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Fall reunion to mark 75th anniversary

The University of Montana School of Journalism is 75 years old and we're celebrating, Mark October 5-7 on your calendar — that's Homecoming 1989, and we're planning the biggest School of Journalism homecoming ever — an all-class reunion. It will be your chance to see old friends and professors and to revisit old haunts.

We plan a journalism alumni reception and banquet and open houses at the Journalism Building and the Performing Arts/Radio-Television Center. Former deans and past and present faculty will be on hand to greet you. You'll have time to attend the Homecoming Parade and to watch the Grizzlies play in their new stadium.

The J-School has much to celebrate during this diamond anniversary year. Since you received the last Communique:

- The school was fully re-accredited by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.
- Nick Ehli and Marlene Mehlhaff, both from Billings, became the 23rd and 24th UM Sears Congressional Interns in Washington, D.C. The school continues to lead the nation in the number of interns selected since the program began in 1970.
- A Gannett Center Journal article in 1988 listed the J-School as one of the outstanding journalism programs in the nation.
- The Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association evaluated 11 journalism programs in the Northwest and rated Montana's one of the two best, awarding the school $15,000.
- Debra McKinney '79, a feature writer for the Anchorage Daily News, helped her paper win the 1989 Pulitzer Prize for public service for a series of articles about Indian alcoholism and suicide in rural Alaska.
- Debra is the sixth UM J-alum to play a major role in winning a Pulitzer.
- Cowles Publishing Co. established a $25,000 endowment for a scholarship honoring Dorothy Rochon Powers '43, who retired from the Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle after more than four decades.
- Lee Enterprises, the Greater Montana Foundation, the Great Falls Tribune and Carroll and Nancy O'Connor all made significant financial contributions to our program to enhance the training of Native Americans.
- The J-School's student documentary unit won the Montana Broadcasters Association award for the best non-commercial television program for two consecutive years.
- A student photojournalism centennial project, "Focus on Philipsburg," produced a 70-print exhibition shown at the Performing Arts/Radio-Television Center. The photos, which document life in that historic Montana mining town, will be published as a book.
- Our Newspaper Design '88 conference attracted 25 editors from three states.
- We've been very busy during our 75th year. We revamped our curriculum in preparation for the university's transition to semesters. In April we sponsored with the School of Law a conference, "Allies and Adversaries: The Press, the Bar and Justice." Some 200 Montana high school students attended that event and stayed on another day for newspaper workshops conducted by the UM journalism faculty.

If all that doesn't seem enough, we also introduced an honors reporting course in which our best print and broadcast students documented Montana's economic ties with Asia. This Pacific Rim Honors Project produced stories that were both published and broadcast.

For our 75th anniversary, the school commissioned Missoula artist Kirk Johnson to create a frameable 20 x 30-inch commemorative poster. (See page 5.) We offer the poster as a premium to alumni who contribute $75 — a dollar for each year of the J-School's existence.

Since this is the first Communique in three years, we apologize if a few alumni briefs are daled. Please bring us up to date.

As you'll read elsewhere, I'll be in Japan during the coming academic year and will not be able to join you at the reunion. But Acting Dean Bob McGiffert will make sure you're properly welcomed and entertained.

Sayonara!

Dean Charles E. Hood

Anniversary issue designed by grad student

This 75th anniversary issue of Communique was designed and co-edited by Tara Gallagher, a graduate student in journalism, as part of an advanced project in publication design.

The work was done on a Macintosh SE system acquired by the journalism school earlier this year.

Tara, a Missoula native, received a bachelor's degree in history and teacher certification with a journalism minor from UM in 1980. She returned to UM last year after working in Livingston as a high school teacher and as a reporter for the Livingston Enterprise, the local daily. She since has won scholarships from D.J. Shults, the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association and the Society for Newspaper Design.

In June and July 1989, Tara completed an editing internship at Montana Outdoors magazine in Helena.
Scholarships honor Dean Brier

Five $600 renewable scholarships in honor of Warren J. Brier will be awarded to journalism students at the University of Montana through a $15,000 gift donated by the Brier family and a Seattle insurance firm.

Dean Brier died of cancer June 7, 1988, at his home in Missoula.

The gift, announced at the Dean Stone Night banquet in May 1988, is principally funded by PEMCO Financial Center, Seattle. Brier family donors are Karin Brier, Missoula; Lynn and T.C. De La Cruz, Genie Brier, Tom and Ruth Kurack, Nancy and Peter Rybock and family and Sandy Kurack and sons, all of Seattle.

The Frightful Punishment, an annual collection of com­

munications theory and research methods.

Dean Brier came to UM as an associate professor in 1962, became full professor in 1967 and was named dean in 1968. In 1982 he resigned as dean to return to teaching. He taught undergraduate courses in writing, reporting, editing, press history and magazine-article writing, as well as graduate seminars in communications theory and research methods.

During Warren Brier’s years as dean, the journalism school experienced rapid growth in enrollment and expanded and developed its radio-television department. As professor and dean, he edited the Montana Journalism Review, an annual collection of commentary, criticism and historical research.

In addition to writing The Frightful Punishment, a book about prize fighting in Montana mining camps during the 1860s, Dean Brier co-authored a journalism textbook, Writing for Newspapers and News Services, with the late Howard Heyn of the Associated Press, and co-edited, with Nathaniel Blumberg, A Century of Montana Journalism, a collection of regional essays and articles. He also wrote articles for numerous publications, including The New York Times, The National Observer and Montana — The Magazine of Western History.

Dean Brier’s news experience included positions with the Seattle Times, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Anchorage (Alaska) Times and Associated Press bureaus in Helena, Seattle, Los Angeles and New York.

Warren Judson Brier was born in Seattle on April 25, 1931, a son of Howard and Grace Kjelstad Brier. His father was a professor of journalism at the University of Washington and a much-published author of novels for young people.

Dean Brier received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism from the University of Washington in 1953, a master of science degree in journalism from Columbia University, New York, in 1954, and a doctor of philosophy degree in mass communications from the University of Iowa in 1957.

After service as an Air Force lieutenant from 1957-59, he taught at San Diego State University for a year and at the University of Southern California for two years before coming to UM.

Although Dean Brier spent 14 years in administration, his heart remained in teaching and he excelled at it. He set

exactng standards for himself and his students, particularly in ethical conduct, accurate and fair reporting and clear writing. But although he was a demanding teacher, he conducted himself with unfailing civility and good humor. Students and colleagues respected and admired him for his skills as a writer, editor and teacher, and liked him for his warmth, wit, modesty, generosity with praise and concern for others.

Warren and Genie Kurack were married in 1953 and divorced in 1976. His second wife, the former Ruthann Crippen Stuart, whom he married in 1978, died in 1981. He remained friends with Genie Brier, who now lives in Seattle, and he was with him when he died.

He is survived by two daughters, Lynn Brier-De La Cruz of Seattle, and Karin L. Brier of Missoula, and a sister, Nancy Rybock of Seattle.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Warren J. Brier Fund, which will be used to re-establish the Montana Journalism Review and for student travel and scholarships.
J-alums continue record of distinction

**McKinney helps *Daily News* win Pulitzer**

Debbie McKinney ’79, a feature writer for the *Anchorage Daily News*, helped that paper win the 1989 Pulitzer Prize for public service.

She also will be the recipient this fall of a UM Young Alumnus Award.

McKinney’s story, “A Youth’s Despair Erupts,” was a major part of the *Daily News’* 10-part series about Indian alcoholism and suicide in rural Alaska.

The story, which profiled a 15-year-old alcoholic who killed his mother, brother, and a neighbor, resulted from three days of prison interviews, the examination of investigators’ transcripts, court documents, witnesses’ testimony and psychiatrists’ reports, and telephone interviews with village residents and officials involved in the case.

The series, titled “A People in Peril,” was published in January 1988.

Howard Simons, curator of Harvard’s Nieman Foundation, called the three days of prison interviews, the ex-

word’s Nieman Foundation, called the series 'stunning' and 

*Newsweek* magazine praised the project and suicide in rural Alaska.

**Nichols, Krim honored in ’88, ’87**

Two J-School graduates have received University of Montana Distinguished Alumnus Awards since the last *Communique*.

Marjorie Nichols of Ottawa, Ontario, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award at Homecoming ceremonies last fall. She brought the number of J-School distinguished alumni to 27, more than any other academic unit on campus.

The other graduate to win recognition is Jonathan Krim, who received a Young Alumnus Award in 1987. Krim, a.m. metro editor of the *San Jose Mercury News*, helped the paper win a Pulitzer Prize in 1986 for its series of stories about the Philippines.

Nichols is a well-known Canadian political commentator whose column, “The Nation,” appears in many Canadian newspapers. *McLean’s* magazine once described Nichols as the “best woman journalist on Parliament Hill.”

Nichols joined the *Ottawa Journal* in 1966 and covered Canadian politics. She later covered the British Columbia provincial legislature as a reporter for the *Vancouver Sun*, then returned to Ottawa for three years as a bureau chief and columnist. She joined the *Ottawa Citizen* in 1987 as a national political columnist.

Nichols grew up on a farm in Red Deer, Alberta, and was educated in a one-room schoolhouse. At 16, she was the Canadian national speed skating champion.

Krim, a New York native, attended Vassar College and New York State University at Stony Brook before transferring to the University of Montana. A 1977 honors graduate of UM, Krim worked at the *Missoulian*, the *Arizona Republic* and the *Washington Times* before joining the *Mercury News*. 

**Two new awards coming in October**

The J-School will have added cause for celebration during Homecoming festivities in the fall when, along with observing the 75th anniversary of the school, two more journalists will be honored with Distinguished Alumnus Awards.

Reid Collins, a veteran of more than 25 years in broadcast journalism, and Debbie McKinney, a reporter for the *Anchorage Daily News*, will receive the awards at Homecoming ceremonies in October.

Collins is a Washington, D.C., anchor for Cable News Network. He joined CNN in 1985 after 20 years as a correspondent for CBS News. At CBS he anchored the radio network’s morning news roundups and its hourly news broadcasts. Collins has covered an array of national and international news stories, from the Cuban missile crisis to the Iran-Contra hearings.

He began his radio career in Missoula while attending the university.

McKinney will receive a Young Alumnus Award. (See story, left.)
Commemorative poster available

Dear Montana Journalism Alumni:

We invite you to contribute to our Diamond Anniversary Fund on the occasion of the J-School's 75th anniversary.

The fund will support student travel and scholarships, enable special projects, help purchase equipment and reestablish the Montana Journalism Review, the first journalism review in the United States, which was discontinued in 1980 because of budget cuts. We need your help.

We know that most journalists aren't wealthy, and we'd appreciate donations of any amount. But if you're able to send us a gift of $75 — one dollar for each year of the school's existence — or more, we'll mail you a signed poster of Missoula artist Kirk Johnson's splendid full-color oil painting commemorating the school's diamond anniversary. The 20 x 30-inch poster is a work of art, suitable for framing and hanging. It includes a capsule history of the J-School and the achievements of its alumni.

We expect to have the poster ready to send to you no later than Sept. 1, 1989. You can order one simply by filling out the contribution card insert and mailing it with your contribution.

We're proud of how well we've done in recent years in the face of difficult economic circumstances. We hope you'll be able to help the J-School maintain its tradition of excellence.

Thanks!
Charles E. Hood, Dean

All-class reunion
October 5, 6 & 7

The School of Journalism's all-classes Diamond Anniversary Reunion will be part of the University of Montana's Homecoming October 5-7, 1989.

Most of the journalism activities will take place on Friday, Oct. 6. On the agenda will be:

- Open House at the Journalism Building, the Radio-Television Department offices and the Telecommunications Center, all day.
- Morning question-and-answer sessions with journalism distinguished alumni in the Journalism Library and a reception in their honor.
- Dedication in the afternoon of the Dorothy M. Johnson "Hanging Tree" near the Journalism Building.
- A journalism alumni dinner in the University Center Copper Commons.

Journalism alumni who plan to attend should fill out the reunion card insert and mail it to Karen Kaley, Secretary, School of Journalism, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812, or call Karen at (406) 243-4001 by September 15. Please indicate whether you want reservations for the journalism dinner.

