Agnes Howard Hall
120 Years Old
Built 1895, Enlarged 1929
School Year Begins with Honor Roll of Accolades

As the beginning of the school year winds down and students and faculty settle into their rhythm, the College is celebrating another strong academic year. Enrollment is at a high with 1,518 students learning within the walls of West Virginia Wesleyan, and the College continues to be recognized by academic publications for its tremendous accolades.


West Virginia Wesleyan was also featured in a CollegeMagazine.com article, “8 Awesome Schools You Never Knew Existed.” The article touts Wesleyan’s progressive Chemical Hygiene Officer major, the outdoor recreation program, the visual arts program, and the revitalized marching band.

**Emeritus Club Continues Tradition of Campus Revitalization Projects**

For years, members of the Emeritus Club have been charged with assisting the College in raising funds for special projects around campus. Over the years, many projects have been completed and many monetary goals were exceeded because of the Emeritus Club and its charitable giving.

In 1991, the Club contributed $23,531 for the Centennial Fund in honor of Wesleyan’s first 100 years. In June 2000, a campaign was begun to raise $250,000 for the Emeritus Club Lobby in the Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts. Over the next eight years, $290,924 was raised, far exceeding the original goal.

March 2008 brought a $150,000 pledge by the Emeritus Club for two conference rooms in the David E. Reem-snyder Research Center. By September 2011, $121,000 was raised for the two rooms at $60,500 each.

Since October 2012, the Emeritus Club has been raising money for the renovation of Classroom 200 in Martin Religious Center as well as monies for a scholarship for international travel. As of May 2015, $60,176 was raised for the classroom renovation, a number obtained yet again above the original $60,000 goal. As of September, $39,984 of a $40,000 pledge has been met for the scholarship for international travel. *For a full list of scholarship donors, please see page 13 of this newsletter.*

From 2000 to 2014, the Emeritus Club, from the recommendation of the officers and directors, gave approximately $30,000 to Wesleyan for Alternative Spring Break and other related student projects.
West Virginia Wesleyan Receives $500,000 Bequest

West Virginia Wesleyan has received a $500,000 bequest from the estate of Warren L. Garner ’50 and Shirleen Satterfield Garner ’51, Emeritus Club members, which will benefit Wesleyan’s chemistry and music departments.

Warren Garner enrolled at Wesleyan from Renick, WV while Shirleen grew up in Fairmont. The couple met at the College and maintained a connection with the school long after their graduation. Mr. Garner enjoyed a successful career at Dow Chemical while Mrs. Garner taught piano and organ lessons in Midland, MI.

The donation will allow the chemistry department to purchase a Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) spectroscopy. The equipment will help ensure that Wesleyan will graduate qualified, well-trained chemists to continue to innovate and create. The gift will be used by the music department in their purchase and investment in equipment, furniture, or instruments.

“We are extremely grateful that the Garners decided to establish a lasting legacy with this transforming gift,” noted Wesleyan President Dr. Pamela Balch ’71. “Their generosity will have an immediate impact on both our chemistry and music departments, two of our most distinguished academic programs. It will also allow us to establish endowment funds that can be used to address future equipment needs.”

If you would like to receive our new Planned Giving booklet and learn more about leaving a legacy at Wesleyan through wills, trusts, or income-generating gifts, please contact the Office of Advancement at 304-473-8600 or email Bob Skinner ’75, Vice President for Advancement, at skinner_b@wvwc.edu.

In 2015, WV Wesleyan College celebrates 125 years!

Thank you
$60,176 of $60,000 goal
paid for Emeritus Club project
Classroom 200 in
Martin Religious Center

This room is in full use this fall semester 2015.

Marsh Joins Alumni Staff

Brandi C. Marsh is the new Coordinator of Alumni Records and Events and is the Administrative Assistant for the Emeritus Club. A native of Buckhannon, she is a 2012 graduate of Boston University where she majored in Interdisciplinary Studies. She replaces Leah Propst Morehead who transferred to the School of Education as an Administrative Assistant.

Emeritus Club members gave a total of $734,224 during the year 2014-2015 to West Virginia Wesleyan College. This is a 42% participation rate of the Emeritus Club.
News About You

Charles R. Ackenbom ’61 and Alina (Aux) of Palmyra, VA own and operate Camp Friendship, a residential camp in its 49th year. Two hundred campers attend each week. Chuck, a former US Navy pilot, is the owner/founder and executive director and a former president of the American Camping Association. Alina is USPTA-certified Tennis Professional and Russian National Junior title holder. She holds a Master’s degree of Education where she graduated sum cum laude in 1996 from Bashkir State Pedagogical University, Russia, majoring in linguistics education and minoring in psychology. They live on the grounds with their two children, Nika and Tyler. In 2011 the Ackenboms were at Wesleyan for his 50th Class Reunion and induction into the Emeritus Club.

