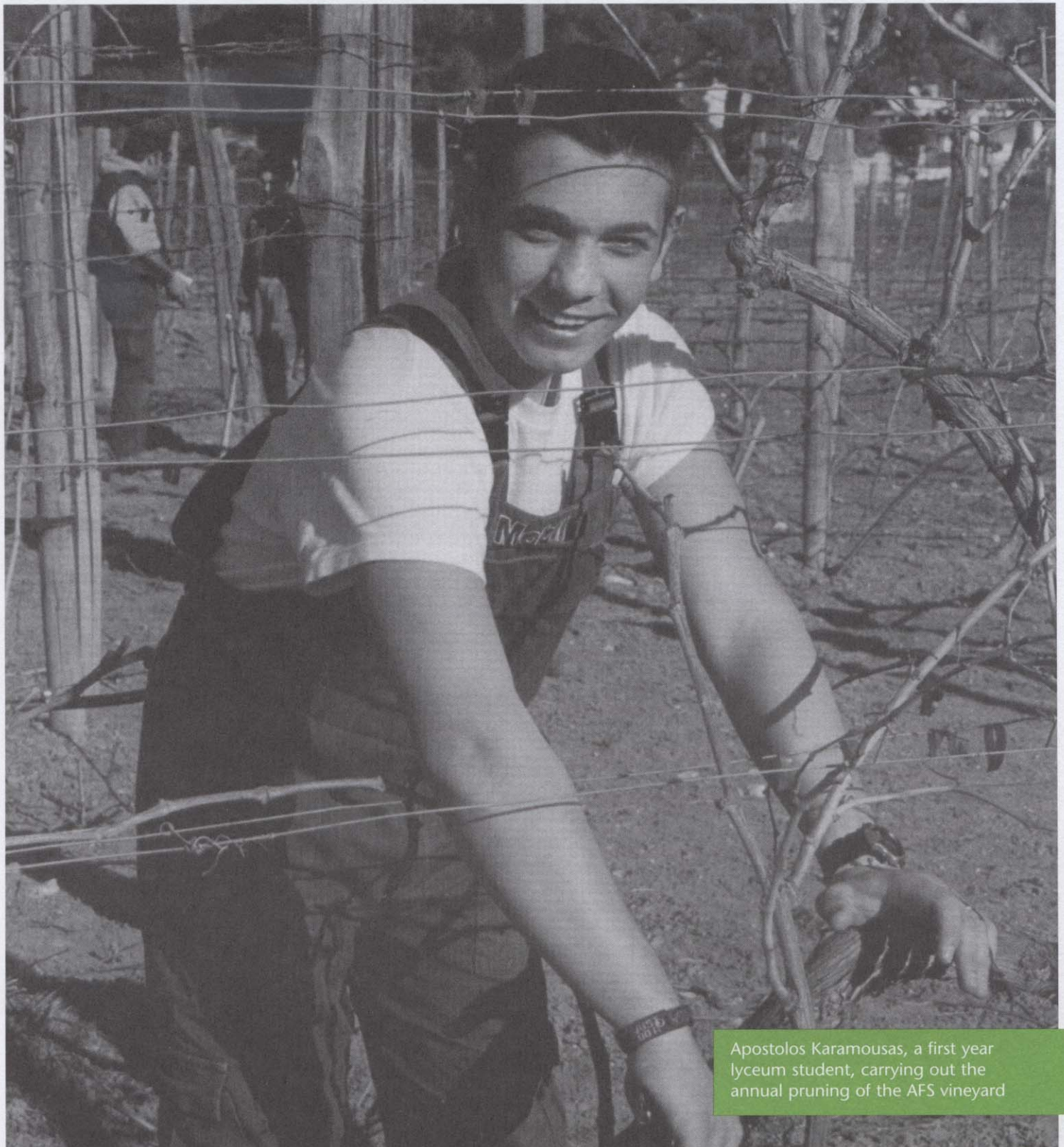


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Apostolos Karamousas, a first year lyceum student, carrying out the annual pruning of the AFS vineyard

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From The President

Global Language

Enriching the teaching of English for the students in our high school program has become an exciting focus for trustees, administration, and faculty alike.

