According to the booklet Your First Week at Drew, which we were given in September 1952, the charge for a full semester in the Dining Hall was $195.00. Non-residents could buy lunch and dinner for three weekdays at $1.50 each day! Sunday dinners were $1.35. Outrageous! Also, women were required to sign out if they were going more than five miles from campus. What dangers lurked in the six to ten-mile zone? Poor transfer students; they had to pay a $6.00 charge for orientation. So much for ancient history!

Claire (Dresner) Newman writes that her twins living in Texas graduated from Rice University this year. A third grandchild, Rachel, is at the Urban Institute in Washington, DC. Their mother, Julie, who is Claire’s daughter, is the Department Chair of Geology at Texas A&M. Son Mark’s daughter, Mira, graduated from Oberlin and is now working at the same University of Pennsylvania laboratory that Claire’s son worked at 30 years ago. The Hillel organization at Temple recently honored Ed Newman by naming their library after him. Ed had taught at Temple for 40 years and ran a program dealing with disabilities. They will also run an annual series of lectures devoted to Ed. In addition, enough money was raised that they could retire the mortgage on the Hillel building. Claire got to speak at the ceremony, which was attended by the President and Provost of Temple.

Inflation hit Town Village, where I live. The rent on the two-bedroom unit that I called home for seven years went over $4,000 a month, so I had to move to a one-bedroom to be able to stay here. I had to sell all of my stained glass supplies, machines, and tools because of the loss of space. A friend of my daughter’s bought it all and is making some nice projects. My grandson, Mark Vander Schaaf, is scheduled to marry Sarah Spitz in May of this year. They already own an apartment in Long Island City.

Ellie (Sheldon) Stearns died peacefully in January 2023. In her freshman year, she met William McCartney T’56. During her second and third years at Drew, Judy accompanied Bill to his student parish, where she became the organist. They were married in 1956, and Judy transferred to Pittsburgh University when Bill was ministering in the Pittsburgh community. She graduated several months before their first child was born. Judy became a key helpmate to Bill in his ministry. She also found personal fulfillment in various community involvements, often as a key leader. Professionally, Judy began teaching in various nursery schools. Along the way, she earned a Master’s Degree from Clarion University. Judy taught at Hathaway Brown, a private school for girls, a position she loved. When the family moved to Delaware, Judy became a GED teacher, ending up teaching GED in the County Jail. Judy was distinguished by key church involvements, even reaching beyond her local church. Judy particularly distinguished herself during the eight years she was Secretary of United Methodism’s North Central Jurisdictional Conference. In that role, she was responsible for much of the preparation and smooth operation of its quadrennial meetings of lay and clergy delegates from nine states. Our sympathies reach out to Bill and their children. (Please see In Memoriam, page 13).

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his grandchildren to see the National Parks Racial Justice Pilgrimage in Alabama and Georgia so they could experience the events that shaped his and our political ideas. Mac was visited by Neal Mosher and Sharon Mosher, a post-Covid visit after missing each other at meetings each summer. Marian (Dickinson) Fielder revisited Austin, TX, where she raised her children and began her career as a United Methodist pastor, sharing the good times with her old friends. She now lives in Maryland.

Pearl (Robertson) Carlin enjoys visiting family and friends, water PT, cards, shopping, and “has one more cruise in her bucket” of plans.

Barbara (Yin) Fern remembers good times in 1959 when she, Marian (Dickinson) Fielder, and Naomi “Lynn” (Chappell) Gaaserud hosted and waitressed in the Homestead Hotel in Ocean Grove, sharing a room, washing uniforms in sinks, and staying through Labor Day to save a rent rebate to save some money for their Drew bills.

June (Kamen) Cowell C’61, P’90 is busy redesigning a kitchen for a former client after leading a bipartisan political coalition that changed the local government. [Dave Cowell C’61, P’90] have resigned as President of the Grover Cleveland Birthplace Association and become Secretary; I also was elected a vestryman at church, and I still run a book group studying women’s literature of the 19th century. Barbara has suggested a two-year reunion cycle now that we are in the 80s. Any thoughts?

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Greetings from Bethany Beach, where this news is being compiled on a mini vacation that was rescheduled due to Covid.

Bill Dickinson reports he is well and engaged in several local and regional causes and celebrated the arrival of a new grandson in November.

Ralph Powell and Diane (Suter) Powell had planned a trip to England, Scotland, and Wales for 2020 that had to be rebooked due to Covid shutting things down. They finally made it last fall and reported that it was a fabulous trip, except that Queen Elizabeth died while they were in Edinburgh, and the tour had to scramble to rearrange several stops. They have been fortunate to escape Covid and plan to attend our 60th Reunion. Then they leave for Los Angeles to attend their granddaughter’s high school graduation, followed by a trip with her to visit San Francisco.

Candy Riddington, just recovered from Covid, has continued enjoying a return to piano lessons and belonging to a small piano group that meets monthly to share what they are working on. She also continues to present her dramatic one-woman presentations locally but thinks she is about ready to retire from that. Candy keeps up via letters with Joyce (Wakefield) Amici, who is in Chicago.

Jeff Gillman writes that he and Marie are still functional with only minor issues with age, such as arthritis. However, although fully boosted, he did get Covid on Christmas Eve, and that upset the usual Christmas Day gathering with family. He and Marie are fortunate in that their son and daughter, respective spouses, and grandchildren are very nearby. They were able to salvage the meal, and presents were distributed. At this point, Jeff doesn’t see why he would not attend the 60th reunion luncheon and maybe receive another medal. He and Marie have decided post-Covid that foreign and domestic (long distance) travel has become too difficult, so they have opted to stay close to home. They examined the senior housing concept, and because they own a one-floor ranch, they decided to stay in their house as long as possible. The one sports activity he has continued is playing golf—a once-a-week adventure with a group of “old guys” like himself. There is one other activity that takes place weekly, weather permitting—another “old guys” group that spends an afternoon sitting around a firepit drinking bourbon and gossiping. Regarding other classmates, Jeff has spoken to Bill Dickinson and Mike Slippens, and emailed Sandy Schatz regarding his spectacular oriental brushwork painting - truly great stuff.

