Former Presidential Advisor Visits Madison

James Madison College’s 2000 Fall Founder’s Circle Event, a luncheon featuring Zbigniew Brzezinski, was attended by 180 Madison alumni, students, faculty, and friends. Brzezinski, former national security advisor to President Carter, spoke of important foreign policy issues facing the United States in the next decade.

Madison Hosts First Tailgate

The first James Madison College Homecoming Tailgate Brunch was a big hit with alumni, students, and faculty alike. Case Hall food service staff prepared lots of good food, seasoned with lively discussion among participants. Plan to attend next year’s brunch before the MSU vs. Iowa game on October 13, 2001.
As my one-year anniversary at Madison has come and passed, I would like to review with you where we are on reaching out to alumni, friends, and the larger community, as well as inform you of changes under way inside the college.

From the very beginning, I have sought to build on and to establish external programs in alumni affairs, public outreach, and development that match the excellence of what goes on in the classroom. This year is meant to provide a pattern for these programs that will engage the imagination and commitment of alumni and friends and give Madison a greater public service role in the surrounding community.

In terms of alumni and public outreach, we have had a very successful fall semester, building upon past traditions of the college—like Founder’s Circle—and adding new events to the mix. In September, we began what I hope will be an annual tradition of a reception in the Detroit area. I had a wonderful dinner with alumni from Cleveland later that same month. We held our first annual homecoming tailgate in October, bringing together over 60 alumni, faculty, staff, and students. I also look forward to receptions this next semester in Washington, D.C. and Chicago, where we can bring together old and new faculty and former students. We are also working with the Alumni Association on a spring reception on campus to honor our faculty and reconnect alumni with their teachers. I would like to see these alumni events become something you can count on in the years ahead.

Zbigniew Brzezinski’s Founder’s Circle appearance to a packed house on October 16th was also a great success. This was a major event, but we are also bringing to campus a variety of speakers, ranging from Burton Gerber, a retired senior official in the CIA, to a group of Madison students and alumni involved in state and county politics. To hear Mark Grebner explain Florida’s vote counting troubles was one of the highlights of the year. I would encourage more alumni to come back and speak at the college about the major issues they wrestle with in their careers. Such talks are academically rich, but they also stretch the career imaginations of students.

We are also beginning what I hope will be an extended outreach to selected secondary schools in Michigan. We are developing close ties with the International Academy, a high school in Bloomfield Hills. Our Mott-funded program of mentoring and academic enrichment with the Flint schools is off and running, headed by Professor Louise Jezierski. I hope to have a similar outreach program working this next year with a Lansing area high school. These programs pay a debt I believe we owe as a land grant institution to students in high school now, particularly those in areas where a sense of what college is and the opportunities it provides need strengthening. We are also working with the Urban League to identify and encourage college-bound minority and disadvantaged youth.

Our development efforts continue, with Rocky Beckett (IR ’86) stepping in as development director in October. I hope to have the first fruits of the Porteous Challenge—a major renovation of the library—completed by next fall.

There have also been changes internally. The faculty and I have agreed to dismantle the political economy field in favor of a new specialization that will preserve the “socio-economic” approach to public policy questions that goes back to the founding of the college. There are regrets and problems with dismantling a field, and the process will be carried out slowly over the next several years. Both the faculty and I have moved in this direction, not to kill off a program, but to find a way to make the contribution it makes more viable. Three tenure-stream searches are under way—two represent new permanent positions at the college. MSU Provost Lou Anna Simon has agreed to provide an additional tenure-stream position next year. With all these and many other challenges, I am lucky to have the very energetic Mike Schechter serve as chair this year of the Faculty Affairs Committee.

Perhaps the most important things I’ve learned during the past year—or rather remembered from a somewhat hazy 1970s—are what a special place Madison remains and what a special group of alumni and friends it has. Let me wish all of you the very best of the coming holidays and a Happy New Year.

Sherman Garnett
Dean
James Madison College

I need your help. As we update the JMC Web site, explain the college to foundations and other donors, and work with prospective students, we want to be able to convey both what a Madison education is and what it has meant to its graduates over the years. To do so, I would like to collect paragraph-long statements from alumni reflecting on their time at Madison and what it has meant to them in later life. I would like to use these paragraphs in our outreach to a wider public. If you are willing, please send me your thoughts and reflections. A selection of these will also appear in future issues of the newsletter.

Sherman Garnett
Garnetts@msu.edu
Changing Faces and Meeting Challenges

As we begin another year, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the contributions and dedication of Fred Headen (JMCD ’78), out-going board member of the James Madison College Alumni Association (JMCAA). While on the board, Fred served not only as president, but also as an alumni representative on two separate dean search committees. Fred’s presence will be missed, and it is my honor to thank him for his many years of service to the board and the college.

I would also like to welcome alumnus Terry Langston (SR ‘92), who joined the board at our annual meeting in September. Terry is currently a development officer with Olivet College (Olivet, Michigan), focusing on corporate and foundation relations.

Porteous Challenge

The JMCAA will tackle several key issues this year in addition to our traditional programming. Perhaps the most important is the board’s commitment to help the college seize upon a fantastic opportunity: meeting the Porteous Challenge.