The children of Lucilla L. Andre (Aux) of Cartersville, GA had a surprise 90th birthday celebration for their mother at a luncheon on her August 23 birthday in Cartersville. Lucy is the widow of Rene P. Andre ’39.

Jeannette Hedrick Bodurtha ’58 and Paul R. Bodurtha ’58 of Maryland, NY spent the summer at her home place at Fort Spring, Greenbrier County. They returned to NY on September 1. They are retired from Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY.

M. Kate Clark ’52, Ed.D of Morgantown, an Extension Specialist in Clothing and Textiles, retired from the WVU Extension Service with 30 plus years of service. She served as the WV President of the American Association of University Women, July 1998 – July 2000. For a number of years she taught an exercise class for those 55 and older called “Active for Life.” She lives at The Village at Heritage Point.

Herbert R. Coston (Aux), Ph.D., was honored by Buckhannon Rotary on his 90th birthday on September 23. A retired Wesleyan Professor of History with 50 years of service, he is a past President of Buckhannon Rotary. Photo by Amanda Hayes, Record Delta Newspaper.

Carol Stalnaker Crow ’51 of Lafayette Hill, PA sent a note and photograph of Wesleyan students thought to be from the early 1900s. The photograph was in the possession of Alumni Edward ’49 and Carol ’51 Crow. Edward’s mother was Blanche Rice Crow N. ’24, and his grandfather was John J. Rice S. ’96. Carol and Ed had been in touch with Harold Elmore through the Emeritus Club several years ago about donating it to the College. It was delivered to Erickson Alumni Center by son Stephen ’80 and his wife Sue Angle Crow ’81 via Sue’s parents, Rev. Alvin and Sallie Angle of Buckhannon on September 11.

Marvin W. Culpepper ’51, Hon ’06 drove up from Charleston on August 10, 2015 with another gift of books for the Library. He brought 114 volumes of Civil War books, bringing his total number of Civil War volumes to 3,846. Paula Lowther McGrew ’78, Director of Library Services, says “our Civil War collection is among the finest anywhere and we are thankful to Marvin.” He toured the John D. Rockefeller IV Center to see the new bleachers and chairs recently installed as a gift to Wesleyan.

Thomas E. Dunlap, Sr ’60 and Betty (Aux) of Albemarle, NC were in WV for a conference in September. Tom, a retired pastor, District Superintendent and Director of the Council of Ministries in the WV Annual Conference is a former Wesleyan trustee. His father, Theodore A. Dunlap was in the Class of 1937.
News About You

Donald E. Flansburg ’61, Anne, and her mother, Josephine Graf, of Williamsville, NY visited on campus on June 9 traveling from Ocala, FL where they spend the winters. Pictured in the Emeritus Club Lobby in The Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts, they took members of the Alumni staff to lunch downtown.

Attending a breakfast meeting in Richmond, VA on June 26 were: Louis A. Filosa ’57, of Henrico, a retired chemist with Phillip Morris USA; Robert L. Lynch ’47, of Richmond, a retired professor of Clinical Chemistry at VCU; Bob’s son Van Lynch; and Alan P. Machenberg ’61, Chesterfield, a retired US Navy officer. Shirley Hymes Filosa ’53, Thomas M. Wriston ’63 and Polly (Aux) of Midlothian could not attend this gathering.

James L. Marshall ’65 and Betty of Tidioute, PA visited the Erickson Alumni Center on September 10. They had been at a convention in Charlotte, NC and stopped in Buckhannon on their way home. Jim worked for investment firms, and they have lived in different places in the country. He retired as a VP for Morgan Stanley. In retirement they have travelled in their Winnebago throughout the USA. They both are active in charitable work in northwestern PA. Jim joined the Emeritus Club during this visit and regrets he cannot be here for his induction at Homecoming. Jim and Betty are pictured with Bob Skinner ’75, VP for Advancement.

Following the Emeritus Club luncheon on June 18, Ellen Roush Nickell ’51 and Jane Ellen Nickell ’81, Ph.D. drove to Bridgewater, VA for a visit with Mary Lee Kemper McDonald ’49 at her residence. The Nickell family traveled on to the Outer Banks, NC where they saw Thomas L. Davidson ’64 and Ellen Young Davidson ’64. The Davidsons were heading north to visit their son and his family who live in Sewickley, PA.

