FATHER-DAUGHTER WEEKEND
Current editor Carol Kort (left), chats with Ellen Bloch, President of the Alumni Association, at an informal meeting of alumni association regional representatives and members of the Lesley faculty, administration, and student body. The September 24 wine and cheese gathering afforded the opportunity for alumni reps and members of the Lesley community to exchange ideas and discuss off-campus programs.

COVER STORY

More than 250 "dads and daughters" attended a potpourri of festivities during the October 27-28 Lesley College Father-Daughter Weekend. The sophomore class sponsored the weekend, the most well-attended, and — from what we heard — the most thoroughly enjoyed in the College’s history. Events included campus tours, continental breakfast, an art exhibition, student-sponsored mixed entertainment, box lunches in the cafe area, the Harvard-Dartmouth football game, cocktails and dinner, dancing to the Ted Phillips Orchestra, and a brunch concluding the active weekend.

Letter From The Editor

Dear Alumni, Parents, and Friends:

I am delighted and excited to be at Lesley College, where so much is going on and there are so many tales to be told. I hope my enthusiasm will come through in future issues of the Current.

I come to the College as Director of Public Relations from a similar position at Harvard’s Fogg Art Museum. It is always difficult for a new editor to introduce herself and propose a myriad of changes, only to find that implementing them is never quite as easy. Because two-thirds of our readership are alumni of the College, I will place greater emphasis on including articles specifically related to that group. I will also include in each issue a feature article on a topic of interest to the entire Lesley family, such as on our expanding Graduate School programs, faculty accomplishments, the Special Schools for Children, the latest admissions and placement statistics, etc.

Leslie Aitken ’73, editorial assistant, and I, look forward to the challenge of making this your vehicle for following what is happening at Lesley College today, and what has happened to our alumni from yesterday. We need to hear from you — in the form of class notes, letters to the editor, human interest stories, or suggestions.

With all best wishes for the happiest of holidays,

Carol Kort

The Current is published by Lesley College, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and is produced and edited by the Office of Public Relations. The purpose of the magazine is to portray the various aspects of the College — its achievements, aspirations, diversity and controversies — to alumni, parents, students, faculty, staff, governing boards and friends of Lesley.

Cover photographs by Patti J. Wallace
Many of you may still remember Lesley-Ellis as the school on Concord Avenue in Cambridge for exceptionally bright children. In fact, Lesley-Ellis—one of four private Lesley College schools for children—is a nursery-kindergarten program for children with the normal range of variation in ability. What is exceptional, explains Barbara Beatty, the dynamic newly appointed director of the School, is that it has become increasingly innovative and committed to open education. Ms. Beatty, who received her B.A. Magna Cum Laude from Radcliffe and her Ed.M. from Harvard Graduate School of Education, believes that by moving freely through different learning centers, from activity to activity, the children at Lesley-Ellis are developing patterns of self-initiated interest in learning. Although freedom and flexibility are the long-term goals, Ms. Beatty is quick to point out that structure does exist; it is, however, more subtle than the rigid routines of most traditional classrooms. Although the road to open education—a philosophy based on that of the Infant School model first developed in England—is a difficult one to travel, Barbara is pleased and impressed by the progress she has seen during the first few months. Already there has been more experimentation, less externally imposed structure.

Enrollment at Lesley-Ellis has increased considerably. Thirty-three students are enrolled in the morning program, twelve in the afternoon. Thus the School offers a modified extended day which better meets the needs of professional, working mothers. The afternoon program is an attempt to seek a compromise between the more lengthy hours of a day care center and the traditionally short, inflexible schedule of the majority of nursery schools. Lesley-Ellis is an experimental demonstration program whose relationship with the College is an important and mutually enriching one. The School provides a resource for observation by students from the Graduate School, particularly for those involved in Cynthia Cole's open education program housed in the Graduate School's new three-floor building, The Compass.