As detailed in previous issues of James Madison Scene, MSU Trustee David Porteous has committed to matching contributions to the college up to $100,000 for improvements to the college’s facilities. As many of you know, Case Hall has served as home to James Madison College since it began in 1967. Despite the best efforts of its dedicated housing and maintenance staff, Case Hall is showing its years. Meeting the Porteous challenge will not only provide the immediate benefit of renovating the college’s aging facilities, but will also demonstrate to university administrators that Madison alumni remain committed to the college and its purpose.

If you have not made your gift to the challenge yet, please join me and send your gift today. Contributions of any size are welcome and will be matched one to one. A pledge form for the Porteous Challenge is available on page 14 of this issue. Contact the JMC Development Office at 517/432-2117 for further information.

Constituent Groups

Our second key issue is to review the creation of JMCAA constituent groups. Madison alumni in several cities throughout the nation—such as Washington, Chicago, and Cleveland—have occasionally expressed an interest in developing local chapters of the JMCAA. The development of a definitive plan regarding constituent groups has been difficult because local interest in the structure, role, and purpose of such groups has never been fully explored or clarified.

I invite those who are interested in sharing their ideas and views on potential constituent groups with the board to contact us by e-mail using the following dedicated e-mail address: jmcaa2000@yahoo.com. Comments may also be forwarded to the board through Kim Allan via the college’s administrative office (allank@msu.edu). You may also post comments on the JMC electronic bulletin board found at www2.jmc.msu.edu/under the “alumni” heading. Your input will be invaluable in assisting us resolve this question.

New Faculty/Alumni Reception

The board’s third major effort this year is a new addition to our event calendar. Look for upcoming information regarding a faculty-alumni reception to be held in the Lansing area this spring. The reception will offer Madison alumni the opportunity catch up with professors whom they remember from their days in Case Hall as well as an excellent chance to become reacquainted with the college and other alumni.

If you live outside of Michigan and cannot attend the spring event, please be aware that the college holds periodic receptions in cities throughout the country as schedules permit. Look for announcements in James Madison Scene for upcoming receptions near your hometown.

In closing, I urge you to get involved in the activities of your JMCAA and your college.

Whether through a financial commitment to the Porteous Challenge or a personal commitment of involvement in one of the many Madison events, the college needs and values your support. Only through the commitment of its alumni can the college achieve its full potential in responding to the challenges placed before it.

Christopher J. Iamarino
(JMCD/IR ’91)

As always, the JMCAA welcomes any ideas, suggestions, or input from our membership. Further, if you are interested in volunteering with efforts such as law Night, phone calls to prospective students, or other events, contact Kim Allan at (517) 353-3381 or fill out and return the form elsewhere in this newsletter.
JMC Admissions Has Ambitious Schedule

As the leaves fall and the seasons change, high school seniors are eagerly applying to college. James Madison College has been busy reaching out to students of all ages to inform them about the educational opportunities available in our program.

Madison College representatives have traveled extensively throughout the state and nation to inform high school counselors, prospective students, and families about our unique program. We have attended numerous college fairs and visited high schools in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Cleveland, Chicago, Boston, and numerous cities in Michigan. In addition, our four College Visit Days have been very popular and enabled prospective students to meet faculty, staff, and current JMC students as well as attend a class.

The college also co-sponsored two prospect meetings for minority students in November. Together with the MSU Lyman Briggs School and the MSU Honors College, we hosted an information session at the Detroit Urban League, which attracted eighty prospective students and family members. A second prospect meeting took place in Flint.

Madison has also worked to increase its outreach to high schools, middle schools, and grade schools. The college will host more than 200 fifth grade students from the Rochester, Michigan, area as part of a program to educate them about the democratic process.

JMC Dean Sherman Garnett has been working to establish relationships with high schools throughout Michigan. This fall we hosted twenty students and faculty members from the International Academy high school in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, for the Madison Founder’s Circle Lunch. Madison also sponsored a presidential debate at the International Academy moderated by Professor Constance Hunt. Current Madison College students represented the presidential candidates and spiritedly debated numerous issues including foreign policy and education. More than 250 juniors and seniors attended the debate, forcefully supporting each representative. In conjunction, JMC students also spoke to seniors about the role of the media and third parties in election campaigns.

As the admissions process continues, Madison will ask many alumni to assist our efforts by getting in touch with admitted students. During January and February 2001, Madison will be contacting all admitted students. Current Madison students and alumni will be phoning students and parents to discuss the educational opportunities available in our program and fully inform students about the uniqueness of our college.
1970s

Randall Smith (JMCD ’73) joined NFO Worldwide as president and chief operating officer in April 2000. He will be working primarily from the NFO corporate offices in Greenwich, Connecticut. NFO is the sixth largest market research company in the world, with revenues approaching $500 million, and has operations in nearly 40 countries. Smith was most recently employed by Information Resources, Inc.

Frank J. Gaskill (JMCD ’74) was named associate professor of management at Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas. He was previously an associate professor of management at Delta State University in Cleveland, Mississippi. On June 10, he married Carla A. Ranii of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Steve Ormond (IR ’74) is a managing shareholder for Kupelian Ormond & Magy in Southfield, Michigan. He previously worked in the Office of General Counsel for General Motors. Ormond received his J.D. from William and Mary in 1977.

Marilyn Darling (Ethnic, psychology ’75), president of Signet Consulting Group, which focuses on creating learning strategies for organizations in the for-profit and not-for-profit sectors, has completed a study of the U.S. Army’s approach to operational performance improvement. "From Post-Mortem to Living Practice: An in-depth study of the evolution of the After Action Review" looks at the evolution of the Army’s best practice and the experience of civilian organizations that are attempting to adopt the practice. Darling also participated in this year’s National Security Seminar at the Army War College. Darling is chairperson of the James Madison College Board of Visitors.