Last spring, Sue (Du Bois) Culhane joined her daughter and her two school-aged children on a jaunt from Boston to Wilmington, Baltimore, and Washington, DC. Sue brought home a souvenir, Covid, but recovered well with only a strange tingly feeling in the tip of her middle finger. Her roommate and friend for life, Carol (Carpenter) Ketcham, died unexpectedly on Thanksgiving Day (Please see In Memoriam, page 13). Sue’s daughter drove Sue to Fairfield, CT (Roberta (Gallagher) Adam’s church years ago) so she could attend Carol’s funeral. “Friends for 63 years, at one another’s weddings, godmothers to each other’s children. So many wonderful memories!” It was good to hear from Helene (Pawlicki) Rhodes, who wrote “Husband John ‘Dusty’ and I spent four months living in my childhood home in Pearl River, NY, returning to Georgia a few days before Christmas. My Pearl River High School class celebrated a four-day reunion ending with a cruise on the Hudson River, which is just a few miles from Pearl River. We started kindergarten together. We continue having monthly breakfasts for all living in the area, as well as those visiting. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend our Drew Reunion due to a Dream and Spirituality Conference at the Episcopal (Karuga) Center in Hendersonville, NC. At the conclusion of that, we have lunch with Margolyyn Young, who lives in the Asheville, NC area. She is doing well. She along with Margaret (Morell) Campbell C’60, Paul Troop, Dan McDafden, and I, continue our email streams, staying in touch with one another. This June, my daughter Rosemary, granddaughter Sage, and I drove to Charlottesville, VA, to check out the UVA Medical School, where Sage started Medical School in the summer. Life in person and on Zoom continues to enrich us. I continue my yoga and writing classes online through the Pearl River, NY Library. Dusty and I continue the monthly Progressive Christianity Book Club we started twelve years ago. Every day is precious, as each day is a gift at this age in life. I will miss touching base with the Drew folks at the Reunion. Peace to all!

Geri (Snell) Schumann reports that all is well, and she is just trying to keep up with routine maintenance of body, house, property, and dog! She enjoys Bob Fennelmacher’s company when they are on the Cape and has been following the forest saga. Geri has had visits from Penny (Bluhm) Scale’s son, Rob, and Judy (Ahlstrom) Barrowclough’s daughter, Geri. She has also recently heard from Judy’s son, BJ, and Gail (Clayton) Pain’s daughter, Julien. Diane (Cooper) Ficara’s daughter Kate is in Connecticut, so Geri sees her once in a while and keeps up with Judith (Hurdy) Swann. As for me (Ellen (Earp) Baker), we had a great trip to Ireland last fall. Having had to reschedule it from May due to Covid. One of the highlights was a visit to the Kennedy homestead, where we met a cousin of JFK who still lives there and operates the family farm. We saw seven different rainbows but no pot of gold during our almost three-week stay circumnavigating Ireland on a private tour with a guide who teaches history at Trinity College. A visit to Drew for our 60th is our next trip, and I hope to see many of you in June, so please make an effort to come back to The Forest.

I want to remind everyone that this year’s Drew Reunion is scheduled for Friday, June 2, and Saturday, June 3. All alumni are invited, so please put it on your calendar! For more details and updates, you can go to drew.edu/reunion2023.

Kathy (Murray) Henry writes that she now lives in West Yarmouth, MA, on Cape Cod. She reports that she cycles “in and out of retirement” as a United Church of Christ pastor while staying busy with her four grandchildren, who represent Guatemala, Kazakhstan, France, and the United States. In addition to enjoying international travel, she belongs to several creative writing groups. Kathy says she is already looking forward to our 66th reunion in 2035.

From Pennsylvania, Dianne (Mabo) Peeling reports she is staying active in the arts as an officer of the Williamsport Symphony and by serving on the board of the Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble. She is also the keyboard player in several small chamber music duos and trios. In addition to her music interests, Dianne notes that she is part of the 4th generation of sailors in the family, now being
carried on by her daughter-in-law Chris and grandson Pierre, both of whom want to learn more at the Wooden Boat School in Brooklin, ME. Dianne also does some bookkeeping for the family business, Clyde Peeling’s Reptiland in Allenport, now in its second generation, with her son Elliot. Her two grandsons are both in college in Pennsylvania, while her daughter and grandson, who plays the guitar, call Philadelphia home.

Roger “Rusty” Martin reports that although he retired from his duties as college president (of both Moravian University and Randolph-Macon College), he now works part-time as the Executive Director of the British Schools and Universities Foundation. BSUF is a 501C3 charitable foundation in New York City that enables those who attended a British School or university to financially support their institution. He also continues to write about higher education, mostly for Inside Higher Ed, one of the major journals in the United States dedicated to reporting on American colleges and universities. Until Covid, Rusty was involved in helping provide financial support for the Episcopal Church in Cuba. He says he and his wife, Susan, who is fluent in Spanish, helped organize four trips to Cuba and now hope to continue organizing these trips. To help in this endeavor, he is taking an introductory Spanish class at his former high school in Mamaroneck, NY. Rusty also notes that he continues his connection to Drew by serving on the Development Committee of the Board of Trustees, which enables him to visit the campus periodically.

Stewart “Phil” Covert ‘65, T’79 writes that he and his wife have downsized and moved from their home to a condo community, still in York, PA. He says they continue to travel as much as they can, with Glacier National Park being their favorite place to visit. They plan to take their children there in September to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. He notes that he is currently chair of the Executive Board of Evangelical Environmental Network, a ministry concerned with creation care and climate care that was instrumental in the passing of the Inflation Reduction Act. Currently, they are advocating support for the Farm Bill that focuses on the conservation of farmland. Phil says he also testified before the EPA committee recently on the issue of reducing the amount of soot particulates in our atmosphere that cause many respiratory diseases.

From Martha Burt Hassard comes news that she and her husband will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary in June. They still live in Freedom Plaza, a large continuing care retirement community located on a 142-acre nature preserve on Florida’s west coast between Tampa and Sarasota. Just a brief note from Bruce Littmann, who says he gets back to Drew occasionally to watch fencing matches. He has three grandsons and one granddaughter and is in the process of recovering from some health challenges.

Jonathan Schiewer reports he and his wife, Lilly, still live in Garden City, NY, and sometimes escape to New Paltz, NY, in the summer, where they are planning a full family gathering in June. They have three young grandchildren, ages 10, 7, and 4. He says Lilly volunteers in Social Ministry activities at their church while both continue their long-term participation in special food drives there. Jon confesses to playing golf at the local course two or three times a week. He says they also try to keep in touch with Harry Brand and his wife, Katherine, who live near them in New Paltz. He notes as well that they had a nice visit with Andrea (Kaufmann) Scott-Ram and says, “It was fun recalling stories about our Drew economic professors and fellow students.”