Jean Allen Pickering ’55 of Williamstown has booked a trip to Europe for the month of October and will miss Homecoming 2015. She said Bill and Margaret Berg and Joe and Joan Patterson, ’55 class members, will be at Homecoming. Jean is sending a quilt to display in the art show. “I know you’ll have a great time!”

In September, Carol Beers Remley ’59 of Charlotte, NC wrote “Many thanks for my birthday card. On October 9th, Kenneth H. Remley ’60 will be inducted into the New Jersey Amateur Softball Hall of Fame. He was a fast ball pitcher and pitched for a couple of teams during the 21 years we lived there. Our entire family will be attending which will make it special – our boys played on the same team with him, the last year he pitched and they have a zillion stories to tell about that experience.”

Marjorie “Gene” Johnson Rollins (Aux) of Clermont, FL was on campus in August with her son, Mark, and her sister, Rebecca Johnson. They visited the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library to see the quilt Gene made and gave to Wesleyan for use in the Library. Her quilt is called “Mountaineer Stars,” and she incorporates two things she deems most precious: family and history. Paula Lowther McGrew ’78, Director of Library Services, says the quilt represents the feelings of love, loyalty, and pride that Jean feels for her “Home Among the Hills” and Wild and Wonderful West Virginia. She is the widow of Dr. Clarence R. Robbins ’60 who died March 1, 2013. Clarence and Gene were generous givers for a classroom in
their name for the Reemsnyder Research Center. She plans to return to Wesleyan for a visit and meet the School of Science faculty.

Lawrence F. Sherwood, Jr., ’47, Hon ’64 of Oakland, MD received the Conference Cane from Bishop Debra Wallace- Padgett at the 2015 WV Annual Conference Retired Clergy luncheon. He was recognized as the oldest pastor present at this year's meeting in French A. See Dining Center.

William B. Stemple ’48 of Sarasota, FL has two great nephews at Wesleyan who are members of the men’s basketball team. Landon E. Todd ’18 and Clay L. Todd ’19 of Oakland, MD. Their mother is Kendra Stemple Todd McLaughlin ’91 who was a member of Wesleyan’s Women Basketball Hall of Fame Team 1988.

In June, David F. Wolfe ’60, Ph.D. and Sue (Aux) of Buckhannon spent two weeks visiting in Italy and Switzerland with her son, William Randall Ward ’85. Rand has a Ph.D. from UNC, Chapel Hill and works for Alston Energy (builds power plants). He has lived in Baden, Switzerland for the last 7 years. David taught Chemistry for 19 years at Wesleyan and is retired from the WV Department of Environmental Protection as a Chemist in the Division of Ground Water and Waste Management.

Harry J. Widney ’39 and Dallas of Lewisburg lived for many years at Frank (Pocahontas County) where Harry worked his entire career with Howes Leather Company, the largest sole leather tannery company in the world. A Chemistry major at Wesleyan, he started his career as an apprentice and progressed through management trainee to plant superintendent, to plant manager, to vice president retiring in 1965. They have lived in Lewisburg since 1973. Harry has supported the Bill Foster Birthday Club for many years.

1965 Class
Carl H. Doerr, Jr. ’65 of Boothwyn, PA wrote: “All roads lead to WV! Enclosed is a picture of my banner (25 years old and in all our class pictures). I will bring for Homecoming 2015. Pictured are Carl, Thomas W. Brzezinski ’65 of Marriottsville, MD and Walter L. “Larry” Dillen ’65 of McKeesport, PA.

New Locations
Richard S. Gibson ’54 Monterey, VA to Staunton, VA
Melvin R. Orr ’60 Hollis, NH to Concord, NH
Edward W. Phillips ’52 & Nancy Wyant Phillips (Aux) Leesburg, FL to Auburn, VA
William B. Smith ’65 Littleton, NC to The Villages, FL

Emeritus Club
Service to alums of 50 years or more
organized 1961
Chartered 1962
June Luncheon
Greek Alumni Room, Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts

Brett T. Miller ’06, Archivist, Speaker at June Luncheon
Will Armistead ’81, VP Alumni Relations
Carolyn Moore Hess ’64, Gary F. Hess ’60
Jena Stump, Aladdin Food Service
Mara Linaberger Watson ’58, G. Herold Berthy ’56

June Door Prizes:
Herbert R. Coston (Aux) Nancy Titchenal Cheshire ’62
Ellen Roush Nickell ’51 Beulah B. Davis (Aux)
(presented the door prizes) Mary Virginia Settle Lowther ’68
Carolyn Moore Hess ’64

Most photos in this issue by
Dewayne R. Lowther ’57 and
Mary Virginia Settle Lowther ’68.