Alumni authors

Recent books by alumni and former students of the School of Journalism include both fiction and nonfiction. Authors include A.B. Guthrie Jr., Arnold Hartpence, Dorothy Rochon Powers, Jeannette Hortick Prodgers, Betty Wetzel, Richard Landers, Steve Smith, Gary Svee, Norma Tirrell and Stan Lynde.
Bob McGiffert
became a free agent after 12 summers relief pitching at *The Washington Post*, and in the summer of '89 donned a Baltimore uniform for a fourth season as writing coach of *The Evening Sun*. He was one of 16 teachers nationwide to receive a 1988 Poynter Fellowship for the teaching of ethics. He attended a week-long seminar at Poynter Institute for Media Studies in St. Petersburg, Fla. Bob also conducted a writing/editing workshop at the *Great Falls Tribune*. He still runs, barely.

Sharon Barrett
spent the summer of '89 as an editor on the foreign desk of *The Washington Post*. Sharon, who spent August through December 1987 in Peru as a Fulbright Scholar, discussed the media's emphasis on negative news in Latin America last fall in "Too Many Coups, Not Enough Cornflakes." As a Fulbright lecturer, Sharon taught journalism at the University of Lima and conducted workshops for journalists in that city and other parts of Peru. She continues to write book reviews for the *Chicago Sun-Times* and to free-lance articles for magazines. She was a faculty member last year at the university's annual Alumni College. Sharon received a merit pay increase in 1989.

Jerry Holloron
continues his summer work as a copy editor for *The News Tribune* in Tacoma, Wash. His supervisor is his former student, Rob Dean '77. Jerry's Reporting Public Affairs class had an added feature last winter. Jerry had students writing stories at the Montana Legislature about subjects requested by the editors of several Montana weeklies. The students' stories were then published by the weekly papers. Jerry received a merit pay increase in 1989.

Bill Knowles,
one of 15 college journalism professors nationwide to receive a 1988 Poynter Teaching Fellowship in Media Management, attended a seminar at the Poynter Institute for Media Studies in St. Petersburg, Fla. Bill was also promoted this year to associate professor. He will spend the next two years researching and writing a book on the history of radio, television and cable broadcasting in Montana. The book, funded by a grant from the Greater Montana Foundation, will be anecdotal. Anyone with "war stories" about the state's broadcast industry is invited to call Bill at (406) 243-4747 or 549-9032.

Joe Durso Jr.
has moderated panels at meetings of the Radio-Television News Directors Association (Region One) and the Montana AP Broadcasters. He traveled to Los Angeles once again to judge the prestigious Southern California Golden Mike Awards. Joe was promoted to full professor. He is busy working on a book about the life of a Montana cowboy.

Carol Van Valkenburg
spent the summer of '89 as a copy editor at *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. Carol was hired in July as an assistant professor, pending Board of Regents approval, after having visiting professor status for eight years. She is also happy to report that she finally finished her thesis, "An Alien Place: The Fort Missoula, Montana, Alien Detention Camp 1941-1944." It took six years to complete, though it seemed much longer to everyone else.

John Talbot

Patty Reksten
became an assistant professor in 1988. Patty was an editorial consultant at the *Lewiston Morning Tribune* last summer, where she redesigned the Sunday nameplate and standing section fronts and made other design modifications. She is national grants chairman and regional freedom of information director of the National Press Photographers Association. Patty received a faculty development grant to attend an electronic photography and editing conference in San Jose in February. She is developing a curriculum to teach publication design on PageMaker software available in the J-School's new Mac lab. She is designing and editing a book that will feature students' photographs from the photojournalism project "Focus on Philipsburg." (See page 9.)

Bob Cushman
helped plan and execute the Philipsburg photojournalism project (See page 9.) and spent many hours in the photo lab printing the photographs that were placed on exhibit.

David Wilson
is the new director of the Telecommunications Center, replacing Ken Fielding, who took a teaching job at Arizona State University. David came from the public radio station at the University of Texas, El Paso.
Philip J. Hess was honored by the city of Missoula for his contributions to the development of the Western Montana Reading Service, and for his efforts nationally to assist in the establishment of other reading services for the visually impaired. Mayor Bob Lovegrove proclaimed April 26 as Philip J. Hess Day. Phil retired from the journalism faculty in 1985 because of medical reasons.

Terry Conrad continues as KUFM’s program director/station manager and also continues to teach the ever-popular course, The Art of Radio.

Greg MacDonald is putting the finishing touches on his new house on the banks of the Blackfoot River. In between bouts with the hammer, he’s working on an original screenplay. He has developed a new course called “TV and the Arts,” a popular addition to the curriculum.

William Marcus, director of audio production at the Telecommunications Center, has had several recordings of music accepted for broadcast on National Public Radio and has done reports for “Morning Edition,” “All Things Considered” and “Performance Today.” One recording, featuring UM music faculty members, was nominated for an NPR award.

Claudia Johnson continues her work as a Telecommunications Center producer and director. This year Claudia guided an all-student crew in producing a telecourse beamed to Billings for the university’s master of business administration program.

Gus Chambers has been busy producing videotapes for all manner of university endeavors. His videotape aimed at high school seniors was sent to 400 schools across the nation and won an award of merit in the Montana Film and Video Awards competition. Other recruiting videos produced by Gus are aimed at athletes and international students. He also continues to supervise “Sportsweek,” a student-produced weekly program about UM athletic events that recently wrapped up its 100th broadcast. He was voted best radio personality in Missoula in a Missoulian readership poll.

Nathaniel Blumberg was enticed back to the J-School last fall quarter to teach a special course, “The News Media and Government.” He’ll return this fall to teach senior seminar and a graduate course in historical and investigative research techniques. He continues to live in Bigfork with his wife, Barbara.

Edward B. Dugan, professor emeritus, attended Dean Stone Night and the press-bar conference sponsored by the law and journalism schools this year. He promises to attend the J-School’s Diamond Anniversary Reunion if it doesn’t interfere with his golf.

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Delaney Fellows join J-School staff

Two Montana journalists have joined the J-School as Delaney Teaching Fellows.

Brian Howell, a former city editor for the Missoulian, came on board for the 1988-89 school year and will continue his fellowship in the fall. Joining him in September will be Dennis Swibold, who will leave his job as managing editor of the Bozeman Daily Chronicle to begin study for a master’s degree.

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Swibold, a Denver native, received his B.A. in journalism and history from the University of Arizona, Tucson, in 1979. He worked first as a reporter and later as editor of the Sydney Herald before joining the Bozeman Daily Chronicle as a reporter in 1984. Swibold was promoted to managing editor in 1987.

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J-School briefs

Hood Japan-bound; McGiffert stands in

Dean Charles Hood will spend the 1989-90 academic year as a visiting scholar at Kumamoto University in southern Japan.

Professor Robert McGiffert will serve as acting dean in Hood's absence.

As a member of the Faculty of Letters at the Japanese university, Hood will teach American culture and English and work on a book about Mike Mansfield, the former Senate Majority Leader who retired earlier this year as U.S. ambassador to Japan. He hopes to do research in China as well.

Hood will be the first dean to serve as a visiting scholar in one of the University of Montana's recently established faculty-exchange programs with Pacific Rim universities. He will be in Japan from September 1989 through July 1990.

McGiffert, who joined the Montana journalism faculty in 1965, has taught editing, reporting, journalism law and ethics. A former city editor for the Easton (Pa.) Express, he has worked summers for The Washington Post, The International Herald Tribune in Paris and the Baltimore Evening Sun. He was one of 15 professors nationally to win a 1988 teaching fellowship in ethics from the Poynter Institute for Media Studies.

J-School praised

A May 1989 follow-up report on the School of Journalism from the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association reinforces the highly complimentary original evaluation of 1988.

Wrote A.L. "Butch" Alford Jr., publisher of the Lewiston (Idaho) Morning Tribune and chairman of the evaluation committee:

"The Montana journalism school remains an example of the standards desired by daily newspapers in the Northwest. Its students are enthusiastic and strongly trained in reporting and editing, with an excellent basic skills core in hard-nosed, practical journalism."

The PNNA awarded the J-School $15,000 for scholarships and $2,000 in scholarship money for the 1989-90 academic year.

In 1988 PNAA rated the J-School one of the two best in the Northwest and awarded it $15,000 for scholarships and the purchase of computer and photographic equipment. Besides Alford, the J-School's evaluation team included David Ledford of the Moscow Idahoan and Pullman, Wash., Daily News; Robert Fairchild of the Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle and John P. McDermott of the Idaho Falls Post-Register.

Profs sharpen skills

UM journalism professors kept their professional skills sharp by working for newspapers during the summer of 1989.

Sharon Barrett worked on the foreign desk of The Washington Post. Carol Van Valkenburg was a copy editor for The Philadelphia Inquirer. Jerry Holloron was a copy editor for the Tacoma, Wash., News Tribune and Bob McGiffert was the writing coach for the Evening Sun in Baltimore.

Typewriters, VDTs make way for state-of-the-art Mac lab

Remember the cranky old manual typewriters bolted to the desks in Room 212? Over the years hundreds of journalism students pecked away at the gunmetal gray machines, churning out stories of every description — and some that defied description.

In 1981, the J-School entered the computer age with the aid of the Great Falls Tribune, the Missoulian and the Boise Idaho Statesman, and the quiet clicks and the hum of fans from Harris VDTs replaced the clatter of keys.

Last fall the J-School purchased several Macintosh computers and a laser printer, with the aid of $15,000 from the UM administration. Camera-ready pages, like those done for this Communique, can be prepared on the Macintosh.

The lab will be expanded to 17 Macintoshes by fall, made possible by a grant from the Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association and assistance from UM's Computer Users Advisory Committee and the UM Excellence Fund.

The terminals, which will be used in reporting, editing and design classes, will be installed in J212.

Video display terminals first came to the J-School when the Missoulian donated several to the Montana Kaimin. In 1988 VDTs donated by the Tribune and the Statesman were installed in the news lab in 212, replacing the old manuals. The Kaimin and J-School system were connected, allowing students to use the VDTs for writing and editing both in the classroom and for Kaimin news stories. The Kaimin also leased a typesetter from the Missoulian and editors could thus set the type, design the news pages and paste up the copy.

By fall, the Kaimin also will have replaced its VDTs with Macintoshes.
J-Days attracts 200

Two hundred Montana high school journalism students participated in Journalism Days at the University of Montana April 27-28. Carol Van Valkenburg, journalism faculty member and adviser to the Montana Kaimin, was the keynote speaker at the awards luncheon of the Montana Interscholastic Editorial Association. She spoke about the impact of the Hazelwood decision on Montana high school newspapers.

Darkroom moving up

The School of Journalism's darkroom facilities will be relocated to the third floor of the Journalism Building with the help of a $75,000 Building Fee Committee grant.

The darkrooms, which have been situated in the basement since the Journalism Building was built in 1936, will now be in the former KUFM studios, which were moved to the Performing Arts/Radio-Television Center when it opened in 1985.

A Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association grant to the journalism school permitted the replacement of some antiquated photography equipment. The school purchased four new enlargers, as well as soft boxes, easels and lenses.

J-alums give generously

Totals from the University of Montana's 1989 Spring Excellence Fund Phonathon show that 9.2 percent of 1,040 journalism alumni contributed to the journalism school. That percentage was the highest among the seven professional schools and the College of Arts and Sciences. Monica Conrad, the UM Foundation's director of annual giving, commented that journalism alumni historically have been among the most loyal supporters of UM.

Seminar draws 25 editors

Newspaper Design '88, a one-day seminar in newspaper editing and design, drew 25 editors from Montana, Idaho and Washington in May 1988. The conference was conducted by UM journalism professor Patty Reksten and Daryl Moen, University of Missouri journalism professor and director of mid-career professional programs.

McVey scholarship created

Judy McVey Tritz '61 and her family have established a scholarship at the UM School of Journalism in memory of Judy's parents.