William Hamilton (JMCD ’77) was recognized in a staff achievement award presented by the National Association of Legislative Fiscal Offices (NALFO) to the Michigan House Fiscal Agency (HFA) for his work in producing the 17-minute video *Money in Motion: Michigan’s State Transportation Budget*. The video, used to inform legislators and the general public, provides an overview of the transportation budget and identifies issues related to rewriting Act 51, the statute that controls state transportation appropriations. Hamilton is the HFA analyst for transportation issues.

Tim Soave (Ethnic ’78) is the chief of fiscal services for the Oakland County Department of Management and Budget. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of Michigan Finance Officers. Soave holds a Master’s of Public Administration from Oakland University.

1980s

Eric Petrie (JMCD ’80) and his wife, Mary Schulz, announce the birth of their baby daughter, Eve, who was born October 25, 2000.

Ed Coppola (IR ’81) is now with Proxicom, an Internet consulting company, and is working in Detroit, Michigan. Rushton previously worked for PriceWaterhouseCoopers.

James Mauro (IR ’83) is currently a member of the Board of Directors for the Hubbard Law Firm in Lansing, Michigan. He previously worked for the U.S. Department of Treasury as well as the Office of Chief Counsel (legal counsel for the IRS). Mauro graduated from Cooley Law School in 1987.

John Sharood (SOCEC ’83) has been elected treasurer of the Open Services Gateway Initiative (OSGI), a trade group dedicated to the creation of open specifications for the delivery of multiple services over wide-area networks to local networks.

ORDER YOUR COPY OF THE JAMES MADISON COLLEGE ALUMNI DIRECTORY!

The JMC Alumni Directory is a comprehensive publication including general information on graduates. Listings are organized in three categories: of graduates, by occupation, and by region. JMC hopes that the directory will help alumni renew old acquaintances and network personally and professionally.

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and devices. Sharood previously served as vice president and chief financial officer of Invensys Appliance Controls and as vice president and general manager of Invensys Network Systems.

Herman Marable, Jr. (Urban ’84), an assistant county prosecutor, was elected as Flint (Michigan) District Court judge in the fall election. Marable, a former vice president of the Flint NAACP, is assigned to the family support division of the prosecutor’s office.

Jay E. Austin (JMCD ’85) and Carl E. Bruch (eds.) have published The Environmental Consequences of War: Legal, Economic, and Scientific Perspectives (Cambridge University Press, 2000). Austin has recently relocated to Portland, Oregon, and is affiliated with the DC-based Environmental Law Institute.

Kevin Manning (IR ’85) married Mariah Barile at the Grand Ledge (Michigan) Opera House on August 26, 2000.

Susan Sandell (JMCD ’85) is an analyst for the State of Michigan, Department of Environmental Quality. She assists local governments in accessing more than $30 million in grants and loans for environmental cleanup and brownfield redevelopment. She also plans training for more than 250 staff once or more annually. Sandell was previously an environmental consultant for the Michigan Council on Environmental Quality.

Eric Schertzing (JMCD ’85) was elected Ingham County (Michigan) Treasurer in the fall election.

Kelly Carson (IR ’86) married Virgil Eugene Sauder on August 5, 2000 at the Assembly Mennonite Church in Goshen, Indiana.

Scott Dueweke (IR ’86) has been named vice president of MerchantOnline.com, a leader in providing secure credit and debit card processing for the Internet. Dueweke previously held the same title with Cardservice International. After earning his International Relations degree from Madison, Dueweke was appointed by the Reagan Administration to the U.S. Department of State, where he served as liaison with the Soviet Embassy during relief efforts for the Armenian earthquake; liaison to the U.S. Congress; and spokesperson for the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Richard O’Keefe (IR ’88) joined Three Bond in March 1999. He previously worked in Japan in Production Planning for KTI Semiconductor, a joint venture of Texas Industries and its Japanese partner, Kobe Steel, where he was the first non-Japanese employee in the history of the company. He also owned his own restaurant/bar, La Verite, in Himeji, Japan. O’Keefe received a master’s in international management in 1991 from Thunderbird’s American Graduate School of International Management in Glendale, Arizona. He married Keiko Fujita on September 2, 2000.

Timothy F. Sheridan (Urban ’88) has joined Plunkett & Cooney as a civil litigator in the firm’s Grand Rapids, Michigan office. His practice focuses on the areas of autos, premises, construction, and product liability defense. After graduating from James Madison College...

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Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48825
College, Sheridan served as an admissions counselor at Adrian College before receiving his law degree from the University of Toledo College of Law in 1993. He also served as a clerk for Judge Daniel L. Sullivan of the Monroe County (Michigan) Circuit Court.

**Kelly Ann (Breuer) Weist** (Urban '88) and her husband, Jeff Weist, gave birth to their first child, Nicholas Michael, on August 27. The Weists currently live in the mountains outside Denver, Colorado, where Kelly has her own lobbying business.

**1990s**

**Mercedes G. Alonzo** (IR '90) recently took the position of assistant attorney general for the Environmental Unit of the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General. Previously, she served as an attorney for the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. She was also chosen by Temas magazine as one of the notable Hispanic women of 1999, partially because of her humanitarian mission to Honduras to assist the victims of the tragedy caused by Hurricane Mitch.

