

MORTAR BOARD

1948



1998



University of Pittsburgh

MORTAR BOARD
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MORTAR BOARD



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MORTAR BOARD RECOGNIZES SENIOR WOMEN FOR LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

MORTAR BOARD, national senior honorary for women, searches out its members from under class honorary and scholastic fraternities and from each Pitt activity. The 1948 chapter members of Mortar Board were active in the senior mentor program, served as aids at graduation in January, and hostesses for Chancellor's Reception, the Commons

1909 to 1948 met in a grand reunion planned by the active chapter. A Leap Year theme was followed throughout the social program and the speeches at the reunion luncheon held in the Faculty Club. Plans were made at this active-alumnae meeting for a Pitt Mortar Board Alumnae group. To promote friendliness in a few hours of fun, Mortar Board members of Pitt and Tech held a joint social meeting at the Commons. Other events on the social calendar

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 Fifty-year Survey

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1. JOHN W. CLINTON	1/4/69	
2.		

<u>Children - Natural / Acquired</u>				
<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Married</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. Barbara Albassam	F	53	Yes	Tunisia
2. Sandra Marks	F	50	Yes	Quakertown, Pa.
3.				
4.				

<u>Grand children - Natural / Acquired</u>				
<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Parent's Name</u>	
1. Lisa Jackson	F	28	Marks	
2. Charles Marks	M	25	"	
3. K. J. Marks	M	20	"	
4. Travis Clinton Jackson	M	4 Mo.	Great Grand child - Lisa's son	
5.				

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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	Title / Degree	Date	Where	Major Field
1.	MA BA in Economics	1958	Pitt	English Lit.
2.	Mh in English Lit.			
3.				

B. Places Lived

	Where	Dates (How long)
1.	Pittsburgh	Since high school
2.	Mt. Lebanon & now Upper Mt. Leis	
3.		
4.		
5.		

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
1.	Office Mgr.		- Chemical Div. - U.S. Steel	- This division has since been sold and has become
2.				Aristech Chemical Co. owned by
3.				Mitsubishi - I left USS in Nov. of 1968
4.				just before getting married.
5.				
6.				

D. Retirement Activities

golf - entertaining - traveling - our last trip was a 7-week cruise circumnavigating So. America, marvelous trip 3 years ago.
 We now live in the Retirement Community of Friendship Village and like it. (6)

IV. Essay Questions

Everyone should answer question number one; then, at least three of the remaining seven. Perhaps two can be bunched together. Of course, it would be marvelous to answer all. Please use additional sheets, one side only.

1. These past 50 years have been enormously eventful for women. For you, has your life been what you expected on that sunny June day in 1948?
 2. The best thing about my four undergraduate years at Pitt was getting an education.
 3. My worst memory is hours spent on the street ^{traveling} ~~traveling~~ back & forth to Oakland.
 4. Mortar Board made a difference (or not) in my life because ~~this~~ ^{this is the only college group I have had any contact with over the years.}
 5. If I had my education to do over, knowing what I know now, I would ~~have taken architecture at Pitt.~~
 6. My best piece of advice for a woman currently attending Pitt is ~~get a good solid education,~~
 7. A piece of advice for Pitt, based on my 50 years of experience, is — .
 8. My predictions for the year 2048 are — .
- Or - The question I would prefer to ask (and answer) is — .

I graduated in February. I wanted to get a job working for US Steel which happened, those following years were the good years for the steel industry so working for US was fun, getting married in 1969 was nice fun. I acquired a family, watched them grow up, get married & have kids of their own. (7)

1958



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1948

MORTAR BOARD
FIFTY-YEAR SURVEY

1948

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II. Paul D. Ferrell Married, 29 May 1953 Widowed 27 Dec.1990

III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned

M.A.	1950	Smith College	Spanish
	1954	Yale/Sorbonne	French
	1954	Fontainebleau with Nadia Boulanger	French
	1958	Middlebury	French
	1960	University of Pittsburgh	Chinese, Russian, Spanish

B. Places Lived

Mount Lebanon	1953 - present
Coral Gables	1990 - 1994

C. Major Jobs (Paid)

Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
Teacher	1950-1953	Avonworth H.S.	French/Spanish All Weekly Assembly Programs: Junior and Senior High Schools
Producer: Television	1954-1958	Westinghouse Broadcasting:KDKA-TV	Public Affairs and KDKA-TV Sustaining Productions NBC-TV: Public Affairs Producer
Manager,	1959-1960	University of Pittsburgh	Produced programs for United Nations Television
Secretary	1961-1965	Carnegie Museum of Art	Dr. E. H. Litchfield Dr. Donald Stone Ralph Bunche Director's Secretary: Gordon Washburn Leon Arkus Gustave von Groschwitz Created International Film Series 1961, 1964
Teacher	1965-1989	Mt. Lebanon Jr/Sr H.S.	French/Spanish
Instructor	1970s	Duquesne University	French & Spanish Art History

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D. Retirement Activities

1. Golf
2. Gardening
3. Piano, Organ, Orchestral Winds
4. Advisory Board: International Poetry Forum
5. Advisory Board: Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble
6. Music for Mount Lebanon Keynotes Scholarships
7. Academy for Lifelong Learning: Carnegie-Mellon
8. Woman's Fortnightly Review
9. Annual Research at the Bibliotheque Nationale for translations in progress of Auguste Bouche-Leclercq (eight to ten weeks annually)

IV. Essay Questions

Has my life been what I expected in June of 1948?

No.

Never in 1948 would I have imagined as possible, graduate study at Smith, Middlebury, Fontainebleau, Yale and the Sorbonne; a happy marriage of 37 years; plus a teaching career at secondary and university levels coupled with two decades of TV production here at Pitt and KDKA-TV and in New York City at United Nations TV and NBC-TV. Nor would I have ever dreamed of having time over four years to work at the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris.

The best thing about my four undergraduate years at Pitt were my courses in the Modern Language Department's French Nationality Classroom overlooking Heinz Chapel with Blossom Henry, Benjamin Haseltine and Harry Goldby, - an outstanding faculty in a unique setting.

Mortar Board made a difference in my life because it served to provide more than just the honor of academic recognition in the form of contact and friendships with the other members of the Chapter, an unquestionably important function in such a large urban university center.

If I had my education to do over, knowing what I know now, I would take my German, Russian, Chinese and Japanese studies more seriously and complete a Ph.D. immediately after the Masters. I did pass all the course requirements and the reading exams, but because my advisors in Spanish-Mandarin linguistics left the University, I never sat the orals.

My best piece of advice for a woman currently attending Pitt is Carpe Diem.

A piece of advice for Pitt, based on my fifty years of experience is ban all fraternities. The current excesses of frat house partying are no longer enhancing an education.

My predictions for the year 2048 are that I opt to leave the art of fortelling the future to dedicated scientists and astrologers, and I devoutly pray that the pundits in the mass media will defer to the 1996 entreaty of the Council of Europe urging them to eliminate all predictions from media newscasts and concentrate on reporting actual world news from the global village.

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The questions I would prefer to ask are:

- Which aspects of your careers have been the most challenging?
- What were your main goals and were you able to meet them?
- Which periodicals do you find most interesting?
- If you were limited to ten, which ones would you choose?
- What have you managed to accomplish that was never done before?
- List three of your favorite writers with some idea of their works.
- List three of your favorite composers and artists.
- List your three favorite leisure time pursuits.
- List your three favorite venues for residence in the world if you could not remain in the U.S.
- List your three favorite U.S. locales for vacations or retirement.
- List the three teachers (with their institutions) who most influenced your education and life.
- Please give us an idea of your publications.
- Have you identified the particular (intellectual or other) legacy that you plan to leave behind as a testimony to your academic and/or business pursuits?

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At the University
A stone tower looms above
Medieval solid
Welcoming but rejected
Who wanted to be here?
Not I!

Dreams of a small and cosy college
Lost to the lure of full scholarship
Kindly parents left the decision to me
Couldn't resist the money
Not I!

First year overwhelming
Abraham Robinson and Chemistry
Designed to discourage female pre meds
A course in Logic supposed to make sense of it
Not for me!

Elementary Ed. an easy way to a degree
But academically disastrous if you cared about learning
Friends became a solace and fun
The biology department a second home
This was for me!

The YWCA and Leadership School in New York
Regional Student Christian Movement and a future with it
"My Favorite Brunette" to spite Dean Rush
Then Mortar Board and the end of college life
This had been for me!

Paris and the world opened provincial eyes
Met Jim husband to be in an unbelievably romantic setting
Traveled for months in Europe and North Africa after work
Before coming home to the real world
This certainly was for me!

Moved to Los Angeles and UCLA's YW
Then on to race relations
Later a Russian D P project under the Ford Foundation
Finished on the faculty of the Hospital of the Good Samaritan
Confidentially L.A. was grand for me!

Love won out and James Fleming and I married and I moved to NYC
Happily joined we produced three babies in three years
Our big apartment began to seem small
We built and moved to Princeton
Exurbia was fine for us!

Did the suburban matron thing
Ran organizations, entertained, volunteered at hospital and library
Raised up the offspring
Jim's career flourished we traveled a lot
Russia, South America, Europe and Britain often, Iberia, the Balkans and Africa
Emmys and Peabodies followed
This was a challenge and pleasure for us both!

Back to work for me as the children grew and grew
the youngest in Middle School it was time

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Mary Jane Fleming

Head hunting as a V.P. of an Executive Search firm for seven years
and for the last sixteen years Director of Resident Activities at
Meadow Lakes Continuing Care Retirement Community
No time for moss to grow and it still hasn't
As I take my residents traveling locally and overseas
Definitely rewarding and varied for me!

Children in college, then working and independent
They begin to marry and produce beautiful grandchildren
Good return on investment for grandparents
Susan at Newsweek as a General Editor for many years
And Ann Associate Dean of Admissions at Union College in Schenectady
Jeff (James Jr.) Public Relations Assistant to the Mayor of Milwaukee
After broadcasting on tv for nine years there
Tom spent nine years as chief editor at the Museum of Television & Radio
Was recruited by CBS as an editor and technical staff person and director.
All a joy to parents!

Fewer TV productions for Jim, but self-motivated and full of energy and fun
He wrote and created in new ways, though now in his eighties
Blessed with nearly forty years of marriage and the pleasures of retirement ahead
He was taken from us almost two years ago after several weeks of illness with
Heart failure and my heart feels the loss and emptiness
But joy in what we'd had!

Travel and reading, music, gardening and museuming,
The company of friends, serious dialogue and contemporary events
All mean much to me as does my work
Life reviewing must come to an end before patience wears out.
My life has been truly blessed with great happiness and rewards
And springtime has come again., and who's young old?