July Luncheon - Benedum Campus Center Social Hall

Marvin W. Culpepper ’51, Elaine Karnes Culpepper ’54, & Patrick Balch
Margaret Dean Miller ’56, Emeritus Club VP presided June/July luncheons
Dr. James H. Moore, Music Professor Director of Jazz Ensembles July Luncheon speaker
President Balch ’71

Myron B. Hymes, Jr ’49, Billie Scott Mick ’49
Sandra Price McCutcheon ’63 Margaret J. McCauley (Aux)
Diana Armstrong Simmons ’75
David F. Wolfe ’60
July Door Prizes:
President Balch presented door prizes to
Robert L. Chamberlain ’42, Linda Westfall Winspear ’62,
Sue B. Wolfe (Aux), and Patricia M. Marsh (Aux)

July Birthdays:
Calvin M. Shreve ’46, Robert L. Chamberlain ’42,
Lauren Queen (Advancement), Patrick Balch, Sheri
Gaudet (Aladdin), Harold Elmore, Hon ’82

August Luncheon
Greek Alumni Room, Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts

Brenda and Eugene O. Maley ’53 &
Robert N. Skinner ’75,
VP for Advancement

Brooks Jones ’62
Emeritus Club Secretary
presided August luncheon

Roberta J. Alsop ’65

August Door Prizes:
Mara Linaberger Watson ’58, Darlene Serak Ielapi ’63,
Sandra Price McCutcheon ’63, Beulah B. Davis (Aux)
(presented the door prizes), W. Howard Reeder ’40

R. Daniel Hughes,
Music Professor
Director of Choirs
Speaker at
August luncheon

Door prizes for the three summer luncheons were potholders made by Beulah B. Davis (Aux) of Charleston.

2015-2016 Emeritus Club Leadership

Officers:
Ronald M. McCauley ’59, President
Margaret Dean Miller ’56, Vice President
Brooks Jones ’62, Secretary

Directors:
Richard M. Hamilton ’58, 2016
Bernice King McHenry ’56, 2017
Nancy Titchenal Cheshire ’62, 2018
Eleanor Linger Miller ’61, 2019
Alan P. Machenberg ’61, 2020

Past Presidents:
Robert L. Lynch ’47
Mary Coberly Marquess ’48
Richard E. Conaway ’52
Ellen Roush Nickell ’51
L. Curtis Saville ’48
Mara Linaberger Watson ’58
Associate VP for Alumni Relations:
William B. Armistead ’81
Coordinator of the Emeritus Club:
Harold T. Elmore, Hon. ’82
New Emeritus Club Members from the 1965 Class (as of September 24, 2015)

Roberta J. Alsop – Buckhannon
S. Allen Barnes – Amelia Beach, FL
Barbara Woolbaugh Bruso – Arnold, MD
Walter R. Bruso – Arnold, MD
Thomas W. Brzezinski – Marriottsville, MD
Richard R. Burgdorf – Leesburg, FL
Susan Abraham Burgdorf – Leesburg, FL
Judith F. Burns – Bristol, WV
Penny Lee Church – New Hartford, CT
Geraldine Clark-Klimas – DeBary, FL
Robert H. Decatur – Patterson, NY
Rosemary Hadden Decatur – Patterson, NY
Carl H. Doerr, Jr. – Boothwyn, PA
Peter T. Evans – Chestertown, MD
Bonnie MacCallum Ferneau – Pine Knoll Shores, NC
Ellen Foglesong Fisher – Morristown, TN
Kenneth C. G. Foster, Esq. – Milton, MA
Elise Mattox George – Cumberland, MD
Anne Sneedker Green – Roswell, GA
Diane Merrihew Gross – Brewster, MA
Joseph R. Haas – Frankford, DE
Jeannine Lemon Heath – Catawba, SC
Richard L. Heit – Glendale, KY
Beatrice Boyd Talbott Henry – Staunton, VA
Gary M. Hershman – Lakewood Ranch, FL
Leslie Huss Hickey – Long Beach, NY
Dixie Lee Hoke-Webb – Second Creek, WV
W. Larry Hymes, J.D. – Ithaca, NY
Gary K. Johnson – Washington, PA
George A. Klebe, D. Phys Ed. – Buckhannon
Garrett W. Lange, Ph.D. – Greensboro, NC
Patrick A. Lattore – Reno, NV
Sara Pifer Lawson – Zephyrhills, FL
Karen Jennings Lloyd – Fallston, MD
James L. Marshall – Tidioute, PA
Donna J. Martin, D. Min. – Baltimore, MD
Richard K. McCullough – Sykesville, MD
Shannings G. “Jerry” Moore, Jr. – Hurley, NY
Linda S. Moran – Dunbar
Nancy Starcher Moran – Beaver
Diane Ward Mullis – Staffordville, VA
Celestine “Tina” Noon Painter – Orlando, FL
John D. Painter – Orlando, FL
David R. Peters – Hurricane, WV
Harriet Gommoll Peters – Hurricane, WV
William E. Phillips – Mahopac, NY
Douglas B. Reynolds – Nazareth, PA
Norvin W. Richards, Jr., Ph.D. – Tuscaloosa, AL
James C. Roach – Gettysburg, PA
Larry T. Schwendeman – Marietta, OH