**Richard W. Barnes, Jr.** (IR '90) is an international sales and marketing representative for UPS. He completed his master's in international business at the University of South Carolina in June 1997. Barnes married Maeva E. O'Conner, M.D., of Columbia, South Carolina, on May 20, 2000.

**Mike** (IR '90) and **Sandi (Hewitt) Skidmore** (MS '90) had a baby girl, Kirsten (“Kira”) Bailey, on October 1, 2000. Sandi was director of admissions for James Madison College in 1995-98. She is now an academic adviser for the Michigan State University Honors College. Mike is a food service supervisor at MSU’s Owen Graduate Center. They were married in July 1998 and live in Lansing, Michigan.

**Sharon Lowery** (IR '90) is currently serving as a witness liaison officer for the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal in Rwanda. Lowery received her M.A. in developmental studies (with a specialization in women and development) from the Institute of Social Studies at The Hague, Netherlands in December 1994.

**Christine M. Grand** (POLEC '91), formerly of the Defender’s Office of Wayne County, Michigan, has opened her own practice in Farmington Hills, Michigan. Grand specializes in criminal defense, including drunk driving and traffic tickets. Recently, she was reelected to the Prisons and Corrections Section Council of the State Bar of Michigan.

**Joseph J. DeVito** (IR '92) has joined the law firm of Butzel Long as an associate in the Detroit, Michigan, office, where he specializes in securities regulation and transactions; mergers, acquisitions, and reorganizations of business entities; general business and corporate law matters; technology start-ups; and health-care-related regulatory and corporate matters. DeVito is a graduate of the Wayne State University Law School.

**Kendra Howard** (MS '92) served as the mid-Michigan coordinator for All Kids First! (AKF), a coalition of child advocacy, civil rights, and education groups supporting the constitutional guarantee of a free public education for all Michigan children. Their goal was the defeat of Proposal 1 on the Michigan ballot in November 2000. Howard took a political leave from her position as legislative policy analyst with the Michigan House of Representatives Democratic Policy Staff to work with AKF and returned to her position after the election.

**Melynda Neal** (SOCEC '92) has joined the Columbus, Ohio law firm of Chester, Willcox & Saxe LLP as an associate. She previously served as judicial law clerk to the Honorable Dana S. Preisse of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas for the past two years. Her practice concentrates on the area of civil litigation, family law in particular. Neal is a member of the Columbus Bar Association’s Family Law Committee. She received her J.D. in 1995 from Wayne State University.

**David** (IR '92) and **Ruth Skidmore** (IR '93) are the proud parents of their first born, David Bartlett Skidmore, born April 19,2000. Both Skidmores, who are attorneys in Grand Rapids, Michigan, graduated from the University of Michigan Law School after working for the Alaska State Legislature.

**Amy Huffman Egloff** (PE '93) is working as the director of Staff Collective Bargaining at Western Michigan University. Previously, she worked as the compensation manager there.

**Dave Hutson** (IR '93) is an assistant prosecuting attorney for Oakland County, Michigan. Hutson received his J.D. from Valparaiso University in 1999.

**Aaron Payne** (PTCD '93) is in Phnom Penh working with the Commission on Human Rights as a writer preparing English-language documents.

**Deano C. Ware** (MS '93) is a law clerk with Riley, Hurley, P.C. in Dearborn, Michigan, and working on his J.D. at Wayne State University. He previously was a law clerk for Judge Langford, 6th Circuit Court, and a registered representative for Prudential Insurance. Ware and his spouse have a nine-year-old son and a two-year-old daughter.

**Mark Cunningham** (IR '94), shown next to a portrait of James Madison in the Blue Room adjacent to the South Portico of the White House, is an appellate government counsel at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

As a collateral duty, he serves as a military White House social aide assisting with state dinners, bill signings, and other official receptions.

**Patrick Thaddeus Jackson** (IR '94) is teaching at American University in Washington, D.C.

**Karen (Provancher) Kostbade** (IR '94) graduated cum laude from Wayne State University Law School in May 2000. She works in Grand Rapids, Michigan, as research attorney for the Michigan Court of Appeals. She married...
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Erik Kostbade, a mechanical engineer, last year in Grand Rapids.  

Christine Long (MS ’94) will marry Ben Roeder in June 2001. Long is the economic development specialist for the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan, and is enrolled in the Master of Urban Planning Program at Wayne State University in the College of Urban, Labor and Metropolitan Affairs in Detroit. She also serves on the James Madison College Alumni Association Board of Directors. Roeder will graduate with his Master’s of Education from Wayne State University in spring 2000.

James Robinson (IR ’94) was recently promoted to supervisor of New Programs and Initiatives for the Humanitarian Grants Program Division of the Rotary Foundation.

Alice Fleming Townley (SR ’94) is a United Methodist minister with the Center Park United Methodist Church in Three Rivers, Michigan. She was ordained as an elder in June 2000. Townley has her Master of Divinity from Duke University. She and her husband, Mike (MSU ’94), had a baby boy, Jonathan Oliver, on April 22, 2000.

Hollis Copeland (SR ’95) joined the Much Shelist law firm as an associate. She is concentrating her practice in intellectual property, e-commerce, and health care law. Copeland previously served as assistant general counsel for a Chicago area start-up Internet company. She completed her J.D. at Loyola University, Chicago, School of Law in 1999.

