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• Strengthening the Alumni Connection •

Fall 1995

LESLEY COLLEGE NETWORK NOW ONLINE

Two years ago it was a dream. One year ago it was a construction plan. Now it is a reality. The "it" is the Lesley College Network. All campus buildings are either now wired or are currently being wired. The gateway between the Lesley Network and the global Internet is up and running. About half of the College's 550 desktop computer systems have been connected, and most of the remaining ones will come on-line over the next few weeks. A network training program has been developed and will be offered over the next several months.

All the construction, however, does not mean much unless it results in services that people need and want. The Lesley College Network will initially provide faculty and staff with electronic mail, so that they can exchange messages with others at Lesley or anyone with an Internet-accessible mail account. In addition, they will have access to the World Wide Web on the Internet and the ability to query the library catalog from their desktops. Within the next year these services will be extended to all students (both on campus and off) as well. Our hope is that a year from now, electronic communication at Lesley won't be a new and exciting issue, but just the way in which we do our business.

So don't be surprised if the next time you want to contact someone at Lesley, the answer isn't something like jseaman@mail.lesley.edu.

Going Places: Lesley's Traditions & Cultures Institutes



Santa Fe, Montréal, Martha's Vineyard, Boston. Since 1992 students, faculty, and alumni have been going places with the Traditions and Cultures Institutes of Lesley College. Part of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program (ISP), these Institutes provide the unique opportunity to explore a specific site from an interdisciplinary perspective.

"It's been the highlight of my student experience," says Liana Caffrey '96G. "We were living, breathing and experiencing the history and culture of New Mexico. All the disciplines were included—art, history, literature, writing, environmental studies, science. I highly recommend the experience."

Participants visit sites of special interest, engage in panel discussions with local experts, and carry out individual research and field study. Santa Fe Institute participants covered topics such as: *The Four Fundamental Facts of Life for Native People* and *The Colonial Period in American Literature: A Study of Three Cultures*. Students in the Montréal Institute met with Canadian health care experts. Martha's Vineyard Institute participants presented projects such as: *The African American Presence on Oak Bluffs* and *A Whaling Wife's Journal*.

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A TEN YEAR REUNIONER LOOKS BACK

by De Bellofatto '85UG

When I returned for reunion last June, it was amazing to realize that ten years had passed since I'd said good-bye to Lesley. While it was wonderful to see the multitude of changes that had taken place, I couldn't help but recall some of the striking differences and just how far the college has come!

In 1985, total enrollment was 2,600. This year it is 6,000 strong. Total aid offered in 1985 was \$5.3m - a far cry from the \$14.3m available in 1995.

These facts and figures are impressive, but the lifestyle changes are most striking to me. Does anyone remember information retained in the Office of the Registrar? On index cards? Now, it's all on the computer. How about the card catalogue in the library? Now, the catalogue system is fully computerized, with an increase of 15% in volumes and 50% in circulation. The College is also a member of the Fenway Library Consortium. Although Charlie's had been renovated by the time we graduated in 1985, I can't help but recall the three and a half years we spent in the old Charlie's. Does anyone remember the jukebox?

Although I, and most alumni, wouldn't trade their Lesley experience for anything, oh how I wish we had been able to type reports and papers on a PC instead of on the old typewriter in the last meeting room on the top floor of the library!

Did You Know...

-that Dr. Kathleen Lynch, '76G, is the new Masconomet School District superintendent and Masconomet's first female superintendent.

-that Pamela Christodoulo, '74UG, has obtained the position of vice principal of the Dracut Middle School.

-that Margaret Capone, '84G, was awarded the Yoeman Fisher Teaching Award for excellence in teaching.

-that Douglas Weber, '86SOM, is chief professional officer for United Way of Chemung and Steuben counties, located in Corning, NY.

-that Ann Malachowski, '90G, was selected as the Massachusetts Art Educator of the Year by the Massachusetts Art Education Association.

GET INVOLVED!

The Nominations and Elections Committee is now accepting nominations for the Alumni Council. Positions are available from all schools of the College and all areas of the country. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested in serving, please call the Alumni Office to request a nomination form by January 31, 1996.

REUNION '96 PLANS UNDERWAY

On May 31- June 2, all UGS classes ending in "6" and "1" will celebrate their Reunion. Mark your calendars and plan to return to Lesley for an exciting weekend. Activities will include a President's Welcome Back Reception, educational workshops and a Silent Auction.

Volunteers are needed from each class to help in all aspects of Reunion planning. Call the Alumni Office at (617) 349-8622 to let us know if you'd like to help out!

COUNCIL COMMENTS

The Alumni Council met in September and began their work for the year at an exciting two-day retreat in Falmouth on Cape Cod. Twenty-four dedicated Council members from all over the country attended the retreat. During the weekend the Council created a broad framework of Alumni Association goals for the next three to five years.

The framework includes:

- *The Alumni Association is to have a substantial positive cash flow.
- *Regional representatives are to create goals and develop strategies for greater outreach and communication.
- *Administration and faculty of the College are to be more involved in regional efforts.
- *Alumni participation needs to be increased.
- *Key traditions of the College should be preserved.



All Alumni Council committees will work on ways to implement these goals and we welcome any input from alumni as we continue to develop the goals.

We are off to a good start this year, with many programs and activities being offered to our alumni. If you haven't already, we hope you will participate in some of these activities. In addition, many opportunities exist for alumni to get involved in the work of the Alumni Council and we encourage you to do so. Let us hear from you if you are interested.