In addition to her administrative responsibilities, Ms. Beatty, who was the coordinator of the Child Care Project at the Education Development Center and a kindergarten teacher for several years, will teach a course on human growth and development to Lesley undergraduates. Most of the field work for her course will be done at the Lesley-Ellis School. Barbara also supervises ten Lesley College student teachers and is involved with field placement, a weekly seminar, and supervising CORE students doing their field work at Lesley-Ellis. The ties between the School and the College go even deeper: four children of members of Lesley College faculty and administration are currently enrolled in the Program.

Ms. Beatty visualizes increasing concentration on peer group relationships and less on the teacher in the authoritarian role. Mornings at the School are normally devoted to curriculum programs, combined with extensive free play and small group activities. Afternoon programs are similar but more informal, with the teacher acting as a resource person for the children rather than a supervisor. She is equally excited about another new direction the School is moving towards: cross-age programs. The children range in age from two to six years—the widest spread in the School’s history. When cross-age programs work well, they foster cooperation and understanding of development and age differences on the part of all the children and, asserts the new director, “they are handling it beautifully.” With all this innovation and change, Barbara is leading the children into the program slowly, always being certain that organized activities are combined with less-structured ones; and that a child does not become lost in the cross-age program. The combination of openness and cross-age grouping requires a careful and gradual introduction with young children.

In her spare moments, Ms. Beatty is trying to initiate a scholarship program, convert the concrete playground into a dirt and sand play area, improve upon home visits, and help organize more varied forms of parent involvement. The first parent meeting held this fall, coincidentally on the same evening that Barbara appeared as a guest on the television show Alternating the ABC’s, was encouraging. Parents were invited to participate in and initiate programs. “We want parents to come into our classrooms, not as aides or custodians, but to share their expertise and assist directly in the education of their children.” Barbara feels that if she is to propose an open model for the School, then she must also ask for openness among staff and parents. “Consistency, from the children, to the staff, to the parents, is vital to this program.”

Two other new staff members joined Roland Stern, now in his third year of teaching at the School, this year. Ellen Krim, Head Teacher, directs the afternoon Play Group program. Last year Ellen was Head Teacher at the Eliot-Pearson laboratory school at Tufts University. Sarah Kidd, who comes to Lesley-Ellis from the Education Development Center Child Care Project, has taught at the Dorchester Child Development Center and the Brandeis Laboratory Nursery School. Additionally, student teachers assist the professional staff.

Barbara Beatty expressed the prevailing mood at the Lesley-Ellis School when she exclaimed, joyfully: “When it works, nothing is more fun than working with great kids, fabulous parents and staff, using experimentation and observation as guiding lights.”

"Schools of Education should have laboratory schools such as ours. In the years to come, there must be a continued commitment to lab schools."
LESLEY MUSE CALLS HER ALUMNII

THE PENDULUM, Lesley College’s literary magazine, is seeking alumni contributions. Prose, poetry, photographs, art work, as well as children’s poetry, will be featured in The Pendulum, which is published annually in the spring. Don’t be shy about your talents. Please send your contributions to Mary Grassi, Pendulum editor, Lesley College, 29 Everett Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

SKILLSHOPS OPEN TO ALUMNI

BEGINNING SATURDAY, October 13, and continuing each Saturday through May 19, 1974, intensive, one-day training skillshops will be held on the Lesley campus. Jointly sponsored with the Lesley College Graduate School of Education, this continuing education program includes sessions such as Strategies for Educating the Special-Need Child, Multimedia and Learning, and Designing Educational Spaces. For other course listings, and detailed information, refer to the brochure mailed to many alumni, or contact the Alumni Office. Because they are very special people, alumni will receive a five dollar discount for each Skillshop attended.

ANNUAL FUND CHAIRMAN NAMED

Elizabeth Moran Polachi ’50, pictured below at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation on October 25, has been named Alumni Annual Fund Chairman for the 1973-74 campaign. Betty joins William Schett, general parent chairman, and his committee members, and Joseph M. Edinburg, General Chairman, in asking you to help support on-going expenses at Lesley College. This is one way alumni and parents can make certain that Lesley students receive the high-quality training and education they need and deserve.

Open Meeting! All Associate Members Invited!

There will be a Board of Directors Meeting on January 7, 7 p.m., in the East Building, Room 2C3, to amend the constitution of the alumni association. The meeting will be open to all associate members.