After graduating from Drew, April (Allen) Ashpes lived in New York City for six years, first in Manhattan and then in the Bronx. She worked for the IRS before transferring to Washington, DC, to become part of the IRS Overseas Audit Program, which sent her to England and Canada. April and her husband eventually moved to Maryland, where they raised their two children and where she became a teacher while raising their family. Now a widow, April has travelled the world over, including to Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Poland, and continues to live in Maryland.

Isabelle Smith reports that she lives in Forest Hills, NY, just 8 miles from 53rd Street in Manhattan “as the crow flies” but with a backyard that is host to diverse wildlife, including raccoons and redtail hawks. After she retired from AT&T at the end of 1998, April continued to work for several years in the telecom industry. More recently, she has served as treasurer of her Episcopal church and is now treasurer of the New York branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society (RSCDS). In addition to dancing, she is also qualified as an RSCDS teacher and plays Scottish fiddle music as well. She has danced and played music in the US as well as in Scotland and India. Isabelle notes that she is on Facebook, where all her posts are public, and invites fellow alumni to visit her there.

Karen (Healing) Olmsted reports that she and her family lived in Miami for work and school for close to 30 years. In the spring of 2021, she and her husband moved to Burke, VA, to be closer to their two daughters and their families and to enjoy the cooler weather. She notes that they got there just in time for the 17-year appearance of the Brood X cicadas. Being close to Washington, DC, she says, has given them the opportunity to visit some of the museums and government buildings there. And, she adds, a welcoming Lutheran church has enabled them to make friends and participate in several “serving activities,” such as quilt making, singing in the choir, and taking care of the altar.

Patty Howell passed away in March after a brief illness. A long-time resident of Leucadia, CA, she spent most of her professional life applying her professional skills as a Counseling Psychologist to helping family members improve their communication and relational skills with each other. A current federally supported grant she administered offered relationship training to men in prison before they returned to family life. She, along with her late husband, Ralph Jones, were enthusiastic world travelers. They traveled the globe giving workshops on healthy relationships.

In closing, your correspondent, Nancy (Schnaars) Hall, who lived in Maine for almost 30 years, relocated to North Carolina in 2016 to be closer to my four stepsons and their families. Being a New Englander at heart, it’s been a bit of a challenge to embrace the southern culture. But I live in a condo community near the ocean and have made some nice friends and participate in HOA activities that help to keep me out of trouble.

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Jane (Dugdale) Bussard janenbussard47@gmail.com
Thank you to all who have shared a bit of your story since we parted company years ago.

The first one to write was Gary Ries, who tells us, “I was an endodontist (root canals) for forty-three years in Madison, WI, and retired about four years ago. My wife and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this past year and have three kids and seven grandkids.”

John Nishan says, “Just keeping my head down and avoiding stray bullets. So far, so good.”

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Barry Fenstermacher C’69 aboard his "surprise" in Lunenburg, NS.

Bruce Van Deussen says, “No news here worth reporting. I turned 75 last summer, but so did most of the class within the year.”

Barry Fenstermacher wrote: “You haven’t lost me!! I’ve been retired for five years after being headmaster of the Harvey School in Katonah, NY, for thirty years. I spend five months of the year in Nova Scotia, where we do a lot of boating (see photo above, page 4), and spend the other months at our home in Millerton, NY, not far from Lakeville, CT. This summer, I gave a eulogy for my friend James Pain T’54, T’55 who died in July.”

From my former roommate, Frannie: “Frannie Edwards C’69, G’71 and Dan Goodrich are settled in Las Vegas. They are still working with the Mineta Transportation Institute, teaching in the master’s program, and doing research for US DOT, FHWA, and TRB. Their research on wildfire evacuation messaging won the 2022 silver award from the International Association of Emergency Managers.”

Elaine Creaseman Penn wrote, “I’m still doing freelance bookkeeping part-time on my home island of St. John and filling the rest of my time volunteering and playing tenor pan with the kids in the Love City Pan Dragons. See photo below, page 4. Check out our Facebook page. My daughter, Audrey, was just selected as the new chair of the board of the Friends of the Virgin Islands National Park. Check out their Facebook page for photos of the annual meeting.”

Bonnie (Sturtevant) Gaeth writes: “As for Bill and me, we are coming up on our 6th anniversary of living here in Hendersonville, TN, and we really love it! We have made so many wonderful friends, particularly through our church and Sunday School, a lot of whom have become surrogate family, which is lovely since we had no real family here when we moved in; that is, until my sister and her family pulled the surprise of the century and moved into the next town over from us just a year and a half after we’d moved here. After spending all of our adult years an airplane ride apart, to have her just fifteen minutes away is like a dream come true! We did a lot of international travel in 2022, including a Viking River Cruise (our second one) from Amsterdam down to Budapest; and a land tour of Scotland, preceded by three days in London. Just two weeks after we returned home, Queen Elizabeth passed away, and we watched all of her funeral observances on TV. It was almost surreal to see so many sites in both London and Scotland that we had actually visited such a short time before. This year, rather than international travel, we have a lot of domestic trips planned, along with a remodel of our master bath and a knee replacement for yours truly (UGH!). I’m hopeful that life will be a lot less painful after that surgery! (It sure is a PAIN getting old, isn’t it? But then, it still beats the alternative).”

Ruth (Clark) Matte writes: “I am active, healthy, retired, and enjoy living in Ottawa, Canada. The past three-plus years have been a special challenge, given the death of my much-loved husband of thirty years in November 2020. He was a highly decorated Colonel serving 41 years in the Canadian military forces. As all of the thirty-five-plus members of my immediate family live south of the thenovid-closed border, I am now only getting a chance to see them once again face-to-face. You all will have noticed days go by quickly, months even more so. I garden, worktrain with PTSD support dogs, provide medical advocacy to other seniors when they are navigating the health care systems, am a crazed avid bridge player, and spend time with an exceptional cadre of friends. My 38-year-old son Simon lives two blocks away. He is always there for “Mama Ruth” (my nickname with his friends and restaurant co-workers). Keeps me hopping. Drew provided each of us with a unique experience. My gift was the education itself: the enlightening classes and professors who became lifetime friends and introduced areas of knowledge I never dreamed existed, all the while hoping it could open a world of opportunities outside my childhood realm and expectations. It did. To all: thank you.”

I, Jane (Dugdale) Bussard, am glad to be able to add that I heard from Huck. She says she’s enjoying retirement after managing military and family programs for 33 years for the Army, Army Reserve, and Air Force.

