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Homecoming 2000 calendar

Homecoming activities begin Friday, October 13, and last through Saturday, October 14. Posters with a complete list of events will be posted around campus.

Homecoming sporting events:
Admission: \$7 for adults; \$3 for youth ages 13-18; free for children under 12. (Pay at the door.)

Saturday

- Men's Soccer vs. USA Deaf Olympic Soccer Team, 10 a.m.
- First Annual Alumni Swim Meet, Field House pool; The First Annual Alumni Swim Meet will feature this year's Gallaudet Women's Swim team in a competition with swimmers from the past. All interested alumni swimmers may contact rosemary.stifter@gallaudet.edu. Note: A release form must be signed before participating in the alumni swim meet, 10 a.m.
- Men's Football vs. Williamson Trade, 1:30 p.m.
- Women's Soccer Game vs. Dundalk Community College, 3 p.m.

Highlights and events for everyone:

- Homecoming Tours of College Hall including the Museum, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Gallaudet Department Booths for Alumni, Peikoff Alumni House, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Panel of Successful Graduates in Business and Management Careers, noon-1 p.m.

- Gallaudet Class Ring Kick-off, EMG Statue, 1-1:30 p.m.
- Career Center 25th Anniversary Celebration, Hall Memorial Building, 1-4 p.m.
- 45th Anniversary of Business Program and Unveiling the Portrait of Alan B. Crammatte, reception, GUKCC Swindell Auditorium, 3-5 p.m.
- Pep Rally, Field House, 7-9 p.m.

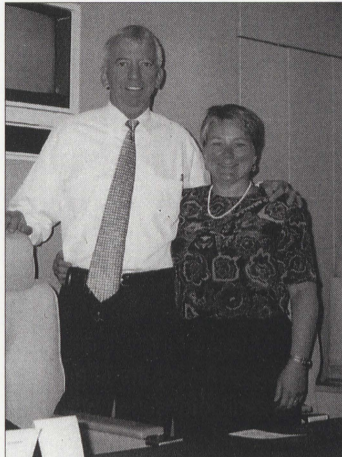
Saturday

- Food/Information Booths, Hall Memorial Building Parking Lot, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- "Deafology 101," a comedy presentation by Ken Glickman, MSSD Theatre Malz; billed as "crazy, crash course on Deaf Culture for Deafies and Hearies as seen through the eyes of a Deaf Comedian, 'Prof. Glick'." Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$25 for senior citizens (55 years and above), and \$20 for students (I.D. required). Proceeds go to the 2001 Jewish Deaf Congress Conference, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m..

Alumni events:

- Friday
 - Class of 1950 Golden Anniversary Breakfast, Peikoff Alumni House, 7-9 a.m.
 - GUAA Board Fall Meeting, Peikoff Alumni House, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
 - Pre-Game Party for Alumni, Peikoff Alumni House, \$5, (free for class of '50 members and spouses; half-price for class of '75 with combo package.) 7 p.m.-1 a.m.

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Better than first class! President Jordan and Linda Jordan enjoy the luxurious accommodations of Air Force One.

Jordans join Clinton on Air Force One

President I. King and Linda Jordan got the thrill of a lifetime September 21 when they flew on Air Force One with President Clinton and an entourage of VIPs to Flint, Mich., on one of President Clinton's "Digital Divide" trips. The nationwide tour stresses the importance

of making new information and communications technologies accessible to all Americans with disabilities.

The Jordans shared their experience at a September 28 press conference for Gallaudet media which included three very obviously impressed KDES students representing *World Around You*, the Clerc Center's magazine for deaf and hard of hearing teenagers.

That morning, the Jordans arrived at Andrews Air Force Base in the company of eight other guests who had been invited because of their interest in the promotion of technology in the disability community. They were taken under strict security to an isolated area of the landing field where the President's plane awaited. Approaching the customized Boeing 747, with its trademark red, white, and blue lettering and the Presidential seal was "a very thrilling moment," said Dr. Jordan. Once inside, the Jordans noted that Air Force One is quite unlike commercial aircraft: Small seating areas with comfortable chairs, large restrooms, and

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Gallaudet hosts ADA/employment conference

Gallaudet University joined with the U.S. Department of Labor to host a September 7 conference, "Affirmative Action Barriers to Employment and the ADA: What is it? Where is it? How does it Affect You?" as part of the Americans with Disabilities Act's 10-year anniversary.