Not everyone may know that when the American Farm School was founded in 1904, English was the language of instruction and for the day-to-day communication between Dr. and Mother House and the students. For the many visitors to the School in its first two decades, including the Allied soldiers during and after World War I, English was the common language (see the Centennial story on page 12). It was not until Dr. House's son Charlie became director at the start of the 1930s were Farm School students taught their lessons in the Greek language, and English became simply another subject within the overall curriculum.

Certain milestones stand out in the teaching of English over the years, including trustee Edmund Keeley's serving as an English instructor at the School in 1949 under one of the first Fulbright fellowships in Greece. Numerous graduates during the decades of the 50s and 60s completed their college education or did specialized training in the U.S., having first mastered English at the Farm School.

During the 1970s the English department developed a student exchange program that today sends a high

Certain milestones stand out in the teaching of English over the years...

proportion of the student body on visits to the U.S. and throughout Europe. The popular Internet, Cinema, American Culture and other extracurricular clubs all further stimulate students' use of English, as do the Thanksgiving and other American-style holiday celebrations. Students tend to use any free hour to access the mainly English-language Internet and other electronic resources in the Dimitris & Aliko Perrotis Library. A strong motivation for strengthening these language skills is the possibility after graduation from the secondary program to enroll in the English-language Dimitris Perrotis College of Agricultural Studies.

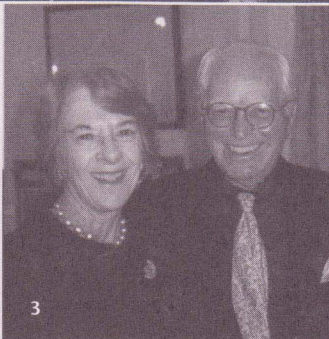
An important innovation in the teaching of English this year is the work of three recent graduates from the University of Virginia who are serving as interns in the high school. They've been teaching in the classroom, organizing sports and other extracurricular activities, and generally giving an English language atmosphere and a flavor of American culture to boarding school life. Kate Jainchill, Rich Lilly and Ben Stoff are the most dynamic, upbeat, and downright inspiring role models our students could possibly have. The level of English spoken by the students has noticeably risen, and their gusto for the language is wonderful to see and hear.

So many people are to be thanked for their enthusiasm and hard work in fostering the English language skills that give Farm School graduates the competitive advantage in today's global economy. Special mention needs to be made not only of the committed teaching staff of the English department, but also of trustee Mrs. G. McMurtrie Godley whose leadership, determination and generous support in this area are very much appreciated.

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President

U.S. Activities



1. Greenwich Carnavali Chair Manita Scocimara, center, and her fabulous committee posed for a photo at the Carnavali held on **March 2, 2002** at the **Millbrook Club in Greenwich, CT**. The event benefits the Farm School and raises awareness of the School in the Greenwich area. The evening included a silent auction of Greek folk art, Greek cuisine and was full of *kefi!*

2. The Consul General of Greece Dimitris Platis and Mrs. Platis hosted a reception in **New York City** on **March 1, 2002** for the trustees of the American Farm School. From left to right, trustee Phil Foote, Mary Foote, Anna Maria Platis and Consul General Dimitris Platis. The Consul General and Mrs. Platis showed the trustees the true meaning of Greek hospitality!

3. Patricia Hubbard and "Linc" Jewett enjoyed the reception hosted by the Consul General and Mrs. Dimitris Platis at their residence.

4. Scott Smith, Lynne Smith, President David Buck, and trustee Manita Scocimara paused for a photo at a reception hosted by Manita and her husband Eriberto Scocimara on **November 11, 2001** in **Greenwich, CT**. The reception introduced friends of the School to President David Buck and his wife Patti.

5. Trustee John Borovilas, trustee Eve Labouisse, and Dean of the Dimitris Perrotis College of Agricultural Studies Evangelos Vergos enjoyed dinner at the **River Club in New York City**. Dr. Vergos updated Mr. Borovilas and Mrs. Labouisse on the activities of the Perrotis College during a quick visit to New York following the Alps-Adriatic-Balkan project conference on Agribusiness and Marketing organized by Arizona State University's Morrison School of Agribusiness.

6. Scott Alexander, trustee Annie Levis, Greek Summer Coordinator Mary-Vicki Papaioannou, and Petras Levis enjoyed a reception hosted by trustee Phil Foote and his wife Mary on **November 16, 2001**. The event, hosted in their home, welcomed the trustees and President and Mrs. Buck to **New York**.