William B. Smith – The Villages, FL
Charles W. Snyder – North Huntingdon, PA
Steven W. Underwood – Ormond Beach, FL
Phyllis A. White – Sierra Vista, AZ
Alice Kraffert Witterman – Batesville, AR
Elizabeth Bucher Woolever – Rochester, NY
J. Roger Yockel – Little Silver, NJ

Auxiliary Members from the 1965 Class

Carol Zeigler Brzezinski
Michael Ferneau
George W. Henry
Charles J. Klimas
Marilyn Couch Lange
Paul D. Lawson, Sr.
H. Thomas Mullis
Janet Eckhart Reynolds
Carol Clay Schwendeman
Judith Ann Roberts Snyder

New Member from Another Class
Margaret V. Saeler Burkett ’56 – Frederick, MD

Addresses Needed for ’65 Class Members

Mrs. Joyce Rapp Bleby
Mrs. Grace France Boger
Mrs. Donna R. Hamblin Chitambar
Mr. James L. Cochrun III
Ms. Carol Hess Coffey
Ms. Mary Frances Comly
Ms. Martha M. Dumican
Mrs. Paulette Eisengart Elliott
Mrs. Linda Daneker Erk
Mr. William H. Fisher
Mrs. Charlotte Timmons Fitzgerald
Dr. Yubong Hahn
Mrs. Joyce Peterson Johnston
Mrs. Tanya Thomson Kendrick
Mrs. Nancy Barnett Macurda
Mr. Gary W. Martin
Ms. Charlene B. Rogers
Mrs. Grace Fuglie Salie
Mr. Daniel L. Short
Mrs. Nancy Ensley Smith
Mrs. Marie Martin Thacker
Mr. Dirk Van Heiningen
Mr. Keith A. Wallace
Mrs. C. Sue Becker Wallace
Mr. Raymond Ware
Mrs. Jeanne Wilfong Weaver
Mrs. Venita St. Clair Wright
In Memoriam - Members of the Emeritus Club

**Valta V. Curry Canfield**, age 94, of Buckhannon died July 18, 2015 at the St. Joseph Hospital NCF. She was born April 16, 1921 in Buckhannon, a daughter of Edgar Huff ’12 and Lela Alberta Ervin Curry. In 1944, she married LeRoy Canfield ’49 who died July 7, 1989. She was preceded in death by one son, Joseph Lee Canfield, one daughter-in-law, Linda Canfield and one brother J. Paul Curry ’35. She is survived by three sons, Roy E. “Ed” Canfield (Fiance Angie Miller), Chuck (Carla) Canfield, both of Buckhannon, and Thomas Lynn Canfield (Debbie) of MD; one daughter, Camille “Cay” Cutright ’70 (Michael ’69) of DE; five grandsons; four granddaughters; five great granddaughters; and twelve great grandsons. She earned her undergraduate degree in 1943 and her Master’s in education and music in 1986 from WV Wesleyan College. She taught elementary school in Monongalia County at Saberton and Daybrook and in Upshur County at Teter, Upper Peck’s Run, and Tennerton. One of her greatest loves was music, everything from hymns, classics, to popular songs. As a young woman, she sang in a quartet, at weddings, other events and in several Buckhannon Community Theater musicals. There was always “music in the air” when Valta was there. She was active in First UMC for 66 years. A service was held July 23, 2015. Burial followed in the Heavner Cemetery.