"The purpose of the workshop is to raise public awareness about equal employment opportunity and to promote an understanding of corporate best practices and the role of race, gender, and disability in the workplace," according to President Jordan. "Also, the workshop heightens awareness for the need to continue promoting equal employment opportunity and affirmative action in the workplace."


Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Employment Standards Administration under the U.S. Department of Labor, Paul Brathwaite, told the audience that the department is "committed to ensuring equal access in the workplace for all disabled people."

Members of the distinguished panel also included Gallaudet's School of Education and Human Services Dean William McCrone, EEOC Vice Chair Paul Igasaki, and Executive Director of the Presidential Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities Rebecca Ogle.

Dr. McCrone discussed how historical events such as the march on Washington, D.C., for civil rights in 1963, the 1965 Voting Rights Act, and the 1973 Rehabilitation Act helped lead to the passage of the ADA in 1990. "The 'I Have a Dream' speech in 1963 was a stepping stone to the ADA," said McCrone. "Each step and each act helped give strength to the creation of the ADA."

Dr. Jordan said the biggest barriers deaf people face in the workplace today are communication and attitude. Deaf people need to do a better job of using the ADA to their benefit, according to Dr. Jordan. "Ten years ago meetings were almost never interpreted. Now, I go to meetings on a regular basis that are interpreted."

However, there is still work to do. Said Jordan, "The ADA has made a difference in the lives of many, but there are many others who still face barriers—barriers that man-made structures create and barriers stemming from people's attitudes. It will take continued vigilance and dedication to remove these barriers."

McCrone cautioned, "We can't think we've won, that it's enough and we don't need to keep fighting. We still have a 60 percent unemployment rate for people with disabilities." 



Sharon Hayes (center), international program specialist and Fulbright program advisor in the Center for Global Education, welcomes new Fulbright scholars in the International Internship Program (IIP) to campus this fall. Pictured (from left) are: Josephine O'Leary and Kevin Mulqueen from Ireland, and Susanna Zaniboni and Daniele LeRose from Italy. The IIP provides educational opportunities for individuals working with the international deaf community. The program began in 1986 when Fulbright scholarships were made available to two deaf Italian citizens to study at Gallaudet from one month to one year. Last year, a new Fulbright was established with Ireland, with coordination by Dr. Ceil Lucas, professor, and Dr. Val Dively, assistant professor, Department of ASL, Linguistics, and Interpretation. The IIP also allows a Gallaudet graduate student to compete for an opportunity to collaborate on special projects in Italy or Ireland. Recently, three graduate students returned from Italy: Steven Collins (also a faculty member in ASL, Linguistics, and Interpretation) who developed curricula for training interpreters for the deaf-blind community and conducted cross-cultural research in tactile sign communication; Stacey Bradford, who provided consultation for a bilingual nursery school program and developed and led workshops in different regions; and Sally-Ann Bunce, who assisted in the development of future parent-infant programs. In January, Alice Sykora will head for Ireland to teach and conduct research in the area of deaf studies and interpreter training.

UP CLOSE

By Mike Kaika

Nancy Pollock-Carroll—minister

Dr. Nancy Pollock-Carroll began her career at Gallaudet in 1979 as an Adult Basic Education specialist and is now director of the Academic Advising and Career Center. She is also Reverend Nancy Pollock-Carroll, an ordained minister.

While she was studying for her doctoral degree in counseling and student development at American University, Nancy also began a ministerial program at the Institute for Spiritual Development in 1992. She received her Ed.D. in 1993 from AU and continued her ministerial studies. "After I completed the doctorate, I took a year's sabbatical from ministerial preparation. I had reached the saturation point with school and needed time to process all I had learned and time to incorporate all the changes in my life—working full time and getting married as well. In 1997, she completed the program and became an ordained minister.

"I was always fascinated with the meaning of life and what our purpose is for this life," said Nancy. "When I was a child I enjoyed reading Bible stories, and as I grew up, I met a lot of people with different and interesting spiritual and cultural backgrounds. Over the years, I learned that there are many paths to one God." Because Nancy believes in celebrating all religions, the Institute's non-denominational approach to ministry fit very well.