You can also support the Alumni Association by applying for a Lesley College VISA card. The card is available to all those associated with the College and offers low costs and numerous benefits. And, each time the card is used, the Alumni Association receives additional income at no extra cost to the user. Contact the Alumni Office to apply for your VISA card today!

We look forward to another exciting year of alumni activities!

Mary Sliney Finegan '64
President, Alumni Association

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"The projects allow Institute participants to apply their study toward their own academic goals. The Institutes provide a wonderful introduction to the flexibility and challenge of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program," says Dr. Sharlene Voogd Cochrane, Director of ISP.

Housed in the Graduate School of Arts and Social Sciences, ISP is a flexible Master of Arts degree program. Initial core courses explore the nature of interdisciplinary study. Students design specializations from courses across graduate programs. Students then synthesize their work and produce a thesis/project. ISP students have focused on a range of topics, among them: Creativity and Management, Multicultural Education, Environment and Culture, Elder Studies, and Women's Studies.

For further information on upcoming Traditions & Cultures Institutes or ISP, contact Melinda Green: voice: 617-349-8179, e-mail: mgreen@mail.lesley.edu

Nominations Sought for Alumni Awards

This year the Alumni Association Awards will be presented on June 1, 1996, during Reunion Weekend. Alumni from all schools of the College are eligible; members of the Alumni Council are not eligible.

THE MYRTLE PEIRCE AULENBACK ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD honors an alumna/us for volunteer service to Lesley College. Criteria include length of service to the College and scope of impact on others. Examples include serving on Alumni Association Committees and working with Admissions and the Career Resource Center.

THE SALLY K. LENHARDT PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD honors an alumna/us for leadership in education, human services or management. Criteria include professional affiliations, publications, awards, and recommendations.

THE ALUMNI COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD honors an alumna/us for service to education, human services or management organizations. Criteria include scope of impact on others, length of service, number of organizations served, and serving as an elected official.



1996 ALUMNI AWARD NOMINATION

Mail this form along with any supporting information which you can obtain about the nominee by **February 1, 1996** to:

Chair, Awards Committee
Alumni Relations Office
Lesley College
29 Everett Street
Cambridge, MA 02138-2790

I nominate: _____

for the: ☐ Myrtle Peirce Aulenback Alumni Achievement Award

☐ Sally K. Lenhardt Professional Leadership Award

☐ Alumni Community Service Award

Class Year _____ School: ☐ UG ☐ GS ☐ SOM

Nomination submitted by _____

Class Year _____ School: ☐ UG ☐ GS ☐ SOM

Address _____

Day Phone () _____

Date _____

I have notified the alumna/us about the nomination ☐ Yes ☐ No

REGIONAL OUTREACH CONTINUES

This year the Alumni Council regional representatives are working hard to contact alumni in their area to introduce themselves, discuss what's new at Lesley, hear alumni thoughts and ideas, and obtain any updated address or career information. If you haven't recently received a call from the region rep in your area, you may be receiving one soon.

Enclosed is a current list of region reps. If you have news to report or ideas to share, feel free to give your rep a call:

Judy Elsen '86G
Lakewood, CO (303) 233-0368

Ellen Schwartz Hartford '74UG
Palo Alto, CA (415) 941-9730

Ellen Goldblatt Kramer '84UG
Boca Raton, FL (407) 477-9766

Peggy McLaughlin '85G
New Canaan, CT (203) 972-1734

Mary Lalli Nolan '74UG
Philadelphia, PA (215) 242-2358

Larry Oliva '84SOM
Dearborn, MI (313) 336-5639

Jean Birmingham Osofsky '67UG, '93G
Pine Plains, NY (518) 398-7511

Bonnie Wolvin Pache '90G
Arvada, CO (303) 467-0077

Lana Paige '92UG
Stratford, CT (203) 380-2986

Janice Ryan Plas '53UG
Shaker Heights, OH (216) 491-8733

Marybeth Reen-Desai '86UG
San Jose, CA (408) 253-2628

Pat Ruof '72UG
Buffalo, NY (716) 834-7483

Deborah Scaringe '94UG
Charlotte, NC (704) 841-8225

Joan Wood '85G
Aurora, CO (303) 750-6096

COMING EVENTS for more information or to sign up, call 617-349-8622

**Spoon Decorating Party - Mon.,
Nov. 27, 4:30-8 p.m.**

A wonderful way for the whole family to create hope for the hungry during the holiday season - and have a great time doing it! Join us to decorate a spoon in the Lesley Commons Dining Hall. Decorated spoons will be sold for \$1.00 on Friday, December 1st in Charlie's. All proceeds will be donated to Project Bread.

**Serve a Meal at Rosie's Place: A
Service Project - Fri., Dec. 8, 4:30
p.m.**

Lesley alumni will take time out from their weekend activities to serve a meal at Rosie's place, a shelter for poor and homeless women in Boston. Due to the overwhelming response to this event, we are not accepting any more reservations at this time, however look for more service projects in the spring!

**Literacy Institute - Sat., Jan.
13 & Sat., Jan. 27**

The annual Literacy Institute for elementary and middle school teachers and administrators will be held in January. Participants will examine use of story in literature-based integrated curriculum. Featured speakers will include, authors Ashley Bryan and Joseph Bruchac and storyteller Robin Mello. For more information and details contact Patricia Crain deGalace at (617) 349-8225.

The Lesley Lantern, a publication for and by alumni, is published twice a year. Submission of articles is always welcome. Please submit copy for consideration to the Alumni Office, 29 Everett Street, Cambridge, MA 02138-2790.

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Wishing you all a Happy Holiday Season!

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