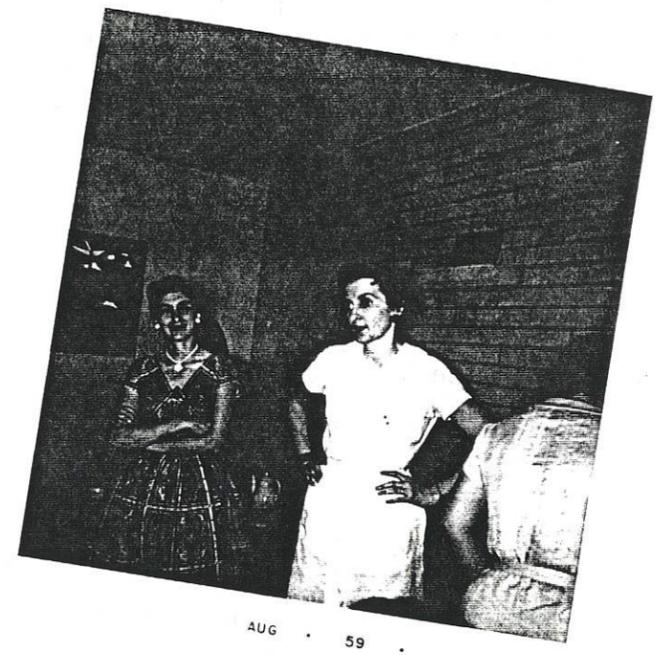
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Princeton, N.J.
April 1998

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1959

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Fifty-year Survey



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2.		

Children - Natural / Acquired

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Married</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. Jay	M	47	✓	E. LYME, CONN.
2. ELLEN	F	44	Divorced	Pittsburgh,
3. SAMUEL	M	38	✓	Pittsburgh,
4. DAVID	M	32	Single	Burbank, CA

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Parent's Name</u>
1. Shaina	F	15	ELLEN HYDE
2. Joshua	M	12	ELLEN HYDE
3. Daniel	M	5	Samuel ^{Nancy Lee} Ginsberg
4. Ryan	M	3	Jay and Janice Ginsber
5. Jennifer Griswold	F	12 (Stepdaughter)	Jay " Janice Ginsber

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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	<u>Title / Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Major Field</u>
1.	Bachelors	1948	Pitt	
2.				
3.				

B. Places Lived

	<u>Where</u>	<u>Dates (How long)</u>
1.	Pittsburgh	All my life
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Principal Responsibilities</u>
1.	Group Worker	1949-50		Director of Teens
2.			<u>Volunteer Activities</u>	
3.	President	1975-78	Hadassah (Pgh Chapter)	
4.	V. Pres.	1980's	U.J.F. Women's Division	
5.	Chair	1989-90-91	Hadassah Health Fairs	
6.	Chair	1980's	Youth Group of Hadassah Regional Commission	

D. Retirement Activities - I never retired from my volunteer activities. I am still actively involved as a consultant and Advisor.

1. My life has been not only what I expected, but more than I had hoped for, in terms of family and friendships. I have been blessed with a wonderful husband, healthy normal children and grandchildren, and a good life. I have found fulfillment in volunteer activities, especially those associated with the growth and support of the State of Israel.

If I had not started my family so soon after my marriage, I think I would have gone on to Graduate school. I also would have done more in the computer field in the last few years to bring me up to the 90's in terms of electronics.

My years at Pitt prepared me for the leadership responsibilities that I assumed later in life. I still maintain many of the friendships that I cultivated at Pitt, and my work experiences while I was at school along with class instruction, were the basis for my interest in community activities.

My advice for a young woman currently attending Pitt would be to get as much work experience as possible along with her classes, and to prepare herself well for her chosen career. She might want to look at the fields of medicine and science where there is a great need for educated women.

1960

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Children – natural

Name	Sex	Age	Married	Address
Jay Grodner	M	45	Cheryl Spielman	1850 Southland Ave Highland Park, Illinois 60035
Teena Grodner	F	43	Stephen Horvath	9909 Shady Cove Dr. Fairfax Station, VA 22039
Alexa Grodner	F	40	Blaise Henrion	97 Try ala Vigne Sauveniere, 5030, Belgium

Grandchildren – Natural

Name	Sex	Age	Parents Names
1. Rachel Horvath	F	13 in May	Teena Grodner/Steve Horvath
2. Aaron Horvath	M	10	Teena Grodner/Steve Horvath
3. Rebecca Grodner	F	10 in April	Cheryl Spielman/Jay Grodner
4. Alba Henrion	F	6 in June	Alexa Grodner/Blaise Henrion
5. Lucca Henrion	M	4 in April	Alexa Grodner/Blaise Henrion

III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Study, other

1. Graduate courses at Pitt in Education
2. Art History - Indiana University at South Bend
3. Pre-Columbian Art at Notre Dame Uni.
4. Sewing Lessons, clay modeling, Yoga, Physical fitness

B. Places Lived

Places Lived	Dates
1. Dormont, Shadyside, Squirrel Hill, Pgh	until 10/52 (Jay 5 months)
2. Clarksburg, West Virginia	10/52 to 12/53
3. Aurora, Illinois	12/53 to 7/62 and then 12/67 to 2/79
4. Lima, Ohio	7/62 to 12/67 and then 2/79 to 8/82
5. South Bend, Indiana	8/82 to 7/97
6. Longboat Key, Florida (Paradise)	7/97 to Present to hopefully longer!



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C. Major Jobs for Pay

Title	Dates	Organization	Responsibilities
1. 10 th Grade Teacher	9/48-6/49	Brownsville Sr. Hi.	Business Trg & Practicum
2. United Jewish Fund	1/50-1/52	Jewish Fed of Pgh.	Women's Division Director
3. Substitute Teacher	9/74-12/78	West Aurora High	All areas (Home Ec., Bus)
4. Substitute Teacher	'79-82	Shawnee Sr. Hi, Lima	All areas
5. Substitute Teacher	'82-88	South Bend Schools	All levels

Volunteer Work

- Active in Synagogue in each community
- Taught Sunday School in Lima 5 years
- Taught Sunday School in Aurora 3 years.
- Joined Hadassah, Women's Zionist Org. of Amer., in Clarksburg in '52 and held offices or chairmanships throughout the years in each Community.
- President of Hadassah in Aurora 6/60 to 6/62 and 6/68 to 6/70
In Lima – 6/79 to 6/82
Presidium Leader of Hadassah in South Bend – 6/94 to 6/96
- President of Illinois-Indiana Region of Hadassah – 5/88 to 6/91, and member of National Board of Hadassah until 7/92; Region and Midwest Coop. Until 6/97
- President of the Aurora Federation of Jewish Women, combined Hadassah, Temple Sisterhood, and National Council of Jewish Women – 6/70 to 6/72.
- Presently on Board of SaBra Hadassah in Sarasota, incoming Program V.P.
- Worked with Paul as Advisor of the B'nai B'rith Youth Group for 8 years.
- Lead Girl Scout Troops 5 years in Lima and Aurora.
- Conducted a Girl Scout Day Camp for two summers in Lima working with inner city girls.
- Tutored Russian émigrés in English. One of my young students graduated high school and went onto Wharton. In Aurora and Lima.
- Art Docent at Snite Museum of Art & the South Bend, Regional Museum of Art. We led tours especially for school groups to introduce them to Art in hopes of developing a love and understanding – 14 years.
- Devotion to a number of Octogenarians, and Nonagenarians, including my Mother who lived 14 days after her 95th Birthday, within 5 months 3 of those other friends died.

D. Retirement Activities

- Beach Walking
- Body Awareness classes
- Hot tub, swimming, Fun, Sunsets.
- Bible Study group
- Temple Book group
- Hadassah Book group
- Friends from all over in, out and around.
- Eating at the greatest restaurants
- Ballet, Opera, Jazz concerts, all the cultural life one can handle each week.
- Social Service work as time allows

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IV. Essay Questions

- As I look back I'm amazed at the wonderful life God has granted me. Paul and I are living in Paradise waking up to the beauties of nature as we look out at the Gulf of Mexico from our bed each morning. No matter what the weather, it's wondrous. Our children are living busy productive lives; we have beautiful grandchildren to enjoy and boast about; indeed we have been blessed. Paul and I hope to celebrate our 50th Anniversary by taking our children, their spouses and our grandchildren to Israel. We hope to take them to the places, we love and to enjoy a wonderful experience together.
- My four years at Pitt was a great awakening, an exciting time for me to expand my horizons, and extend my world of friends and associates each in their own way acting as my finishing school. I have a wealth of great memories and experiences and even learned a few things.
- I realize the streetcar rides back and forth were not always pleasant experiences, especially those later at night. Somehow, I survived. It could have been worse, and I surely would not want any of my grandchildren making that trip these days. It's a scarier world.
- Mortar Board made a difference in my life because our group was made up of high caliber women whose mutual respect and enjoyment was shared. It was my good fortune to be a member.
- Commercial Education was really not my strong area, but it has served me well. I'm trying to fill in the missing parts. However, I would not have wanted to miss those friends.

Thanks, Sally for putting this all together for us. It's a great idea and hopefully I will be attending to see you all.

Cec Grodner

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1968

Mortar Board



University of Pittsburgh



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1969



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Husband's Name

Married (Date)

Widowed/Divorced (Date)

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Children - Natural / ~~Adopted~~

Name	Sex	Age	Married	Address
1. Karen Karwoski	F	47	Divorced	Schaumburg, IL
2. Kerry Grundish	M	43	Yes	San Antonio, TX

Grand children - Natural / ~~Adopted~~

Name	Sex	Age	Parent's Name
1. Erica Grundish	F	12	Kerry & Barbara Grundish
2. Nicholas Grundish	M	03	Kerry & Barbara Grundish

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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

Title / Degree Date Where Major Field

- I have nothing beyond my BS degree from Pitt.
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B. Places Lived

My life has been a moving experience!

Where

Dates (How long)

1. Pittsburgh PA	1948-50	2 years
2. Kirkwood MO	1950-51	1 year
3. Pittsburgh PA	1951-52	2 years
4. Roseville MI	1953-1956	3 years
5. Park Forest IL	1956-57	1 year
6. St. Clair Shores MI	1957-64	7 years
7. New Berlin WI	1964-67	3 years
8. Hoffman Estates IL	1967-73	7 years
9. Upper St. Clair PA	1973-1984	11 years
10. Sun Lakes AZ	1984-92	8 years
11. San Antonio TX	1992 to present	

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

Title Dates Organization Principal Responsibilities

- Mother On-going Very little Too numerous to mention.
- Registrar 1969-73 Schaumburg Schl Dist. Same as a college registrar
- Law Librarian 1979-84 Koppers Co., Inc.* In charge of law library, etc.
- *This company folded after I left. Smile.
- I retired to Arizona in 1984.