Ever since she received her bachelor's degree in 1974 from Bloomburg State, Nancy has had a rich and meaningful career in the helping professions. She was a faculty member for one year at



Nancy Pollock-Carroll

Gallaudet teaching undergraduate education, a placement counselor in the Career Center, and taught sign language at AU part time. In 1990 she was director of Jobs for Homeless People, a program housed at the Community for Creative Non-Violence, working with the late Mitch Snyder, a nationally-known advocate for Washington, D.C.'s homeless population.

In addition to directing the functions of the Academic Advising and Career Center, on weekends Nancy does spiritual counseling, officiates at weddings and funerals, teaches spiritually related classes, and coordinates the Institute's Ministerial and Adult Education Classes.

A wedding took place over the Labor Day weekend in Atlantic City, N.J., where Gallaudet employees Ralph Fernandez, webmaster in the Public Relations Office, and Trina Schooley, development associate in the Development Office, were joined in holy matrimony by Rev. Nancy Pollock-Carroll. This was the third wedding she has performed and, undoubtedly, more will be on her calendar in the future.

Class reunions at Homecoming

The following anniversary class reunions will be held during the 2000 Homecoming.

Class of 1940 60th Anniversary
October 14, 11:30 a.m.
Peikoff Alumni House Conference Room
Rex Lowman
E-mail: rlowman@erols.com
(301) 277-7484 (TTY)

Class of 1945 55th Anniversary
Don Padden
E-mail: dappy6@aol.com
(301) 694-3794 (TTY)
(301) 694-0084 (FAX)

Class of 1950 50th Anniversary
October 12-14
Ken Norton
E-mail: aknorton@home.com
(510) 567-5884 (TTY)
(510) 657-1323 (FAX)

Class of 1960 40th Anniversary
October 12-14
Gertha Wise Kurtz
E-mail: gerthawisekurtz@aol.com
(301) 765-1108 (TTY/FAX)

Class of 1965 35th Anniversary
October 13, 6:30 p.m.–midnight
Kellogg Conference Center
Nancy Evans Kensicki
E-mail: nancy.kensicki@gallaudet.edu
(301) 464-9219 (TTY)
(301) 464-0926 (FAX)

Class of 1975 25th Anniversary
October 12-14
Kathy Trancone Seymour
E-mail: seymourka@aol.com
(301) 933-6730 (TTY/FAX)

Class of 1980 20th Anniversary
October 14, 8 a.m.–noon
The Abbey, Ely Center
Adrian Kantor
E-mail: agkantor@erols.com
(301) 948-0679 (TTY)
(301) 948-2083 (FAX)

Class of 1990 10th Anniversary
October 13-14
Carol Nemecek
E-mail: hearty09@aol.com
(202) 675-8720 (TTY/FAX)

Booth Day

Alumni and visitors will be able to pick up informational materials from participating Gallaudet departments and units about their programs—or just chat—at the annual Homecoming Gallaudet Department Booth Day on October 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the upper level of Peikoff Alumni House Upper level. Participants will be: Bison Booster Club, Deaf Way II, Development Office/Capital Campaign, Gallaudet Press, *Gallaudet Today*, Office of Alumni Relations/Gallaudet University Alumni Association, and *Tower Clock Yearbook*

Dear *On the Green*:

In February, we started preparing for our annual writing contest. We were looking forward to judging the entries and reading the visions and dreams of deaf students in middle school/junior high. Not in our wildest dreams did we think we would receive over 120 entries from students all over the nation and Puerto Rico. We took joy in each and every entry, because it meant that literacy is alive and well amongst deaf students.

In April, we began to judge the entries, which was the toughest part. A panel of eight judges spent many hours reading the entries. Picking the winners was not easy, because all the entries were special in their own ways. We encourage all the students to participate again next year.

Along with the top three entries, we also felt six others deserved recognition, so thus the honorable mentions.