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Drawing upon nearly six decades of expertise in the government sector, Janet Marie Gorn retired in 2019 after serving the US Department of State for 20 years. From 1999 until her retirement, she was a US diplomat and security foreign affairs officer in the field of civil nuclear energy and nonproliferation in the Office of Nuclear Energy Safety and Security in the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation. Prior to this endeavor, she served the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC, between 1980 and 1999 as a program analyst in the Office of Radioactive Waste, a congressional affairs officer, and a senior international relations officer. Earlier in her career, she was a research analyst for the Congressional Research Service, a research assistant to the senior fellow at The Brookings Institution, and a policy analyst for the City of San Jose, California. Likewise, she was a librarian at the Drew University Library, the Wisconsin University Library, and the Oshkosh Public Library, where she commenced her career in 1961. Notably, Janet engaged in special assignments
education teaching certification, completed his internship, and has taught in several capacities in their area. Their daughter Elizabeth, a culinary director for an assisted living and memory care facility, her husband Rob, and Lou and Karen’s grandchildren Natalie, 14, and Joshua, 12, live in Jacksonville, FL.

I was delighted to hear over the holidays from Christine (Stack) Bell and Paul Bell C76, Sandi (Stanton) Sloane and her husband Larry, Paul Boren C78 and Marla (Friedman) Boren C78, Doug Goodman C76 and his wife Patty, and Michelle Boyle C75, P26 and her family. Sandi and Larry now live year-round in Naples, FL, and became first-time grandparents to Pema Marie in December. After the holidays, I had lunch with Michelle Boyle and Oona Stieglitz C79 and learned that Michelle’s daughter Kate is now a first year at Drew! Oona’s two twin daughters are juniors at Macalester College and Clark University. I am looking forward to going with Oona to see The Smithereens and Marshall Crenshaw at The Birchmere here in Virginia, reminiscent of our 1980-90s concert-going days!

Paul Schuman will be retiring from 30 years of teaching this June. He and his wife, Peggy, are moving from New York City to Philadelphia.

Craig Bower wrote to me that “life is good” in North Texas. He retired about three years ago. In November 2022, he and his Drew roommate and fellow Texan, Earl “Ray” Lynch, had a fun road trip from Dallas to Asheville, NC. Craig has lived in the Dallas area almost as long as Ray has lived in Houston (since about 1979). Craig and his girlfriend of four years went on a cruise out of Galveston with his Rotary Club, and he is planning a European trip in the Spring—first Switzerland and then the UK for some English Premier Soccer games with his two sons. Craig devotes time to involvement with his Rotary Club and a local Therapy Dog group through which he and his English Cream Golden Retriever visit local nursing homes and public libraries for “Reading with Rover” children’s programs! Biking, stand-up paddleboarding, dog walking, pickleball, and many other forms of exercise take up the balance of his time. Craig also stays in touch with John Marcarelli, with whom he and Ray spoke on their trip to Asheville.

John “Jack” Harding and Lois (Schultes) Harding split their time between their homes in Davidson, NC, and Dorset, VT. As of last August, Jack became Chair of the Board of Metamaterials (Nasdaq: MMAT). The nascent company is in the business of Nanomaterials. Among other things, it creates materials that behave outside predictable, common substances by lasing chemical bonds in polymers to force now predictable behaviors across the electromagnetic spectrum; heat, light, and temperature. Jack wrote that Drew’s own Dr. Greg Nelson taught Lois and him during a course called Bonding Structure and Spectroscopy that predicted these physical behaviors were likely to be achievable in the future. Jack said that the time has come, and their impact will be revolutionary. Jack wrote that Dr. Nelson was the most influential teacher in his life: he taught him to think beyond the limits, trust in science and live in anticipation of breakthroughs.

Nancy (Baughman) Csuti retired in July 2022 from The Colorado Trust, where she had been employed for 25 years, traveled to France for six weeks, did some hiking here and there – and then celebrated her six-month retirement date by going back to work in January 2023! She enjoys being back at work at The Colorado Trust as a part-time consultant. She and her partner Stuart enjoy hiking in Colorado’s beautiful mountains. They are getting ready for a five-week trip in May/June to Norway.

I had a friendly hello email message from Andrew Sciranka, who Christine Bell and I had seen at Reunion last year.

Peter Schneirler is President of the thriving P.C. Schneirler, Inc., based in Manhattan, a “unique and diverse business involved in all aspects of the high-end jewelry and gemstone marketplace and a leading independent master jewelry appraisal and advisory company specializing in confidential and objective services in the repurposing and disposal of diamonds, colored stones, important jewelry and watches.” Before leading PCSI, Peter had leadership roles at the Gemological Institute of America, Harry Winston, and Tiffany & Co., and he consulted extensively within the diamond, gemstones, and luxury goods industries. Peter recently completed writing a crime/thriller, Blue White & D Flawless, https://www.schneirler.com/flawless/, which will be out soon. He and his wife moved to Key West, FL, two years ago.

Joan (Leming) Marshall and her husband, Terry Marshall C75, are finalizing plans to move from their Maryland home to a new home in the Lake Norman area of North Carolina, north of Charlotte. It is a big transition because they lived in the same house in Maryland for twenty-six years. They are happy to be moving closer to their daughter, who also lives in North Carolina.

John Farley left the University of Maryland in 2009, where he had been providing pediatric and adolescent HIV care, and moved to the Food and Drug Administration. He was named Director of the Office of Infectious Diseases on the drug side of the FDA very early in the pandemic and was able to work with super smart and very dedicated government scientists every day. John is married to Dennis Wilson, a retired scientist. They live in Sparks, MD, north of Baltimore, and have a small apiary—visitors welcome! Bruce Mintz, John’s roommate in the 2nd Floor Brown Intentional Community for our first two years, is a lifelong friend; he transferred out of Drew after his sophomore year. Bruce practices medicine in Denville, NJ, and they have done a number of multi-day charity bike rides, a medical mission to Haiti, and other fun activities.

Chas and I (Beth Yingling) will be headed to Isle of Palm, SC, near Charleston in April for a Holloway Dorm/Foster 22 suite reunion.
with Laura Papa and Larry Babbin C’79, Jenny Beaver and her husband Alan Tolkoff, Christine and Paul Bell, and Robin Stern and husband Potter Stewart, who have a home there. Kathy (Hyman) Floyd C’78, P’13 and I are taking a trip to Seattle in May. To echo Craig Bower “Life is good.”

All alumni are invited to Drew Reunion scheduled for Friday, June 2, and Saturday, June 3. Registration is open, and all updates can be found here. If anyone needs to update any contact information, they can do so here. If anyone is not receiving Drew emails and would like to, they can sign up here. Questions on any of these topics can be directed to alumni@drew.edu. Our 50th will be in 2027—hope to see as many of you as possible there!!