First amendment to constitution and bylaws of the Lesley College Alumni Association:

Section 6.3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 6.3 CHAIRMAN. The president of the Association shall appoint chairmen for special committees from among the *membership of the Association* which chairmen shall serve at the pleasure of the president. No member of the Association shall be chairman of more than two (2) special committees at any time.

*formerly, chairmen were selected from among the Directors.

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1973 - 1974
REGIONAL REPS APPOINTED

FIFTY-THREE ALUMNI THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY have been appointed to the Alumni Association’s Council of Regional Representatives. Among their numerous functions, the reps act as liaisons between the College and their communities; assist the Admissions and Placement Offices at the College; organize informal gatherings for alumni in their regions; and report newsworthy items to the Alumni Office. We are grateful to all our alumni regional representatives. Each one plays a vital role in the Association’s network of communication.

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- CONNECTICUT
  - Farmington
  - ELAINE SAYKIN WEINER ’65
  - New Haven
  - MARY LOUISE D’ENNIS ’56
  - Norwich-Norwich
  - SANDRA LAWSON LAMBERT ’72
  - Stanford
  - PEGGY LINAHAN ’63
  - FLORIDA
  - AUDREY BELSON MELINE ’58
  - ILLINOIS
  - LYNNE GALE KOVACS ’62
  - MARINE
  - CAROL SPILL BERNSTEIN ’59
  - MARYLAND, VA., WASHINGTON D.C.
  - ELAINE THOMAS DAMELIN ’57
  - MARYLAND, VA., WASHINGTON D.C.
  - PENNSYLVANIA
  - ALICE SULLUM CARLIN ’66
  - NEW HAMPSHIRE
  - AUDREY BELSON MELINE ’58
  - CAROL SPILL BERNSTEIN ’59

Regional Reps Appointed

Massachusetts
- Arlington-Somerville
  - ANNE STRUIK MACCHI ’52
  - Belmont
  - GAIL ROBERTS DUSSEAUd ’60
  - Boston
  - NANCY WONG ’70
  - Brighton-Allston
  - JULIA CAHILL ’72
  - Brookline
  - NANCY BLUESTONE TOFAS ’56
  - Cambridge
  - EILEEN MacELARNEY ’53 & ’56
  - Cape Cod
  - SANDRA HALLADY ’73
  - Concord-Acton
  - ELEANOR GOLDMAN MILLMAN ’64
  - Fall River-New Bedford
  - MARY McCARREN MEAD ’25
  - Framingham-Natick
  - MARILYN SALTZ BERNHEIMER ’63
  - Hingham-Hull-Cohasset-Norwell-Scituate
  - EVELYN BOYLE FINNEGAN ’68
  - Lexington
  - CHARLENE DINNER ALPER ’62
  - Merrimack Valley
  - CLARE MANEY LaROCHELLE ’40
  - Milton-Quincy
  - MAY E. HOGAN ’26
  - Needham-Dedham