7. Caliope Hadjipateras, her cousin Sofia, Lydia Chapota and Manita Scocimara all looked festive at the **Greenwich Carnavali**.

American Farm School Recognized by the Academy of Athens

One of Greece's highest honors was bestowed on the American Farm School at the December 27, 2001 awards ceremony of the Academy of Athens. Established in 1926 as a continuation of Plato's Academy, the Academy of Athens is the country's nonpareil scientific and scholarly body, whose annual awards—usually to individuals but rarely to institutions—make up a national honor roll of distinguished achievements in every aspect of science and the humanities.

The Academy singled out the American Farm School of Thessaloniki for "the education it provides to rural youth and for its contribution to the rural development of Greece since 1904." Accepting the award on behalf of the School was Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees Pavlos J. Condellis.

For students and their parents, for faculty and administration, for supporters and friends of the School throughout Greece and the U.S., no other award can equal the recognition by the Academy of Athens in stature and prestige. As the School prepares to celebrate its centennial year in 2003-2004, this award is an eloquent tribute to the institution's one hundred years of service to Greece and the Balkans.



Pavlos J. Condellis, left, accepting Academy of Athens award.

Opening a New Chapter at the American Farm School

The Inauguration of the Dimitris & Aliko Perrotis Library

“October 7th is a very special date for all of us associated with the American Farm School. It marks the anniversaries of the inaugurations of two school facilities that have opened a new world of educational opportunities to students of all ages: the Dimitris Perrotis College of Agricultural Studies and the Dimitris & Aliko Perrotis Library” remarked Alexander E. Drapos, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, as he addressed an audience of more than 500 who attend the inauguration of the library.

All present at the event were greatly moved by the remarks made by the guest of honor, Mrs. Aliko Perrotis, “I expect that you may want to thank me in some way for the Library. Without offending you, I must say that it is not for you to thank me, but rather for me to thank you. For you have given me the opportunity to contribute to the education of our youth who are the hope and the promise of the future.”

Recognizing the urgency for a modern academic library to support teaching and research in the Dimitris Perrotis College of Agricultural Studies, while at the same time wishing to benefit the high school program and the Farm School community as a whole, Mrs. Perrotis bestowed a major gift that made possible the renovation of an entire floor of Princeton Hall to become the Dimitris & Aliko Perrotis Library.

The library is divided into two wings, one housing the circulating collection, the other the reference and periodicals collections, joined by a large entrance area incorporating the circulation desk. There is a modern conference room and an area specially designated for the School Archives and a portion of the historical book collection. Electronic resources and services are available to users throughout the library space via a classroom for information technology instruction, a public access computer laboratory, and individual student workstations. The library amphitheater offers state-of-the-art electronic teaching and multimedia facilities. The full range of reference and bibliographic services in print and electronic media is provided by the team of professional library staff.

One of the first events to be held in the new facility was a conference entitled: “Greek and American Librarians: A Time for Interaction,” supported by the American Consulate General of Thessaloniki, and attended by more than fifty librarians. Main speakers included Ms. Jeanne Thorsen, Executive Director of the King County Library System Foundation in Seattle, Ms. Mary Raphael, Director of the District of Columbia Public Library, and directors of academic and public libraries in northern Greece.



1. President David Buck, and his wife Patti enjoy the opening remarks. 2. Mrs. Aliko Perrotis cutting the ribbon at the inauguration of the Dimitris & Aliko Perrotis Library. Chairman of the Board of Trustees Alexander Drapos is to Mrs. Perrotis' left. 3. President David Buck, Mrs. Aliko Perrotis, and Chairman Alexander Drapos pause for a photo in front of a portrait of Mr. Dimtris Perrotis, which is now displayed in the library.

Foreign assistance does work, but it takes years of investment and hard work

The American Farm School has been the beneficiary of over \$9 million of support from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) over the past 32 years. This clear commitment points to the continued purpose of the American Farm School as an institution that promotes understanding between nations and strengthens democratic values.

Our aid is given by USAID through the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA) program that provides grants to overseas universities and secondary schools, libraries and medical centers that are

founded or sponsored by U.S. organizations. The institutions, competitively selected, promote democracy, private initiative, free inquiry and innovative approaches to problem solving.