The George W. and Marie Lynch McVey Scholarship will be awarded to a promising writing student. Mr. McVey was editorial director of the Montana Standard in Butte. Mrs. McVey, whose parents homesteaded near Emory, Montana, in 1908, taught in a one-room log schoolhouse on her family's land. Both loved Montana and "believed strongly in education," recalls Judy, who grew up in Butte but now lives with her husband and two sons in Kirksville, Mo.

Students focus on Philipsburg

Leroy E. "Shorty" Richard, top, ponders life at the White Front. Jessica White, right, lolls with her cat, Sam, in the afternoon shade of drying sheets.

Photojournalists record life in small-town Montana for state centennial

Photographs from a J-School photojournalism project, "Focus on Philipsburg," were exhibited in Paxson Gallery of the Performing Arts/Radio Television Center in December and January.

In July, the exhibit will travel to Philipsburg for display during centennial celebrations.

The photojournalism project, supervised by professors Patty Reksten and Bob Cushman, took 13 student photojournalists to the historic Montana mining town in May 1987 to document life in small-town Montana and to help observe Montana's centennial.

The students stayed in the mining community of 1,200 people for six days and documented everything from a raging house fire to a clandestine high school kegger.

The 70-photo exhibit represents some of the best photographs from 10,000 frames of black-and-white film. Using the J-School's new Macintosh lab, Reksten currently is designing a book of the students' photographs, which the J-School expects to have published for Montana's centennial. Text for the book comes from the thesis of recent master's graduate Scott Crandell.

Help in planning the photodocumentary project came from Angus McDougall, professor emeritus at the University of Missouri School of Journalism, who has published five books about Missouri River towns photographed and written by his students. Reksten and Cushman modeled the Philipsburg project after the Missouri projects.

A grant from the UM visiting scholar program enabled the J-School to bring McDougall to campus for several days in the spring of 1987.
Journalism school fully reaccredited in '88

The School of Journalism was granted full reaccreditation last spring by the national accrediting organization for journalism education.

Dean Charles Hood said the Accrediting Council for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication decided unanimously at its meeting in Chicago in May 1988 to grant full status.

John Lavine, president of the accrediting council, complimented the J-School for meeting accrediting standards during unusually tough economic times in Montana. The program had received provisional accreditation the previous year, pending action by the school in several areas, most of them related to inadequate funding.

In his progress report to the council, Hood cited additions in financial support from the UM administration, donations of equipment to the school by the journalism profession, off-campus fund-raising efforts and success in finding new funding sources to support faculty development and travel.

One of 80 accredited journalism programs in the nation, the J-school will be reevaluated in 1993.

Press-bar conference addresses privacy, right to know, fairness

Distinguished journalists and lawyers participated April 27 in a press-bar conference sponsored jointly by the UM schools of law and journalism.

The conference, titled “Allies and Adversaries: The Press, the Bar and Justice,” addressed privacy, the public’s right to know and fairness of trials.

Speakers were Heath Meriwether, executive editor of the Detroit Free Press; James E. Shelledy, editor and publisher of the Moscow Daily Idahoian and the Pullman, Wash., Daily News; Jack Cloherty ’72, an investigative reporter for WRC-TV, Washington, D.C.; Charles S. Johnson ’70, chief of the Great Falls Tribune’s Helena capital bureau; retired district judge Gordon Bennett of Helena; Frank Dale, president of the Mansfield Foundation and former publisher of the Los Angeles Herald Examiner; UM journalism professor Bob McGiffert, and UM law professor Larry Elison.

J-School receives national recognition

Since the last Communicque, the School of Journalism has received kudos from a variety of sources:
- A Gannett Center Journal article listed it as one of the outstanding journalism programs in the nation.
- Outside magazine’s article about universities that combine academic excellence with spectacular physical settings singled out the J-School as one of UM’s strengths.
- Martin Nemko’s book How to Get an Ivy-League Education at a State University complimented UM’s journalism and broadcast programs.
- The Gourman Report placed the J-School among the top 27 of 406 journalism programs nationally.

Journalism graduates honored at Charter Days

Three journalism graduates have been honored at Charter Day ceremonies since the ceremony was revived in 1988.

Hal G. Stearns ’36 received a Montana Alumni Award in February for his work as director in 1988 of the Referendum 106 campaign to approve a six-mill levy to fund higher education in Montana. Stearns’ wife, Jean, UM ’37, also received the award.

The Montana Alumni Award recognizes service in civic affairs, serving the alumni association or promoting UM.

John T. Campbell ’40 received the 1988 Montana Alumni Award and Margery Hunter Brown ’50 received the Robert T. Pantzer Award.

The Pantzer Award honors someone who has “helped make the university a more open and humane learning environment.”

A lifelong sports fan, Campbell shares his knowledge about Montana sports with Missoulian readers in his “Instant Recall” column.

Brown, a UM law school professor, established and co-directs UM’s Indian Law Clinic and is chairwoman of the Montana Human Rights Commission.

Charter Day commemorates Feb. 17, 1893, the day the Montana Legislature chartered UM.
Lee Enterprises donates $60,000 for scholarships

Lee Enterprises Inc., the Great Falls Tribune, the Greater Montana Foundation and actor Carroll O'Connor and his wife, Nancy, have all given financial support to the School of Journalism's program to enhance the training of Native Americans.

The most recent gift came from Lee Enterprises Inc., which contributed $60,000 to endow a scholarship fund for Native American journalism students. Roger Renville, a sophomore from Sisseton, S.D., is the first recipient of the Lee Award, which this year will be $1,500.

The Lee donation also provides funds to defray recruiting expenses. Lee hopes the scholarships will attract Indian students in states where the media group has newspapers and broadcast stations, and elsewhere as well.

The Great Falls Tribune established a Native American journalism scholarship last year. The first recipient was Lewis Morsette Yellow Robe, a freshman from Great Falls. The $1,000 scholarship is renewable yearly.

The Greater Montana Foundation donated a total of $14,000 during the last two years to support the J-School's effort to enhance the training of Native Americans, especially those interested in broadcast journalism. The contribution is used to hire a writing coach and for scholarships and internships. Jackie Whiteman, a senior from Missoula, was the first recipient of an internship supported by the contribution. She worked for KECI-TV in Missoula.

Nancy and Carroll O'Connor established a $1,000 scholarship for Native American students interested in journalism, pharmacy or forestry. More information will be available later. O'Connor, most famous as television's Archie Bunker, was an editor of the Montana Kaimin during his days as a UM student.

Charles S. Johnson '70, chief of the Great Falls Tribune capital bureau, established the first scholarship for Native Americans at the School of Journalism in 1988. That gift, and a subsequent one, were matched by the Tribune's parent corporation, Cowles Media Co. of Minneapolis. Woody Kipp, a senior from Browning, was the recipient of the scholarship the last two years.

Richie, Farling first Kim Williams Fellows

Deborah Richie of Prairie City, Ore., and Bruce Farling of West Chester, Pa., were named the first two Kim Williams graduate fellows.

Established in 1986 to honor naturalist and writer Kim Williams, the fellowship provides $1,000 per quarter to support outstanding journalism graduate students who have special interest in environmental issues.

Farling, a graduate student, is a freelance writer based in Missoula. He also received a Great Falls Tribune Award and the David Rorvik Award.

Richie finished her graduate degree in December 1989. Her professional reporting project examined management controversies in the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area, along the Snake River on the Idaho-Oregon border.

In October 1987 the J-School dedicated the Kim Williams Linden Grove, situated just north of the journalism building. Five lindens, Kim's favorite tree, were donated by her publisher, HPBooks of Phoenix.

Brennan recognized by Scripps Howard

Journalism graduate student Beth Brennan of Missoula was one of 10 students nationwide to win the 1989 Roy W. Howard National Writing Competition in Public Affairs Reporting.

Brennan won a $1,000 scholarship to UM and an expense-paid trip to a public affairs reporting seminar in September at Indiana University in Bloomington.

For the competition, sponsored by the Scripps Howard Foundation and the IU School of Journalism, Brennan submitted three samples of public affairs reporting. She wrote about midwifery in Montana, public access to the Rattlesnake corridor in Missoula and the "abortion pill" controversy.
Honors project examines state's ties with Pacific Rim

Twenty-three UM journalism students spent Spring Quarter 1989 preparing a special reporting project that examines Montana’s relationship with Japan.

The Pacific Rim Honors Project produced a newspaper supplement that will be distributed widely and a 30-minute TV documentary that was aired on the Montana Television Network's “Face the State” program.

The student reporters conducted hundreds of telephone interviews and traveled to Helena, Butte, West Yellowstone, Dillon, Bozeman, Kalispell, Columbia Falls and Hamilton.

The class was team-taught by professors Carol Van Valkenburg, who directed the print team, and Bill Knowles, who supervised the broadcast project. Professors Joe Durso and Patty Reksten also played major instructional roles. Reksten and her publications design graduate students designed the newspaper supplement.

Philip West, Mansfield professor of modern Asian studies, and Jim Ludwig, Missoulian business editor, visited the class to help students put the topic into cultural and historical perspective.

Mehlhaff latest Sears intern

Marlene C. Mehlhaff, a senior in journalism from Billings, was one of 25 students nationwide to receive a three-month Sears Congressional Internship in Washington, D.C. She completed the internship in April.

The Sears program gives outstanding junior and senior journalism students the opportunity to work in the nation’s capital on the staff of a U.S. senator or representative. It also offers an enrichment program conducted by Louis M. Kohlmeier, a Pulitzer Prize-winning Washington correspondent formerly with the Wall Street Journal.

Mehlhaff, who has a 3.6 grade-point average, has worked as a reporter and editor for the Montana Kaimin since her freshman year. She was one of the Kaimin’s two news editors in the fall of 1988 and will be Kaimin editor for the 1989-90 school year. Mehlhaff is the 24th UM journalism student to be selected for the internship.

Nick Ehli, also from Billings, served as UM’s 23rd Sears Congressional Intern last year.

OWAA selects Stalling

David Stalling, a junior from Westport, Conn., is the fifth UM J-School student to win an Outdoor Writers Association of America scholarship. David was one of 12 students nationwide to receive the 1989 award. He will be given a $5,000 scholarship for the 1988-90 school year.

Deborah Richo, a graduate student from Prairie City, Ore., won an $1,800 scholarship for the 1987-88 school year. She was one of seven students awarded scholarships that year.

Previous J-School recipients were Greg Tullefsen, Donna Clark and Tim Huneck.

Summer intern placed

Print and broadcast journalism students worked as summer interns at a variety of locations during the summers of 1988 and 1989.

Broadcast students trained at KLRZ, Seattle; KULR, Billings; KRTV and KFBB, Great Falls; KTVH, Helena; KEHI, KPAX, KYLT and Sterling Productions, Missoula; KESQ, Palm Springs, Calif.; KVEW, Kennewick, Wash.; Radio Kuwait, and for CNN’s bureau in Frankfurt, West Germany.

Print students trained at the Spokane Spokesman Review; the Billings Gazette; the Bigfork Eagle; the Montana Standard, Butte; the Bozeman Chronicle; the Great Falls Tribune; the Helena Independent Record and the Lee State Bureau, Helena; the Daily Interlake, Kalispell; the Glasgow Courier; the Missoulian, Bikecentennial and Adsprints, Missoula; the Whitefish Pilot and Big Mountain ski resort, Whitefish, and the Juneau (Alaska) Empire.

Matovich wins scholarship

Journalism student Judy Matovich of Missoula won the 1989 Kathleen Connolly Scholarship, awarded at a banquet in Spokane in April by Women in Communications Inc.

Judy, a junior with a 3.9 grade-point average, was the only recipient in the Northwest chosen for the $500 scholarship. Formerly from Malta, Judy is a mother of three.

Coffel’s book published


Johnson travels to D.C.

Eric Johnson, a junior journalism major from Missoula, was one of 25 students nationwide selected to attend a workshop on the news media and disability issues in November 1988 in Washington, D.C.

The President’s Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication sponsored the workshop. It was funded by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research.

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Broadcast students air award-winners

University of Montana broadcast journalism students have won awards two years in succession in the Montana Broadcasters Association state contest.