POUL MUNROE FURBUSH ’55
DIANE LaBELLE FEINZIG ’58
MELBA KYRIACOS COLLINS ’47
SARA RUBIN COHEN ’25
THELMA RUBIN LESHNER ’34
Pittsfield-Lenox
SUSAN GELLER ’67
BARBARA HARRISON DINE ’59
Sharon
JOYCE SOKOLOVE WISEMAN ’63
Springfield
KAREN BERENSON HARSHFIELD ’68
Wayland-Watertown
SHEILA ANDREWS HELLER ’67
Wellesley-Weston
ROBERTA CARAS FISHMAN ’61
Westwood
JOAN SULLIVAN McGOWAN ’52
Winchester
LINDA LEVIN ADLER ’59
Woburn-Burlington
CAROLYN PALMER TIRRELL ’57
Worcester
BARBARA GOFMAN GOLDY ’51
Margaret Bogle was married July 13 to Steven LaCroix. Midge is teaching, and living in New Bedford with Steve, a territory manager with Coors. Duane Wood was married to Daryl Brava on Aug. 19. Mrs. Comer is a first-grade teacher in Sturbridge, and Ned is teaching Jr. high in Worcester, where they are living in Westborough. Teaching grade 2 in Haverhill while her husband John MacDougall is an auditor. Mr. and Mrs. MacDougall live in N. Reading. Lucye Collings is the recreation director of the Bureau of Pupil Services, Cambridge. Nancy Coyne completed her Ed. M. in math education, and is teaching grade 6 in Athol, and living in Mansfield. Donna Gladden married John Manning on July 21. Mrs. Manning is teaching grade 2 in W. Bridgewater. Leslea Callihan Harlick is teaching 2nd grade in F. Bridgewater and living with her husband in N. Dartmouth. Nancy Hawkins became the bride of Stephen Martin on Aug. 4. Stephen is teaching French at St. Sebastian's in Newmarket. Ruthanne Jaffe is teaching in Montreal, Canada, after her June marriage to Dr. Isidore Shanfield. Judith Levine is teaching in Franklin where she lives with her husband, Gary Lazareff, since last Aug. Gary is in dental school. Caryn Lewinter married Stephen Pruzin on July 14; they live in Brookline. On Sept. 29, Mary Jane Macmillan married Joseph Jacques. She teaches mentally retarded children at Brandon Training Center, Vt. Lynda Rips is teaching language arts and reading in Guilford, Ct. Jay Jacobson married Peggy Robbins on June 17. The couple live in Ann Arbor, Mich., where Peggy is a high school teacher. Jay is on the finance staff of Ford Motor Co. Teaching 3rd grade in Chelmsford is Pamela Savage. Carol Silver married Nathan Rosenthal on Aug. 12. The Rosenthal's live in Western Mass. where Nathan is a masters candidate at Western Mass. and Carol is teaching grade 3 in Russell. Cheryl Young Schwartz is teaching at the Macomber School, Swamps. Living in Derry, N.H., are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Salmi. Sandra Smith (G) a learning disabilities teacher married last July to Dennis, an ecology teacher in Concord. Berdine Spector has moved to Ct., and is the new Assistant Director of the Lutzh Junior Museum. She will serve as coordinator of the museum gallery, and volunteer teachers and will help plan exhibits, programs and activities. Bernice is also the inventor of a new children's game. Nancy Tobin is in her second year teaching grade 3 in Duxbury.

Karen Green married Stanley Bernstein on Aug. 25. Karen is a teacher in Burlington and her husband a student at Suffolk University. They are living in Woburn. Diane K. Shapira is living and working in N.Y.C. as a vocational rehabilitation counselor for a sheltered workshop for adult retarded. She has completed her training in guidance and counseling at N.Y.U. Joyce Wilmoth was named to David MacKinnon on Oct. 3. Ensign MacKinnon is a communications officer on the USS BLUE RIDGE, San Diego, Calif., also the city in which the couple resides. Roberta Wolman is a learning disabilities teacher at the Pembroke elementary school. Janice Yelland is teaching in Grade 3 in Amherst, where she also lives.

Marjorie Silverman Afergan of Acton is teaching elementary reading in Hudson. Harriet Riklin Fingeroth is on maternity leave after teaching 2 years in North Haven due to the birth of her first child, Tanya Rene, on July 26. Husband Rick is doing internship at Yale and Harriet has earned her masters from Southern Connecticut State. Martin Fisher married Gwen Kotzen on Aug. 5, Marty, a grad of N.Y.U. Law School, is assistant district attorney in the Bronx. They live in Hingham, N.Y., and coincidentally in the same apartment building as Ronne Graffman Kaplan and her husband, Alan. "It's really been terrific . . ." Notes Connie, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas were married Aug. 5. The former Joy Sullka is teaching in Newton and Douglas is a student at B.U. Law School. Mary-Fay Feener is teaching Mandarin in Gloucester. Barbara Butkiewicz Kubacki has been married to John since July. She is teaching grade 2 in S. Deerfield while Mr. Kubacki is an environmental tech., student at U. Mass. Elizabeth George Latham is teaching 4th grade in the N. College Hill system. While Beesle is working on her masters in Child Development at U. of Cincinnati, husband Jeff is in a four year stint also at U.C. Dr. and Mrs. Martin Rothstein (Lynda Shaftel) announced the birth of their son, Jed Morgan, Oct. 15. Michele Koziner Poremba is living in Rockville, Conn. and teaching 7th grade math in Manchester.