D. Retirement Activities

Travel.
Loafing.

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MORTAR BOARD NEWSLETTER

THIRD ANNUAL REUNION OF MORTAR BOARD - 1948

JUNE - 1960

Essay Questions

1. No It has been far better than I ever dreamed it could be.
2. The best thing was being exposed to the diversity of a university education in a city like Pittsburgh. My scholarship was good at Temple, Penn State, or Pitt. Being from a small town I never even considered Penn State. Of the two remaining choices Pitt was the closest to my home town, some 180 miles away.
3. My worst memory is when "The New Look" appeared. Every piece of clothing I owned was out-of-date and money was scarce. Arrggh! These days a thing like this would never occur.
4. Being tapped to Mortar Board did my self-esteem a lot of good. I liked and admired each of the women in our group. Unfortunately we moved away from Pittsburgh and I could not keep in touch.
5. This is a silly question, Sally. If one could do anything over the same mistakes or wise choices would be made because of the person's personality, etc. I really would not do anything differently.
6. I do not give advice.
7. Pitt has changed too much. I cannot tackle this one.
8. In 2048 I would predict that there will be no universities. A computer will be all a person needs.

*Best I can do.
Smile.*

D. Jones

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It was a lovely, warm summer evening last June 26th when we Bortar Boards gathered together on the side porch of Betty Shore Hepner's house for the 1960 reunion. Although many of us do not see one another from one year to the next, conversation never seems wanting and seems to be picked up just where it left off the year before. That is just one reason why each Mortar Board Reunion is such fun! We all agreed that Betty was a wonderful hostess. She kept us eating from the time we arrived, first with snacks and later with a sumptuous repast - creamed chicken in pastry molds, a jello-molded salad, an avocado and tomato salad, olive, carrot sticks, celery, and a choice of either strawberry or chocolate ice cream pie with coffee. ~~MMMMMM~~ - aren't you all drooling? We met Betty's charming husband and her two adorable children. Nine Mortar Boarders were present: Nancy Springer, Mary Jane Page, Janet Ferrell, Helen Whitlinger, Corinne Kehl, Miriam Ginsberg, Bernice Sniderman, Betty Hepner, and Annabel Montgomery.

Well, let's get on to what the '48 Mortar Boarders have been doing.

Lucy Braider Zabarenko (Mrs. Ralph)
1020 Jefferson Heights Road
Pittsburgh 35, Pa.
EL. 1-1664

A vacation trip prevented Lucy from attending. She still is busy as ever keeping house, raising four children and serving as President of the Temple David Sisterhood in Monroeville. Everyone commented again on what a good time was had by all at Lucy's home last year where the reunion was held. Those of us who weren't at Lucy's were brought up-to-date on some of the funny, unprintable things which happened.

Cecile Bruder Grodner (MRS. PAUL)
203 Rosedale Street
Aurora, Illinois
Aurora 6-1597

Cecile could not be present but sent the following letter: "Just a few lines to say 'hello' and let you know how sorry I am not to be with you at this reunion. We do not plan to visit Pittsburgh this summer as we were there in April for spring vacation. I did not contact anyone at that time as Alexa, our almost 3 year old, had the measles and Teena, almost 6, had a cold and sore throat. We shipped Jay out to Beechview to visit my Aunt so someone could enjoy the vacation. Paul had driven us to Pittsburgh and then flew to Endicott, New York to attend IBM Executive School as they are installing a Ramac machine at Austin-Western for production control and being Controller, Paul has to know the what and how of feeding this machine. It is quite an operation.

"Paul is still teaching at Aurora College evening school. He is also Chairman of the Board of Education of the Temple, as well as a member of the Board of Directors. He became a member of the Controllers' Institute this past year and we attended their convention in October in Pittsburgh. This year's convention is in San Francisco, but I doubt that we will attend. Again he is active on the budget committee of the Community Chest. At present he is chairman of a theater party for B'nai B'rith. We also keep him busy with household tasks such as waterproofing the new picnic table we bought him for Father's Day. (A case of buying father what mother wants.)

** Some nostalgia at 12 years out — (27)*

"Since I last saw you, I attended the Hadassah National Convention in the fall - held in St. Louis. Looked for Mimi Ginsberg but found that she was pregnant - haven't had word as to her progress. Hope all are well.

"In May I was installed as President of the Aurora Chapter of Hadassah so the next two years of club activity are cut out for me. I am fortunate in having a fine group of women to work with. We are busy working on the new year's program already, as our first project is a dinner-fashion show in August--presenting the Israeli fashions designed and made at the Alice Seligsberg Vocational High School for girls in Israel. Well, I won't go into a Hadassah pitch with you now. But if you are in the area around August 14th, come and be my guest. If you are in the Chicago area at any time I hope you will feel free to give me a call and come be my guest. I'd be thrilled. Sorry I don't have a decent picture to send you at this moment. Have a delightful reunion. I'll be thinking of you."

As Ever,
Cecile

Nancy Brumbaugh Springer (Mrs. William)
319 Center Avenue
Greensburg, Pa.

Nancy and her family moved from Buffalo, New York to Greensburg, Pa. (note the new address) as her husband, Bill, changed jobs and now works for The Elliott Co. in Jeanette, Pa. She has a little girl, Virginia, 4½ years old and a little boy, Richard, who is at the active age of 2. Nancy is busy with the new Zeta Tau Alpha Alum group in Greensburg, and of course, was glad to get back to the Pittsburgh area. Homemaking occupies most of her time, and she showed us pictures of the children.

Mary Jane Duns Moor Fleming (Mrs. James)
200 East End Avenue
New York 28, New York

Mary Jane could not be present and sent the following letter: (written from Cape Cod)
"Impossible that it is time for another reunion. But then it doesn't seem a year since last writing you from Cape Cod.

"The Flemings have had a fine year. The summer was spent in cool San Francisco where Jim was doing a show on "Is the American Woman Losing her Femininity". This provided a chance to see Mary Lou Megaffin Mechlin briefly, but we talked steadily and happily to make up for the brevity. Pat Heneghan paid us a call on our return to N. Y. and on the eve of a move to a larger apartment in this same building. A month to settle in and our second child, a son, arrived early, Sept. 30. He is James, Jr. but called 'Jeff' to distinguish him from all the other Jims in the family. He's a delight at 8½ months, standing well, pulling himself around the playpen, making lots of noise and looking huskier each day. Ann at 23 months is more charming each day. Her hair is even curly. She and Jeff are good company for one another and mischief abounds. Jim and I feel tired but delighted.

Jim's 17-year old daughter, Susan, has just been admitted to Bryn Mawr so our favorite baby sitter won't be around come fall. She's with us at Cape Cod now.

"My spouse's work here included the Woman shows of last summer and fall (which by the way, had a Sylvania award) and some broadcasting this spring as host of "The Play of

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"the Week" for Standard Oil of New Jersey in N.Y. and Washington. He was on in N.Y. seven nights a week though it was all taped in advance, but it was great fun to have him in person and on T.V. so often (wifely pride or something.) Ann got so delighted with Dad's being on television that she would emerge from the nursery in the morning and rush hopefully to the set asking for "Da-da".

"Jim and I aren't sure our university courses prepared us in all ways for all this parenthood but it is fun!

"Hope the year has been a good one for you each.

Mary Jane Duns Moor Fleming

Elizabeth Hand
7721 Waverly Street
Pittsburgh 21, Pa.
CH. -1-3769

We didn't have a letter from Liz for the reunion. However, Corinne told us she had been in Hong Kong on a vacation and would be coming home soon. She had been teaching in the Philippine Islands at a Navy Dependents' School. Liz had had a gall bladder operation around Christmas time and had recovered nicely. (Since the Reunion, I have called Liz who is now back in Pittsburgh, but her latest news must wait for this coming June).

Pat Heneghan
1017 Farragut Street
Pittsburgh 6, Pa.
EM. 2-2703

Pat was in Baltimore at the time of the Reunion attending a convention of Phi Delta Gamma. Pat served as National Vice President of this organization. She was sorry to miss our get-to-gether as this was the first one she has not attended. Pat's father has been quite ill and is still in the hospital. Pat is Field Representative for the Chicago office of Sears which means that she makes merchandise surveys.

Mary Lou Megaffin Mechlin (Mrs. George F., Jr.)
19129 Brookview Drive
Saratoga, California

Mary Lou didn't write a letter for the Reunion because she expected Liz Hand to visit her and be back in Pittsburgh in time to tell us the latest, but as it turned out, Liz didn't arrive in time. She did, however, stop to see Mary Lou on her way home from the Philippines. At that time Mary Lou had just returned home from the hospital after having had a slipped disk repaired. She and her family love their suburban living, California style and would hate to return to our Pennsylvania climate. Her husband, George, had been working on the Polaris Missile and Mary Lou told Liz there was a chance they might be going abroad when the Missile was introduced in England. We hope to hear from Mary Lou for the 1961 Reunion.

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Mary Jane Mitchell Page (Mrs. Charles)
3101 Brackenridge Street
Pittsburgh 19, Pa.
MU. 3-5953

Mitch has been teaching second grade in the Forbes Street Elementary School as well as teaching Sunday School. Her duties have changed to only those of homemaker, for on November 30, 1960 her second son was born, Charles Mark. Both mother and son are fine. Charles, Mitch's husband, is a chemist for Westinghouse in the Materials Manufacturing Department at the Blairsville plant. David, the oldest son, is nine and loves school.

Annabel F. Montgomery (Mrs. Chester B.)
432 Kenmont Avenue
Pittsburgh 28, Pa.
LO. 1-6074

As I am the one writing this newsletter, I shall give you a very personal angle. After a siege of bronchitis in the spring, which ended up in the hospital because of a bad reaction to penicillin, I left with a friend on a trip to Europe. Nothing could have kept me home as our reservations were all made. We flew jet, New York to Paris, rented a car, a Simca, and toured France, the Lake District in Italy, Switzerland and southern Germany. We had a grand time and stayed the month of May when Europe is at its loveliest with flowers in bloom and not too many travelers. Once back home, I spent my leisure playing golf.

I feel as if I have become a fixture at U.S.Steel, and would indeed rebel at this idea if it were not that I like my job and can't think of a better place to be employed.

Bernice Nathanson Sniderman (Mrs. Milton)
1823 Whiteman Street
Pittsburgh 17, Pa.
JA. 1-5448

Bernice has two children, Howard, who is 7 and Ronald who is 3½. She stays busy as mother and homemaker and actively participates in PTA affairs at Davis School in Squirrel Hill. In fact, she will be the PTA Secretary for the 1960-61 year. Her husband, Milt, works for Westinghouse and worked on the atomic submarine, the Nautilus.