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Craig Stanford is still a professor of biology at the University of Southern California and does research on animal behavior all over the world. He is also very involved in environmental nonprofits in Mexico, Africa, and elsewhere. He and his son, Adam, did a backpacking trip through Denali National Park in Alaska last summer. His older daughter, Gaelen, is now chief resident of ENT surgery at UC San Francisco Medical Center.

Debra (Moody) Bass C’78, G’90, G’02 shares, “I have been hired as an adjunct professor of Pastoral Theology at Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury, NC for the past year, in addition to my full-time teaching position at Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, AL. I have resigned from pastoring and preaching via conference call to all who call in on Sundays at noon. I can’t believe it’s been 45 years! However, my body and mind are very much aware of the passing of time. Be blessed, my fellow classmates.”

Paul Boren and Marla (Friedman) Boren checked in to say, “no updates to report, but we plan to go to Reunion. Hope to see lots of our classmates and party like it’s 1978!” Hmm, I guess we should contact MMH and tell ‘em to have a supply of oxygen on hand, just in case. :)”

Dennis Wanless reports that he and his wife Ronda are still doing well in North Carolina, where they have now resided for 18 years after moving there from Charlotteville, VA, in 2005. Until the pandemic response, Dennis was a road warrior, traveling to and around Virginia every other week to conduct two-day continuing professional education seminars for water and water reclamation facility treatment plant operators. Since then, he and Ronda have enjoyed collecting small items of American Brilliant Period cut glass and “fooling around with eBay.” Dennis wonders what ever happened to his friends Rob Mack and Denise Olesky.

Bob Nemcroft said he had dinner with Tom Mahoney, Gary Miller, Michael Veloric, and Stephen Prentiss at a restaurant in Yardley, PA. As Bob put it, “A lot of reminiscing, a lot of laughs, and a lot of gray hair.”

Jim Miller said he wished he could come to Reunion, but travel is difficult at the moment due to circumstances beyond his control. He said, “I really hope to make it to our 50th.” Jim lives in California on the top of a mountain with incredible views but is about to move to Tucson to be closer to family. He is also working on a YouTube channel focusing on 60’s and 70’s music.

Caroline Young and Michael Hoad now live on a pier in downtown Philly overlooking the Delaware River, where they watch tugs, trailers, birds, and, when the weather changes, sailboats. Michael is retiring from Thomas Jefferson University and Health to write for digital health startups. Caroline is per diem at Planned Parenthood. They’re looking forward to our 45th Reunion—which is also their 43rd anniversary of moving in together in the Haight Ashbury all those moons “in the 7th house” ago.

This year’s Reunion on June 2–3 will be CLA78’s 45th! I’ve heard back from Martha Herrmann, Paul Feuer, Gary Freed, Carol (Marshall) Allen, and Joe Rubacky, saying they plan on being there! Until next time!
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Ford C’79

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Diana Jeffrey was admitted to the inaugural cohort of the new Investigative Genetic Genealogy Certificate Program at Ramapo College in Bergen County, NJ. Investigative Genetic Genealogy is a new tool that uses familial DNA matches in public databases to identify John and Jane Does, as well as perpetrators of violent crimes. Diana has been performing genealogy research since 2012 when she obtained a certificate in genealogy research from Boston University. In 2018, she began to use IGG to help solve unknown parentage/adoption cases; and last summer, she helped a South Jersey municipality uncover the identity of a Jane Doe found in 1971. She is also the Executive Director of the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency.

1. Sandi Miller, was recently in New York City and had a chance to have dinner with her former roommate, Liz (Gombach) Junod, and see a Broadway show with Marc Scarduffa. I am preparing for the July 11, 2023, launch of my novel, WEDNESDAYS AT ONE, and hope to see some Drewids on my book tour. (See photo, page 7).

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I heard from Leola Ross as soon as I sent out the request for Spring updates. She is still enjoying life in Seattle and has recently made a career shift. Her new role is Deputy Chief Investment Officer and Head of ESG at the Seattle City Employees’ Retirement System. In her spare time, she skis and hikes the local mountains and tries to feign interest in her 13-year-old son’s Minecraft adventures.

I didn’t get an update this spring from Christina (Todorao) Reynolds, but I will be seeing her in April when she visits my Business Studies class at Drew to talk to the students about her experience working in the tech industry. In the past, she’s visited with my class via Zoom, but this year will be staying with family in NJ and coming to interact with the students in person. I’ve had a few other business/technology guest speakers visit already this year, including David McIntyre C’86.

Tara (O’Rourke) Fleming responded to the Spring request for C’87 news to say hello to everyone. I didn’t get any other updates from her, but she always responds to wish everyone well, which is awesome.

Mary (Burke) Emanuelli C’87, P’19 left public school teaching and is now teaching 6th and 7th grade Math and Economics at Chatham Day School. Depending on her route home, she often drives by the front gates of Drew.

Rob Falvo checked in to report on a trip he took in December to Isle of Palms to watch the World Cup and reminisce with Mike Lutz, Rocco Lossa, Jerry Idec, Jamie Weston, Tom Mulligan, Andy Carroll, Rob Bednarik, and Bill Dunn. It was an “All Class of ’87 Soccer Reunion +1 Basketball Player,” and he reported that when they got together, nothing had changed... It was fun! (See photo, page 7)

Gary Powell continues to enjoy serving as the DC Drew Alumni Club Chair, a CAA Board member, and a Training Officers Consortium Executive Board member. The TOC’s mission is to provide premier professional development programs to strengthen networking forums for the Federal Government learning community, thereby providing a highly effective workforce. The TOC builds and reinforces the strength of the community through networking, professional development opportunities, and resources. Gary also enjoys serving as a Team Lead in the Hospitality Ministry of his church home, Grace Covenant Church (Chantilly, VA). As a fellow CAA Board member, it’s been great to see Gary at our in-person and virtual meetings.

Viviana (Hanna) Sampson also checked in to say hello from Florida and to make sure I had her updated email address. If anyone reading this from the class of 1987 isn’t getting my requests for news updates twice a year, please reach out to Drew and/or me (forrest@forrestshue.com) to get me your latest address.