**Martha Ann Linger Embrey**, age 84, of Buckhannon, died June 20, 2015 in Morgantown. She was born December 22, 1930 in Weston, a daughter of Worth Linger and Mary Ann “Mollie” Stalnaker. On April 10, 1954, she married Raymond Lee Embrey who preceded her in death on November 30, 2010. Her husband, a brother and four sisters preceded her in death. She is survived by two sons Allan Embrey (Angela) of Morgantown and Larry Embrey (Beth) of Scott Depot; one daughter Ann Junkins (David) of Annapolis, MD; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and brother, Edward L. Linger of Buckhannon. A graduate of Weston High School in 1948, she was the first in her family to graduate from college, WV Wesleyan College in 1952 with a degree in Physical Education/ Education. Martha moved to Washington, DC where she was employed by the U.S. Department of Defense at the Pentagon. She returned to WV in 1966, and Martha and Ray were the owners/operators of the Montgomery Ward Agency in Buckhannon from 1968-1986. Martha was active in the community. A service was held June 22, 2015 with burial at the Georgetown UMC in Horner.

**Mary Alice Judson Forbes**, 89, of Bethpage, NY and formerly of Bristol, IN died February 12, 2015. Mary was born June 20, 1925, in Madison, WS to Dr. James Edward and Emily Judson, the owners of the Judson Fruit Farm in Bristol, IN. Dr. Judson was Professor of Biology at Wesleyan from 1929 – 1951. On May 15, 1949, she married James R. Forbes ’50 who died July 12, 2012. She was preceded in death by her sister, Helen Muir. Surviving are two daughters, Virginia (Dave) Fish of Bristol, IN and Helen (Joe) Wade of Bethpage, NY; a granddaughter, a nephew and the Muir families. For more than 40 years she worked at Bethpage High School as a ceramics teacher and custodian matron. She retired to care for Jim, who developed Alzheimer’s disease in 2010. Each winter, she would faithfully stay at her trailer in Bradenton, FL for two weeks and enjoy the sunshine. She will be missed for her hardworking, steadfast, loving and forgiving nature. She could play piano by ear and was creative and artistic. She was buried next to Jim in Calverton National Cemetery on Long Island, NY.

**Zelda Leona Holmes Kershner**, 97, of Renick died June 14, 2015, at The Peyton Hospice House in Fairlea. Born April 11, 1918, at Lobelia, she was the daughter of Remus and Blanche Brown Holmes. She attended Renick High School and was a 1942 graduate of WV Wesleyan College. She taught in one- and two-room schools at the beginning of her teaching career and went on to retire from Renick Junior High School in 1978. She was a dedicated teacher in Greenbrier County for 33 years. A life member of WV Association of Retired Teachers, she was also president of the Renick Satellite for many years. A member of Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church, she served as a Sunday School teacher and was a lay member of the WV Annual Conference. Preceded in death by her husband, Stoner Kershner; daughter, Catherine Gillilan: and a grandson; she is survived by her daughter, Kay Reynolds (Calvin) of Frankford; son, Bruce Kershner (Linda) of Gordonsville, VA; seven grandchildren including Lora Melissa Reynolds ’02 of Frankford and five great-grandchildren. A service was held June 18, 2015. Burial followed in Morningside Cemetery at Renick.

**John Troxell Law**, 92, of Camden died August 30, 2015 at his residence. He was born in Weston on April 26, 1923. The son of Dr. John W.O. Law and Mildred Troxell Law, he is survived by his wife, Bernadette Hines Law (Aux) whom he married on May 22, 1950; two sons: John Edward Law (Melinda) of Camden and Thomas Francis Law ’79 (Nancy MBA ’95) of
Jane Lew; three grandchildren and many in-laws, friends and neighbors. He was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Ann Sutter. John was a lifetime member of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church of Weston where his mother played the organ for 50+ years and his grandparents, LeAnder and Polly Troxell, were on the board that built the present day church. He was a member of the WV and National Public Accountants Associations, American Legion Post # 4, Lewis County and American Farm Bureaus, Weston Rotary Club and a Paul Harris Fellow, First Families of Virginia and the Hackers Creek Pioneer Descendants. While in the Navy, John sang with Clyde McCoy in the Blue Jacket Choir and flew sub patrol from Virginia to Panama as a gunner. After being Honorably Discharged from the US Navy, he attended WV Wesleyan College graduating in 1949 with a degree in accounting. In 1961, he started his own accounting firm which still exists today under the direction of his son: John E. Law, CPA. Those who knew John knew how much he enjoyed the piano and playing the organ. He enjoyed farming his Leading Valley Farm together with his wife. A Christian burial service was held September 3, 2015 at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Weston. Interment followed in Machpelah Cemetery of Weston with full military honors.