Janet Neesham Ferrell (Mrs. Paul)
37 Overlook Drive
Pittsburgh 16, Pa.
LO. 1-4623

Janet has left her job with the School of Health Professions at Pitt and planned to go to Middlebury, Vermont this past summer for a six-weeks' course in French. She has been working on her Ph.D. degree so doesn't have any time to spare considering she plays the organ at the Cork & Bottle from time to time and is Projects Chairman for the Gateway Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television.

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Corinne Nelan Kehl (Mrs. James A.)
4338 Highgrove Road
Pittsburgh 36, Pa.
TU. 2-5812

Corinne resigned from her teaching job and, took a new one--that of mother to a son, Kurt, born October 14, 1960. Both are doing splendidly. The Kehl's also acquired a dog, part terrier and part cocker. The day of the Reunion was Corinne's first in maternity clothes. Her husband, Jim, has been made Assistant Dean of the Social Sciences at Pitt and had an article published in the South Atlantic Quarterly.

Sally Oleon Shames (Mrs. George)
The Berkshire #4033C
4201 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.
Washington 16, D.C.

Sally sent the following letter: "This year you all get a break. It is the first reunion I have missed, so, hence, you can talk about me.

"As you can tell from the letterhead, I am a resident of our Nation's capital. I worked until 4:00 Saturday afternoon, April 30, traveled to Washington May 1, and started on the new job May 2. That is why I called no one. Forgive me all. Mary Jane Page had promised a farewell luncheon, and I had to even pass that up." (Sally is Research Associate for Army Logistics Research at George Washington University.)

"My new job lived up to all advanced billing. The salary increase was good and I will get a raise on my new contract Sept. 1. I am treated like a VIP with loads of status, etc. Nothing like leaving your own school for recognition. Will move into my new air-conditioned, of course, office next week. A renovated house à la Georgetown.

"I was a tried and true Mortar Boardian in April. Miss Rush, herself, called me in pure desperation to help with initiation this year. I did! It was very nice. They are thinking of asking all Alums to come every year, make it reunion time for Mortar Board. I never mentioned our little intime soiree. I was afraid she might want to come. As a word in her favor, the tea sandwiches and pastries are better than ever.

"By chance last week I watched the "Play of the Week " on T.V. It was the "House of Bernardo Alba's". The intermission commentator was a Jim Fleming. Was he our very own Mary Jane Dunsmore's?

"I will wait anxiously for this year's report. Enclosed is my dollar. I love you all and wish very much that I was there. Speak of me kindly - I do of you."

Love and kisses,

Sally Oleon Shames

(The address shown above for Sally is her present home address. Her work address is:

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729 22nd Street
Washington 6, D.C.

N.B. Yes, I censored my letter - it was too long - but I didn't touch anyone else's! (31)

Helen Reis Whitlinger (Mrs. Hamilton)
162 Crescent Hills Road
Pittsburgh 35, Pa.
SY. 3-6525

Helen has given up her job in exchange for motherhood and has a little girl, born on August 20, 1960 named Rebecca Ann. Everyone is fine. Helen and her husband built an addition on their house for the baby. Helen still plays the piano, spends some time in sewing and is active in her sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma. Her husband has been going to Duquesne Law School at night but still finds time to be on the Board of the Crescent Hills Civic Club.

Miriam Seiner Ginsberg (Mrs. Hyman)
1333 Woodbine Street
Pittsburgh 1, Pa.
ST. 1-7774

Since the last Mortar Board Reunion, Mimi has added a little boy, Sammy, to her family of Jay, 8 year's old, and Ellen, 6. At the time of this reunion Sammy was 4½ months' old. Mimi has been President of her Hadassah group for the second year in a row and was installed the end of April. She showed us pictures of her lovely family. She has kindly invited us all to her home for the next Mortar Board Reunion.

Betty Shore Hepner (Mrs. Robert)
7819 Mt. Carmel Road
Verona, Pa.
CH. 2-3832

Betty says she spends her time keeping house and chasing her son, Alan, 1½ year's old at the time of the Reunion. Her little girl, Janey is 4 year's old and helped to entertain everyone on the porch before bedtime. Betty supplied camera, flash and film for the pictures attached to this Newsletter. Betty has volunteered to be photographer for the next reunion, and I suggest we take her up on it. In addition to homemaking, Betty has been busy in Hadassah and is on the Group Activities Committee at the YM & WHA. All of us appreciated Betty's hospitality in having us at her home for this reunion.

Marie Stoj Rosiak (Mrs. Edward)
39 Fifth Street
Pittsburgh 15, Pa.
ST. 1-1390

No one had heard from Marie so we decided she must be out of town on a vacation. As it turned out, she misplaced the notice about the Reunion and still hasn't forgiven herself for missing a good time. She is still teaching first grade at Fulton School.

Dolores Stumpff Grundish (Mrs. C. E., Jr.)
31743 Courtland Drive
St. Clair Shores, Michigan

We didn't hear from Diz and no one had any recent news of her. We are looking forward to hearing from her this June.

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Best Wishes,
Annabel Montgomery
Secretary-1960

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II Marital Status
Husband's Name Married (Date) Widowed/Divorced (Date)
1. _____
2. _____

Children - Natural / Acquired
Name Sex Age Married Address
1.
2. _____
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Grandchildren - Natural / Acquired
Name Sex Age Parent's Name
1.
2.
3. _____
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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	<u>Title / Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Major Field</u>
1.	M. Ed	1950	U. Pgh.	Guidance + Counseling
2.	Graduate credits additional (45)		U. Pgh. Syracuse	Psychology + Counseling
3.				

B. Places Lived

	<u>Where</u>	<u>Dates (How long)</u>
1.	London, England	1953-54
2.	Caracas, Venezuela	1958-59
3.	Subic Bay, P.I.	1959-60
4.	Tehran, Iran	1962-65
5.		

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Principal Responsibilities</u>
1.	Teacher	1948-50	Chartiers Township Sch Dist	Math + Physics
2.	Teacher	1950-58	Allderice H.S. Pgh.	Math.
3.	Teacher	1958-59	Private Amer. Sch, Caracas	Math
4.	Teacher	1959-60	Subic Bay Navy Dependents Sch Subic Bay	Chem + Math.
5.	Sch Counselor	1960-62	Edgewood H.S. Pgh.	Jr. + Sr High Counselor
5.	Teacher	1962-65	Presbyterian Mission Sch Iran	HS Math
6.	Sch. Counselor	1965-1989	North Hills Sch Dist, Pgh	Sr High Counselor

D. Retirement Activities

Volunteer Senior Citizen Center Meals on Wheels
 Church officer and Committee Chr.
 Serve on Pgh Presbytery Committees
 Serve on Mission Boards; Sejourne House
 Mulberry Sr Citizens Center
 Ventures in People

IV. Essay Questions

Everyone should answer question number One; then, at least three of the remaining seven. Perhaps two can be bunched together. Of course, it would be marvelous to answer all. Please use additional sheets, one side only.

1. These past 50 years have been enormously eventful for women. For you, has your life been what you expected on that sunny June day in 1948?
2. The best thing about my four undergraduate years at Pitt was _____
3. My worst memory is _____
4. Mortar Board made a difference (or not) in my life because _____
5. If I had my education to do over, knowing what I know now, I would _____
6. My best piece of advice for a woman currently attending Pitt is _____
7. A piece of advice for Pitt, based on my 50 years of experience, is _____
8. My predictions for the year 2048 are _____

Or - The question I would prefer to ask (and answer) is _____

I have little time before I leave for a three week tour of India where we will visit religious centers and Presbyterian Missions

1948 MORTAR BOARD 1998
FIFTY-YEAR SURVEY

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II. MARITAL STATUS
HUSBAND'S NAME: ROBERT D. HEPNER
MARRIED (DATE): JULY 3, 1951
CHILDREN:
1. JANE E. FEMALE PITTSBURGH
2. ALLEN S. MALE CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA
MARRIED TO MICHELINE GAUTHIER, SEPTEMBER 6, 1991
GRANDCHILDREN:
EXPECTING FIRST GRANDCHILD, JUNE 1, 1998

III. LIFE AFTER MORTAR BOARD
A. DEGREE EARNED
MSW 1950 UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
B. PLACES LIVED
PITTSBURGH: PENN HILLS (1953-67)
SQUIRREL HILL (1967-PRESENT)
C. MAJOR JOBS
DIRECTOR, VOLUNTEER ACTION CENTER 1970-82
DIRECTOR, SELF-HELP GROUP NETWORK 1983-PRESENT
D. RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES
HAVE BEEN WORKING FULL-TIME FOR THE NETWORK UNTIL THIS YEAR. BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS PLANNING A RETIREMENT RECEPTION THIS SPRING AND WILL ANNOUNCE A SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR A STUDENT AT THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK IN MY NAME. VERY EXCITING. WILL BE SEMI-RETIRED UNTIL JUNE WHEN A MONTH-LONG TRIP TO AUSTRALIA IS PLANNED.

THE NETWORK THAT I STARTED 15 YEARS AGO WAS READY FOR A HOST ORGANIZATION AND WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY'S HELPLINE TAKE OVER THE SERVICE.

BOB AND I HAVE ENJOYED TRAVELING, AND MOST RECENTLY VISITED SPAIN AND PORTUGAL THIS PAST SEPTEMBER; AND LONG BOAT KEY, FLORIDA FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

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II. Marital Status

Husband's Name Married (Date) Widowed/Divorced (Date)

1. James A. Kehl November 22, 1952 Divorced--April, 1992

2.

Children - Natural / Acquired
Name Sex Age Married Address

1. Kurt N. Kehl M 37 November 7, 1987 281 Aspen Road
Yardley PA 19067

2.

3.

4.

Grand children - Natural / Acquired
Name Sex Age Parent's Name

1. Shane Stephen Kehl M 5 Kurt N. (and Lorraine) Kehl

2. (Baby due any day now.)
Announcing Alexa Marie Kehl - April 4, 1998
8 lb 4 oz - 20 inches - Black hair - great voice!

3.

4.

5.

III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

Title / Degree Date Where Major Field

1. Master, Education June, 1952 University of Pittsburgh Counseling

2.

3.

B. Places Lived

Where Dates (How Long)

1. Leonard Avenue, Washington, PA 1948-52 4 years (had lived there when I was in college, too)

2. North Avenue, Washington, Pa. 1952-54 2 years

3. Highgrove Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 1954-63 8 years

4. Meadow Park Drive, Pittsburgh, Pa. 1963-present 34 years

5.

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

Title Dates Organization Principal Responsibilities

1. teacher 1948-54 Washington (Pa.) School District Teacher

2. counselor 1955-60 Baldwin-Whitehall School District Counselor--teacher

3. counselor 1970-90 Bethel Park School District Counselor

4.

5.

6.