One last quick update from me—I made a quick trip back in October to visit Andre Vite in Denver. We took a ride up to the Vail area to visit a home he designed several years ago that won an architectural award. It was my first time visiting that area out of ski season, and I timed it perfectly to catch some great fall weather. We even caught part of an outdoor festival that included hatchet throwing and keg tosses. (And you thought our Hoyt Olympics weren’t training us for the real world?) We had a lot of laughs (and a few beers), and I’m hoping to make it more of an annual tradition to get out and visit my old Hasleton roommate. I also saw Mike Lyne at a high school basketball game.
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Paul Stonick and Esther (Wiedenhaupt) Stonick C’91 have been in Atlanta since 2017 after spending most of their lives in New Jersey. Married for 27 years (together for 32), they have two kids, Max (15) and Emma (13). Paul spent more than 25 years in the corporate and tech startup world, leading creative and user experience teams, but is now on what he calls Act 3 of his career as Vice President of the Savannah College of Art & Design’s in-house design and research studio, SCADpro. Earlier this year, his team launched the Deloitte Foundry, a multi-disciplinary partnership with Deloitte that facilitates data-driven research and collaboration between university students, faculty, and leadership at the accounting consulting firm. Paul recently reconnected with Doug Carrara C’90, where they shared memories about their time at Drew and their band, Split Image. He stays in touch regularly with Keith Feinstein C’91, P’25, and received a wonderful FaceTime call from Mitchell “Mick” Gurwicz, Ronald “RJ” Williams, and Jennifer Dennis during the Drew Reunion last year.

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Amanda McPhillips moved from the west side of Los Angeles to the east side in 2020. In 2021, she welcomed a second son, Cooper, who joins her now 4-year-old, Archie. Amanda works in entertainment at a startup media company and says that she loves living so close to the mountains and the ocean!

In April 2022, Jonathan Varoli was promoted to Colonel in the US Air Force, and in July, he moved from Germany to Montgomery, AL, where he will attend the Air Force’s Senior Developmental Education at the Air War College.

John Tiesi and his wife, Trude Goodman Tiesi, continue to raise their 5-year-old daughter, Jeanne, in Park Slope, Brooklyn, NY. In 2020, John was promoted to the head of the Middle Market team for Management Liability at Marsh. Trude was recently promoted to the Associate Head of Middle
School at Chapin, which also happens to be where Jeanne started kindergarten this year. See photo, page 8.

02 David Lee
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Sara (Ward) Mazzola is happy to share that she made partner in her law firm, Marshall Dennehey, in January 2023. Sarah focuses her practice on sports, amusement, and entertainment defense work and insurance defense work on a variety of matters. She looks forward to getting together with her former Drew suitemates over the summer.

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Rachel (Bernacki) Auteri and Gabriel Auteri C’09, G’10, welcomed their second child in September 2022. Anthony Richard “Archie” joins big sister, Rose, who is 5. Rachel has also moved to the new position of Partnerships Director at Jhpiego, an affiliate of Johns Hopkins University, and Gabriel started a consulting firm, The Just Economy, in 2020. See photo, page 7.

Congratulations are in order for Cori Brauer, who married Rory Bourdon in October 2022. Many Drewids were there to celebrate the happy couple! See photo below, page 11.

Sending good wishes to Mike Hoffman, who is recently engaged. Mike and his fiancee, Jessica, live and work in the Nashville metro area. In Fall 2022, Mike was promoted to Director of Global Marketing, Digital at Vaco, a talent solutions and business consulting firm.

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After 10 years working for Congress, Delia Barr is now an Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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14 Bridget McRory
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Neena Robertson and David Simpson C’15 recently got engaged and are looking forward to their future together, which started in The Forest! Their wedding will take place in November 2023 with family, friends, and former Drew Classmates. See photos, page 8.

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In 2022, Cori (Brauer) Bourdon was married. The Class of 2009 Drewids in attendance with their spouses and children from L-R: Laura (MacBride) Gandia, Mary Higginbottom, Chase Wyatt, Casey Talbot, Stephanie (Rose) Moreland, Elizabeth (Moore) Band, Nathan Band, Jacob Loftin, Stacy (Johnson) Loftin, and Emily Schmidt.
I was a speech professor at West Chester University and foreign language schools, to China, where I taught in 23 colleges, from 1951 to 1955 (USN), we made six trips, selected as “Chaplain of the Year” in 2019, West Chester, PA. Out of 20 applicants, I was.

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William T. Smith, IV G’03 writes, “I am proud to share that the New Jersey Association of School Administrators selected me as New Jersey’s 2023 Superintendent of the Year, and I am now a candidate for the National Superintendent of the Year Award by the American Association of School Administrators. Since finishing my MA in English Literature at Drew, I have continued working in public education in New Jersey and am currently the Superintendent of Point Pleasant Beach School District.”

On August 31, 2022, Dr. Joseph M. Segriff G’07, G’09 graduated from Middlesex College in Edison, New Jersey, with an AA degree in African American Studies. He graduated with Highest Honors. Among his noteworthy papers in his program was a final-exam paper titled, Scorching an Untamed Earth with Kindly Smiles: Hegemonic Powers Exploit a Dark Continent’s Proudest People. In addition, on July 5, 2022, Joseph graduated from Hudson County Community College in Jersey City, New Jersey, with an AS degree in Biology. He graduated with honors, earning a Magna Cum Laude academic distinction. On May 26, 2022, he graduated with an AS degree in Biotechnology from Hudson County Community College, graduating in the college’s 45th-anniversary commencement ceremony, and earning honors, Magna Cum Laude. One week earlier, on May 18, 2022, he graduated from Salem Community College in Carney’s Point, NJ—on their 50th annual commencement—with an AS degree in Health Science. He also earned an AA degree in Liberal Arts. On both degrees, he graduated with Highest Honors, earning a 4.0-grade point average. He was awarded Salem Community College’s President’s Citation award for having achieved exceptionally meritorious academic achievement for the 2021 – 2022 year. During both semesters, Fall 2021 and Spring 2022, Joseph was awarded Certificates of Academic Achievement, earning an outstanding academic record as a full-time student, and has been placed on the Dean’s List. He has earned ten graduate degrees and twelve undergraduate degrees for a total of 22 college degrees. He also has now earned college degrees from 12 different colleges/universities. Joseph is a public-speaking professor at Montclair State University, located in Montclair, NJ. He is also a certified professional life coach. He holds academic expertise in several areas, including writing pedagogy and academic writing. He lives in New Jersey and is a past graduate of Drew University, earning a D.Litt. in Writing/ Humanities: Academic and Creative Writing and a DMH in Psychiatric Social History.

Dr. Joseph M. Segriff G’07, G’09
In Memoriam

The Drew community and its alumni associations extend their heartfelt sympathies to the families and friends of those alumni and members of the Drew community listed below. Our ranks are diminished by their loss.