Robin D. Gross (IR ’95) is currently working as an attorney for the Electronic Frontier Foundation in San Francisco, California.

Victor Perez (IR ’95) is an associate in International Tax Services for PriceWaterhouseCoopers in Miami, Florida. Perez received his J.D. from University of Florida Levin College of Law in May 2000 and was admitted to the Florida Bar in October 2000.

Terrasca Ray DesJardins (PTCD ’96) is a senior consultant for Health Management Associates in Lansing. She recently completed and published a study for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation on best practices in managed care programs for the Medicaid population across the United States. She expects to complete her master’s in health services administration from the University of Michigan in December 2000.

Alex Shire (PE ’96) has joined Morgan Stanley’s Investment Banking Division in New York City, where he works in the Media Group focusing on broadband technology. Previously, he worked for USB Warburg’s Investment Banking Division in the Global Equities Division.

Brian Harvat (IR ’97) is currently an account manager for Alcoa Inc. in Southfield, Michigan. He previously served as a sales representative for Reynolds Metals Company.

John E. Hill (IR ’97) is an intelligence analyst, 1st Lieutenant, in the U.S. Air Force, based at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. He served four months in Operation Joint Force, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. He is currently working on an MBA at the University of Maryland.

Maggie Janes (IR ’97) is currently living in Brooklyn, New York, serving as a health educator at Mount Sinai Hospital’s Adolescent Health Center. Janes is certified as a New York pre- and post-HIV testing counselor. Previously, she served as a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer health educator in Cameroon, Africa.

Amanda Sloat (PTCD ’97) began a traineeship in the Executive Secretariat of the European Commission in October 2000. She will be assisting with the research for and writing of President Romano Prodi’s White Paper on Governance. She will also receive her Ph.D. in politics from the University of Edinburgh (Scotland) in December 2000. Her thesis title is “Scotland’s Role in the European Union: Expectation of Multi-Level Governance among Political Elites—An Actor-Centered Approach.”

Lynn Spangler (SR ’97) received her J.D. from the Case Western Reserve School of Law in May 2000, receiving the Duvin, Cahn & Hutton Labor Law Award and the Anderson Publishing Award for work in the Milton A. Kramer Law Clinic. She has accepted a position as an associate at the law firm Janik & Forbes, a civil litigation firm, located in Cleveland, Ohio.

Salim Bhabhrawala (IR ’98) received the Master of Arts in Global Finance and Trade from the University of Denver and was awarded the President-tial Management Internship. He is working as an international trade analyst for the Bureau of International Trade for the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Beau Kilmer (IR ’98) earned the Master of Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley. His thesis dealt with drug addiction and rehabilitation. Kilmer works at the RAND Drug Policy Research Center in Santa Monica, California.

Lennon Kraus (IR ’98) was promoted to first lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Aaron Shafer (IR/PE ’98) is in his last year of law school at Yeshiva University, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, studying international intellectual property and is currently working in corporate tax at the firm of Herzfeld & Rubin, P.C.

Kevin Simpson (SR ’98) expects to complete his M.A. in curriculum and teaching from Michigan State University. Simpson previously served as a staff assistant to Senator Barbara Boxer (D-California) and helped write curriculum for Flint’s Mott Foundation.

Jennifer (Corse) Thornburg (PTCD ’98) and David Thornburg (MSU Political Science ‘99) were married on September 2, 2000 at the MSU Alumni Memorial Chapel. Both Jennifer and David are students at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, Michigan.

Laura Carter (IR ’99) is now events director for Student Programs for

More Tailgate Scenes

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Relocation Assistance, Inc. in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

Michael Cyran (PE ’99) is a human resources representative for Delphi Automotive Systems.

John R. Girdwood (PTCD ’99) is a communications consultant for E.D.S./GM OnStar in Troy, Michigan. Previously, he was an intern for a state representative.

Jeff Lemons (PTCD ’99) expects to complete his master’s in labor relations/human resources in May 2001.

Sarah Lively (IR ’99) is attending law school at Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois.

Phuc H. Lu (IR ’99) is attending law school at the University of Iowa.

Sharon Milanowski (IR ’99) has joined the U.S. Air Force and began attending Air Force Officer Training School in August. She will be trained as an intelligence officer.

Robbyn Singer (IR ’99) was recently promoted to program coordinator for the Humanitarian Grants Programs Division at Rotary International Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. The Rotary Foundation has created a new initiative to help deal with avoidable blindness in developing countries, and she will be working on avoidable blindness grants from around the world. Grants have focused on providing intra-ocular lens surgeries to cataract patients, enhancing optical equipment, and providing Braille machines to those in need.

Jonathan Stein (IR ’99) is an associate with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Detroit, Michigan. He previously served as a tax staff intern for General Motors.

Jennifer Sykes (SR ’99) and Gavin McLaughlin (IR ’99) were married on August 20, 2000 in the MSU Alumni Chapel.

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Paige Lee (IR, PE ’00) is a paralegal with Baach Robinson & Lewis, PLLC in Washington, D.C.

Joe McHugh (IR ’00) is currently serving as a campaign director for the Republican Committee of Oakland County, Michigan.

Judy Milanowski (IR ’00) (twin sister to Sharon, above) has also joined the U.S. Air Force in the Officer Training School. She was a member of ROTC while in college.