First place, prize \$100, Jessica Frank, Maryland School for the Deaf; second place, prize \$75, Kami Padden, Maryland School for the Deaf; third place, prize \$50, Louis Frink, Davis Middle School, Dublin, Ohio; honorable mentions, Diana Berrigan, Maryland School for the Deaf, Norb Biderman III, Metro Day School, Minnesota, Adam Brimmer, Indiana School for the Deaf, Christopher Corrigan, Maryland School for the Deaf, Wyatt Hall, Schenectady, N.Y., Nicole Hood, McLaughlin Middle School, N.H.

Every student who participated should take pride in their writing, and we look forward to seeing their dreams and visions come true, 30 years from now.

Thank you for your support.
Stacy Ann Nowak, Proedros, Kimberly Michelle Johnson,
Sumbaino Grammareus
Phi Kappa Zeta Sorority

Check out 'On the Green's' Web version

Many of the articles and photographs that appear in each week's issue of *On the Green* can also be read in *On the Green's Web version*, the online version of Gallaudet's faculty/staff newsletter. *On the Green's Web version* can be accessed through the University's homepage.



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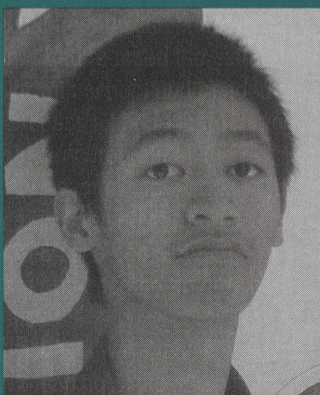
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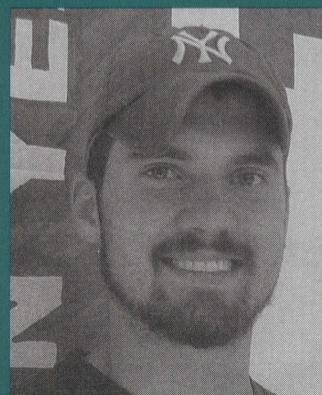
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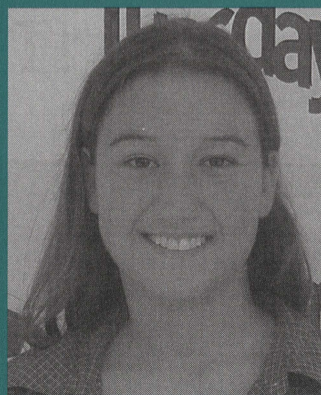
In today's Roving Reporter, we asked if offering on-campus voter registration was beneficial to everyone...



Carl Ui, Hawaii, sophomore
"To register through the web is a good idea! I am proud to be an American citizen. I vote Republican because I've lost faith in the Democrats since the Clinton scandal."



Dan Lundberg, Minnesota, senior
"It's a good place to register because it'll draw the Gallaudet University community to vote. I'll do more research before I decide who to vote for."



Erin Land, Kansas, junior
"Registering on campus is a good way to encourage students to vote! I am a Republican but will vote for Gore."



Mary Lott, coordinator, Campus Activities
"It is my privilege to be an American. Each vote is entirely important. To register on campus spreads the awareness of the students' rights as Americans."



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Yang Jun-Hui

Yang Jun-Hui of Beijing, China, has no shortage of goals, and her past accomplishments will undoubtedly prove that she is capable of achieving every one of them.

"I always wanted to be a teacher," said Jun-Hui, "and after seeing the lack of deaf teachers in China, I set myself on becoming a teacher."

Jun-Hui became the first deaf person to go to Beijing Xicheng Teachers' School and the Capital Normal University (CNU).

Because she had no interpreters in her classes, "In order to compensate, I hand copied my classmates' notes and read extensively," she explained.

After graduating, Jun-Hui taught Chinese reading and writing to deaf students at her former high school. She has published 20 articles sharing her experience as a deaf teacher of deaf students in Chinese magazines.

Jun-Hui participated in the World Convention of Females in Non-Government Conference in Beijing in 1995. Again, she had no interpreter. "But I saw these American women with two interpreters and my jaw dropped!," she exclaimed. "I saw so many different women at the convention, different colors, different styles of dress, etc.," she added.

While attending CNU, Jun-Hui met Bill Peters, an American who was studying Chinese at CNU. Peters, who is hearing, wrote a letter to Jun-Hui after reading about her in a newspaper article. They began corresponding, with Peters writing in Chinese and Jun-Hui writing in English. They would correct each other's writing, which helped Jun-Hui become more skilled in English. A relationship soon blossomed, and they married in April 1996.