Andrea Nordin Driscoll returned from Europe with her husband John after their recent marriage. She is living in Worcester. Barbara Buntiss was married to Robert Stein in 1970. Their first child, Amy-Paige, is one-year-old. The Steins are presently living in Germany while Dr. Stein fulfills his military obligations. When completed, they will return to New York where Robert will finish his cartography training and Sarah will continue working on her masters in counseling.

Deceased

We express sorrow at the passing of JACQUELINE VAUGHN MCFINTRE '49 of Hamilton on Aug. 5; KATHERINE FARR- RELL SHERMAN '27 of Whitmore on Oct. 28; EFFIE SCOTT MALLERY '23 of Whitmore on Oct. 28; and CLEMENT SHERMAN '27 of Whitmore on Oct. 28.
Stephanie MacDonald Griffith and her husband William welcomed their first son, John William, on April 10. John is joined by two twin sisters Sandra and Sara Jane. Sally Quinn was married July 14 to Michael Ralph in Milton. Mrs. Ralph teaches in Cambridge. Her husband is manager of Thrifty, Inc., and they reside in Medford.

Judy Soled Bortman, husband Ethan, daughter Amy, and son Lonnie, have just moved to Sunnyvale, Ca., where Ethan is a computer consultant for Brandon Applied Systems, San Francisco. Barbara Ohanian Gumushian was named a first grade teacher of the new bilingual AGBU (Armenian) elementary school in Watertown. Barbara’s three-month-old daughter will attend nursery school in the next building. Teaching in Wellesley is Elaine Eskesen Schuldentfre. Elaine and husband Bob celebrated, through natural childbirth, the birth of their first child Robin Lynn, on Dec. 18.

Dr. and Mrs. William Levin (Meryl Sklover) have settled in Stamford, Conn., with their two daughters Debra Jennifer, and Kerri Beth, three-and four-months-old respectively.

Louisa Wells Hill is living in Wilmington, Del., with husband Art and children Heather, Corrine, and Ryan. Art is a research engineer in plastics for Dupont.

Don moved into a new house in Sharon with their children Jeffery, Lisa, and Laura. Don recently formed the law partnership Milz & Orkin. Dolores saw Sheila Klein Gotttehrer when she was in Boston — “She looks terrific,” Judith Carbonella Perrotti and husband Ralph are the proud parents of a son, Ralph III, born May 2. The Perrotti’s live in Woodbridge, Conn. Working part-time in the technical processing and circulation dept. of the Memorial Hall Library, Andover, is Elaine Schofield Shank, who is also living in Andover with her husband Stuart and son Ross.

Sally Strangman was married June 30 to Juozas Michunus, Jr., in Acton. Mrs. Michunus is a teacher in the Acton school system where the couple also reside.

Charlotte Barriess Knox ‘67, Virginia Malony ’65, and BEATRICE MARDEN GLICKMAN ’40 are all teaching child care and development at Bryant-Stanton Junior College, Boston. They are trying to build a better curriculum based on their excellent education at Lesley.

Barbara Shinn is an admissions counselor at Wellesley College. She directs the student enrollment program of the First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church which supports Nguen Thi Donna, an 18-year-old Vietnamese girl.

Elizabeth Jones represented Lesley as one of the 100 representatives at the inaugural ceremony of John D. Rockefeller IV. He became the 12th president of Western Connecticut College, Buckhannon.

Mary E. Corcoran retired after thirty-two years as supervisor of the Home Economics Dept. in Holyoke, for which she was honored at a testimonial dinner this past June.

Mary McCarron Mead held a luncheon at her home in Marion on Aug. 15 to raise money for the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Jean LaMont retired in June from the Browning School of N.Y.C., having taught steadily for 52 years in various schools. “It’s been great fun and I am grateful to Lesley,” writes Jean.