Naomi L. Robinson Lawson, 95, Gettysburg, PA died June 27, 2015 at SpiriTrust, Gettysburg Campus (formerly the Gettysburg Lutheran Home). She was born November 23, 1919 in Grafton, the daughter of W. Everett and Mada White Robinson. Naomi was a member of the First Baptist Church where she was the organist for over 35 years. She graduated from WV Wesleyan College in 1940 and completed her Master’s Degree in Music from Columbia University in New York City. She taught music in the Upper Adams School System for 27 years. For many years, Naomi was a member of the Gettysburg Women’s Club in Gettysburg. She is survived by her sister, Ann Robinson Chapdelaine of Gettysburg; three nieces; a nephew; and two great nephews. A service was held July 1, 2015. Interment was in Woodsdale Cemetery, Grafton on July 2, 2015.

Earl Lawrence Marquess, 90, died June 30, 2015, at United Hospital Center in Bridgeport. He was born on October 26, 1924, at Glendale the son of Rev. James Lawrence Marquess and Iva Dale Talkington Marquess. He is survived by his beloved wife and best friend, Mary Louise Coberly Marquess ’48. They celebrated their 66th anniversary on June 1. Surviving are his children, Lawrence Wade Marquess (Barbara Ann) of Denver, CO; Linda Elise Danges ’75 (Colman “Kelly” F. Danges, Jr. ’75) of Stroudsburg, PA; Marsha Marquess (John Dornblazer) of Durham, NC and Barbara Marquess of Marietta, OH; nine grandchildren; a great-granddaughter and a great-grandson; sister, Eugenia Cullen of Strasburg, VA; two nieces; two nephews; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by a sister, Eleanor Lanham (Buck) and his other brother-in-law, Harry Cullen. A graduate of Beverly High School in 1942, he attended WV Wesleyan College until 1944 when he began service as a U.S. Army platoon sergeant from 1944-46, stationed in France, Belgium and Germany. After serving in World War II, he returned to WV Wesleyan College, and graduated in 1948. At Wesleyan, he met his bride-to-be, “Cobe”. They married in 1949 and moved to Bloomington, IN, where he earned his M.A. degree at Indiana University. Afterwards, he was an agent for Metropolitan Insurance Agency in Elkins, promoted to Assistant Manager and assigned to Clarksburg. In 1956, he was employed by Union National Bank of Clarksburg retiring as Senior Trust Officer in 1986. In addition to work in the Trust Department, he was a part-time instructor at Fairmont State College’s Clarksburg branch. A member of the Clarksburg First United Methodist Church, he served as mixed-adult Sunday school class teacher for 40 years. An avid historian, he spent many years researching and writing about the American Civil War with an interest in local area battles. His experiences during service in World War II were preserved for posterity both in his writings and in a documented recorded interview for the National Library of Congress. A service was held July 3, 2015 at the Clarksburg First UMC. Interment with military honors followed in the Bridgeport Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to WV Wesleyan College Scholarship Fund, 59 College Avenue, Buckhannon, WV 26201.

Mary Joan Patterson Schenck, 83, of Sayville, IL, NY, died August 15, 2015. Raised in Maryland and West Virginia, Mary Joan was the daughter of Winfield S. Patterson ’24, Hon ’39 and Neva Patterson. She graduated from WV Wesleyan College in 1955 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education. A resident of Sayville for more than 50 years, she was a longtime member of the Sayville United Methodist Church where she was a Sunday school teacher and involved in several women’s groups and committees and served as Treasurer of the Learning Circle Pre-School. She was pre-deceased by her husband William R. Schenck ’56 in 1992 and is survived by her four children: Eric (Regina) of the Philippines, Leslie Griffin (Robert) of Texas, Mark (June) of Sayville and Allyson Goodman (Jonathan) of Franklin Square; six grandchildren; a brother, Joseph R. Patterson ’55 (Joan ’55); a cousin, Margaret Rieter, as well as her nieces and nephews. A service was held August 19, 2015 at Sayville UMC and followed in Sayville Union Cemetery.
Sue Kelley Tweedy, 73, of Merritt Island, FL died August 10, 2015 after a lengthy and difficult battle with Alzheimer’s disease. She is survived by her husband, John T. Tweedy ’64 and son, Samuel W. Tweedy of New Bedford, MA; a brother C. Lyle Kelley of Merchantville, VA and four grandchildren. A 1964 graduate of WV Wesleyan College, her professional career was as a Librarian, serving as Director of the Mattapoisett, MA Town Public Library. She loved her experience at Wesleyan and shared her feelings with many of her friends from college.