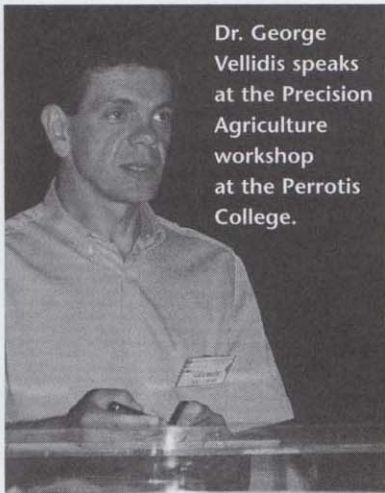
ASHA grants finance buildings and equipment and improve the physical infrastructure to strengthen institutional services. The results of their largesse are evident on even the shortest campus walk. A few examples are the 1986 renovation of Princeton Hall following the 1978 earthquake, the classroom extension on Massachusetts Hall to accommodate a growing secondary

US Agency for International Development's commitment to the Farm School

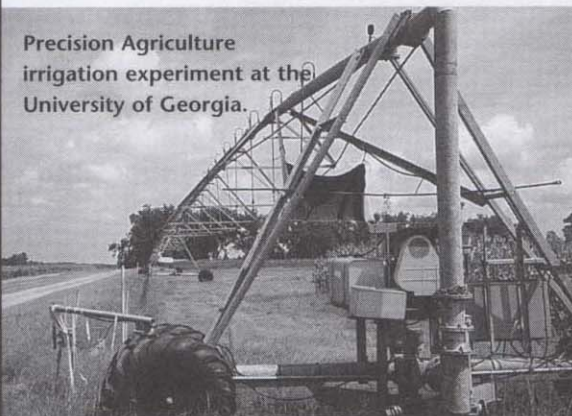
student body and the renovation of Sherrill Quadrangle to establish the Dimitris Perrotis College and The ASHA program provides our students with the benefits of American ideas and practices in education; supports the School in its goal to be a demonstration and study center which fosters interchange, mutual understanding and favorable relations with the U.S.; and the School's belief in promoting civil society. Through ASHA grants the American Farm School is contributing to improved professional skills, standards, and

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The Next Agricultural Revolution Precision Agriculture at Perrotis College



Dr. George Vellidis speaks at the Precision Agriculture workshop at the Perrotis College.



Precision Agriculture irrigation experiment at the University of Georgia.

Precision Agriculture: The Next Agricultural Revolution." This scientific meeting brought together specialists and students from Greece, F.Y.R.O.M., and the United States to learn from the applied research done by the University of Georgia, one of the world's leading research centers for Precision Agriculture. Dr. George Vellidis, Associate Professor of Biological & Agricultural Engineering, led the presentation of key concepts, tools, and case studies in this cutting-edge agricultural science that aims to optimize crop yields with balanced inputs that positively impact the environment. Dr. Craig Kvien focused on specific techniques using the global Positioning System (GPS) and the Global Information System (GIS).

Dr. Vellidis has developed, in conjunction with Dean of the College Dr. Evangelos Vergos and Associate Professor Dr. Athanasios Gertsis, a course in Precision Agriculture being taught at Perrotis College this semester. It is considered to be the first university-level instruction in Precision Agriculture to be offered in Greece and the throughout the Balkan region. Dr. Vellidis and colleagues from the University of Georgia are serving as guest instructors for several of the teaching units, and demonstrating basic electronic and other equipment essential for the course that has been donated by the University of Georgia.

An added benefit of the close relationship between Perrotis College and the University of Georgia is the Internship carried out by the valedictorian of the Class of 2001, Damianos Damianides, under the supervision of Dr. Vellidis, in the scientific measurements of crop yields using Precision Agriculture principles. Damianos is now completing his B.Sc. in Dr. Vellidis' department at the university. Two other graduates, Michaelis Papageorgiou and Kostas Agiotis, conduct summer research projects at the University of Georgia's agricultural research station.

Applying the latest in agricultural research to local conditions in the Balkan Peninsula has been a hallmark of the American Farm School throughout its history. Today, the partnership of the Dimitris Perrotis College of Agricultural Studies with the University of Georgia in the joint U.S. and Greek government's Initiative for Technology Cooperation with the Balkans (ITCB) program updates that role in a dramatic way.