The first-place awards were won in 1987 and 1988 in the category "Best Broadcast From a Non-Commercial Station." The 1987 entry, "The Debate Over CI-27," was a documentary examining a ballot initiative in Montana that would have done away with all property taxes. In 1988 the student documentary class won for its production "Dollars Across the Border," a look at how Montana would be affected by the U.S.-Canadian free trade agreement.

Each award carried with it a $1,000 prize. The money was used for a radio-television scholarship and to help underwrite the costs of producing the subsequent documentaries.

Professor Bill Knowles teaches the documentary class, in which the programs are produced. The Montana Television Network has broadcast each of the documentaries statewide.

The broadcast journalism students also won seven awards in regional Mark of Excellence student competition in April 1988. It was the largest number of awards won by the students in the three years the broadcast journalism department has entered the competition. Students from Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana competed in the contest.

China crisis prevents Brokaw's Dean Stone visit

The unpredictability of the life of a journalist was brought home to J-School students in late May when NBC newsman Tom Brokaw, on his way to Missoula for the Dean Stone Night banquet, got as far as Minneapolis, only to have NBC order him back to New York to anchor the network's broadcast of student protests in China.

Brokaw was to speak at the 30th Dean Stone Night awards banquet May 19. He has promised to visit the Montana J-School on another occasion.

Dean Charlie Hood did some scrambling and replaced Brokaw with Ross Simpson, a Washington, D.C.-based Mutual Broadcasting System correspondent who happened to be in Montana on a news assignment. Simpson, who has won numerous national awards for investigative reporting, is the author of "Fires of '88," a book about the forest fires in Yellowstone National Park. Some 475 students, media professionals and townspeople heard his remarks.

Dean Stone speakers since the last Communique include Joseph Durso Sr., senior baseball writer for the New York Times (1987), and Dorothy Rochon Powers, retired associate editor of the Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle (1988).

Awards and scholarships totalling nearly $23,000 were presented to journalism and radio-television students at the 1989 banquet.

New scholarship honors Dorothy Rochon Powers

A new scholarship was established in 1988 to honor Dorothy Rochon Powers, a 1943 graduate of the School of Journalism. Cowles Publishing Co., owner of the Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle, established the scholarship with a $25,000 endowment to provide an outstanding UM junior, senior or graduate student in journalism with a $1,200 annual scholarship.

Powers retired in 1988 after 44 years of reporting, editing and writing columns for Spokane's newspapers.

The scholarship is awarded to the student who the journalism faculty believes shows the greatest promise as an editor, reporter or columnist. The recipient must reflect integrity, intelligence, enthusiasm, energy and enterprise as demonstrated by Powers. The student also must have financial need.

The 1989 recipient was Peter Barker, a junior from Launceston, Tasmania, Australia. The first recipient of the award was Marlene Mehlhaff, a junior from Billings.
Obituaries

Andrew C. Cogswell

Former journalism school professor and dean of students Andrew C. Cogswell '27 died of natural causes April 7, 1989, at a Missoula care center. He was 84.

Mr. Cogswell was born Dec. 10, 1904, and was reared in Wilsall. He graduated from UM and received a master's degree in journalism from the University of Minnesota. He worked for the Star Bulletin in Honolulu, then returned to Missoula in 1931, joining the UM staff. Professor Cogswell taught journalism for 15 years, headed the Public Service Division for 10 years and served as dean of students for 14 years before retiring in 1970.

He married Pauline Swartz Aug. 15, 1931.

He was a member of the Missoula Kiwanis Club for more than 50 years and was active on the Friends of the Mansfield Library board of directors and United Way.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline, Missoula; a son, William, Emporia, Kan.; a brother, Edward, Great Falls; a half-brother, John R. Barber '63, a Montana newspaperman for 20 years before joining the staff of U.S. Sen. John Melcher, died of heart failure Feb. 4, 1988, in Missoula. He was 47.

Mr. Barber worked in Colfax, Wash., after his graduation from the journalism school and then returned to Montana to work for the Chateau Acantha. He joined the Great Falls Tribune in 1966 and worked there until 1978, when he left to establish the Three Rivers News in West Yellowstone. In 1980 he began work for the Cut Bank Pioneer Press. He joined the staff in 1986 and was a field representative at the time of his death.

He had been scheduled for a heart transplant in Salt Lake City and was awaiting a donor when he died.

Mr. Barber was born Feb. 17, 1940, in Livingston, a son of Robert and Dorothy Barber. He married Janis Keith in Fairfield on April 7, 1973.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his parents and a sister, Grace Lacy, Great Falls.

Robert T. Holt

Robert T. Holt '42, for 34 years a reporter and columnist for the Ventura County, Calif., Star-Free Press, died Nov. 6, 1987, of pneumonia in Ventura. He was 69.

Mr. Holt, who retired in 1985, continued to write columns for the newspaper. His last column appeared on the day he died.

His obituary in the Star-Free Press described him as "one of the best-known journalists in county history — and certainly one of the most liked and respected. ... He became something of an institution."

Mr. Holt was known for his accuracy, his knowledge of county history, his abilities as a general-assignment reporter and for the help he provided to young reporters.

Colleagues said he contributed more than 4,000 columns to the paper.

Mr. Holt was born May 11, 1918, on a farm near Ekala. He is survived by his wife, Lois, and two daughters.

Betty Bloomsburg Butler McCleary

Betty Bloomsburg Butler McCleary '42 was killed May 3, 1987, when she was struck by a car while crossing the road in front of her Westport, Wash., home to get the Sunday Aberdeen Daily World, which contained her latest review.

Mrs. McCleary, 65, was semi-retired but still contributed reviews and features to the Daily World, where she had served since 1965 as entertainment editor and general reporter. She also was a correspondent for the Portland Oregonian.

She had worked for the Hamilton Ravalli Republican (now the Republic), the Great Falls Tribune and the Spokane Spokesman-Review.

At Aberdeen, a Daily World staff member said she was regarded as "the den mother of the newsroom."

She is survived by her husband, George.

Jack Zygmond


From 1966 to 1969, Mr. Zygmond was the correspondent, in charge of the AP bureau in Santa Fe, N.M.

In Helena, he served as news editor and later as day editor.

He was a native of Havre.

Dr. Emerson Stone

Dr. Emerson Stone '19, an osteopath in Missoula from 1928 through 1985 and son of Dean Arthur L. Stone, died at home May 27, 1987. He was 94.

At age 3 he moved with his family to Missoula, where his father became editor of the Missoulian and founded the UM School of Journalism in 1914.

In 1921 Emerson Stone enrolled at the American School of Osteopathy in Kirksville, Mo., earning his doctor of osteopathy degree in 1926. He practiced in Butte for two years.

In Missoula, Dr. Stone had an office in the Higgins Block from 1928 to 1981, then practiced out of his home until he retired in 1985.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Neesham, a daughter and a son.

Michael Moon

Michael Moon '74, author of the novels John Medicinewolf and The Salmon Run and many magazine articles, died of cancer Feb. 9, 1987, at his home in Bonner. He was 39.

Mr. Moon had been employed by Champion Timberlands, the Montana Department of Natural Resources and as a woodworker.

He grew up in Missoula, graduating from Paxson Grade School and Sentinel High School.

An avid outdoorsman, he spent a year exploring and writing in the Yukon Territory, accompanied by his wife, Tonda Nelson. His articles appeared in several magazines, including the Reader's Digest and Ford Times.

Survivors include his wife, three sons, two daughters and his parents.

Diana Hinze Bubnash

Diana Hinze Bubnash '78, a former administrative assistant for Emergency Medical Services of Montana, died June 20, 1987, in Great Falls after a long illness. She was 34.

While she attended UM, Mrs. Bubnash worked summers as a reporter for the Great Falls Tribune.

She was born Sept. 28, 1952, in Kansas City, Mo., and graduated from Great Falls High School in 1970.

Mrs. Bubnash is survived by her husband, Andy, her parents, a brother and two sisters.
W. Peyton Moncure

W. Peyton Moncure '62, a retired photographer for the U.S. Forest Service, died Oct. 11, 1987, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula. He was 71.

Mr. Moncure also worked as a free-lance writer and photographer.

The son of a trader, Mr. Moncure grew up among the Cheyenne and Crow Indians and spent much time with the Flathead, Pend d'Oreille, Blackfeet, Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribes. The Cheyenne named him "Ex-sar-sivia" (sharp-nose white man).

Survivors include his wife, June, and four daughters.

Lester A. Colby

Lester A. Colby '40 of Missoula, died of natural causes Oct. 11, 1988, at Community Medical Center in Missoula. He was 86.

Mr. Colby was a reporter for the Missoulian, a licensed real estate broker, a public relations director, and sporting goods manager at the Missoula Mercantile for 18 years. He also worked for a time in Chicago for Spaulding, a sporting goods manufacturer.

He was active in many government and civic organizations, including the Columbia River Basin Compact, the Bonneville Power Commission, the Western Montana Fish and Game Association, the Pacific Northwest Trade Association and the Izaak Walton League. He was also a consultant to the Army Corps of Engineers and participated in the parliamentary process that founded the National Wildlife Federation.

Mr. Colby was born Aug. 14, 1902, in Mondovi, Wis. He and his wife, Elizabeth, had lived in Missoula since 1937.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Krueger, and his parents.

Kenneth E. Likes

Kenneth E. Likes, a journalism major from 1941 to 1943 when he entered the Navy during World War II, died April 23, 1987, in New York City. He was 64.

After the war, he completed his studies at Stanford University, earning a degree in journalism.

Mr. Likes worked for the AP for 40 years, serving in the 1950s as an editor in the New York City office. In 1977 he won an AP broadcasting award for his scripts dealing with the Bicentennial and other historical topics.

He is survived by his mother, Marjorie Likes, Paradise, and two sisters.

Terry Robinson

Terry Robinson, a Montana Band member who worked for KUHM Radio during the late 1960s, died July 4, 1987, in a plane crash at Lakeside on Flathead Lake. He was 40.

The crash killed nine other persons, including every member of the band. Mr. Robinson was one of the original members of the Mission Mountain Wood Band, which was formed in 1971. Mission Mountain changed most of its musicians and was later known as Montana before taking the name The Montana Band.

In 1967 the journalism school gave Mr. Robinson the Don Durgin Memorial Award for excellence in broadcasting. Mr. Robinson, who grew up in Kalispell, attended UM from 1964 to spring quarter 1970, majoring in political science.

He is survived by his mother, Karen Krueger, and his parents.

Robert Alkire

Former Associated Press newsmen Robert F. Alkire '53 died Dec. 25, 1988, in Salt Lake City, of an apparent heart attack. He was 59.

Mr. Alkire helped The Salt Lake Tribune earn a Pulitzer Prize for its coverage of an airline collision over the Grand Canyon in 1956. The Pulitzer committee hailed the Tribune's outstanding team effort in reporting a story from an inaccessible place. The collision between Trans World and United Airlines passenger planes killed 128.

Mr. Alkire was born April 2, 1929, in Missoula to Janet and Floyd Alkire. He worked for the Missoulian while he earned his journalism degree from UM. He joined the Salt Lake Tribune in 1955 and later worked for the Associated Press in Salt Lake City and Boston.

He was executive vice president of a Salt Lake City public relations and advertising firm at the time of his death.

Survivors include two sons, who live in Salt Lake City, and a sister, Janice Gilder, Butte.

Marjorie Elizabeth Cole

Marjorie Elizabeth Cole '46, longtime editor of the Great Falls Tribune's "Montana Parade," died Jan. 1, 1989, in a Billings nursing home after a long illness. She was 65.

She had been with the Tribune for nearly 40 years while she retired because of ill health in 1985, having joined the staff shortly after earning her journalism degree at UM.

Miss Cole was born July 13, 1923, in Great Falls, where she grew up and graduated from high school in 1941. After attending UM, she followed her father, Lester Cole, into the newspaper business. He had been with the Montana Farmer-Stockman for 45 years.

At the Tribune, Miss Cole worked as librarian and general-assignment reporter before becoming editor of the "Montana Parade."

Survivors include her mother, Elizabeth Cole, and a brother, Ralph, both of Billings.