On July 25, a mini-reunion was held with three members of the class, in South Paris, Me. A pleasant "talk-fest" was enjoyed by Margaret Adams Richardson and husband Lenn, Marion Green Savage and husband Chester, and Rachael Irish Purkus and husband Allen.

Raffle Chairman Rosalyn Heifetz Abrams ’67 (second to right) accepts money for the raffle drawing held on October 18. The benefit evening also included a champagne reception, new campus tours, and a spirited improvisational review by “The Proposition.” The drawing brought in $1,200 to the Alumni Scholarship Fund, plus a $550 profit from the evening itself—encouraging figures for alumni planning future benefits for the scholarship fund. Mary McCarron Mead ’25 was the first prize winner. Mrs. Mead, newly elected Lesley College Corporator, and regional representative for the Fall River-New Bedford Area, enjoyed an all-expense paid, one-week trip to Spain. Other winners were Maurice E. Bale, Mac Green, Judith Fisher ’68, Judith A. Peirce, and Carol Valente. Congratulations! Special thanks are due to the co-chairmen of the event, Lorraine Blondes Shapiro ’42 and Barbara Barron Schilling ’50, for making the evening memorable as well as profitable.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE THE LESLEY WEEKLY?

At the suggestion of the Alumni Association Executive Board, we are now offering subscriptions to the Lesley College weekly newsletter to all our alumni. The Weekly includes the College's calendar of events, plan-ahead dates, little-known facts about Lesley College, meetings and aids for teachers, items just for women, in-and-around Cambridge events, and much more. Informal and lively, it is distributed to the entire on-campus community. Mailings would be every Friday, from January 1974 through and including May. The subscription rate is five dollars to cover postage and paper costs. What follows is a representative sampling gleaned from back issues of the Weekly:

IT'S ALL IN THE FAMILY . . . THE LESLEY FAMILY THAT IS.

"Everything has changed," commented Charlotte Fish Glancy, class of 1913, when she visited the campus during this week's Open House. Mrs. Glancy came to Lesley in 1910 and remembers Miss Edith Lesley, founder of the Lesley Normal School. The class of 1913 is the first for which our Alumni Office has home addresses.

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Ten years ago, Associate Professor of Art Elizabeth Steig had an especially promising student in her class; today, Judith Campbell '63 teaches pottery and other crafts to her own Lesley students.

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Jackie Ross '76 is a CORE student at East Somerville Community School. Her cooperating teacher is Lesley alumna Elizabeth Zucco '60. Ms. Zucco, Jackie discovered, is working on her masters in reading at the Graduate School.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO . . .

Sophomore Joni Bass, appointed teacher for a special learning disabilities Hebrew school class at Temple Aliyah, Needham.

NEWS FROM THE SPECIAL SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN

Helen Grinnell's class at Dearborn Pre-Vocational runs a food service operation every Monday and Tuesday. The students learn how to run a small business in addition to providing the other special schools with good food. Helen invites any interested students or faculty members to visit.

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FACTS ON FILE


George Washington may not have slept in Kirkland Hall dormitory, but Robert Frost did!

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SISTERS WHO GO OR WENT TO LESLEY (other issues included cousins, mothers and daughters, etc.)

Rubenstein, Laurie '74 and Ellyn '76
Ehrlich, Lisa '74 and Debra '77
Einstein, Joan '77 and Brina '72
Pomerantz, Amy '77 and Fran '73
Blonder, Carol '75 and Leslie '68
Nesson, Judith '76 and Marilyn '70
More "Sisters" next week . . . .

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DEAN RITVO HONORED

Lesley College's Dean of Students, Miriam Ritvo, was one of sixteen new members to be named to Governor Francis Sargent's Commission on the Status of Women. Next semester at Lesley, she will teach a course on the images of women. Dean Ritvo is a member of the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education visiting committee and an advisory board member of Preterm, an innovative gynecological center in Brookline. Gracing the Dean's office with its delicate spiderweb of straight lines is this three-dimensional sculpture entitled A Tower—by a wife and husband team, Dorris and Ron Fox.