The School's department of Lifelong Learning, within the framework of the ITBC program, hosted a workshop earlier in the year called "Introduction to

At Home Abroad: U.S. Interns at the Farm School

Why students, confident students, first year students and those about to graduate—in fact every girl and boy in the secondary program has been touched by the dedication, energy and spirit of three University of Virginia graduates who spent this academic year living in the campus dormitories, under a pilot program initiated by President David Buck to enrich the Greek students' English language skills. In the process, Kate Jainchill from Brookline, MA, Rick Lilly from Charlottesville, VA, and Ben Stoff from Austin, TX, have become teachers, mentors, coaches and beloved friends of one and all.

"After only a few days in the classroom we could see a difference in the students. They got more and more comfortable speaking English. In a memorable storytelling exercise involving American pop music, the kids were so enthusiastic they quit raising their hands altogether and began shouting out English phrases to tack on to the story. Though, in almost every scenario, the main character ended up kissing Britney Spears, not a word of Greek could be heard," they wrote in a letter to trustees.

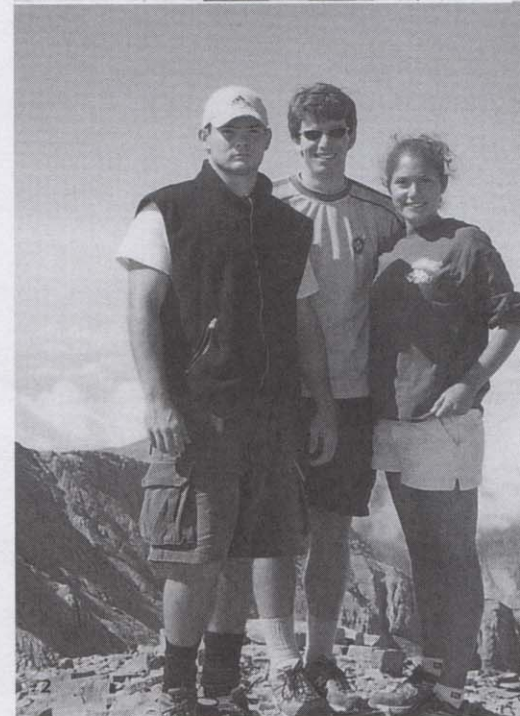
As accomplished athletes, Kate, Rick and Ben coached and cheered on the students every afternoon in weightlifting,

juggling, baseball, tennis, and everyone's favorite, basketball. They rehearsed students in American Swing Dancing that left audiences clapping for more. And they were welcomed in students' homes in villages far and wide, in some cases being shown off to relatives who had never before met an American. Above all, the interns have listened to students and encouraged them to articulate—in English, of course—their thoughts and emotions. As Ben stresses, "We've been here to support these kids."

"Here are three Americans with great ideas," one student observes. "They're not stereotypes at all. Rick, Ben and Kate are amazing individuals," offers another, who sums up his fellow students' warm feelings in the sincerest possible compliment, "they are starting to think like Mediterraneans now!"

1. Ben Stoff, top row, and Kate Jainchill, bottom row center, surrounded by American Swing dancers.

2. Rick Lilly, Ben Stoff and Kate Janechill near the peak of Mount Olympus



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services as well as leadership development in public service and private enterprises while spreading American ideas and values.

Mr. Andrew Natsios, the USAID Administrator, clearly explained why the United States should invest in institutions abroad in his testimony to the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations at the time he was Administrator designate of USAID in April 2001. Mr. Natsios cited the American Farm School as a successful example of foreign aid. He said, "During

World War II, the German army stripped Greece of its meager food supply to provision Rommel's army in North Africa. The famine which followed killed 500,000 Greeks, nearly 10 percent of the population of the country. One of the victims was my great uncle. The story of his suffering and death has been told and retold in my family for four generations. It took twenty years before Greece could begin to produce large agricultural surpluses after receiving support from the U.S. government agricultural development

programs run by USAID's predecessor agency. After graduating a generation of Greek farmers from the American Farm School, the school is still supported by USAID through the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad program. Foreign assistance does work, but it takes years of investment and hard work."

The American Farm School is fortunate not only in having the support of USAID but also in having friends in 40 of our 50 states!

"All great things come quickly, and leave far too quickly."