James Madison Alumni Update

JAMES MADISON COLLEGE would like to know of the accomplishments of our alumni and identify those of you interested in volunteering to support the college’s mission of increasing our visibility and connecting alumni with current students or new graduates. We also invite you to share your reminiscences and achievements on our Web site.

Please take a few minutes to complete the form below and send it back to us at:

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Yes, I would be interested in volunteering to
☐ be included on JMC’s Alumni Advice & Assistance list
☐ be included in the JMC Scene alumni section (send a bio or one will be created from data on this form)
☐ share my Madison memories and achievements since graduation on the JMC Web site (but have JMC serve as a buffer)
☐ share my e-mail address on the JMC Web site so that prospective students can ask me questions about JMC
☐ volunteer in the following ways (for example, recruiting new students, career and/or law night, “Take a Madison Student to Work Day”):

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Five Madison Students Nominated for Major Awards

Five James Madison College students have been nominated by Michigan State University to compete in three major scholarships.

Catherine Chen (IR/PTCD), Luke Lantta (IR/PTCD), and Kathleen Romig (SR) have been nominated for the Rhodes Scholarship. Kathleen Romig and Andrew Krepps (IR) have been nominated for the Marshall Scholarship, and Kathleen Romig and Shonda Gilliland have been nominated for the Mitchell Scholarship.

The Rhodes Scholarship sends students to Oxford University in England. The Marshall Scholarship sends students to the British university of their choice. The Mitchell Scholarship provides funding for one year of graduate study in any discipline in the Republic of Ireland or Northern Ireland.

JMC/Case Hall Designs Float for Homecoming Parade

James Madison College and Case Hall teamed up to create a float based on the theme of MSU's 2000 homecoming: Friends and Family Forever.

Everyone in James Madison and Case Hall was encouraged to participate in the construction of the float and to walk in the parade. The Detroit Tigers “PAWS” also made a special appearance on the float.

Three Madison students were members of the homecoming court: Junior Emily Ballenberger (IR), senior Melissa Green (PTCD), and senior Eric Stoddard (PTCD).

OTHER STUDENT NEWS

Madison freshmen Sandra Amble, of Davison, Michigan, and Greta Stahl, of Shelby Township, Michigan, have been awarded the Alumni Distinguished Scholarship from Michigan State University.

Recent Madison graduates Elizabeth Fletcher (SR '00) and Lauren Gratz (SR '00) have been accepted into the Teach for America 2000 corps. Elizabeth’s position is in New Orleans teaching an English curriculum, and Lauren’s position is in Chicago teaching a bilingual curriculum.

Madison student Anjali Vats (IR and Psychology) held a benefit art show featuring her original paintings in August 1999 that raised more than $10,000 towards the Lupus Scholarship Foundation. Anjali created the foundation specifically to lend financial assistance to college students with lupus, as well as college students whose parents have lupus. Anjali was diagnosed with lupus, a chronic disease of the immune system, at the age of four. Since then, Anjali has suffered bouts of illness, including extremely high fevers, inflammation of the sac lining of the heart, shingles, and a bone infection.

Anjali has continued to maintain an excellent academic record and participate in a variety of extracurricular activities. She plans to hold a second fundraiser on January 21, 2001 at The Detroit Country Day Seligman Performing Arts Center in Beverly Hills, Michigan, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. In addition to the art exhibition, a cultural program will include Indian classical dance and folk dance choreographed by well-known Indian dance artists, as well as western dance and music.
Second Conference on Race in America Scheduled for April 2000

The second Race in 21st Century America, sponsored by James Madison College and the Midwest Consortium for Black Studies, will continue the conversation about race that began in April 1999.

Last year’s conference attracted 1,500 registrants from around the country and brought to Michigan State University some of the most important scholars on the topic of race in the United States. A selection of papers delivered at that conference will be published by the MSU Press in April 2001.

The theme of the second conference, to be held April 4-6, 2001, is the political economy of urban America. The aim is to examine the intersection of race and public policy in the twenty-first century American city.

Outstanding individuals representing racial/ethnic and ideological diversity will participate in six keynote events and some twenty panels. The latter will include topics such as “Residential Segregation and Racial Inequality,” “Race and the Criminal Justice System,” “Detroit and Los Angeles: Toward the 21st Century,” “Music and the City,” “Racial Justice,” “Racial Classifications and the U.S. Census,” “Race and Sexuality,” and “Urban Education.”

Jointly sponsored by James Madison College and the Midwest Consortium for Black Studies (MSU, the University of Michigan, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Carnegie Mellon University), the race conference is broadly supported by the MSU community.

The conference is free to all MSU faculty, staff, and students but everyone is required to register. All others must pay a registration fee of $100, but it will be reduced to a nominal charge for students and low-income individuals. Registration information can be obtained by visiting the Web page at http://www.jsri.msu.edu/raceconf/ or contacting James Madison College.

Jezierski Completes Study of HUD’s Service to Hispanics

James Madison College faculty member Louise Jezierski has completed a study of El Paso, Texas, a part of a six-city research project, “The Study of Determinants of Hispanic Participation in Federally Funded Housing Programs,” funded by the Office of Policy Development and Research at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and contracted through the National Hispanic Housing Council. Other research sites include Chicago, Washington, Miami, Philadelphia, and San Juan.