Floyd G. Booth

Floyd G. Booth, 60, assistant director of UM Printing Services, died Jan. 4, 1988, of cancer.

Mr. Booth had been a partner in the weekly Missoula County Times and later owned the Inspot commercial print shop in Missoula. He had worked at the UM print shop since 1973.

He is survived by his wife, Donna, five sons and a daughter.

Tim Skelton

Tim Skelton, a UM journalism senior from Turah, died Feb. 1 of injuries sustained when the pickup he was driving collided with a snowplow near the Bonner Interchange on Interstate 90 east of Missoula.

Mr. Skelton, 40, was born in California, but attended grade school and high school in Missoula. He served with the Army in Vietnam from May 1966 until December 1970, then worked as a court reporter in Anaconda before a service-related injury caused his retirement. He then enrolled as a journalism student at UM, and was expecting to finish his degree in June.

Survivors include his parents, Missoula, a son in Longview, Wash., and a brother and two sisters in the Missoula area.

Mark Grove

Mark Grove '84, who had returned to the UM School of Journalism to do post-graduate work, died in Missoula May 30 of cardiac arrest from complications related to diabetes.

Mr. Grove, 28, lived in Arlee. In addition to taking advanced journalism classes, he worked at the Missoulian as a part-time sports writer and wrote occasional columns for the Montana Kaimin.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in journalism in 1984, he worked as a reporter for the Kentucky Post in Covington, Ky. As a UM undergraduate student, he served as managing editor of the Montana Kaimin and as an editor of Western Wildlands, a forestry magazine. His Kaimin reporting won an eighth place award in the national William Randolph Hearst journalism competition.

He was born June 30, 1960, in Kentucky, and grew up in that state. His reporting for his high school paper won two awards from the Louisville Courier-Journal and Times.

Survivors include his father, Gerald Grove, of Cincinnati.
Experience doesn't spare Fulbright Scholar Sharon Barrett surprises in Lima

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By Sharon Barrett

Journalism professor Sharon Barrett could be describing how tardy it's acceptable practice in many Latin American countries to call for punctuality by labeling the hour of an appointment or a meeting "hora americana." The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m., American time. That means the meeting probably will begin around 7:45, possibly as late as 8.

Without that label, a meeting set for 7:30 might bring out a few folks as early as 8:15, a few more by 8:30, and by 9 o'clock there might be a quorum. That sort of time is known generically in Latin America as "hora latine" — more eponymously in Peru as "hora peruana."

Having lived in Mexico for three years and having traveled a fair amount in airplanes, I figured when I arrived in Lima that I was ready for "hora peruana." I wasn't surprised, for example, when Prof. R., who was to team teach a course in reporting with me at the University of Lima, informed me that that class, scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 6 p.m., "never starts on time."

But I'm a gringa, brought up by an impatient mother who always countered my hurried, "I'm coming," with a foot-tapping, "So's Christmas." When Tuesday of the first week of classes arrived, I forgot my Latin experience, remembered my mother and showed up at the classroom a little before 2 p.m. No one was there. Of course. At 2:30 Prof. R. arrived. "Had lunch yet?" I shook my head. "Come on," he said. "Let's eat." I looked at my watch. "Don't worry," he said. "Let's eat."
most Peruvian events are, but actually she’s modeling a wool sweater she purchased during her quarter as a Fulbright scholar in Peru.

At 3:30 we were sitting in the university cafeteria finishing lunch, which in quantitative terms had been more like dinner. “How about coffee?” Prof. R. asked. I looked at my watch. “No thanks,” I answered, even though every nerve in my body was on red alert for a shot of caffeine. Either that or a nap. “Are you sure?” he asked. He’s just being polite, I thought. Another one of those wonderful Latin my-house-is-your-house kind of hosts. “Yes,” I answered. “I’m sure.” “Okay,” he said, standing up — to leave, I thought, then quickly saw my error. He was not returning to the classroom. He was returning to the cafeteria line for a cup of coffee, which he brought back to the table and sipped — accompanied by three cigarettes and a discussion of the origin of the word “tabloid.”

At 4 p.m. we returned to the classroom. Two students were waiting outside the door. By 4:30 two others had arrived. According to our class rolls there were to be at least 15. “Where are the rest?” I asked, certain they had arrived at 3:30 or 3, or 3:30 and, tired of waiting, had left.

“Oh,” said Prof. R., taking it all quite calmly, “a lot of them don’t show up until the second week of classes. Sometimes as late as the third week.” “Three weeks late?” “Así es.” In other words, that’s how it is. I never did adjust very well to “how it is.”

Social invitations, for example, gave me the whimwhams. Dinner at 8. What did that mean? 9:30? I tried that once. I could hear through the door the shock to the household produced by my ringing the doorbell while the hostess was still at the hairdresser’s.

And then there’s the one about the gringo invited to a baptismal celebration at 2 p.m. He arrived at 4. No one was home. He decided to wait. The family showed up at 6. The party began at 9.

A few things in Peru do run approximately on time. When the TV schedule in the newspaper says “The A Team” (known there as “Los Magnificos”) will begin at 8, it might. The 10 o’clock news sometimes starts at 10:04.

And Peruvian airlines have been known to carry punctuality to extremes. Sometimes — even the guidebooks will tell you — the planes leave early.

None of this “hora peruana” can match, however, the tardiness of the seasons there. When I set foot in Lima in early August, winter was in full force. Spring didn’t show up until late September and by November people were telling me summer “is coming.”

“Sure,” I would answer, with the skepticism learned from my mother, “and so is Christmas.”

Sharon Barrett spent August to December 1987 as a Fulbright Scholar in Lima, Peru.
Nick Ehli '89 is a reporter for the Billings Gazette.

Stephanie Kind Brown '88 has joined the Anchorage Daily News as an editor in charge of a new section called "Monday Briefing." She's also writing articles for Air Alaska magazine. Of "Monday Briefing," she writes: "In a way, it's a bunch of lists, including police calls, births, marriages, area council news, court rulings, etc. The challenge is in starting the project from scratch, collecting the information and laying out the pages myself."

Todd Goodrich '88 is a photographer for the Havre Daily News.

Gordon Gregory M.A. '88 is a correspondent for the Great Falls Tribune, based in Havre. He was honored by the Tribune as its 1987 news correspondent of the year.

Tammy Mohawk '88 is a reporter for the Little Rock Arkansas Gazette, a 200,000-circulation daily.

Grant Sasek '88 left the Hungry Horse News to take a job reporting for the Helena Independent Record.

Lance Grider '87 is a general assignment and business reporter for the Havre Daily News.

Brian Justice ex-'87 left the Odessa (Texas) American and works for the Brazos Port Facts, a daily in Clute, Texas, on the Texas gulf coast.

Robert Marshall R-TV '87 is advertising coordinator for Sierra Designs, a manufacturer of tents, sleeping bags and outdoor clothing in Berkeley, Calif. He visited the journalism school in April.

Natalie Munden '87 is an assistant producer for Baker-Jennings Films in Anchorage, Alaska.

Janie Sullivan '87 works for Scowden Publishing Co. in Tempe, Ariz. She reports that her first assignment was to produce 36 pages of copy for a travel magazine for military families who are new to Arizona.

Kevin Twidwell '87 left the Great Falls Tribune to join the news staff of the Odessa (Texas) American, then became a reporter for the Brazos Port Facts, a daily on the Texas gulf coast. He and Jennifer Carla Cashell were married Nov. 28, 1987, in Butte. They live in Freeport, but hope to return to the Northwest soon. She works as a CPA.

Cindy Astle R-TV '86 moved from reporter/producer-anchor at KECI-TV, Missoula, to anchor/reporter at KTVQ-TV, Billings, in February.

Shane Bishop Erika Colness live in the Philadelphia area, where Shane R-TV '86 is a news writer for WCAU-TV. Erika R-TV ex-'87 is general manager of a cable television system in Harrisburg, Pa. They were married Sept. 6, 1987, in Missoula.

Karen Lindh Buchanan '86 is a marketing director for Doctors Inc. in Seattle. She was formerly an assistant director of marketing/public relations at Lakewood Hospital in Tacoma.

Mike Dawson ex-'86 is a reporter for the Standard-Times of North Kingstown, R.I. Mike won praise for his news judgment in regard to his handling of a story that was carried nationwide by the Associated Press about a schoolgirl suspended from school for humming while the national anthem played on the school public address system. Mike looked beyond what appeared to be a case of bureaucratic bullying and found it was the student who was guilty of harassment.

Len Johnson '86 left the editorship of the Prescott (Ariz.) Sun to become a reporter for a television station in Yuma.

Michael Kustudia '86 hopes to enter the Peace Corps. After graduation, he worked as the county reporter for the Whitefish Pilot.

Tom Mendyke '86, an Army second lieutenant, flies an AH-64 Apache attack helicopter. He is assigned to the 6th Cavalry Brigade at Fort Hood, Texas.

Ginny Merriam '86 works part time as a feature writer and reviewer at the Missoulian, does free-lance writing and writes book reviews for the Chicago Tribune.
FAITH CONROY ‘ex-87 insists it was the heat that made her faint, not the excitement of covering then-vice presidential candidate Dan Quayle’s visit to Great Falls. Faith, who was covering the visit for the Associated Press, recovered in time to get the story. She is now a reporter for the Great Falls Tribune, after stints with the AP in Seattle, Spokane and Helena.

Vicki Minnick
‘86 is a copywriter for KOFI Radio in Kalispell. She also helps with news and production.

Patti Nelson
‘86 worked as an intern for the Foote, Cone & Belding advertising agency in London, England, under a program sponsored by Boston University.

Verina Palmer
ex-’86 left her job as a reporter for the Prescott (Ariz.) Courier. She is looking for work in Phoenix. Before her stint in Prescott, she won two awards as a reporter for the White Mountain Independent in Show-Low, Ariz.

Janelle Patterson
‘86 and her husband, Tim Hanson, live in Durango, Colo.

Bill Phippen
M.A. ‘86 profiled the winner of the 1988 Montana waterfowl stamp competition in the March-April 1988 Montana Outdoors magazine. He’s an editor for the Montana Department of Natural Resources.

Michelle Ravnikar
M.A. ‘86 has joined the public affairs office of the Bureau of Land Management in Washington, D.C.

Ford Stuart
‘86 is director of communications for Unlimited Racing Commission in Seattle, an organization that coordinates and officiates a series of hydroplane races throughout the United States. A national award-winning public relations specialist, Ford previously was a leadership consultant with the Alpha Tau Omega national fraternity with headquarters in Champaign, Ill.

Janice Zabel
ex-’86 left her job at Exclamation Point Advertising in Billings to tour Europe, then became a reporter for Siskiyou Daily News in Yreka, Calif.

Susan Forman Blakely
‘85 joined Hawkins, Vander Houwen Inc., a Seattle marketing and management communications agency. She left a public relations job with St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula in March 1987 to move to Seattle, where...
MELODY PERKINS '87, left, a Great Falls Tribune reporter, was embroiled in a contempt of court case in April in which Judge John McCarvel held her in contempt for protesting a closed court hearing. McCarvel found her in contempt and fined her $300. The Tribune fully supported her in the case. Melody has worked as a reporter and copy editor at the Tribune since June 1987. In April 1988, the paper named her "Rookie of the Year."

Great Falls Tribune photo by Wayne Arnst

Kyle H. Albert
M.A. '84 continues to work for Shepard's/McGraw-Hill in Colorado Springs, Colo. He writes that his department won six local Addy Awards last year, including four of his pieces. "I love my job. Sometimes," Kyle writes.

Bill Miller
'84 is city editor of the Alamogordo (N.M.) Daily News. His paper won first place for general excellence in the 1988 New Mexico Press Association competition. Bill won first place for editorial writing, second place for feature writing and was part of an investigative project that won first place in investigative reporting.

Brian Rygg
ex-'84 is a copy editor at the Great Falls Tribune. He had been a reporter for the Western News in Libby.

Richard Venola
'84 is a first lieutenant in the Marine Corps. He and Sheryl Lynn Kalman were married March 8, 1987, and live in Hubert, N.C.