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Remembering Richard Arden Yaussy T'57

Richard Arden Yaussy ended his life of ministry and began his life in glory in March 2023 at his home in Newton, North Carolina.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 70 years, Erma; his son David (Rebecca); and daughters-in-law Karyn Yaussy and Sherri Yaussy. He was predeceased by his sons, Dr. Kenneth Yaussy and Dr. Dean Yaussy, and daughter-in-law LaDonna Yaussy. He loved his grandchildren Elise, Samantha, Brandon, Thomas, Cameron, Evan and Tyler, and five great grandchildren.

Dick Yaussy was born on August 10, 1931 to Austin Clifford and Minetta Ruth Yaussy and grew up on the family dairy farm in Bucyrus, Ohio. He attended Bluffton College where he played baseball and met his wife Erma, who left her studies to support his academic career, and continued to do so in exemplary fashion all through his ministry and long life. They married August 22, 1953, and lived happily in typical substandard college housing until his graduation in 1954. He was awarded his Masters in Theology from Drew University in 1957, and his Doctor of Ministries in 1985.

Dick cared deeply for his churches and congregations in a long career in the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. His first full-time charge was in Jeromesville/Polk (1957), followed by appointments in Ontario (1’961) and Willoughby (1979). He turned down offers to become district superintendent because he loved the parish ministry and valued his family’s stability. He was rewarded with expressions of appreciation and support from his parishioners all his life.

Retiring in 1992, he moved to Newton, North Carolina to be closer to family. He and Erma continued their ministry with work at Habitat for Humanity projects around the world and at home, and with Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry.

Dick was unusual in his unflagging good nature, kindness, warm receptivity to people of all views and opinions, and his joy in living. His ability to heal through patient listening and counseling, his words of comfort and instruction from the pulpit, and the steadfast example he set as a husband, were inspiring. A man who preached often of the need for others to relax and recreate, he was himself a tireless worker in the vineyard of the Lord.

A loving father, who spent hours playing sports with his sons, and a man who treasured his wife above all other women, Dick set an example for all who knew him. While in later years his memory dimmed, he remained a positive presence in the lives of those around him. All this was made possible by the ongoing support of Erma, the mainstay of his life and ministry.
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**Drew University Mourns the Loss of Longtime Professor Janet Burstein G’70’75**

Drew University mourns the loss of Dr. Janet Burstein G’70’75, a longtime teacher in the College of Liberal Arts and Caspersen School of Graduate Studies and a two-time Caspersen graduate. Burstein passed away on December 20, 2022, at the age of 89.

Burstein, originally from Jersey City, NJ, graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from William Smith College in 1954 and moved to Cedar Grove, NJ, with her husband the same year. The couple had two children, Julie and Mark.

She began taking masters courses in English literature in the Caspersen School in 1967. She completed her masters in 1970 and began work on her PhD, which she received in 1975.

While pursuing her masters, Burstein began her teaching career at Drew in 1969. She was named Assistant Professor of English in 1978 and retired in 2004 as Professor of English. Upon her retirement in 2004, Burstein was bestowed the honor of Professor of English Literature, Emerita.

The resolution affirming Burstein as professor emerita noted her having “given back indefatigably to Drew as teacher, colleague, and University citizen” and “manifested an incomparable gentleness of manner and an inexhaustible strength of spirit in all her work at Drew University.”

She was an active participant in the school’s Jewish Studies program, and taught courses on Victorian literature, women’s literature, Jewish American literature, and Israeli cinema. She guided many graduate students through their dissertations in her many fields.

Burstein was one of the founders of the Continuing Education for Women program in the CLA and the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies in the Caspersen School, the latter of which has since evolved into the school’s Arts & Letters program.


Colleagues at Drew remark upon Burstein’s profound impact on the University, how she was beloved by students and peers alike, and how devoted her students were to her for the efforts she made for them. Perhaps Burstein herself encapsulated it best in a frequent refrain heard by colleagues.

“All the teaching was life for me.”
**Remembering Donna (Sievert) Damalas C’78**

Donna Lee (Sievert) Damalas, 67, of Concord, MA, passed away surrounded by her family on March 16, 2022 after a long battle with ALS. Donna leaves behind her devoted husband of 41 years, Steve (Damalas C’76), her sons Nick, daughter Tina and her husband Michael Hodges, and her grandson Finn Hodges. Predeceased by her parents, her in-laws, and her sister Beverly Sievert, she also leaves behind her sisters Kathy Coe and Barbara Barnett and their families, and countless incredible friends and loved ones who are considered extensions of her family.

Born March 5, 1956 in Menden, CT to the late Edward and Bertha Sievert, Donna grew up as the third of four sisters on her parents’ dairy farm in Menden and attended Drew University in Madison, NJ, where she met her husband Steve when she was a freshman and he was a junior in 1974. They settled in Concord and have resided in the community for 43 years. She worked in human resources until she dedicated herself to her role as a mother. And she was the best mother—her children hit the jackpot with her as their teacher, their storyteller, their advocate, and their confidante.

Donna was often a volunteer, a fundraiser, and an organizer in many roles to support her children and her community, stepping up whenever and however needed. She adored travel and explored many countries and cultures with her husband and often with her children, friends, and extended family. She especially loved beaches, “heaven is beautiful beach,” she often said), safaris, and southeast Asia.

But most of all, her favorite place was her family’s home on Cape Cod, where she spent many hours—and many happy hours—looking out onto Ockway Bay at sunset, speeding all over Nantucket Sound in the boat, and sunning on the Spit. On Cape Cod and everywhere, she was widely considered to be the “hostess with the mostest” by friends, family, and sometimes even strangers who benefited from her generosity and warm spirit. An incredible cook and baker, she hosted dinners and parties with a gracefulness that made it all look easy. She was a convener and a connector with a natural gift for and genuine commitment to making others feel welcome and included. Donna will be deeply missed by her family and all who knew and loved her.