Alice Marie “Sally” Fitzwater Wheeler, 83, of Cumberland, MD died August 19, 2015, at the Western Maryland Regional Medical Center. She was born January 7, 1932, in Mountain Lake Park, MD to John Lower Fitzwater Sr. and Alice Marie Dilfer Fitzwater. She was preceded in death by her husband, Julian Richard “Dick” Wheeler and her brother, John Lower Fitzwater Jr. Sally graduated from WV Wesleyan College in 1951 and from WVU with a master’s degree in education. A music resource teacher for the Allegany County Board of Education, she retired with 46 years of service. A member of Centre Street United Methodist Church, Cumberland, her professional associations include the Retired Teachers Association, MSEA, NEA, and ACTA. Survivors include her son, John Richard Wheeler (Brenda); two grandsons and nieces and nephews. A service was held August 24, 2015.

In Memoriam - Auxiliary Members

Gertrude Louise Judy Gibson, age 91, of Mill Gap, VA died April 17, 2015 at Brookdale Staunton. She was born February 6, 1924 in Crabbottom (Blue Grass), a daughter of Charles and Eva Keister Judy. A member of Blue Grass United Methodist Church, she was a graduate of the Shenandoah Conservatory of Music. A retired music teacher, Gertrude loved music and playing in church, but her favorite role was as a pastor’s wife. She was predeceased by her brother, George Judy and sister, Doris Judy Wilson. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, the Reverend Richard S. Gibson ’54; son, John Charles (Penny) Gibson of Powhatan, VA; daughter, Katherine Gibson of Monterey; and one grandson. A service was held April 21, 2015 in McDowell, VA. Interment followed in Green Hill UMC Cemetery.

William Maxwell Haugh, 94, of Vienna, VA died June 29, 2015 at Fairfax Nursing Center. He was the husband of Laura Cox Haugh ’44; father of William J. Haugh; brother of Joseph Summers Haugh; and grandfather of three grandsons. He served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII. After 36 years of service, he retired from Riggs National Bank in 1983 as a Vice President. A member of Wesley United Methodist Church, Vienna since 1953, he was a volunteer driver with CHO. A service was held June 18, 2015 at the Wesley UMC, Vienna.

Condolences are extended to:
Mary Jo Gee Dixon ’49 of Fairlea in the death of her brother, Benjamin F. Gee of Trout on June 1, 2015.
Ann Welker Harrison ’61 and Roger A. Harrison, Sr., of Petersburg in the death of their daughter, Kelley Harrison Clarke ’84 of Myrtle Beach, SC on August 26, 2015.
Donald E. Henderson ’54 of Buckhannon in the death of his wife, Mary Campbell Henderson on August 7, 2015.
Patricia Hannah Leslie ’49 of Pebble Beach, CA in the death of her brother, Guy C. Hannah, Jr., ’51 of Hudson, OH on August 10, 2015.
Florence Rastle Marteney (Aux) of Bridgeport in the death of her daughter, Cheryl Lynn Marteney ’81, J.D. of New Bern, NC on June 19, 2015.
Katheryn E. Tannehill Winters ’44 of Bridgeport in the death of her son, Kenneth R “Kenny” Winters II of Bridgeport on August 29, 2015.
Gifts for Emeritus Club Endowed Scholarship for International Travel

Emeritus Club members and friends, as of September 23, 2015, have given $39,984 or 99% of our commitment of $40,000 for the Emeritus Club Endowed Scholarship for International Travel. 57 donors have made 71 gifts. The average gift is $563.

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I am the Orange Line.
My beginning was long ago.
I have no end.
I am perpetual.
My source is in the
West Virginia hills.
My reach
Embraces the world.
I am in America’s small town.
I am in her great cities.
I cross the seas.
I grow.
I am your warm, enduring memories.
I am your shared experiences.
I am your friends, your teachers.
I am your link to the past.
I am your dreams for the future,
Wherever you are, there too, am I.
I am you.
You are me.
We----are the Orange Line.

by Charles K. Dick, 1996

1965 Class 50th Reunion
Friday, October 16 at 5:00
French A. See Dining Center

Emeritus Club Luncheon
Saturday, October 17th at 11:00
French A. See Dining Center

Awake memories of yesteryears
while enjoying fun and good food

We celebrate the classes of
1965, 1960, 1955, 1950,
1945, & 1940

Please use the registration and reservation form in the Homecoming 2015 booklet you received in the summer. For your convenience, arrangements have been made with the First UMC to park on their lot at Meade and Latham Streets. We will run a shuttle before and after the 11:00 luncheon to help you. If you want a ride, please call Brandi Marsh at 304-473-8509. The shuttle will run from 10:15-10:45 and immediately after the luncheon.