"When we communicate, I



Yang Jun-Hui

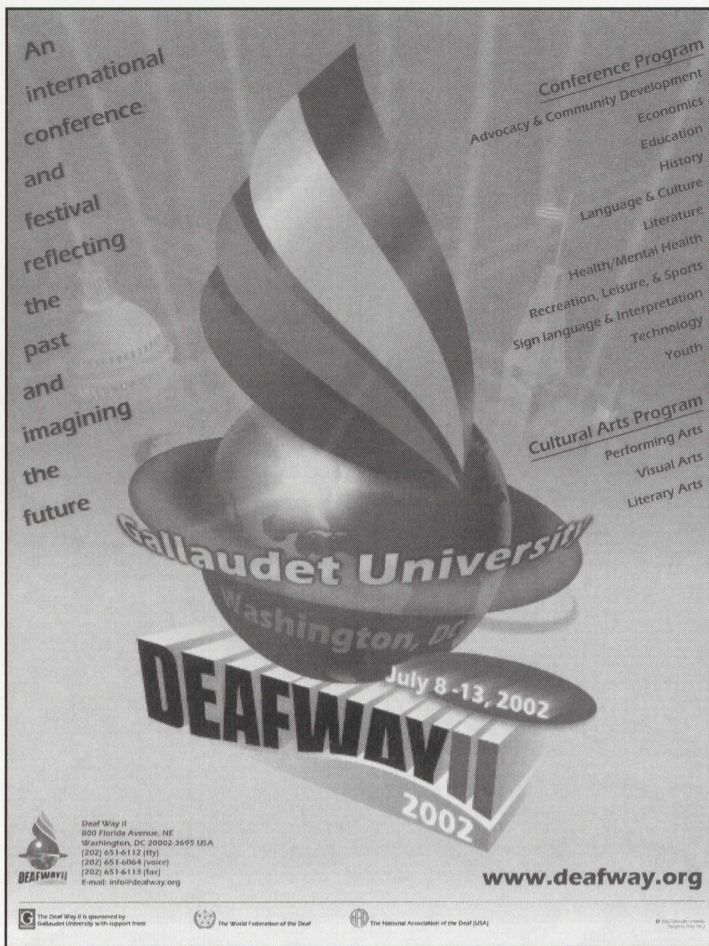
speak Chinese and Bill speaks English," says Jun-Hui. Peters, who hails from Rochester, N.Y., thought Jun-Hui would benefit from seeing deaf American teachers, so in 1998, she came to the United States for the first time to study for her master's degree at RIT. After obtaining her master's in secondary education of students who are deaf or hard of hearing, Jun-Hui enrolled at Gallaudet, where she is a Ph.D student in deaf education. She also is working with Dr. Richard Lytle, chair of the Education Department, on developing a Partner in Education Project between China and the United States.

Jun-Hui said that she has gained a lot from being in the U.S. "I have learned about the American educational system, pedagogy, deaf and hard of hearing student advisement and placement, and educational research methods," she said. Her goal is to teach in an American deaf school for a few years and then go back to China and teach there. She also wants to encourage more deaf people in China to go to college, as well as become teachers. Also, she wants more interpreters available in China. 



The Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota hosts a welcome breakfast for new students in the Department of Counseling on September 6. Chi Sigma Iota is an international honor society for counselors-in-training, counselor educators, and professional counselors, whose mission is to promote scholarship, research, professionalism, leadership, and excellence in the field. The Gamma Upsilon chapter of CSI was founded at Gallaudet last year and currently has more than 30 members.

They're here!



The first press run of posters for Deafway II, the July 8-13, 2002, international festival and conference celebrating deaf culture, have arrived on campus and will be given away at Homecoming October 13 and 14. The colorful, 22" X 17" posters, designed by Zhou Fang, web designer/graphic artist in the Office of Enrollment Services, will be available at a booth in 'Ole Jim' on Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and near Hotchkiss Field on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



WHAT'S HAPPENING... AND WHEN

October

6-National Deaf Dance Academy begins eight-week Friday afternoon dance, theater, and tumbling classes at the Clerc Center for deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing children ages 4-9: for 4-5-year olds--dance, theater, and tumbling, 4:15-5 p.m.; for 6-9 year olds--hip-hop jazz, tap, and ballet, 3:15-4:15 p.m.; \$7 per class; on-going registration in Field House, Room 102; for additional information contact Director Sue Gill-Doleac, x5492/x5591 or e-mail Sue.Gill@gallaudet.edu.