D. Retirement Activities

County
Member: Allegheny/School Counselors' Association, Pennsylvania State Education Association-Retired, Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees

Corinne Kehl

My life has not been what I expected it would be. There are times when I wished my life had taken a different turn! I have just returned from my brother-in-law's funeral. He and my sister had a 49-year-long love affair. I didn't have that, but I have learned to adapt to whatever came along. I'm more resilient and resourceful than I thought I could be.

As I look back on my Pitt years, I have good memories--the smell of the pine in the Commons Room during the holidays, Herky Knell playing the organ in the Commons Room, tea in the afternoon, the give and take during our many meetings of organizations, Mortar Board initiation, such teachers as Edwin Peterson, David D. Lessenberry, Putnam F. Jones.

My worst memory is studying for exams during Exam Week.

Mortar Board made a difference in my life because many of my lasting friendships were Mortar Board members.

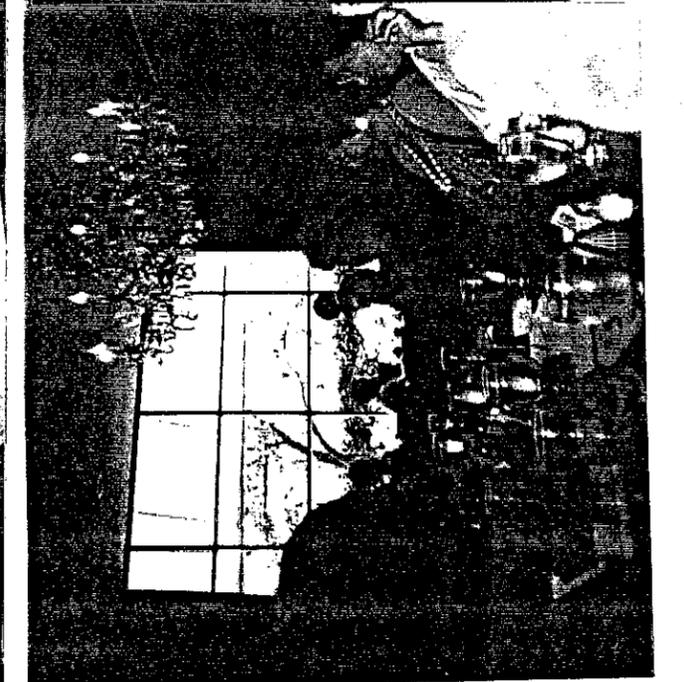
If I had my education to do over again, I think I would still be a teacher/counselor. The work doesn't have the respect it once had. The work is much more difficult than it was in 1948. I have always enjoyed working with young people.

My advice to someone now attending Pitt would be to pay attention to your studies, but enjoy the people and the happenings around you. This is a real part of your education, too.

My advice to Pitt regards alumni(ae) relations. They lump the 50th reunion classes together. Treat us more personally. Have a variety of reunion experiences (some of us are arthritic and can't climb the stadium for the football game).

I really can't predict for the year 2048. (I haven't a clue what will happen tomorrow!)

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II. Marital Status

Husband's Name Married (Date) Widowed/Divorced (Date)
1. George 1949
2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Married</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. David	M	44	No	California
2. Tom *	M	43	Divorced	California
3. Elizabeth	F	42	No	California
4. Ann *	F	39	Yes	California

* Does adoption count as acquired?

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Parent's Name</u>
1. Mike	M	11	Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Ann
2. Jessica	F	9	same as above
3.			
4.			
5.			

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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other
Title / Degree Date Where Major Field

- None
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B. Places Lived
Where Dates (How Long)

- Pgh, Pa 1948-57
- California 1958-1969
- Annapolis, Md. 1969-1974
- Pgh. Pa. 1974-1988
- California 1988-

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer
Title Dates Organization Principal Responsibilities

- Chemist 1948-49 Mellon Institute Mucking about
(I got fired when I got married)
- Oakmont Lab. Manager and various hospitals in early fifties.
- As for volunteering I have been at avrous times and places on boards of Head Start, Annapolis Symphony, American Wind Symphony
- (I also cooked on that barge) Youth Music Camp, Tuesday Musical, AAUW
- and am currently the VP of the Volunteer Board of Sabta Cruz County
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D. Retirement Activities

I teach English as a second language and help Hispanic Farm Workers fullfill their requirements for citizenship. I also play the violin in a local orchestra.

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Has my life been as expected? NO When I married a physicist I envisioned my life as a faculty wife. And that hasn't happened. The best thing about my years at Pitt. I learned I wasn't such an oddity as I and others thought I was. My conviction that you never quit learning was reinforced.

Since I probably won't make the reunion I'll depart somewhat from the essay questions. When my husband retired ten years ago we moved to this house we had bought some years before. We are on a cliff overlooking the Pacific Ocean south of San Francisco and north of Carmel. For four or five of these retirement years we shuttled between here and a condo in Annapolis where we spent the sailing seasons. We never felt rooted anywhere so we brought the boat to the San Francisco Bay.

A lot of my body has been replaced or augmented. Lets see- dyed hair, bifocals, Haring aids (on order) capped teeth, two new knees and arch supports. I've had to quit playing tennis and hiking on rough ground because of the limitations of the knees.

Our two grandchildren live about five minutes away and we have the pleasure of seeing them grow up.

My husband had quadruple by-pass surgery four years ago. We cleaned up our eating habits and he is in vigorous good health. Since the surgery he has taken up long distance hiking- 1600 miles or more in England, Ireland, New Zealand (the Milford Track) and Hawaii. ^WHe does ~~not~~ this by himself or with one or two friends. ^WHe ~~denies~~ it's a denial or old age. He also works as chief plumber and electrician ^{two} days a week for Habitat for Humanity.

While he is walking I am ~~am~~ myself nearby or not so nearby. While he was in Ireland I went to Russia and this last August when he walked across England on or near Hadrian's Wall I went to the Edinburgh Festival. -An orgy- 20 concerts in 12 days.

We miss friends in Pgh. but the salubrious climate here almost make up for it. My son Tom and I were in NYC last January and we stopped in Pgh. It was 17 degrees and we suffered. So you see what a sissy I have become.

I invite you one and all to look me up when you get to this part of the world.

Mary Gae Megaffin Miller

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Sally O. - Present

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II Marital Status

Husband's Name	Married (Date)	Widowed/Divorced (Date)
1. GEORGE SHAMES	1950 + 1952	DIVORCED '66
2.		

Children - Natural / Acquired	Name	Sex	Age	Married	Address
1.	NONE				
2.					
3.					
4.					

Grand children - Natural / Acquired	Name	Sex	Age	Parent's Name
1.	NONE			
2.				
3.				
4.				
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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

Title / Degree	Date	Where	Major Field
1. M.ED.	1950	Pitt	Secondary Ed.
2. Ph. D.	1958	Pitt	Poli. Sei.
3. Post-doctoral		Pitt + CUNY	Poli. Sei. & Public Adm.

B. Places Lived

Where	Dates (How long)
1. Pittsburgh	until 1960
2. Washington, D.C.	1960 - 1966
3. New York City	1966 - present except for
4. Hartford, Ct.	1976 - 1983
5.	

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
1. Asst to Dean	1958-1960	Pitt (ESPA)	Writing, adminis.
2. Research Assoc	1960-63	Georgetown U. + U.S. Comm on Intergovt Rela	
3. Asst to V.P	1963-66	Geo. Wash U.	Administration
4. Program Officer	1966-69	Ford Foundation	Giving money away
5. Asst Director	69-76	City Univ. of N.Y.	Res. Admin.
6. Dean of Faculty, VP Acadm. aff.	76-83	Greater Hartford County Coll.	
7. Various long term consulting	84-88	in N.Y.C. + Greenboro, N. Car.	

D. Retirement Activities

Founding President of N.Y. Pitt Alumni Assoc.
One term on Pitt National Alumni Council
One term, Board of Managers of my NY Condo.
Founding Bd. Member of East Sixties Neighborhood Assoc.
Traveling, Museums, theater, golfing off. (47)

ix. ^{essay & news} was

1. My life, 1945-1995, has been totally different from the one I anticipated in 1945. I expected to go to law school, practice law in a relaxed manner, marry George, have a family, and generally live the 50's stay-at-home-life in Pittsburgh. Instead, I married and divorced, earned a Ph.D., pursued a career, and lived in 3 other cities.

My career has been challenging, exciting and fulfilling. Each of my new cities was a unique experience. I lived in Washington, D.C. during "Camelot" even saw Jackie on the street and Bobbie and Ethel at the local movies. It was the perfect place and time to be for a political scientist. Hartford gave me insights into New England and Yankees - do not like either of them very much. New York City, with all its faults, I think, is the best city in the world. It has been a better 50 years than I could have ever imagined in 1945.

5. However, if I had it to do over, I would:

a. For my career in higher education administration, to reach the top (presidency), I would have been helped by an Ivy League/Seven Sisters degree. I do not think the education would have been better, it is just the "Good Housekeeping seal of approval" that was required in the 70s & 80s.

b. Or, I considered ditching Pitt altogether and going off to New York to be a model.

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2. My most enjoyable activity at Pitt was the intercollegiate conference on Government. Our senior year, as chair of the Pitt delegation, I made political alliances with other colleges and universities and achieved our goals. Part of the enjoyment was the support of the Political Science Department and fellow Mortar Boarder Pat Heneghan.

3. Mortar Board made a difference because it was my club, my "in-group." There was no jealousy within the group, no incentive to be nasty because we were all chosen for what we had already accomplished. We could relax, not compete and just enjoy each other. And we were wise enough not to undertake any monumental projects. Whatever happened to that list of all former M.B.'s we compiled?

4. I don't really have any worst memories. My street car ride was short enough not to be as overcast as some of you have indicated. I guess I would rather not have lost so many elections.

5. My advice to young women is that during their college years, they have to plan their whole life: education, career, significant other, family. It is not either - or, but all of them. While at Pitt, they should find themselves, who they are as stand-alone people; get the best education they can absorb, and decide what sequence of major life roles they would prefer and how much they are willing to compromise when reality hits. (49)

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7. My advice to Pitt is not to let the medical center and science programs overwhelm the liberal arts. Pitt should go back to the "A.B." degree, CAS just doesn't cut it. Also, in the words of Abigail Adams, "Remember the ladies," female students, faculty and administrative appointments.

8. By the year 2048, I will finally learn to type, have a computer, E-mail, and Fax, and, so will everyone else. I just hope we will not all isolate ourselves in front of the ever better machines.

Fifty years from now, the world will have the same political and economic problems, only they will be in different parts of the world. People will not have changed, so we will still be circling around the same social problems.