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**Remembering Friend of Drew, Barbara Boyd**

Barbara Elizabeth Boyd (nee Godfray) of 99 years and 10 months, passed away peacefully in March 2023, in Northfield, Vermont. Born in Dorchester, Mass in 1923, Barbara was married to James Boyd, Jr. (C’46, T50, G’71) in 1946, who passed at 51 years of age in 1971. They grew up on the same block in Winthrop, Massachusetts. She is survived by her four children, Pamela Boyd, Cheryl Alber, James Boyd, and Krista Larrow as well as five grandchildren and five great grandchildren. At 100, Barbara had lived through extraordinary world history which always fascinated her as an exclusively non-fiction reader and informed her bravely liberal view. Huge events like the 1930’s worldwide depression and world war certainly burdened working folks most, but, remarkably, Barbara forged a considerable force of character in the solid neighborhood of Winthrop. Barbara’s ambition was to study architecture at RISD. As a working class woman during the depression this was a dream without possible realization. However, Barbara had an enduring, keen and practical artistic ability, from a family line of professional craftspeople (and a few vaudeville entertainers). Those traits were passed onto her children and grandchildren along with persistence. We all hope we can muster her incredible powers of detailed memory. Barbara’s years as a mother and minister’s wife were guided not just by professional obligation to community service, but a staunch belief in personal and societal justice, mutual aid, practiced in church and open friendship. Despite her personal setback of being widowed at 46 with four children and no savings, she worked through ten different jobs until an enjoyable last six years of teaching preschoolers and retirement in Vermont. Barbara traveled through much of America and Europe. She lived in Massachusetts for 23 years, New Jersey for 50 years, Pennsylvania for 7 years, New York for 3 years and Vermont for 18 years.

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**Drew Mourns the Loss of Mary Stringfield C’70, Trustee Emeritus**

Mary A. Stringfield, of Milton, DE, was born in Paterson, NJ and she passed away peacefully with family by her side, in her home in Pompton Lakes, NJ on April 3. Mary graduated from Pompton Lakes High School in 1966, Drew University in 1970, received her Masters Degree from Montclair State University in 1975 and then received her Juris Doctor Degree from Seton Hall Law School in 1980. Mary then went on to work for Prudential, NBC and Ernst & Young, where she had a successful and prosperous career. As a child, some of Mary’s earliest excursions were road trips throughout North America with her family. As an adult, her love of travel took her to many continents including Antarctica, Asia, Europe and also to the Arctic. She is predeceased by her parents H.C. & Marguerite Stringfield and by her sister Joan Stringfield. She is survived by her sister Sue Stringfield and her wife Carol Taylor; her nephew Andrew, his wife Jenna and their 4 children, along with many other family members and friends who adored her. She was a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, friend and “Mimi”.

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Drew Mourns the Loss of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Warren Ogletree

Drew Theological School is mourning the loss of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Warren Ogletree, who passed away on January 4. He was 89 years old.

Ogletree served as dean of the Theological School from 1981 to 1990. He then served as dean of Yale Divinity School until 1996. An ordained United Methodist minister, he previously served as pastor of congregations in Alabama, Wisconsin, and Tennessee.

His passion for social justice started as an adolescent, delivering newspapers in a predominantly Black neighborhood in Birmingham, Alabama, where he encountered “the evils and cruelties of racism.”

Soon after he completed his PhD at Vanderbilt University, Ogletree was involved in the sit-in movement of activist James Lawson, known as the “architect of the Civil Rights Movement.” As a dean, professor, father, and student, Ogletree’s commitment to activism and scholarship was lifelong.

“We in the Drew Theological School community are deeply saddened at the passing of Dr. Ogletree,” said Dean Edwin David Aponte. “As one of his successors as dean of the Theological School, I can confidently say that we all still benefit from the accomplishments of his vision and faithful leadership in the church, theological education, and the work of social justice. We at Drew will continue to build upon Dr. Ogletree’s legacy.”

Ogletree was an accomplished author of five books, The World Calling: The Church’s Witness in Politics and Society, Christian Faith and History: A Critical Comparison of Ernst Troeltsch and Karl Barth, The Death of God Controversy; The Use of the Bible in Christian Ethics, and Hospitality to the Stranger: Dimensions of Moral Understanding.

He has published numerous scholarly articles in journals, encyclopedias, and essay collections and was editor of Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal and a founding editor of The Annual of the Society of Christian Ethics.

Remembering Ralph Scoville C’80

Ralph L. Scoville III, passed away peacefully at his home in Denville, New Jersey in November 2022. He was a loving husband, father, papa, brother, and friend to many. He will be dearly missed, never forgotten, and always loved.

Ralph was born in West Cornwall, Connecticut on a summer day in June. He grew up and worked on his family’s dairy farm with his brother and sisters until college, where he attended Drew University. At Drew, not only did he graduate with a bachelors degree in Mathematics and Philosophy, but he found his first true love: RUGBY! After a brief return home, he moved to NJ. and then the real fun began. He met his now wife, his forever love, Marta “T” Scoville, and stayed in New Jersey where he established himself as an active community and Indian Lake member. His specialty in phone, communications, and information technology meant his career title changed as the world did, finishing as a loyal employee to ECS Group in Jefferson, NJ.

Ralph was lucky enough to have a hockey team move into town, where he was able to cheer on his favorite team, the New Jersey Devils! He spent many games with his wife and kids making memories and having fun. He started playing rugby at Drew University, where he dedicated much of his time to their alumni program. He continued playing rugby with the Morris Rugby team, with whom he was able to spend over 25 years and create millions of memories. He later became involved in the Moose Lodge, most notably lodge #541 with the nicely planted flowers. He traveled and spent time with his family and made new friends every step of the way.

Ralph loved with all his heart, and his love of life and sense of humor will live on in infamy. His memory will continue to live on through his dedicated wife and adventure partner of 37 years, Marta “T” Scoville of Denville, NJ; his loving children Catherine “Kate” Marta Scoville; Jacob Eduardo Scoville and his wife Michelle; their daughter Ava Rose Scoville; his beloved granddaughter; as well as his siblings Grace Kandefer, Eliza Cleaveland, Frederick Scoville, and Maria Bonetti, as well as their extended families. He had many loving nieces and nephews and will be missed by all.

Drew Theological School Mourns the Passing of Theologian Delores Williams

Drew Theological School shares in the worldwide mourning of the renowned and innovative theologian Delores S. Williams, who died on November 17, 2022 at age 88.


Williams earned a PhD in systematic theology from Union Theological Seminary in New York City, where she later joined the faculty as associate professor of theology and culture. Later, Williams was named the Paul Tillich Professor of Theology and Culture, becoming the first Black woman to hold a named chair at Union.

Prior to joining the Union faculty and while completing her doctoral studies, Williams served for several years at Drew University as an assistant professor. In her scholarship, teaching, mentoring, and service in church and society, Williams was widely influential on many others—certainly Black womanist theologians—but also the late Ada María Isasi-Díaz, professor of ethics and theology at Drew University.

“We here at Drew send our condolences to the family of Dr Williams and all those who mourn her passing,” said Theological School Dean Edwin David Aponte. “While this is a tremendous and deeply-felt loss for theological education and the church, the legacy of Delores Williams is significant and is felt around the world.”