6-8-Parents Weekend, for more information e-mail Sherry Duhon

6-Gallaudet Volleyball Tournament, 4 p.m.

7-Gallaudet Volleyball Tournament, 10 a.m.; Cross Country at Dickinson Invitational, 11 a.m.; Football at Walter Reed Army, 1 p.m.; Men's Soccer at Wesley, 3 p.m.; Women's Soccer at Catholic, TBA

9-English Works! Mini-Workshop, Ely Center Multipurpose Room, 12 p.m.- 1

p.m., for more information e-mail Susan Giansanti

11-Women's Soccer at Mary Washington, 4 p.m.; Men's Soccer at Western Maryland, 4 p.m.; Volleyball vs. York, 7 p.m.

13-Vendor Expo, Ely Center Multipurpose Room, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., for more information contact Michael Lockhart; Women's Volleyball at St. Mary's Tournament, TBA

14-HOMECOMING; Cross Country at Goucher, 11 a.m.; Men's Soccer vs. Deaf Olympic Team, 10 a.m.; Football vs. Williamson Trade, 1:30 p.m.; Women's Soccer vs. Dundalk Community College, 3 p.m.; Volleyball at St. Mary's Tournament, TBA

16-Women's Soccer vs. Methodist, 3:30 p.m.

18-Meeting to discuss and share issues of unique learners, Ely Center Multipurpose Room, 12-1 p.m.; Book Discussion Group, Ely Center Workshop Room 100, 12-1 p.m.; Women's Soccer at Goucher, 4 p.m.; Men's Soccer at Mary Washington, 4 p.m.

Air Force One

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great food. They walked past offices, a large conference room, and the President's personal living quarters.

While waiting for the President's helicopter, Marine One, to arrive, the guests were invited to use the bank of telephones. Mrs. Jordan surprised her mother with a call. Her response was: "Why are you on Air Force One!?" She added, "Is King with you?" "I loved it; it was fun," said Mrs. Jordan.

After Clinton arrived and boarded the plane, he chatted with Dr. Jordan about Terence Parkin, the deaf South African swimmer who netted a silver medal at the Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

When the plane landed, it was met by a motorcade of about 30 cars, which was escorted by Secret Service agents and local police along a route that had been cleared of all traffic to the Disability Network Center. There the guests saw a display of cutting-edge technology that benefits users with many types of disabilities. From there, they proceeded to Mott Community College for Clinton's presentation. Mrs. Jordan said that during Clinton's introduction of his guests, Dr. Jordan was identified as "the remarkable president of Gallaudet University, and a marathon runner." "It was a little embarrassing," Dr. Jordan joked.

At a reception for invited guests that followed the talk, Mrs. Jordan told Clinton that she admired the campaign button he was wearing promoting his wife, Hillary's, bid for the New York senate seat. "Oh, you like it?," asked the President. "Will you wear it?" Mrs. Jordan answered, "I'd be honored to wear it!" He gave it to her, and, true to her promise, she had it on at the Gallaudet press conference.

Clinton had a dinner to attend after the event, so the Jordans and the other guests opted to return to Washington, D.C., on a commercial flight rather than wait several hours to come back with the President on Air Force One. But it wasn't too much of a let-down—the excitement of the morning junket was fresh in their minds. "We'll remember it all our lives," said Dr. Jordan. 



Linda Jordan poses for a photo after Air Force One lands in Flint, Mich. (In the background, President Clinton leads a group disembarking the customized Boeing 747.)



Sports Roundup

By David Tossman

Volleyball

The women's volleyball team is continuing from where they left off last year when they advanced to the WCAA tournament, getting off to a 9-2 start and a number five regional ranking. Ahead of them in the polls are Catholic and Gettysburg, the only two teams to beat Gallaudet.