Jan Brenny
ex-'83 is staff editor and columnist for Garden Supply Retailer magazine in Minneapolis.

Carlos Pedraza
ex-'85 left the AP Seattle bureau to become programs coordinator and faculty member of the Washington Governors' School for Citizen Leadership, based at Seattle University. The school offers an annual month-long workshop for Washington high school students in leadership, education and community service. Carlos also was promoted to associate director for the Washington Leadership Institute, the parent organization of the Governors' School.
Theresa Walla
ex-’84 left the Ft. Lauderdale Sun Sentinel in 1988 to take a copy editing job at the Philadelphia Inquirer. “It was incredibly hard to get here,” she writes. “Only one in 10 passes the editing test, and then half of those fail the week-long tryout.” The challenge is immense, she says, but the reward is great: “I get to edit the stories of Pulitzer Prize winners.” The Inquirer won two more Pulitzers in 1989. Theresa visited several classes at the J-School in October 1988.

Karen Schiweck Atkison
#83 is associate editor of Golden State: The Magazine of California. Based in San Francisco, Karen also serves as associate editor of Research and Institutional Research magazines. She was married in Missoula in 1988.

Gary L. Green
‘83 is an attorney in Great Falls with Marra, Wenz, Johnson & Hopkins. He was graduated cum laude from the Gonzaga University law school.

Maureen Lennon
R-TV ’83 is a University of Montana law student. She is a member of the law school’s trial team that won national recognition in moot court competition. Maureen is a former news reporter for KRTV in Great Falls.

Kjetil Rod
R-TV ’83, M.A. ’88 returned to Norway in December to take a position as a reporter for Akershus Arbeiderblad, an afternoon daily newspaper at Lillestrom, a suburb of Oslo. The newspaper, which is the eighth largest of 58 daily newspapers in Norway, also owns a television station, for which Kjetil eventually would like to work.

Laurie Williams
‘83 is president of the William O. Douglas SDX-SPJ Chapter of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick, Wash. She put together a conference in the Tri-Cities that looked at the future of the Hanford nuclear reservation and critiqued media coverage of the facility. Laurie is a reporter for the Tri-City Herald.

Peggy Worden
R-TV ’83 left her position as promotion manager of KCPM radio in Chico, Calif., to return to Missoula to be near her family. Before joining KCPM, she was national sales manager for a television station in Eureka, Calif.

Ed Bender
‘82 is a copy editor at the Tacoma (Wash.) News-Tribune.

Denise Dowling
R-TV ’82 was promoted to executive producer of Q-6 Television News in Spokane.

Ronald S. Peterson
R-TV ’82 is senior director of KOAP-TV, the Oregon Public Broadcasting station. He and his wife, Michelle Sayler, UM School of Business ’81, are the parents of Kelsey Sayler Peterson. Michelle is a financial analyst at Pacific Power and Light in Portland, where the Petersons live.

Tim Rogers
’82 continues as an account executive at KXTC Radio (formerly KCEZ) in Butte. KXTC is a member of the Grizzly Football Network.

Michael Spradlin-Crater
’82 is an editor and columnist for the Lewiston (Idaho) Morning Tribune.

Karen McGrath Sullivan
’82 left the Boston Associated Press bureau to marry John Sullivan in Butte. She’s now a reporter for the Montana Standard. She met John, a Butte letter carrier, on St. Patrick’s Day in Butte in 1985.

Jim Bruggers
‘81 completed work on his M.A. in environmental studies at UM and accepted a temporary news assignment with the Vancouver (Wash.) Columbian. He is now a reporter for the Contra Costa Times, Walnut Creek, Calif.

Bill McKeeown ’83, metro copy desk chief, left, and Barry Norren, an environmental reporter who was a UM journalism student in the 1980s, make up two-thirds of the UM J-School contingent at the Colorado Springs Gazette-Telegraph. The third UM J-grad, reporter Natalie Phillips ’82 was principal author of a five-part investigative series that examined the United States Olympic Committee. Bill was copy editor for the series, which took four months to prepare.

Peggy Worden

Maureen Lennon

Karen McGrath Sullivan

Ed Bender

Laurie Williams

Denise Dowling

Bill McKeeown
Mike Dennison
Sue O'Connell

'81 are parents of a son, Tyler Hayes, born Oct. 31, 1986. Mike is an AP newsman in Helena. Sue left her job as a reporter with the Great Falls Tribune capital bureau in January 1988 to accept a part-time job with the Helena AP. Mike writes: “Meeting deadlines was never as hard as this parent stuff.”

Tom Dwyer

R-TV '81 is manager of KERR-AM in Poison and KQKR-FM in Kalispell and Ronan. Tom, his wife, Charlene, and their daughter live in Poison.

Jill Eichhorn

'81 finished an M.A. in interdisciplinary studies at UM, married and moved to Qingdao, China, where she taught English. In July 1987 she moved to Taiwan.

Kimberly Gordon

R-TV '81 was transferred by United Press International from Billings to Denver where she was promoted to senior editor of the wire service's Teletext news station.

Penny Havlovick

R-TV '81 is a reporter for KTVL News in Medford, Ore.

Terry Messman

ex '81 of San Francisco, is spokesman for the National Board of the Homeless. Interviewed by Jane Pauley Aug. 4, 1988, on NBC's “Today Show,” Terry criticized hiring of the homeless to work on contracting work where they would be put at risk because of danger from asbestos.

Brad Newman

'81 is a deputy county attorney with Butte-Silver Bow County. Brad, who earned a UM law degree in 1984, had served from September 1984 to August 1987 as a law clerk for the U.S. District Court in Butte.

Bob Phillips

'81 joined the publications staff of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation at its new headquarters in Missoula. He works on the foundation's magazine, the Bugle, and on a quarterly newsletter. Bob previously had been editor of the Ronan Pioneer.

Daniel 'Boomer' Slothower

'R-TV '81 left as managing editor of Commercial West magazine to become communications editor in Minneapolis of IDS Financial Services, owned by American Express.

Patrick J. Sullivan

'81 has returned to Ritzville, Wash., to do freelance and consulting work. He had been news editor of the Eden Prairie Sailor, a suburban weekly in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Before taking the Minnesota position, he was news editor of the Ritzville Adams County Journal.

James O'Day

'80 was named editor and advertising manager of the Cut Bank Western Breeze. James and his wife, Kathy, have two children, Kevin and Christopher. He is a member of the UM Foundation Board of Delegates.
Jeanette Hortick Rodgers

'80 is author of the book The Only Good Bear Is a Dead Bear, which she says represents the early-day attitude toward bears, not hers. The book, published privately by the Falcon Press, is described as “a collection of the West's best bear stories from the 1800s through the 1940s.” Jeanette and her husband, Richard, live in Butte.

Patrick Sheehy

'80 is the assistant director of development in the public affairs office of the Menninger Foundation, Topeka, Kan. He had been director of community relations at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Lewiston, Idaho, where he completed a $700,000 capital campaign for a new radiation therapy center. Pat and his wife, Wendy, have two children, Mariah and Dylan.

Linda Caricaburu Talcott

Ex-'80 was named president-elect of the Great Falls chapter of Women in Communications Inc. at its April meeting. Linda, the regional editor of the Great Falls Tribune, married Brad Talcott, president of Talcott Construction, earlier this year. The couple honeymooned in France.

Christopher Volk

'80 is marketing and circulation director of Oh! Idaho and The Valley Magazine, both based in Hailey, Idaho, in the Sun Valley area.

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Frank Boyett

Ex-'79 continues as chief reporter for the Henderson, Ky., Gleaner.

Robin Bulman

'79 received the first fellowship offered by the Mansfield Center for Pacific Affairs. She worked for a year in Seoul, South Korea, for Korea Business World, a monthly journal.

Vernyce Dannells

R-TV '79 is public relations director of the Pacific Whale Foundation in Hawaii. Vernyce and her husband, Kip Krieger, a jewelry designer, live in Kihei, Maui.

Ian Marquand

R-TV '79 is president of the Montana chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. Ian is news director of KTVH-TV in Helena.

William T. Murphy

Rebecca Wassel

'79 moved from Maine to New Mexico. They live in Red River, where Bill is executive director of the Red River Chamber of Commerce. They also own Sandia Publishing Co., which prepares and publishes newsletters. Bill left his job as public information officer for the Albuquerque Public Schools to found the Sandia firm. In Maine, Bill was a reporter for the Bangor Daily News and Rebecca was editor of the weekly Camden Herald. They have two children, Kate and Jim.

Bill Cook

'78 is a trial attorney in Portland, Ore. Bill and his wife, Marty, have two children, William Roderick and Laura.

Larry Elkin

'78 earned an M.B.A. in accounting in June 1986, just weeks before he and his wife, Linda, became parents to Jessica Diane, born on June 26. Larry left the Associated Press in September 1986 to become a tax accountant with Arthur Andersen & Co. in New York City.

Craig Reese

'78, who was news editor at the Livingston Enterprise, is a copy editor at the Yakima (Wash.) Herald-Republic.

Kelly Roberts

'78 and Patrick Weibel were wed June 27, 1987, two weeks after Kelly received an M.A. in teaching English as a second language from the University of Washington. Pat, a microcircuits assembler, works for Paine Instruments. Kelly teaches at the University of Washington.

Gayle Corbett Shirley

'78 and her husband, Steve Shirley '75 live in Helena. Gayle is author of a children's book, M is for Montana. Steve resigned as bureau chief of the Montana Lee Newspapers State Bureau to join the Great Falls Tribune capital bureau. Steve works with Charles S. Johnson '70, chief of the Tribune capital bureau in Helena.

Daniel Struckman

'78, Pharmacy '82 is a pharmacist in Billings.

Joyce James Christie

'77 is business editor of the Yuma (Ariz.) Daily Sun. In 1986 she was named the top print agriculture reporter in Arizona by the Arizona Farm Bureau.

Rob Dean

'77 resigned as editor of the Bozeman Daily Chronicle to become assistant news editor of the Tacoma (Wash.) News Tribune. Rob joined the Chronicle in 1981 as city editor.

Gordon Dillow


Eileen Gallagher

'77 left the Hungry Horse News, where she was a reporter and photographer, to freelance write. She previously reported for the Enumclaw (Wash.) Courier-Herald. Eileen lives in Glacier National Park with her husband, Roger Semler, a park ranger at Polebridge.

Jamie Phair Hurly

'77 is managing editor of the Daily Independent in Richcrest, Calif. Her husband, Tom, sells ads for the same paper. The paper won...
two California Press Association awards for newspapers with circulation fewer than 10,000.

**Jonathan Krim**
'77 was promoted from a.m. city editor to a.m. metro editor at the *San Jose Mercury News*.

**Karl Nagel**
'77, J.D. '81 is an attorney with the Department of Institutions in Helena. He and his wife, Mary Keith, UM '80, have two children.

**Cyndi K. Rilea**
'77 is co-owner and marketing director of Webster World Press in Orlando, Fla. She had been a life insurance agent in Philadelphia and was also engaged in free-lance photography.

**Robyn Schanzenbach**
'77 is an attorney in San Francisco.

**Steve Helmbrecht**
'75 and **Jim Gransbery**, a journalism graduate student in 1975-76, took part in the Montana/U.S.-Kyushu Young Leaders Conference in Whitefish in August 1988, co-sponsored by the Mansfield Center for Pacific Affairs. Steve owns Helmbrecht Photography in Havre. Jim is a reporter for the *Billings Gazette*.

**Stuart Johnston**
'75 is Northwest bureau chief in Bellevue, Wash., for *InfoWorld*, the nation's largest microcomputer industry news weekly. He has worked for Weyerhauser and Boeing in their computer divisions, and has performed as a singer under the billing "Stewball."

**Rich Landers**
'75 is Far West regional editor for *Field & Stream* magazine. He continues as outdoor editor for the Spokane *Spokesman-Review*.

**Carey E. Matovich**
'75, a lawyer in Billings, is chairman of the Solo Practitioners and Small Firms Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Economics of Law Practice. Carey was *Kaimin* editor in 1974-75.

