve us well in the current turbulence in higher education.

First, some of our terrific news:

• We have broken ground on our $17 million Science Center. At 86,000+ square feet, it is the resource that will sustain our strength and renown in undergraduate education in the sciences. It took years to accomplish, but it is debt-free and the facility that our science faculty wanted!

• We have met all of the wonderful fund-raising challenges set for us by Lilly Endowment over the past several years, and the Endowment soon will have provided us with a full $4.5 million, most of it to help construct the Science Center. Four challenges have been met – to Trustees, alumni, faculty and staff, and parents and students. This success, achieved by those who are closest to the College and know us best, is awesome – and it is a key resource as we ask others to help us address our needs.

• We expect construction will soon begin on our terrific new Recital Hall in Winger Hall. It should be ready for fall 2004. At $1.2 million, it will be an anchor for our efforts in the arts, both to encourage performers and develop audiences for the nation.

• Thanks to new gifts and the recovery of the equities market, our endowment approaches $30 million. Our decision over the past several years not to draw income from a wounded endowment while it healed proved wise, if painful. New Board policies will cushion us against sudden or dramatic change in the future.

And there is much more. Our men’s and women’s sports teams have done very well; our terrific A Cappella Choir will be off soon to Italy to perform; and students, faculty, and graduates amass successes in many areas. As ideas collide on campus, as seems to be happening more often, we grow stronger as a fine, distinctive American college.

There are challenges. The lack of endowment income has been troublesome, and we have made difficult financial choices. In a time when our students come to us more and more skilled with computers, we are stretched to fulfill their expectations in information technology. A late-night fire in Schwalm Hall in October, ruled as arson, was unsettling and costly, although, thankfully, no one was injured and everyone responded well and immediately to the crisis.

Overall, it is a very exciting time at Manchester College. Success does not just happen. It is supported by a campus culture that encourages hard work that has led to such accomplishments. In turn, that culture is based in the great generosity and encouragement that we receive from our alumni and other friends. Together, we are doing something of real consequence and acclaim, and I am proud and grateful to be part of it.

Respectfully,

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