The team is ranked second in the Capital Athletic Conference in team blocks with 3.55 and team aces with 2.67 per game, and is third in team assists with 9.81 and team kills with 11.07 per game.

The balanced attack includes senior Stacy Nowak, who leads the conference with 71 blocks, and 147 kills. Senior Jenny Cooper is second in the conference with 50 blocks. Sophomore Rachel Boll leads the defense with 109 digs, and Sophomore Tamara Suiter is close behind with 96 digs.

Men's soccer

The team has been very, very competitive in most of its games,

but has lost several one-goal games. The men, who are off to a 1-6 start, are led by sophomore Roy Ricci Vanderstok, who has been on a scoring spree including scoring all three of the teams goals in a 3-2 loss to Washington Bible September 19, and a 5-1 loss to Philadelphia Bible September 16. Freshman Chris Bachmeier assisted on both goals in the Washington Bible game.

Women's Soccer

It has been a big turnaround for this team, which went 5-9-1 a year ago, and has won six of its first 10 games this year. The addition of two players, who together account for 22 of the teams 28 goals this year, has helped Elijah Gold's squad surpass last year's win total. Freshman Katie Spiegel has 11 goals and six assists for the year, and freshman Kelli Beechy has 11 goals and one assist. On September 24, the rapidly improving team beat Trinity College 7-0.

Football

It has been a brutal start for

the Bison, having faced three tough foes, including the nation's 24th ranked team, Bethany (W.Va.), September 23. The Bison are 0-3, and enter a stretch of four out of five games at home, including the big Homecoming game against Williamson Trade on October 14. Head Coach Rich Pelletier said this year's squad is a very enthusiastic one to work with, and it is improving week by week.

Cross Country

"I've never had such a deep squad," said head coach Jack Mika, in his 14th season, about the women's team, which has seven runners who ran under 23:30 minutes at the York Invitational Sept. 23. The team is led by sophomore Natalie Ludwig, who came in sixth overall at the meet. The other six runners who finished with a sub 23:30 time are: Fatimah Aziz, Bridgette Bocanegra, Monica Caimano, Stacy Moss, Shashonie Reins, and Sandy Sloat. All seven runners ran a season best at the meet, which was the first time the team did not race in humid conditions.

The men's team finished fifth out of seven teams at the same meet, and were led by freshman Brian Hendricks, who came in fourth place overall. **G**



ASK AUNT SOPHIE

(Note to readers: the following letter has been edited somewhat due to space limitations.)

Dear Aunt Sophie,

There are many changes happening on campus. Every day people ask, "What rumors are you hearing now?" or "What is happening to your department?" People are feeling somewhat vulnerable because they don't have information. Change does this. This can be very exciting, but it can also be scary. A recent article in the Post has caused me to feel even more vulnerable. It was about "spyware," the software that can track employees' conversations on computer systems. Many companies have fired employees for sending personal e-mails. Does Gallaudet monitor staff and faculty e-mails? Does the University plan to install "spyware"? Are we permitted to communicate with people for non-work reasons during lunch, breaks or down time?