A Greek Summer participant's reflections on her summer in Greece *By Jill Bardakos*

Jill Bardakos, a GS '01 participant, was sponsored by an organization called Summer Search and the AFS Greek Summer Alumni Scholarship Fund. The generosity of past alumni helped make such a life-changing experience possible. Thank you to all alumni who continue to give back to the program!

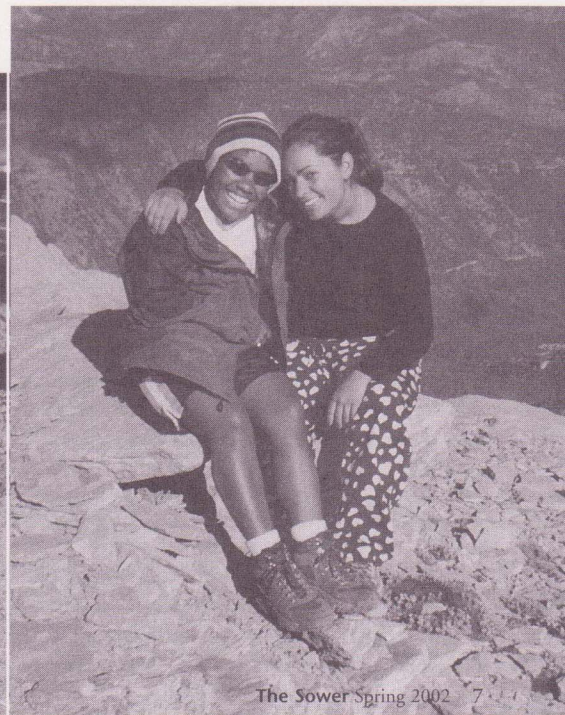
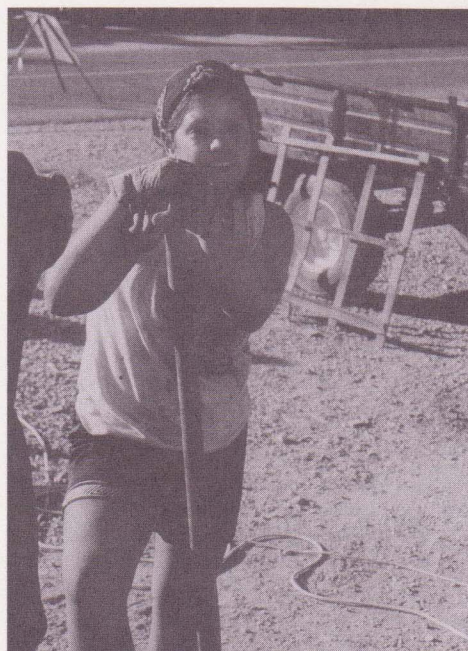
"Greek Summer is opportunities. While my friends were sitting back at home, I had the opportunity to travel around Greece and see things many have only heard about. I spent time on the American Farm School campus and in the village of Rizohori. Most of all I had the opportunity to immerse myself within a culture that I have always cherished, yet never really knew. Along the way, I was tested both mentally and physically.

'Come on Kimie, you can do it! Not much further'. My body was soaking wet, aching yet numb from the cold, begging me to stop. My mind was exhausted too! I was climbing Mount Olympus, rather we, Kim and I, were climbing Mount Olympus. Despite my fatigue, I knew I would make it to the top. I never once doubted my ability, even if it took me all day. Kim was ready to stop around hour three. Now we were on hour six and her mental exhaustion had caught up with her feet. I kept telling us both that every painful step would be worth the reward, once we reached the hostel. After seven hours of climbing, downpours, extreme cold, blisters, and frequent chocolate breaks, the hostel came into view. When we got inside we were greeted with hugs, congratulations and steaming mountain tea. I instantly felt this amazing sense of pride, I had climbed Mt. Olympus, and I had helped someone else who did not know she had the strength inside of her. For the first time in many years every Greek Summer participant and counselor who battled the mountain

won! With this faith, I found the strength to not only carry myself up, but to help a friend who was ready to give up.