The project includes a comprehensive analysis of the factors that affect Hispanic participation in federally funded housing programs and recommendations of best practices for improving HUD’s service to Hispanics. Jezierski’s research, in collaboration with

Pamela Aronson (JMCD ’90) has joined James Madison College as a visiting assistant professor teaching in the social relations field. Aronson is a post-doctoral fellow in the Department of Sociology at Indiana University. Her areas of specialization include sociology of gender, sociology of family, social psychology, sociology of the life course, social movements, qualitative methods, and feminist theory and methodology.

Mohammed Ayoob has been invited to present at the International Studies Association’s February 2001 convention in Chicago at which a session will be devoted to his work on Third World security. The theme of the convention is “Inequality in International Relations.” Ayoob’s presentation will be “Inequality and Theorizing in International Relations: The Case for Subaltern Realism.”

Adrian Burgos, Jr., has joined James Madison College as a visiting assistant professor teaching in the social relations field. Burgos is currently a doctoral candidate in history at the University of Michigan. His research areas include Latino/a history, African American history, U.S. history post 1850, Spanish Caribbean history from the mid-nineteenth century to the present, sports history, and American culture. He received his B.A. in history from Vassar College in May 1993 with a senior thesis
Other Faculty News continued

Garnett

Kathleen Burrage has joined James Madison College as a visiting assistant professor teaching writing. She received her Ph.D. in American studies from Washington State University, her M.A. in English from the University of Washington, and her B.A. in English from Gonzaga University. Burrage's areas of interest include American literature and cultures, writing across the curriculum, nineteenth-century American literature, language and culture, American literature, American studies, race and culture in America, women writers, prison literature, and popular culture (including film).

Sherman Garnett spoke on the main trends in Russian foreign policy at a National Defense University Roundtable in Washington, D.C. in September. In October, he was the keynote speaker at a Conference on Ukraine sponsored by the University of Ottawa. His remarks focused on Ukraine's potential as both a strategic partner and strategic problem for the United States. Garnett is author, together with Alexander Rahr and Koji Watanabe, of the recently published Trilateral Commission study *The New Central Asia: In Search of Stability*. A summary of the book's key policy recommendations appeared in the fall 2000 issue of *Internationale Politik*.

Garnett and Robert Legvold (Columbia University) will co-direct a project on “Baseball’s Introduction to the Caribbean.” Garnett is author, in English from the University of Washington, and his B.A. in English from Gonzaga University. Burrage's areas of interest include American literature and cultures, writing across the curriculum, nineteenth-century American literature, language and culture, American literature, American studies, race and culture in America, women writers, prison literature, and popular culture (including film).

Elizabeth Morrison has joined James Madison College as an assistant professor. Her teaching interests include nineteenth- and twentieth-century American literature, cultural studies, theory and history of science and technology, the business of publishing, and developmental composition.


Swarna Rajagopalan’s book *State and Nation in South Asia* has been accepted for publication. In it, Rajagopalan compares the perspectives of elites from three South Asian communities that have a secessionist history, seeking to understand the conditions of their acquiescence to the states (India, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka) within those territorial bounds. Rajagopalan’s book *Redistribution of Authority: A Cross-Regional Perspective* (coedited with Jeanie J. Bukowski of Bradley University) was published in May 2000. The book of six essays compares nine cases in which authority within the state has been either devolved or centralized, and draws from the cases a set of explanatory factors for this process. In October 2000 Rajagopalan served as an election observer for the People’s Alliance for Free and Fair Elections, a Sri Lankan NGO.

Michael Schechter delivered the opening address, “International Education in Higher Education,” at the Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education’s International Workshop at Kalamazoo Valley Community College in August 2000. He is also serving as the external evaluator of the institute’s three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education to further internationalize the curricula in many of the institute’s 70 member institutions.

Kate See and Linda Racioppi continued their research on gender and the peace process in Belfast, Ireland during summer 2000. The focus of their research was the European Union Special Support Programme for Peace and Reconciliation. In August, they presented “Engendering Ethnic Accommodation: The Voluntary Sector and the EU Peace and Reconciliation Program in Northern Ireland,” at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association (ASA) in Washington, D.C. See and Racioppi also article published “Ulstermen and Loyalist Ladies on Parade: Engendering...
Unionism in Northern Ireland” in the spring 2000 issue of the International Feminist Journal of Politics. Their article “This We Will Maintain: Gender, Ethno-Nationalism and the Politics of Unionism in Northern Ireland” will be published in the January 2001 issue of Nations and Nationalism. Additionally, the chapter “Engendering Nation and National Identity” was published in At Home in the Nation: Gender and Nationalism (Sita Ranchod-Nillson and Mary Ann Tetreault, eds.; Routledge: 2001).

Ken Waltzer published “East European Jewish Detroit in the Early 20th Century” in JUDAISM (summer 2000) and delivered the paper “American Jewish Visitors Confront the Remnant: Travelers to Europe after the War” at the Midwest Jewish Studies Association meeting at MSU in September. During summer 2000, Waltzer led the MSU summer program at Hebrew University’s Rothberg School, where he led 14 students and taught on “Modern Jewish Experience.” In October 2000 he addressed a meeting of the associate deans of the Big Ten/CIC on the subject of general education in the university.

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Professor Edith Barrett of the School of Urban and Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Arlington, involved economic and demographic analysis, in-depth interviews with community officials and leaders of community development organizations, and focus groups with El Paso citizens.