Feeling Vulnerable

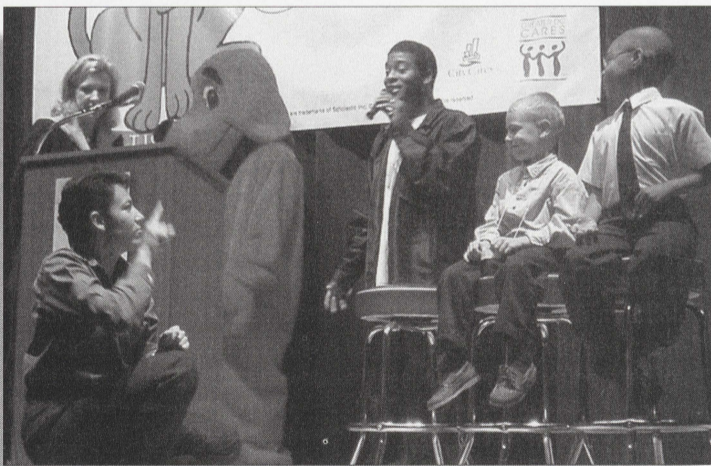
Dear FV,

You're right about change. It's here to stay—and it can be scary. It's also true that making sure people know and understand what changes are taking place, as well as the reasons for those changes, helps to shut down the rumor mill and jack up morale. Indeed, one of Aunty's missions in life is to convince the "change makers" of this reality. However, I wouldn't worry about "spyware." At this point, all we want around here is a good ol,' dependable, basic e-mail system. Gallaudet does not have and does not plan to install an e-mail monitoring system. Having said this, everyone knows that e-mails never completely die. They may be deleted into the far reaches of cyberspace, but they don't cease to exist. This means that it's always possible for some determined soul with the technical know-how to retrieve any and every e-mail he or she desires. That's why it's best to adhere to Aunty's advice regarding this matter: Never send an e-mail that, if it appeared on the front page of *The Washington Post*, would embarrass you to tears, damage your reputation or someone else's, cause your mother to stop talking to you for a month, or get you fired.



CLERC CENTER HAPPENINGS

Scholastic, Inc., kicks off national literacy campaign at KDES



From left: Deborah Forte (top), executive vice president, Scholastic, Inc.; Maribel Garate (kneeling) interpreter and ESL teacher/researcher at the Clerc Center; Clifford the Big Red Dog; Kel Mitchell, actor, voice of T-Bone in "Clifford the Big Red Dog" television show; Chad Unger, KDES student; and Cedric Coles, Wheatley Elementary School student.

By Susan M. Flanigan
Clifford the Big Red Dog made a special guest appearance in the KDES gym September 22 before an enthusiastic crowd of first-grade students from around Washington, D.C.

For those who are unfamiliar with the canine, Clifford is the main character in one of Scholastic Inc.'s children's book series as well as a new television show series on PBS. Scholastic is using this popular character to launch a nationwide initiative called "Clifford Cares" that promotes community involvement and literacy. The Clerc Center hosted Scholastic's first "Clifford Cares" celebration in recognition of the publisher's contribution to children's literacy.

Scholastic is working in partnership with CityCares, a national volunteer and community service organization, to distribute over the next three years up to one million books to support and strengthen local reading and literacy programs. In her welcoming remarks, Gallaudet Provost Jane Fernandes said, "We are happy to see a program focusing on children and reading. We have pur-

chased many Scholastic books to support our own literacy program at the Clerc Center of shared, guided, and independent reading. We appreciate that Scholastic publishes books featuring diverse cultures and languages." In appreciation for serving as the launch site for the campaign, Scholastic is donating 500 books to the Clerc Center.

More than 100 first grade students from KDES, Walker-Jones, Webb, Wheatley, and J.O. Wilson elementary schools participated in the ceremony. The children

enjoyed a read-aloud of a "Clifford" story read in speech by CityCares volunteers and in ASL by Dennis Berrigan, Clerc Center coordinator for ASL training and evaluation.

Following the story, and in conjunction with the program's ties to community service, each of the students created handmade gifts of pictures, flower pots, and picture frames to be distributed by CityCare volunteers to local charities. Clifford the Dog, dressed in his bright red costume, visited the children as they worked at tables

Homecoming schedule

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Saturday

- Class of 1975 Silver Anniversary Breakfast, Peikoff Alumni House, 8-10 a.m.
- Class Group Photos, Chapel Hall, 10:30 a.m.-noon
- Class Parade, Field House, 12:45-1:30 p.m.

Student events:

Friday

- Pre-Homecoming Bash, Ely Center, 10 p.m.-2 a.m.

Saturday

- Homecoming Ballroom, Hard Rock Café, 9 p.m.-3 a.m.

Other events:

Saturday

- Private Party for Bison Booster Club Members, Field House Hall of Fame Room, 4-5:30 p.m. **G**

around the gym, bringing out smiles, hugs, and wide-eyed looks. The event ended with an airing of an episode from the "Clifford The Big Red Dog" series on television.

"We would like to express appreciation to Vivian Rice, coordinator of liaison services at the Clerc Center, for all her wonderful help in organizing this event at Kendall," said Deborah Forte, executive vice president for Scholastic, Inc. **G**

Ring Unveiling
Gallaudet Class Ring
Unveiling Presentation
Friday, October 13
1-1:30 p.m.
EMG Statue