FIFTY-YEAR SURVEY

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CHILDREN:

David L. Page - 47 - Pittsburgh, PA
Charles Mark Page, M. D. - 37 - Alta Loma, California

GRANDCHILDREN: (all are offsprings of Mark and Regina Page)

Cassdra Denise Page - 9 - daughter) present for birth of these two
Jessica Marie Page - 5 - daughter)
Gloria Deanna Page - 2 - daughter

BIRTH OF MY CHILDREN AND WATCHING THEM GROW INTO ADULTHOOD HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTS
IN MY LIFE. TO SHARE WITH THE GROWTH OF MY GRANDDAUGHTERS IS MOST REWARDING. AT
THIS POINT, THEY ARE THE NEXT LEADERS OF DISTINCTION!

LIFE AFTER MORTAR BOARD

A. DEGREES EARNED/GRADUATE STUDY/ OTHER

B. S. Education - June 1948 - University of Pittsburgh - Commercial Education
M.Ed. - June 1953 - University of Pittsburgh - Elementary Education
Post Master's Certification - 1967 - University of Pittsburgh - Curriculum/Supervision
Principal's Certification - 1974 - Duquesne University
Supervision and Administration - 1976 - Bank Street College of New York

B. PLACES LIVED

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania - fifty years

C. MAJOR JOBS

Secretary/Office Manager for Dr. Abraham Robinson, University of Pittsburgh - interviewed and
tested applicants for positions - general office duties - 1948-1949
Office Manager, Soho Community House - liaison between university students/clientele/ and
community staff personnel, preparing applications - 1950-1951
Educator/Administrator - Pittsburgh Board of Public Education - 1953-1984

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D. RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Committee of Friends, Martin Luther King, Jr. Reading Center
Commonwealth Trustee, University of Pittsburgh (8 years)
African Heritage Classroom Committee, University of Pittsburgh
Board Member, Eva Poe Mitchell's Residence
Board Member, Lemington Home for the Aged
Board Member Center Avenue YMCA
Board Member Homewood Library
Board Member Homewood Salvation Army
Board Member, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

CHURCH AFFILIATION:

GRACE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Ruling Elder, Began a community centered tutorial program at this church,
member of the Evangelism Committee.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP/SERVICE

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

LIFE MEMBER - ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NEGRO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S
CLUBS, INC.
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
THE PIERIANS, INCORPORATED, Pittsburgh Chapter

PITTSBURGH URBAN LEAGUE

PITTSBURGH PIONEERS

JUST US MOTHERS

LIFE MEMBER - Pennsylvania State Education Association
Pittsburgh Retired Public School Employes Association

The Carnegie

Pittsburgh Center for the Arts

The Pittsburgh Ballet

Friends of the New Zoo

The Pittsburgh Symphony

oasis

vintage

The Pittsburgh Public Theater

TRAVEL

California, Hawaii, Caribbean, Canada, Mexico, London, many areas within USA.

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ESSAY QUESTIONS:

1. June 8, 1948 was a day of elation! A B.S. in Business Education - an opportunity to share the skills which I had attained at high school, a finishing course in business school, and finally a college degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

I had been living in a dream world - one in which women (people) of diverse backgrounds were seemingly working towards a "one world" concept. I was caught up in the dream of an Utopian Society - nothing was insurmountable. This bubble was deflated on this same day. I, as a woman of color, was humiliated (a feeling which I had never before experienced or have since felt). After an interview with the personnel director at the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education, I was told that there were no people of color employed in the Pittsburgh schools and it was not known when the door would be opened.

An immediate job offer from the University of Pittsburgh as Secretary to the Librarian was made available to me. I immediately applied to Graduate School at the University of Pittsburgh and soon earned a Master's Degree in Elementary Education.

There was no time to become vengeful due to a support group founded on faith and prayers, a loving husband, parents, church family, and friends!

2. Exposure to an outstanding group of women with common goals, who pursued careers of their choice successfully and some of whom have remained my friends over a half century.
3. Class first period in the Cathedral of Learning; second period in the Biology Lab on University Drive; third period English on the third floor of the Cathedral of Learning!
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4. MORTAR BOARD made a difference in my life because of the time in my life at which/happened - the true happy days of a lifetime were coming to a close. Dean Rush, a scholar, a lady of quality and distinction brought a select group of young women together to read, act in a disciplined manner, discuss, and make decisions about the real world which we were about to enter.
5. If I had my education to do over, knowing what I know now, I would have majored in philosophy and religion, entered Pittsburgh Theological Seminary to become a research authority in the study of the world religions.
6. My best piece of advice for a woman currently attending Pitt is to study, study, do everything in your power to enhance the quality of academic and social life at the college and plan to make living on this planet a better place for all.
7. A piece of advice for Pitt, based on my fifty years of experience, is to plan indepth ways to offer mandatory courses in all areas of study to carry out what the term "univeristy" means. No one should leave the University of Pittsburgh without a feeling of welf worth and a true feeling about equality of life for humankind!
8. My predictions for the YEAR 2048 are: Pitt will graduate literate scholars who have compassion for fellow human beings; young people who will be given work according to their qualifications regardless of race or ethnicity; there will be jobs for qualified graduates in all fields.

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Widowed / Divorced (Date)

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1961

2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Married

Address

1. George J.

M

36

no

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15147

2.

3.

4.

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Parent's Name

1. None

2.

3.

4.

5.

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III Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	<u>Title / Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Major Field</u>
1.	ML Business	1953	Pitt	Retailing/ Personnel
2.	(Have attended about 200 conferences/workshops/ seminars on environmental issues since 1969 --- very beneficial continuing education --- but			
3.	"uncredited".			

B. Places Lived

	<u>Where</u>	<u>Dates (How Long)</u>
1.	East End of Pittsburgh	- forever ! --- Stanton Heights, Morningside, Highland Park
2.		Friendship/Bloomfield - and now Shadyside/Oakland. (Anyone for Downtown Pittsburgh
3.		
4.		
5.		

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Principal Responsibilities</u>
1.	Training Supervisor	1948-1958	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	Hiring/interviewing/training new employes etc
2.	Merchandise and Market Analysis	1958-1961	" "	Pittsburgh regional representative of Sears Chicago Mdse. office reviewing and comparing Sears mdse, pricing/ quality/ advertising etc. with Sears competition.
3.				
4.				Great deal of volunteering with Pitt Alumnae Association, Delta Zeta Sorority state and
5.				national programs, Community activity in Pittsburgh Neighborhood Alliance, especially on land use and zoning issues.
6.				In 1969, was one of the founders of the regional citizens group for clean air (GASP) Group Against Smog and Pollution, where I volunteered full time for 18 years. (Since Pitt Alumni office wrote all this up last year - see attached article)

D. Retirement Activities

Continue environmental committee and group volunteering, emerita board member of Pitt Alumnae Council and Pitt Alumni Association's Alumni Legislative Network. Enjoy attending several local chamber music group concerts at Carnegie Music Hall, Chatham and Carlow Colleges. (What retirement? - Just continue my volunteer activities --all of which are very challenging (and some times frustrating.)

Short Essay Questions: Pat Pelkofer

- 1) My life has not been what I anticipated upon graduation in 1948, but I'm not unhappy with the outcome. I had expected to go into teaching, but a job offer as training supervisor was quite related, and I enjoyed dealing with adults instead of the friendly freckled faces in the public schools.

With my longtime opportunities in volunteering, I was able to take part in and direct activities which I could never experienced in a "career" position. (A woman would not have been assigned to many of the activities I experienced on state and county advisory boards...very challenging and mentally stimulating !)
- 2) The best thing about years as an undergraduate at Pitt was the number of special friendships developed which have continued over more than 50 years.
- 3) My worst memory was commuting via street car and local bus to and from home and campus. (Many of us were card carrying members of the Street Car College Club). It seems like a plot that we reached the corner of Fifth and Bigelow to see the rear end of the street car leaving, and after half an hour wait for another , there was a repeat as we climbed off the street car in East Liberty, the Stanton Heights local bus glided around the corner - without you. (Another half hour wait for the next one !).
- 4) I think our members of Mortar Board, Class of '48 represent the last group of women who remained and developed our lives in Southwestern PA. I think 14 of us have remained in this area. It has been special to have this opportunity to see each other on many occasions over a 50 year period ! It has been a wonderful 'down-to-earth' group of women to know and share ideas, problems, fun exchanges with.
- 5) I don't think , living when we have lived, that I could do much about "doing my education over". We were from families coming out of the Depression years and attending college in other cities or states was not an option. Most of the women in our class were enrolled in Education, Nursing, Commercial Ed or Business, since that's where the majority of jobs were available for women. I do wish I had enrolled in more science courses, since as it turned out, that would have helped me in my environmental volunteer efforts.
- 6) I've had the opportunity to meet informally with numerous young women on the Pitt campus through Delta Zeta groups and Alumnae Council. These gals are so much more "worldly" and have a much broader educational base than we of the forties were able to enjoy. They are in programs leading to degrees and careers which we never dreamed of. But they lack knowledge of everyday value --- common sense things. Savina Skewis was on the right track in offering volunteer class opportunities on some "graciousness" "entertaining" taking care of an apartment or residences. I'd advise women students at Pitt today to slow down and enjoy life ---and learn the simple things that make life enjoyable.
- 7) My advice for Pitt is to continue and increase the broad mix of student body they have attained, nationally and internationally, to separate their identity from the Medical Center .. two entities which are considered as one by the people of Pittsburgh --- and seriously consider opening a branch campus, no matter how small, in Harrisburg if Pitt is to remain a state-related University.
- 8) Sorry, I have no idea what the world may be like in another fifty years ! I hope we get some smarts and take better care of the earth we depend upon. Climate change the world is likely to experience has dire implications.

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Pat Pelkofer Finds Volunteering Natural



Pat Pelkofer, EDU '48, came by her habit of volunteering from watching her parents. "Volunteering is just a part of life," she says. That being the case, she has a very full life.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pelkofer enrolled at Pitt in 1944. She studied in the School of Education, majoring in social sciences with minors in biology and English.

Although she and her classmates missed the company of men, most of whom were fighting World War II, certain advantages were apparent. "We were lucky to be taking classes from senior faculty. Because so many faculty members had been drafted into military service, department chairmen found themselves teaching introductory courses," Pelkofer says. She is also proud that the female students successfully leaped into the breach and took charge of campus activities.

Pelkofer is unashamedly nostalgic about her undergraduate days at Pitt. "It was a different

time," she says. "Tea was served from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Commons Room of the Cathedral of Learning. Music from the organ in the Commons Room accompanied class changes."

A Delta Zeta member in college, Pelkofer began volunteering for her sorority soon after graduation and was active with the Pitt chapter and on Delta Zeta's national advisory boards until the 1980s. She also went on to serve on the board of the Pittsburgh Hearing and Speech Center



Pat Pelkofer, EDU '48

(Delta Zeta's national project is speech and hearing). In the early 1950s, she became active with Alumnae Council, an alumni organization dedicated to support and further the efforts of women who have chosen to go to the University of Pittsburgh.