**Clarence McConnell**
'75 left as managing editor of the *Chippewa Falls (Wis.) Herald-Telegram* to become director of publications for the Montana Associated Utilities, which represents 40 consumer-owned electric and telephone cooperatives. His office is in Great Falls.

**Patty Murdo**
'75 edits reports for the Japan Economic Institute, a Japanese government agency in Washington, D.C.

**Kay Black**
'74 became city editor of the *Eugene (Ore.) Register-Guard* in July 1988. Previously, Kay worked 18 months as assistant bureau chief of the North County Bureau of the *San Jose Mercury News*. Oregon isn't new to Kay. She was also city editor of the *Corvallis Gazette-Times* for six years before moving to California.

**Mary Kathryn Froehlich Bradley**
'74 and her husband, Bruce, live on a farm 20 miles north of Cut Bank. She resigned as wire editor of the *Bozeman Chronicle* in 1983 to get married. She writes, "Now I'm a homemaker, and I do some free-lance photography."

**Sarah Emerson Crowley**
'74 is a publicist for Bridges Auditorium in Claremont, Calif. She earned a master's degree in professional writing from USC.

**Eloise LaCroix**
'74 and her husband, Dan Marx, live in Lake Oswego, Ore., where she is an advertising writer for the Norm Thompson mail-order firm. A colleague is Diane LeFrancois '74 who lives with her husband, Wayne Horner, and son Brett in Tigard, Ore.

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**Contra Costa connection**
Five UM alums — four of them journalism grads — wound up at the *Contra Costa Times*, a 100,000-circulation daily serving a growing suburban population in the East Bay area outside San Francisco. From left are copy editor MIKE BABCOCK, English '84, reporter JIM BRUGGERS '81, copy editor LARRY WINSLOW '76, news editor BILL WALTER '65 and associate sports editor DON ZUPAN '52.
Richard Laws
'74 is a photographer and the lab manager at Brock Studio and Photo Lab in Missoula.

David Stenerson
'74 is a student at the University of Montana School of Law. He is a former editor of the Sidney Herald.

Ronnene Anderson
'73 is founder and editor of PIN magazine, issued in Edmonton by the Parent Information Network of Alberta.

Marjorie Bennettts
'73 works in public relations for Sheraton Hotels in Santa Monica. She was previously assistant manager of the Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles.

Woodeene Koenig-Bricker
'73 is a freelance writer in Eugene, Ore. Her articles have appeared in numerous religious publications, as well as in McCall's and Family Circle. In her spare time she teaches non-fiction for Writer's Digest. She is married and has a son.

Noel Larrivee
'73, a Missoula attorney, was one of the defense attorneys in the controversal trial of Jeanne Roush, national director of People for Ethical Treatment of Animals, who was charged with stealing 200 starving beavers from a chronically underfunded fur farm in Stevensville last summer. She was acquitted.

Deirdre McNamer

Wayne Montgomery
'73 lives in Lima and says he is still writing poetry.

Jack Cloherty
'72 won the Washington Monthly Journalism Award for October 1988, presented each month to "the best newspaper, magazine, television or radio stories on our political system." The magazine's citation is as follows: "Rats. Urine-soaked mattresses. Lice and scabies. Stopped-up toilets. That's what $1.2 million a year buys in two of the district's city-run shelters for the homeless. Cloherty's three-part series shows that private missions provide clean sheets, towels and other sanitary facilities at about half the cost per person." Jack is an investigative reporter for WRC-TV in Washington, D.C.

Judy Scott Hensel
'72, M.A., '82, information officer for Missoula School District 1, received a Missoula PTA Council award for improving the quality of education in the city's school districts.

Joe Frank Purcell
'72 continues to work in the advertising and design industry in New York City. He lives in Oceanside, N.Y., with his wife, Fran, and his sons, Jason, 9, and Matt, 5.

Jack Tanner
'72 left the White Mountain Publishing Co. in Show Low, Ariz., in 1987 after two years as managing editor of its group of weeklies. He is features editor of the Champaign News-Gazette, a 60,000 circulation daily in Champaign, Ill.

Christine Torgrimson
'72 is a communications consultant in Helena. One of her clients is Flathead Pipe Foundation, for which she edits a regional publication, does graphic design and writing, conducts workshops and does development and leadership work.

Khelly Susan Webb
'72 is director and head physician of the Webb Chiropractic Clinic in Los Alamitos, Calif. She was named Business Associate of the Year by the local chapter of the American Businesswomen's Association.
Connie C. Revell
'71 is vice president of the Federation of Independent Illinois Colleges and Universities. Her husband, F.F. Irani, is a sales engineer for Hewlett-Packard. They live in Springfield with their two sons.

Lorraine P. Edmo
'70 is executive director of American Indian Scholarships Inc., with offices in Albuquerque. The firm serves American Indian graduate students throughout the nation.

Ed Matter
R-TV '70 and his wife, Judy, live in Havre, where he is general manager of KXEI-FM, a Christian radio station.

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Gary Langley
'69, executive director of the Montana Mining Association, duked it out with George Ochenski, a lobbyist for the Montana Environmental Information Center, in a charity boxing match to raise money for the ghost town of Garnet. The referee was Rep. Pat Williams. A story about the fight appeared in the January-February 1988 issue of American Forests.

Roy E. Nollkamper
R-TV '69 is director of member services and communications at Glacier Electric Cooperative Inc. He and his wife, Eloise, live in Cut Bank.

Doug Moher
'68 is a vice president with Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. in Toronto, where he is in charge of the company's United States operations. He visited the J-School in 1988.

Theresa MacMillan Murphy
'68 is the public information officer for the Seattle Housing Authority.

Lynn Stetler Schwanke
'68 is president of the University of Montana.

Friends of the Library. Lynn continues to compile "Bulletin Board," a Sunday Missoulian column featuring the work of Western Montana school children, and to run the newspaper's education program for children and its state spelling bee.

Loretta Lynde Breslin
'67 was named general manager of the Racine, Wis., Journal Times. She had been human resources director at the Billings Gazette. Loretta worked at the Missoulian Times, Sage Advertising, the Missoulian and The Neighbors shopper in Billings before joining the Gazette in 1983.

Kay Ellerhoff
'67 moderated a roundtable at the Association of Conservation Information conference in Steamboat Springs, Colo. She continues to be associate editor of Montana Outdoors magazine and lives in Helena.

Carl Gidlund
M.A. '67, after a five-month Air Force assignment in Honduras, returned to Anchorage, where he accepted a temporary job as public affairs chief for the Alaska Army and Air Guard. He works for a commercial public relations firm in Anchorage.

Jane Stahl MacCarter
'67 is copy director at Impressions Advertising Inc. in Santa Fe, N.M., where she has lived since 1983 with her husband, Don, and their two children. Jane's largest project is the 1988 "Visitors Guide to Santa Fe."

Nils Rosdahl
'67, who had filed a grievance against North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene when he was not rehired in a student newspaper censorship dispute, was reinstated as a full-time journalism instructor at the college. Nils is president of the Pacific Northwest Association of Journalism Educators, which had endorsed his grievance.

Jo Ann Hacker Speelman
'67 is executive director of the Flathead Land Trust. She has worked for the Associated Press, the Missoulian and the Kalispell News.

Gary Svee
'67, opinion page editor of the Billings Gazette, wrote the novel Spirit Wolf, published by Walker and Co. in New York City.

Paula Wilmot
'67 received a certificate of merit from the Great Falls Tribune in April 1987 for the best feature story published in the Tribune in 1987.

Patricia Moran Kennedy
'66, communications director for the Olympia School District in Olympia, Wash., was one of 14 school public relations directors to receive the National School Public Relations Association's highest award for graphic identity. Her husband, Robert MacLeod, is news director of KGY Radio in Olympia.

Alice Fussel Lium
'66 is a free-lance writer in Baltimore. Her article "The War on Cancer" appeared in the April and June 1987 issues of Johns Hopkins Magazine.

David Rorvik
'66 is president of Proteus Inc., an agency that has an agreement with Barbara Lowenstein Associates in New York City to create, package and market trade books. He also continues to write novels. David lives in Portland, Ore.

Jim Crane
'65 was named publisher of the Helena Independent Record last year. He had been publisher of another Lee Enterprises daily, the Ottumwa (Iowa) Courier. In April he oversaw the Independent Record's transition from an afternoon to a morning paper. Jim recently visited the J-School as a member of the Montana Newspaper Association's journalism school advisory committee.
Les Gapay
'65, former energy reporter for the Wall Street Journal, resigned as a business writer for the Seattle Post-Intelligencer to complete a book that will include his experiences as a cherry farmer near Flathead Lake. A Columbia Journalism Review story, mostly critical of the Seattle media’s coverage of Boeing, singled out Les for his insightful reporting.

Emily Melton
'65 is administrative assistant to the president of Kiplinger Washington Editors Inc. Emily has served as administrative assistant to Govs. Tom Judge and Ted Schwinden and as Washington, D.C., office manager for Sen. John Melcher.

Mary Ellen Myrene
'65 is editor of Connections magazine, published by the community colleges of Spokane. She recently earned a Gold Medal Award for excellence in magazine editing from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Don Hegg
'64 does sales and free-lance work in Billings. His wife, Jana, is an RN at Deaconess Medical Center. Their daughter attends Eastern Montana College and their two teenager sons are in high school.

Wilbur Wood
'64 won a Page One Award from the Newspaper Guild of New York for his Nation article on bears and politics, "What Is Wild and What Is Natural." The judges said: "Compelling, incisive, compassionate and different. We wish more science reporting was like this entry." Wilbur reports he continues to write for the San Francisco Bay Guardian and other publications, and in the last year or so wrote three more cover pieces for the Nation.

Janet Trask Cox
'63 sold Exclamation Point! Advertising in Billings in early 1989, 20 years after she started it. She'll be doing new things. Stay tuned!

Suzanne Lintz Ives

Jerry Colness
R-TV '62 is marketing director of the Denver Museum of Natural History.

Roy Cottor
'62 is a travel writer for the Sacramento Bee. He recently visited the J-school.

Jack Counihan
'62 is creative services manager for the Wall Street Journal. Jack, who lives with his wife, Ellen, in Scarborough, N.Y., writes that he became a grandfather with the birth of Katherine Gruszczeci.

John Schulz
'62 was assigned to the Voice of America's Southeast Asia Correspondency. He is based in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Robert C. Hedderick
'61 continues in the general insurance and real estate business in Pincher Creek, Alberta, where he lives with his wife, Jeannette, and their three children.

John V. Honey Jr.
'61 continues as editor and publisher for Senior News and president of Professional Association Management Inc., both in Salem, Ore. Senior News serves readers in six Oregon counties.

F.W. ‘Bill’ Howell
'61 is co-owner of Yellowstone Tour Travel and a member of the West Yellowstone City Council.

Zena Beth McGlashan
'61 was a visiting professor during the 1988-89 academic year at the University of Texas, El Paso. She is an associate professor of communication at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks. She and her husband, Harley Straus, have two children.
Keith A. Robinson

"58, retired from the Air Force, writes from Kalispell, "Decided I wasn’t meant for the Golden Brown State of California, so I returned to my native Big Sky Country."

Norma Beatty Ashby

'57 founded the Great Falls chapter of Women in Communications Inc. last year and became its first president. She resigned as host of "Today in Montana" on the Montana Television Network and is now a free-lance writer, consultant and community volunteer in Great Falls.

Gary A. Sorensen

'57 joined the National Security Industrial Association as a committee executive. NSIA is an association of some 400 industrial, research and educational organizations representing all segments of the defense industry. Gary retired from the Army as a colonel after nearly 30 years.

Joan Hoff-Wilson

'57 was one of four prominent historians who listed John F. Kennedy as "the single most overrated figure in American history," according to an article in American Heritage magazine last year. Joan, a professor of history at Indiana State University and executive secretary of the Organization of American Historians, is quoted as saying that "ultimately, presidents are judged by actual accomplishments and not by the emotional responses that prevail at the time they left office." She adds: "The image we have of Kennedy is really exclusively the charismatic one. His assassination froze that image in time. Future historians will find it difficult, not having experienced the assassination, to discover any accomplishments."

