

ment. Under more normal circumstances he has conducted a variety of groups, from preschool children through adults in membership, and in a variety of settings. Eugene toured Europe with the St. Louis Symphony in 1993 as a guest of his son Roger, the orchestra's third-horn player.

1949 In October 1993 Ernie '49 and **Jane Lose Eddy** became founders of Kendal at Oberlin Retirement Community, having moved in only a few weeks after the facility opened. "We are happy to be here," says Jane, "and are enjoying not only many Kendal activities but also events in the wider Oberlin community." Jane's former College roommate, Lois Pake McCorkle, and her husband, Hugh, both '47, are also Kendal residents. Address: 55 Kendal Dr., Oberlin, OH 44074. ▼ **Helen Marker Lee** and her husband, **Bill**, have found a number of Oberlin alumni at the Uplands Retirement Village in Pleasant Hill, Tenn., where they live. Also living at Uplands, Helen reports, are Isabel Hemingway '30, Winnie Hemingway Thomforde '39, Al '42 and Elizabeth Cameron Seely '47, Erston Butterfield '46 and his wife, **Walter Roshaven** and his wife, Richard Lammers '54 and his wife, Lela Swank '66, and former Oberlin assistant professor of Christian education Ruth Lister.

1950 **Donald Henderson** told *New York Times Magazine* writer Charles Siebert that the last remaining smallpox virus—locked in freezers at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta and the Research Inst. for Viral Preparation in Moscow—should be destroyed. The destruction is being forestalled by people who argue that the live smallpox may yield information unavailable anywhere else—information that could help eradicate other viral diseases, including those that might result from future mutations of related viruses (such as monkeypox)—and thus should be preserved. "I've thought about it a lot," Donald told Siebert, "and I feel we can get all we need from [smallpox's] relatives without the risk of keeping the one strain that's harmful to us. So I think we should destroy." Recognized for having eradicated smallpox as a disease worldwide while head of the World Health Organization, Donald was interviewed for the Aug. 21 edition of the magazine. ▼ In June *Arsenal Technical H.S.*, in Indianapolis, published **Marjorie Lagemann Snodgrass's** oral history of the first half century of the school, which was established in 1912. The next month the *Indianapolis Sunday Star* published an account of the compilation. The high school—where Marjorie's parents met as teachers—is Marjorie's alma mater and where in her senior year she was editor-in-chief of the student newspaper.

Marjorie took up the history project after retiring in 1989, spending four years tape recording interviews with graduates of her and earlier eras. Twenty current Tech students helped transcribe the tapes, which Marjorie then edited. She also selected the illustrations and laid out the publication. The tape transcripts reside in the Indiana Historical Soc. library. Marjorie and her husband live in Indianapolis. ▼ As all of **Philip Thomas's** friends know, he is not a physician, despite that identification in his class note in the fall-issue *OAM*. The first name of the Kalamazoo Coll. economics professor has only one *l*. The alumni editor apologizes for both mistakes.

1951 The *Wilbur* (Wash.) *Register* profiled **Lawrence Kim** in its June 16 edition on the occasion of his move from San Francisco to Lawrence, Wash., where he practices general surgery at Lincoln Hosp. and the Davenport Clinic. ▼ The July 6 *Chronicle of Higher Education* ran an article, "Encounters with Aliens," about **John E. Mack**, a professor of psychiatry at Harvard's Sch. of Medicine. John has published a book—*Abduction: Human Encounters with Aliens*—explaining how thousands of humans have been abducted by aliens and bred with them. In June he presented his findings and theories at the annual convention of the Committee for the Scientific Investigations of Claims of the Paranormal, a group dedicated to disproving claims that fly in the face of known physical laws of the universe. ▼ On June 30, after 37 years on the faculty, **Robie Shults** and **Chet McPhee** became professors emeritus at Trinity Coll. In reporting their retirement the school's alumni magazine called the men "two of Trinity's most beloved and respected coaches." Both joined the Trinity faculty in 1957. Chet coached men's lacrosse, freshman football, and men's and women's swimming. He was also assistant track coach, assistant women's soccer coach, and assistant men's soccer coach. He started men's lacrosse and women's swimming teams at the college. Robie was assistant men's soccer coach, and head coach for men's soccer, basketball, and baseball. He coached the 1984 baseball team, which won the East Coast Athletic Conference title and was crowned the best team in New England that year.

1952 The *Indianapolis News* profiled former Indianapolis Symphony Orch. violinist **Eleanor Child Briccetti** in its June 10 edition on the occasion of her move to the San Francisco Bay area.

1953 **Barbara Stein Becker** was the commissioned composer for the May/June *Clavier*, and in May her first book, *Scenes from*

the City, was published by Neil Kjos. The book sold out in three months and is in its second printing. Her *Christmas Scenes* was published in time for the July California Music Teachers' Assoc. convention, for which she played selections from both books. Two more of her books are coming out in January, and she is working on still two more. Barbara continues to carry a heavy teaching load, conducts master classes in improvisation, and promotes her music. After 27 years of marriage she was recently divorced, "not a pleasant thing to go through," she says, while crediting the divorce for "being pushed into high gear." Barbara lives in Concord, Calif. ▼ Park Activist Network member **Amy Waters Meyer** is known in National Park circles as the mother of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA), having driven the park's creation in 1972. She has served 12 years on the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Commission, and is vice-president of the San Francisco Zoological Soc. and vice-chair of the GGNRA Advisory Commission. Amy was one of six activists featured in "Park Heroes," published in the May/June issue of *National Parks* magazine. She is also profiled in *Our Endangered Parks*, published this year by Foghorn Press. On May 19 the National Parks and Conservation Assoc. presented Amy with the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Citizen Conservationist of the Year Award during its 75th-anniversary dinner. The award recognizes persons whose outstanding efforts result in the protection of a unit or a proposed unit of the National Park System. ▼ The August issue of *Prime Time/Cape Cod* featured a conversation with **Katherine Hill Udall** in an article titled "Masters of All They Grow." Katherine, a geriatric nurse, keeps two houses in Orleans, a village on Cap Cod. One is an 18th-century farmhouse used as a summer guest house, and the other is an underground dome in which Katherine and her husband, William, have lived for 10 years. The farmhouse is skirted by Kentucky Blue grass, but the dome is surrounded and topped by quack grass and other natural and naturalized vegetation that encourage visits from wildlife, including deer, foxes, and black snakes.

1954 On Sept. 30 the U. Missouri-Columbia alumni association honored **Jack M. Colwill**, professor and chair of family and community medicine at UM-C, with a Faculty Award that recognizes his work as a teacher, researcher, and administrator. Jack's efforts to increase the number of students entering family practice have resulted in his students being among the top quarter in the nation in years of practice in family medicine. (Many family-practice physicians leave the field to enter more