Not long after graduating, Pelkofer began working for Sears as a training supervisor and taking evening classes in retailing from the School of Business.

When she received her master's degree in 1953, she was invited to join Phi Delta Gamma, a national graduate honor society in which she is still active today.

She moved into marketing for Sears, a job for which she says she was well suited. "I don't like to shop. If you liked shopping, you'd never finish your work."

In 1961, she married Cletus Pelkofer, MED '50, and left Sears, giving her more time to volunteer. As she raised their son, George, CGS '88, she began grappling with some tough issues.

Pelkofer had been aware of pollution problems since the 1948 tragedy in Donora in which air pollution killed 20 people and sickened nearly 6,000. In 1969, she became a founding member of GASP (Group Against Smog and Pollution) and sat on its board for 18 years. Today she participates on several subcommittees of the Allegheny County Health Department Citizen's Advisory Committee on Air Quality and has, since 1988, served on the Local Emergency Planning Committee, which was the first in the country to put into place a hospital emergency response plan to deal with toxic emergencies.

From 1984 to 1996, Pelkofer traveled regularly to Harrisburg to work with the State Solid Waste Advisory Committee, which reviews all solid hazardous waste and recycling laws and regulations. Yes, she took the bus to Harrisburg in February to

help take Pitt's case to the legislators. She also has a place at the Waste Management Citizen's Roundtable on Waste Issues and the Western Pennsylvania Technical Advisory Board of the Pennsylvania Resources Council.

Still active on Alumnae Council, Pelkofer has stepped down from some of her volunteer positions because of her conviction that younger people needed to get involved. For an example, they need only look to her. ♣

ALUMNI CONNECTIONS is always on the lookout for interesting Pitt graduates. If you know of someone whose life might lend itself to a profile, please contact the alumni editor at 1(800) 258-PITT or (412) 624-8229. ♣

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Husband's Name

Married (Date)

Widowed/Divorced (Date)

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November 25, 1948

2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

None

Name

Sex Age

Married

Address

1.

2.

3.

4.

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

None

Name

Sex Age

Parent's Name

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

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III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

<u>Title / Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Major Field</u>
1. Bachelor of Science	June 9, 1948	Pitt	Elementary Education
2.			
3.			

B. Places Lived

<u>Where</u>	<u>Dates (How Long)</u>
1. Aspinwall, Pa	Since 1948 when we married
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3.	
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C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Principal Responsibilities</u>
1. Teacher	Sept. 1948 June 1957	Pittsburgh Board of Education	Fairywood School First grade teacher
2. Teacher	Sept. 1957 June 1983	"	Fulton School First grade teacher
3. Volunteer	June 1983 to present	Lauri Ann West Me- morial Library	In charge of the Paperback Exchange
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5.			
6.			

D. Retirement Activities

- It's great to have time for:
1. Fun "interest" courses-drawing, painting, knitting, beginning computer and others.
 2. Concerts and theater including several Broadway theater trips.
 3. Active 50 year membership in Pi Lambda Theta - Delta and now West. PA Chapter.
 4. AARP trips and trips with friends since Eddie no longer travels well.
 5. Membership in Woman's Club of Aspinwall-now serving second year as president.
 6. Volunteer work at library with Paperback Exchange and as "Book Lady" making home delivery of large print books to vision impaired patrons.

But it's also nice to sometimes sit and do nothing! (62)

It's hard to believe----fifty years! On that graduation day, eons ago, I felt invincible. I was prepared for a profession, was engaged to be married and enjoyed my family's pride in me. The world was mine.

In September 1948 I entered the REAL WORLD. Arriving at Fairywood School I found my first class had fifty first graders. There wasn't a complete set of any reading series, no teacher's manuals and not enough books, in short, chaos and panic, but there was an organ that this non-musical person was expected to play. On the plus side, the school was lovely, the principal was terrific and the faculty was the absolute best. We are still friends today. And the children were very, very dear. My first year at Fairywood was a real learning experience for me and the youngsters, and thankfully, we all survived.

After nine years of travelling from one end of the city to the other, I transferred to Fulton School in the Highland Park area. After teaching first grade there for twenty-six years, I retired in June 1983. (You noticed...I never did get promoted to second grade.)

Teaching was what I always wanted to do and I found it truly satisfying. I chose the right career and still enjoy many good memories of the youngsters it was my pleasure to meet and teach.

If my first teaching year was a real learning experience, so was the first year of my marriage...so much to learn, to do and so little time to do it all. Eddie and I were married on Thanksgiving Day 1948. After his discharge from the Navy, Ed went to Pitt, majored in sociology and was tapped to Phi Beta Kappa. His first post graduation job was as the X-Ray Survey Planner and Coordinator for the TB League of Pittsburgh. He then served as Health Educator for the Allegheny County Health Department. He is also retired now.

Has my life been what I expected on that sunny day fifty years ago? Yes and no. I've had a long and happy marriage and a rewarding career. I have good friends and ^{have} done interesting ^{things} ^{as} I've had times of challenge and times of ease. All pluses! And the ^{minus} the sorrow of seeing our family circle getting smaller with the passing years...sad. These years have been filled with the good, the bad and the beautiful. I'm thankful that I have been able to enjoy the good and the beautiful and strong enough to endure and survive the bad. No one promised us a perfect and easy life.

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The best thing about my four undergraduate years at Pitt was the beginning of a lifelong friendship with my friend, Betty Sundermann. It was our years at Pitt that nurtured a friendship that still thrives today.

My worst memory is of my one and only class cut. The final exam schedule had been published in the Pitt News and I decided to cut Dr. Yochum's last class to stroll in the park. You guessed it! The News schedule was wrong and Dr. Yochum made the correction during his last class. I missed the exam and had to go to him and plead my case. After a stern lecture he did allow me to take the exam in his office. Amen! I still cringe when I think of it.

If I had my education to do over, knowing what I know now, I would not go to Pitt to prepare for a teaching career. It was not long after I began teaching that I realized how utterly useless my education courses were. This was also echoed by other friends of mine. Without student teaching (not long enough) and a principal and faculty willing to answer questions and provide a feeling of support if needed, I could have found teaching far less satisfying. I walked into my classroom with very little concrete help, no "hows" to aid me, only abstract theories. And that wasn't enough.

A piece of advice for Pitt, based on my fifty years of experience is that basic educational theories be taught, but that more hands on time actually teaching be provided. At Fulton we had a teaching intern one year which came close to what I would like to see. Something is lacking if, after four years of college, a teacher's manual is the best teacher's teacher. Hopefully this shortcoming does not exist today.

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1940 Modular Board '78
Fifty-Year Survey

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Children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Married

Address

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M

44

TO CAREN MARCOS

PITTSBURGH

2. RONALD

M

40

TO JUDITH NUDELMAN

BARRINGTON, RI

3.

4.

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Parent's Name

1. EMILY

F

11

HOWARD / CAREN

2. DAVID

M

11

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3. SARA

F

11

RONALD / JUDY

4. BECKY

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III Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	<u>Title / Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Major Field</u>
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2.				
3.				

B. Places Lived

	<u>Where</u>	<u>Dates (How Long)</u>
1.	PITTSBURGH - ALWAYS	50 YEARS
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Principal Responsibilities</u>
1.	SELF-EMPLOYED ACCOUNTANT	(TO PRESENT)		
2.	ASST. BUSINESS MANAGER		UNIV OF PGH PRESS	
3.	BUSINESS MGR		INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSE. - PITT	
4.				
5.				
6.				

D. Retirement Activities

- COORDINATOR - INTERFAITH VOLUNTEER CAREGIVERS OFFICE
- VOLUNTEER - RACE FOR THE CURE
- SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE - TEMPLE SINAI

FROM BERNICE SNIDERMAN
MARCH 15, 1998

ALL THESE RAMBLING THOUGHTS ARE RELATED TO SEVERAL OF YOUR ESSAY QUESTIONS.

I GUESS THAT BASICALLY I GOT WHAT I EXPECTED. I WAS LUCKY ENOUGH TO IMMEDIATELY FIND A SATISFYING JOB (GREAT TITLE - NO MONEY) WHICH I HELD FOR FIVE YEARS. DURING THAT PERIOD I MET AND MARRIED MILT WHO WAS "AHEAD OF HIS TIME." HE ALWAYS SUPPORTED MY PARTICIPATION IN WHATEVER I CHOSE TO DO - FROM QUITTING MY, BY THEN, SIGNIFICANT JOB, TO DEVOTING FULL TIME TO REARING OUR CHILDREN WHILE SERVING VARIOUS COMMUNITY NEEDS, (SUCH AS PTA PRESIDENT), TO ULTIMATELY RETURNING TO WORK. AS BUSINESS MANAGER FOR THE REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION. HE ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD THAT WOMEN MUST DO "THEIR OWN THING."

MORTAR BOARD MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE BECAUSE, BY ITS NATURE, IT REINFORCED MY BELIEF THAT I COULD ACCOMPLISH WHATEVER I CHOSE TO DO.

MY BEST PIECE OF ADVICE WOULD PROBABLY BE TO MAKE A POSITIVE, CONSCIOUS EFFORT TO SUCCEED ACADEMICALLY AS WELL AS TO PARTICIPATE IN MANY AVAILABLE ACTIVITIES. DONT WAIT FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES TO COME TO YOU.

I AM PLEASED THAT ATTITUDES TOWARD YOUNG WOMEN (AND YOUNG MEN) HAVE CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY. OUR THREE YOUNG GRANDDAUGHTERS, AGES 8 TO 11, SPEAK ABOUT BECOMING AIRPLANCE PILOTS, ARCHITECTS, AND OTHER CAREERS FORMERLY SELDOME CONSIDERED. THEY ARE ACTIVELY ENCOURAGED BY THEIR FATHERS AS WELL AS THEIR MOTHERS. THE YEAR 2048 SHOULD EVEN BE BETTER FOR THEM THAN NOW.

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Fifty-year Survey

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II Marital Status

Husband's Name

Married (Date)

Widowed/Divorced (Date)

1. William H.

June 11, 1949

June Nov. 21, 1970

2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Married

Address

1. Virginia Howlett F 42

Aug. 21, 1982

Moknton, Pa.

2. Richard Sprenger M 39

Divorced

Knoxville, Tenn

3.

4.

Grand children - Natural / Acquired

Name

Sex

Age

Parent's Name

1. Richard Howlett M 12

Virginia + Alan Howlett

2. Elizabeth Howlett F 6

" "

3.

4.

5.