Latinos in sunbelt cities face different issues from those living in northern or eastern cities. In the case of El Paso in particular, Latinos are the majority population (69.5%) and are fully integrated in the political, economic, social, and cultural life of the city. Hispanics provide leadership in the city and the county. The majority of residents in El Paso are bilingual. There is almost no residential segregation of Latinos in the metropolitan statistical area (MSA). No census tract in the county has fewer than 10% Latinos; 93% of El Paso MSA’s 95 census tracts have at least 30% Latinos; and 76% of the tracts have at least 50% Latinos.

Raymond Telles, the first Latino to serve as mayor of the city, was elected in 1957. Now, Hispanic leadership is well developed in government and civic organizations of the city and in the corporate sector. Hispanics head most city departments and agencies, including the Department of Economic Development; the Department of Planning, Research and Development; and the El Paso Housing Authority. Community organizations and nonprofits are another important source of Hispanic civic leadership. El Paso has supported affirmative action and minority set-aside policy in hiring and contracting.

The strategic location of El Paso, which has strong connections historically, demographically, and economically with Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, supports both large native and immigrant Hispanic populations. Despite the booming border economy with Mexico, the employment base for El Paso has experienced erosion, especially manufacturing and assembly work.

In 1990, 26.8% of residents in El Paso County lived below the poverty line. In October 1999, El Paso experienced double the national unemployment rate at 8.4%. Unfortunately, wage gaps and a changing economy, as well as past urban renewal and highway construction, have made the lack of affordable housing a long-standing crisis in the metropolitan area. The housing situation in the city and the county reflects both the fast-paced population growth of the city and the lower-than-average economic condition of the city. The lack of available affordable housing and low incomes contribute to inequities in housing affordability and home ownership.

One grassroots response to the lack of affordable housing was the growth of colonia settlements, especially in the 1970s, outside of the City of El Paso but within El Paso County. Colonias are self-built and unregulated housing developments located in unincorporated areas, primarily in agricultural areas or desert plains. Colonias are located throughout the entire Rio Grande Valley of Texas but are concentrated in the upper valley around El Paso and the lower valley around McAllen and Brownsville. Similar settlements are located on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande.

Although no exact data are available on the number of people living in colonias in El Paso County, the U.S. General Accounting Office (1990) estimated the 1989 population to be around 70,000. While finished lots in incorporated border cities cost from $10,000 to more than $20,000, unfinished lots in unincorporated areas could be purchased for between $3,000 and $12,000. Residents could secure a “contract for deed” with a $100 down payment and would pay $50 to $100 per month for a typical mortgage contract for ten years.

For years the colonias were under no jurisdictional building codes, and the dwellings tended to be substandard. El Paso Interreligious Sponsoring Organization (EPISO), founded in 1977, has been active in mobilizing
New Scholarships to Benefit Madison Students

The Marjorie Lewis-Goodell Scholarship has been established through a deferred gift from Sumner and Irene Bagby honoring Irene’s mother, Marjorie Lewis-Goodell, formerly a professor in American Thought and Language at Michigan State University. Professor Lewis-Goodell’s career affirmed her belief in the benefits of a broad and rigorous liberal education that recognizes the link between public and private endeavors. The scholarship is established with the hope that recipients will feel an ethical obligation to make their own gifts to James Madison College in the future to continue to attract and assist the Madison Fellows who follow.

Burton Gerber has established the Burton L. and Rosalie P. Gerber Scholarship to benefit worthy and capable students enrolled at James Madison College. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide assistance to students who have shown, through academic excellence and diverse outside activities, that they have a commitment to public service, with a goal of joining one of the foreign affairs agencies of the United States, an international service agency, the military services of the United States, or a career in international law or international trade.

Mr. Gerber received his B.A. in international relations from MSU in 1955. He went on to a distinguished career of 39 years in the Central Intelligence Agency. He recently visited East Lansing to speak to Madison students and faculty about the “Ethics of Espionage.” The first Gerber Scholarship will be awarded in the fall of 2001.

From the Development Director

Once every year you have an opportunity to make a difference in the future of James Madison College. The college is grateful to the alumni and friends who have generously provided the extra resources to make JMC stronger.

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colonia residents to demand electrical, water, and sewage services, and they have gained statewide recognition of the housing problems among El Paso’s Latino population.

Specific regulatory gaps in county residential developments have produced a clear problem for creating up-to-code housing in colonias. In 1989, the state of Texas finally passed legislation prohibiting the development of subdivisions in border counties without adequate water supplies and sewage services. Federal initiatives under HUD sponsorship moved to coordinate funding for colonias that worked in tandem with state efforts.

In 1990, the U.S. Congress passed legislation that required states bordering on Mexico (Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California) to set aside a portion of the state’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money specifically for colonia projects. In 1999, Texas set aside 10% of its CDBG money. This HUD-sponsored money is managed by the State of Texas Office of Colonia Initiatives (OCI), which is under the jurisdiction of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA). Perhaps justifiably so, OCI has focused on improving the infrastructure in the colonias, primarily water.

For comparative purposes, the NHHC reports focus on specific HUD programs: Section 8 Project-based and Tenant Vouchers/Certificates, Section 236 and 202 projects, Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), and HOME Investment Partnership Programs. The El Paso report also includes HUD’s Colonia Initiatives projects. HUD will soon publish the six individual city reports and an overview report.
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