W. Keith Wuerthner

'56 was named director of community affairs for the Central Connecticut Association for Retarded Citizens in New Britain. Keith, who grew up in Great Falls, now lives in Farmington, Conn. He formerly had been communications specialist and spokesman for the Fafnir Bearing Division of the Torrington Co. Keith has worked as a reporter and editor for the Montana Standard in Butte, and in communications positions with Thiokol Chemical, Champion and General Electric.

Robert W. Newlin

'55 is deputy director of the Office of Public Affairs for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He writes that he spoke to University of Maryland journalism students involved in a national nuclear emergency exercise, saying he "discovered again that journalism attracts the sharpest young folks around. They played the role of reporters at our mock disaster." Robert and his wife, Kay Wohlen, UM '56, live in Damascus, Md.

Henry J. Pratt

'52 retired after 31 years with the National Park Service. He also retired as a colonel from the Army Reserve. Henry free-lances in Lakewood, Colo., where he lives with his wife, Beverly.

Albert C. Cochrane

'51, Bigfork, is a member of UM's House of Delegates.

George Kraus

'51 has been named executive vice president of the Agri-Business Council of Oregon. The council, based in Beaverton, Ore., conducts educational campaigns and boosts Oregon agricultural development and sales. George had previously worked in public relations for Southern Pacific railroad for more than three decades. He has lived in Portland since 1972, when he was named public relations manager for the railroad's Northwest operations.

Marvin McArthur

'51 reports that his advertising agency, McArthur & Associates, has a new office in Palo Alto, Calif. It specializes in medical and high-tech accounts. Marvin's wife, Delores Saar, UM '53, is the firm's accountant.

John Owen

'51, sports editor and columnist at the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, covered the 1988 Olympics in Seoul.

Arnold Hartpence,

who studied journalism at UM in the early 1940s, is author of Heart of Africa, a novel published by Hippocrene Books. An international oil executive with many years' experience in Africa, Arnold lives in Paris, where he is an executive research consultant. In its review of his book, Publishers Weekly wrote, "Hartpence has a real knack for mixing sex, politics and big business into a readable brew."

Joe Braycich

'49, M.A. '51 retired from the U.S. Diplomatic Corps in 1987, after 25 years. He spent 23 years with the U.S. Information Agency in Yugoslavia, Germany and Austria. Last year he received the agency's Superior Honor Award.

Reinemer returns to Montana

Vic Reinemer '48 has returned to Montana after retiring as editor and publisher of Public Power magazine in Washington, D.C. A native of Circle, he lives in Helena with his wife, Lois, also a UM graduate.

Vic had been in Washington, D.C., since 1955, serving successively as executive secretary to Sens. James E. Murray and Lee Metcalf, and as staff director of the Senate Subcommittee on Reports, Accounting and Management. He became editor of Public Power in 1979.

He and Metcalf wrote the 1967 book Overcharge, which criticized giant investor-owned electric utilities.

Before going to Washington, Vic was an associate editor of the Charlotte (N.C.) News. His editorials on civil rights and civil liberties won a Sidney Hillman Award in 1955, and his expose of false witness Harvey Matusow during the McCarthy era won a Heywood Broun citation in 1952.

His articles have appeared in the New York Times Magazine, the New Republic, the Nation and Science.

Besides his UM education, Vic studied chemistry at Shrivenham University in England and at the Sorbonne in Paris. In 1960 he was a visiting lecturer at the J-School.
Aline Mosby

'43 is discussed in Whitman Bassow's 1988 book, The Moscow Correspondents: Reporting on Russia From the Revolution to Glasnost. According to a Columbia Journalism Review book review by Rob Hershman, the new book has "lovely swashbuckling stories" including one about Aline, who was a UPI correspondent in Moscow during the late '50s and early '60s. Hershman writes that she turned out "objective, sensitive features about Soviet life, this even after having been drugged by KGB goons."

Aline has retired as senior UPI correspondent in Paris, where she now writes occasional feature and op-ed pieces for the New York Times.

Everton Conger

'42 taught English at two universities in China, including Nanjing Normal University. He has also taught at Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism, at the University of New Mexico and at the University of Nagpur, India. He has returned to Missoula, where he will sponsor a Chinese student who will enroll in journalism at UM.

Charles F. Kissack

'42 is a teacher in Soquel, Calif. He received his master's degree in adult education with an emphasis in gerontology from San Francisco State University.

Don E. Mittelstaedt

'42 is senior photographer for Pan American World Airways. He lives in Sierra Vista, Ariz.

Duncan Campbell Jr.

'41 writes: "It's the best of both worlds! In retirement, we spend eight months a year in Sun Lakes, Ariz., and four months in Bigfork, Mont."

Dorothy Dyer Ege

'41 retired as director of the YWCA in Great Falls. She is a free-lance writer and reports that she attended a conference of the International Friendship Force in Hong Kong.

Edward 'Stan' Healy

'41, former Missoula city councilman, was the subject of an article in the Oct. 7, 1988, Western Montana Messenger. Stan lives at Heritage Heath, a personal care home in Missoula. In the article he reminisced about his photo of a porcupine that appeared in Life magazine in 1959.

Kay Kester Karlsdot

'41 is retired and living in Missoula, where she worked for Montana Power Co. for 28 years. She and her husband, Hawkin, have three children and six grandchildren.

Verna Green Smith

'40 has retired twice but is back to work as assistant director of Older Adult Service and Information System. OASIS is a national non-profit organization established to enhance the quality of life for people age 60 and older. Verna lives in St. Louis.

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John I. Williamson

'39, a retired Marine Corps colonel, resides in Weed, Calif., with his wife of 38 years, Esther. He says they have "three darling daughters and four rugged sons."

Nicholas Mariana Sr.

'38 is president of KBVM-FM, the first independent, non-profit Catholic radio station in the nation. The 2,500-watt station was to broadcast its inaugural signal in June from its offices on the campus of the University of Portland. Nick and his wife, Clareta, began raising funds for the station in 1983. The Marianas will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in September.

Patricia Brennan Taylor

'38 is retired and living in Wichita, Kan. She writes that she is "editing a parish newsletter which keeps me out of mischief one week out of each month."

John Willard

'38 has worked as a news reporter, political writer and editor on daily newspapers in Great Falls, Havre and Helena. For 26 years he was affiliated with the transportation and resources industries as a legislative representative in Montana and in Washington, D.C. From 1970 until retirement in 1981, he was the regional manager of public relations and external communications for Burlington Northern Inc. He now edits Hoofprints on the Yellowstone, the official publication of Westerners International, and lives in Billings.

William H. Giltner

'36 has donated a comprehensive collection of 900 books about the American film industry to the UM School of Journalism. The books, which have been housed in the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library, represent a significant addition to UM's film and television literature. Before he retired to live in Washington, D.C., Bill was an officer in the U.S. Information Agency, serving in the area of international film and television programming. After graduating from UM, he became the school's first publicity director, then worked for the Billings Gazette and the Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald before entering the Army during World War II. He worked with the U.S. occupation forces in Japan after the war, then was assigned to the American embassy in Tokyo as a regional public affairs officer with the U.S. Foreign Service. He joined USIA in the mid-1950s. Bill grew up in Billings.

Armon Glenn

'36 lives in New City, N.Y. After retiring in 1979 as news editor of Barron's magazine, he wrote and published a novel about Missoula, The Way It Was on River Road, which was nominated for a PEN Hemingway First Novel award. The cover jacket plugs came from A.B. Guthrie Jr. and Mike Mansfield.

Idella Kennedy

'32 attached a note with her contribution to the University of Montana Campaign that said: "I wouldn't take a million dollars for my education at U of M ... I was one of those fortunate journalism school students who graduated under Dean Stone, and the Dean and I were friends. Others in the faculty were also great instructors in my book." Idella taught in Montana high schools for 13 years after her graduation. She is now retired and living in Sacramento.

Blanche Coppo Lanstrum

'30 is retired and lives in Billings. She writes: "I treasure my years at the J-School. Best of everything to you good folks."

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Dorothy Elliott Hopkins

'29, Ventura, Calif., lists her occupation as "mostly grandma" and observes: "How exciting the J-School sounds these days — the way you have grown, the speakers you have. Wonderful. Keep it up."

A.B. Guthrie Jr.

'23 received an honorary doctorate from the College of Idaho at Caldwell. His latest novel, a mystery titled " Murder in the Cotswolds," was published by Houghton Mifflin this year. Bud and his wife, Carol, live near Choteau.
Twelve Soviet journalists, including the deputy director of Tass news agency, visited the School of Journalism March 28 as part of a tour sponsored by the World Media Association and the Soviet news agency Novosti.

The journalists — sometimes with the assistance of an interpreter — discussed glasnost and perestroika with Dean Hood's senior seminar. The group included Moscow-based journalists representing the newspaper Izvestia, Novosti Press Agency and Soviet National Television, as well as reporters and editors from Moldavia, Armenia, Georgia, Lithuania and East Siberia. They told students that the recent political developments in the Soviet Union have meant more freedom for Soviet journalists.

Yevgeny Pozdnyakov, top, deputy chief of the North American Department of Novosti Press Agency in Moscow, presents a memento of his country to Dean Hood. Yuri Romantsov, right, deputy director general of Tass news agency in Moscow, shares a laugh with senior seminar students.
Mansfield lecturer Liu Binyan, below, prominent Chinese journalist and dissident, speaks about student demonstrations in Beijing.

Below, Joe Durso, New York Times senior baseball writer and father of radio-TV department chairman Joe Durso Jr., fields students’ questions.

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Out-of-state and foreign visitors to the School of Journalism since the last issue of Communique include:
- John Tidmarsh, host of the British Broadcasting Corp. program “Outlook.”
- Suhas Chandra Talukdarr, editor and owner of Evening Brief, published in Calcutta, India, and six other Indian journalists.
- Marjorie Nichols, columnist, Ottawa Citizen.
- Ilija Rapaic, editor-in-chief, Duga magazine, Belgrade, Yugoslavia.
- Michel Walter, political correspondent, Swiss Radio International.
- Tala Skari, freelance photojournalist, based in Paris.
- Shinto Yoshita, staff correspondent, Tokyo Yomiuri Shimbun, based in Washington, D.C.
- Javier Simancas, news editor and chief, Quito office of Expreso, a daily in Guayaquil, Ecuador.
- Chandan Mitra, assistant editor, The Times of India, New Delhi.
- Bill Finnegan, author of Dateline Soweto and Crossing the Line, books about South Africa.
- Daryl Moon, professor of journalism, University of Missouri.
- Jonathan Krim, a.m. metropolitan editor, San Jose Mercury News.
- Tom Koenninger, editor, Vancouver Columbian.
- Emerson Stone, vice president (now retired), CBS News.
- Harry Mattison, Time magazine photojournalist.
- Charles Wiley, spokesman, Accuracy in Media, based in Los Angeles.
- Alan Rosenberg, Alan Rosenberg Communications, Portland, Maine.
- Dorothy Rochon Powers, emeritus associate editor and columnist, Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle.
- Mindy Cameron, city editor, the Seattle Times.
- Butch Alford, editor and publisher, Lewiston Morning Tribune.
- Barry Kough, chief of photography, Lewiston Morning Tribune.
- Peggy Kuhr, city editor, Spokesman-Review.
- David Ledford, managing editor, Moscow Idahoan.
- John McDermott, business manager, Idaho Falls Post-Register.
- Steve Stuebner, environmental reporter, Boise (Idaho) Statesman.
- Amy Stahl, assistant features editor, Boise (Idaho) Statesman.
'Rising Sun' rehearsal

Kerie Hagler, a junior journalism major from Los Angeles, rehearses her script as anchor of "Big Sky and the Rising Sun: Making the Trade Connection," a student-produced television program exploring Montana's relationship with Japan. The 30-minute program was aired on the Montana Television Network in June. Kerie and 22 other journalism students were members of the Pacific Rim Honors Project, a class in which print and broadcast students produced special news reports. The print students produced a 20-page newspaper supplement. See story on page 12.