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III Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

	Title / Degree	Date	Where	Major Field
1.	B.S. in Ed.	JUNE 1948	PITT	EL. EDUCATION
2.				
3.				

B. Places Lived

	Where	Dates (How Long)
1.	DUQUESNE, PA.	Born and raised here and lived here first 3 years of marriage
2.	SWISSVALE, PA.	1952-1957
3.	BLOOMINGTON, IND.	1957-1958
4.	BUFFALO, N.Y.	1958-1960
5.	GREENSBURG, PA.	1960-1970
6.	MAUSFIELD, OH.	1970-1971
7.	N. HUNTINGDON, PA.	1971-Present

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

	Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
1.	4 th grade teacher	1948-1952	West Meffler School District	
2.	4 th grade teacher	1972-1989	Norwin School District	
3.				
4.				
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6.				

D. Retirement Activities

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- Volunteer one day a week at the Norwin Public Library
 - Treasurer ^{& member of} of the Women's International Club at Peth
 - On the board of the Women's Christian Fellowship
 - Serve on several committees and the Administrative Board of the Bremin Methodist Church
 - Have been a delegate to our Church's Annual Conference for 6 years.
 - Member of local HARP - etc. - etc.

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It's been 50 years? Really? Hard to believe. And now I'll urge you to reminisce. I had to give this some thought.

Looking back to June 1948, I suppose I expected to have a short teaching career - marry - and raise a family. Not exactly earth-shattering. Actually, I did accomplish those goals. But with all the moving we did, the first 30 years of marriage were spent packing, unpacking, meeting new people and making new friends. On moving to North Huntingdon, Pa. in 1971, I went back to the classroom and retired from Norwin School District in 1989. I was fortunate to have gone back to teaching when Dixie and Bill died in 1978 and I had a job to go to. A real blessing!

If I could do it over again - knowing what I do now - I would have gone into one of the sciences - possibly in the field of archeology or marine biology - both of which I find very fascinating. In the 40's, the real world I even knew those fields existed! Opportunities for women are so much greater now. The sky's the limit - literally.

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Naturally, I'd still have wanted marriage and children! My greatest joy today is being with my 2 grandchildren. Being 250 miles away doesn't make it easy. But I do visit quite often and also spend 4 weeks each summer with them in Vermilion, Ohio, on Lake Erie where I rent a cottage. It's the highlight of my year.

Moving on down the list, Sally proffered - the best thing about my 4 years at Pitt, would have to be the friendships made with girls like you! Also among my vivid memories are the fun times with my sisters in Zeta Tau Alpha. Some of us have remained very close, and the graduates of the 30's, 40's and 50's still get together every September for a reunion.

To a young woman attending Pitt today, I'd urge her to take every opportunity she can to broaden her horizons. I would hope she would be active in student life and not limit herself.

Zeta Upsilon is a wonderful way to get involved. My work with the Women's International Club stems from my years in Zeta Upsilon. Several women from each of the Nationality room committees are involved in W. I. C. We raise money to send 2 women ^{abroad} each year for study. It's a fascinating group of women to work with - so many backgrounds and cultures represented. (Incidentally, India will be the next room constructed.)

A prediction for 2048? I can't begin to imagine. The 50 years since we graduated have seen greater advances in medicine, transportation and communication than in all of history up to the 1940's. What will life be like for our children and grandchildren? We can only hope and pray for the very best.

May 7th is as far as I can look ahead! And it will be marvelous being together with all of you.

See you then,
Nancy

1948

Mortar Board 1998 Fifty-Year Survey

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II. Marital Status

Husband's Name Married (Date) Widowed/Divorced (Date)
 1. Hamilton Whittinger 10/15/55
 2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

Name	Sex	Age	Married	Address
1. Rebecca	F	37	-	1034 Orange Dr. Pgh. Pa. 15235
2. Robert	M	35	5/27/89	776 Hale St. Beverly, Ma. 01915
3.				
4.				

Grandchildren - Natural / Acquired

Name	Sex	Age	Parent's Name
1. Allan Whittinger	M	4	Cyndi + Bob
2. Michael	M	1	"
3.			
4.			
5.			

III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

Title / Degree	Date	Where	Major Field
1.			
2.			
3.			

B. Places Lived

Where	Dates (How Long)
1. always Pgh.	
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4.	
5.	

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
1. Psychometrist	48-50	Westinghouse	Test new employees
2. "	50-54	Kanfmann	"
3. "	55-60	Maynard Research	+ brain
4.			
5.			
6.			

D. Retirement Activities

Studying piano since 1979
 Docent at Frick Art + Historical Center 7 yrs.

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① As an optimistic agnostic, I wasn't overly concerned with any long term future but my life has been enormously satisfying. I have been married to a wonderful man, have 2 great children and 2 grandchildren. I am not a "woman's libber" and feel they have pushed too far. I don't feel that marriage or a career should be a competitive situation. Another thought - an assertion can be a part of life long pleasure and satisfaction. Music continued to play, no pun intended, a big role in my life.

② As time to mature and to learn as much as you can over a broad spectrum.

③ Remember that quality is overwhelmingly preferable to quantity. Pitt's relentless quest to acquire power, property and political control is not in the best interest of students and education. I believe it is better to resist institutionalized liberalism.

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Husband's Name

Married (Date)

Widowed/Divorced (Date)

1. RALPH ZABARENKO

6/9/49

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2.

Children - Natural / Acquired

Name	Sex	Age	Married	Address
1. MARY ROSE	F	46	YES	ROCKFORD, IL
2. DEBBY	F	44	YES	BETHESDA MD
3. LEAH	F	41	NO	BALTIMORE, MD
4. JUDY	F	40	YES	HOUSTON, TX

Grandchildren - Natural / Acquired

Name	Sex	Age	Parent's Name
1. Alex	M	12	Steve and Mary Rose
2. Lydia	F	3	Amy and Jay
3. Michael	M	10	Steve and Judy Abrams
4. Ruth	F	8	
5. Hannah	F	3	
6. Gary	M	3	John and Debby Doyle (78)

III. Life After Mortar Board

A. Degrees Earned / Graduate Study / Other

Title / Degree	Date	Where	Major Field
1. MS	6/49	U of Pgh	Psychology
2. Ph.D	9/51	"	"
3. Certified	9/73	Pgh Psa Inst	Psychoanalysis

B. Places Lived

Where	Dates (How long)
1. Ft Walton Beach, Fla	1954 - 55
2. Pittsburgh Pa	1956 - 74
3. Rockford, Il.	1974 - 82
4. Smalton Pa	1982 - 87
5. Pittsburgh Pa	1987 - Present

C. Major Jobs - Pay and/or Volunteer

Title	Dates	Organization	Principal Responsibilities
1. Principle Investigator	1962-67	U. of Pgh Med School	Research
2. Prof. of Education	1967-74	U. of Pgh	Teaching
3. Assoc Prof of Psychiatry	1969-74	U. of Pgh Med School	
4. Prof of Psychol	1974-82	Univ of Illinois	Teaching and Evaluation
5. Pgh Psa Inst.	1984 - Present	Present Faculty	Teaching
6. Private Pract	1984 - Present		Patient Care

D. Retirement Activities

See above

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Feb. 25, 1998

Dear Sally,

First of all thanks for undertaking the task of compiling an account of the Mortar Boards of 1948. It would be a formidable job even if you typed, had a word processor, email, fax and typewriter, but if anyone can do it, I'm sure you can.

When I was a professor in the School of Education, I taught the courses in questionnaire construction and yours is impressive. Though I'm not sure I can tackle the required number of essay questions, they certainly deserve an attempt.

1. I don't think I had any more realistic expectations than the rest of us "that sunny June day in 1948". Perhaps I thought briefly of working, but certainly not as steadily or variously as I have.

2. Mortar Board was one of the best things about my four undergraduate years at Pitt because it was small enough and met often enough for me to get to know the members, something notably missing in most of my other activities.

6. Giving advice to anyone is risky business, let alone to the young, but if pressed, the recommendation to men and women would be to prepare for at least 3 jobs, overlapping if possible and calibrated to (a) different life eras and (b) unpredictable events in the surround.

7. Having worked for the University of Pittsburgh a sum of 40 years in one position or another, I may be biased, but I've no advice; the institution is irredeemable.

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I've heard you are well and thriving, Sally, but we've not seen each other for many years and that will be a special delight. In fact, I'm looking forward to May 7 and to seeing everyone.

Again many thanks and

Much love,

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"Dearie, if you remember, then you're much older than I!"

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CORONATION OF SENIOR QUEEN - JUNE 1948



....and
 Betty Shore ... "Mercy"
 Mary Jane Dunsmoor ... "Wisdom"
 Liz Hand "Truth"
 Corinne Nelan ... "Senior Queen"
 Mary Jane Mitchell Page ... "Alma Mater"

 Lucy Braider ... "Mantle"
 Mimi Seiner ... "Crown Bearer"
 Helen Reis ... "Ring Bearer"
 Nancy Brumbaugh ... "Orb Bearer"
 Marie Stoj ... "Treasurer" (Largest !)
 Pat Heneghan ... "Train Bearer"
 for 1947 Queen
 Bernice Nathanson "Doer of Homage"

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APPENDIX

	Marital Status				Children			Grandchildren		
	5	M	D	W	#	Sex	Age	#	Sex	Age
Annabel Cluton	✓				2	F	50-55	3	F MM	20-28
Janet Ferrrell				✓						
Mary Jane Fleming				✓	3	MFF			YES	
Miriam Ginsberg	✓				4	M-3 F-1	37-47	5	M-3 F-2	3-15
Cecile Grodner	✓				3	M-1 F-2	40-45	5	M-2 F-3	4-13
Dolores Brundish	✓				2	MF	43-47	2	MF	3-12
Elizabeth Hand	✓									
Betty Hepner	✓				2	MF	-		June '98	
Corinne Kehl				✓	1	M		1	M	5
Mary Lou Mecklin	✓				4	M-2 F-2	39-44	2	MF	9-11
Sally O'Leon				✓						
Mary Jane Page	✓				2	M	37-47	3	F	2-9
Patricia Pelkofer	✓				1	M	36			
Marie Rosiak	✓									
Bernice Sniderman	✓				2	M	40-44	4	M-1 F-3	8-11
Nancy Sprunger				✓	2	MF	39-42	2	MF	6-12
Helen Whitlinger	✓				2	MF	35-37	2	M	1-4
Lucy Zabarenko				✓	4	F	40-46	6	F-3 M-3	3-12

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Alma Mater, wise and glorious
Child of Light and Bride of Truth,
Over fate and foe victorious
Dower'd with eternal youth...
Crowned with love of son and daughter,
Thou shalt conquer as of yore.
Dear Old Pittsburgh, Alma Mater,
God preserve Thee evermore!

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