There were so many experiences that far exceeded my expectations! The view over the Aegean at dusk, from high a top a fortress in Napflion, the Acropolis illuminated at night, the smiles of strangers who we befriended, these images, these gifts will always be with me. The most amazing experience was my stay at the village of Rizohori. We were there to help build a memorial for a beloved teacher, but the villagers were the ones who helped us. Their laid back lifestyle, frappés, and of course siestas were great. My family, although they couldn't speak English, showed in everything they did how happy they were for me to be there. They gave anything and everything they could, whether it was a meal or a birthday gift. The patience and love of these people, especially of my family, will be with me forever. As my awesome and teary eyed father Pavlos said to me as I was boarding the bus for our final farewell of the village, "All great things come quickly, and leave far too quickly." I know part of my heart will always be in Greece and likewise I took a part of it home with me in memories and in the love showered upon me by our 'village people.'

This summer I met a group of people that brought out the best in me. Through them I became more comfortable with myself. I had a chance to reinvent myself. I can do anything I put my mind to, and it feels so much better in the end to say that you were no one but yourself. My mom said to me the other day that my body language, how I present myself to people, has greatly improved. She said she had noticed the change since I became involved with Summer Search and Greek Summer. How did it change? I now feel more confident going into unfamiliar situations and especially meeting new people. This is something I will always have thanks to you all. I have a new set of goals for myself. I am going to learn to speak Greek for starters. When I return to Greece I want to thank my family with much more than a few *efharistos*. I also would like to climb Olympus again. I felt an amazing spiritual connection to the mountain and I think that is the place I finally came to grips with my grandfather's death. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to participate in something that I would not have been able to do without your support. I was reminded of how precious life is, and how valuable each experience is!"



Greek Summer Class Notes 2002

1964

Marie Harris Burk is working for a sitcom on Fox called "Titus", she is the costume supervisor. Her son is a freshman at the University of Southern California and her daughter is fast approaching her senior year of high school. She says the summer of '64 was great and she'll never forget building the chicken house! burkfam@earthlink.com

Nancy Stewart is still in practice in "down-town" Ithaca as a family physician. Her husband, Ray Terepka, is a radiologist and is now branching out on the guitar and writing songs. Her son, Michael, is a sophomore at Juanita College. Her daughter, Amy, is a freshman at the University of Richmond. Her youngest son, Nathan, is a high school freshman. She currently enjoys walking, the outdoors, reading, movies and moments of silence. byrd509@twcny.rr.com

1967

Barbara Cutis Henderson is living in Little Rock, AR.

1971

Susan Stanton Benedict is living in NYC with her family. Her daughter Katie is in 8th grade and her son Peter is in 6th grade. They are both happy and thriving in school. Her husband Rod is doing a lot of business travel. She spent January getting organized and trying to do more reading. She saw Courtney Iglehart D'Alessio recently. zipssb@aol.com

Nathan Butler is following in the footsteps of his great grandfather, Dr. John Henry House, working full-time in ministry. He is training people in creating and using their comics-style literature for evangelism and discipleship. They have held trainings in Japan, Cambodia, Thailand, England and Mexico. Bulgaria is on the horizon, and possibly Greece, and India as well. He and his wife, Susan, are enjoying their grandson Michael. They love being grandparents! Natebutler@aol.com

Andrew Dennison has been married 20 years to his wife, Kathryn. They have three children, Charlie, 16, Irene, 14, and Lois, 12. He works for Merrill Lynch as a software engineer. He enjoys bicycling, horseback riding and being a dad. andydenn@aol.com

John B. Henderson is happily married, living in Rochester with three great kids. Two of his kids have gone on GS and the third will attend in 2004. He says they are a real GS family! He started a new career a few years ago and is now C.O.O. of High Falls Brewing Company after doing a manage-

ment buyout of Genesee Brewing Company. It's a challenge but he's having a great time. jhenderson@genbrew.com

Jane Lester is a part time pediatrician in Seattle. She is married and has two daughters. She would love her 14 year-old to go on GS in a few years. The highlight of 2001 for her was a 60-mile, 3-day breast cancer walk she participated in August. Three shadeless days in the 90s reminded her of GS! finleylester@hotmail.com

Michael Thomas is living on St. Simon's Island, GA. mlthomas@dariontel.net

Bud White is working and enjoying his family. cwhitebol@aol.com

1972

Rocky Christy and David Coggeshall are happy and healthy living in NJ. They are still in touch with most of the Lansdales. Their daughter, Catherine, 15, is a candidate for GS '03 or '04.

Guido Gores is enjoying being a dad and doctor. He has great memories of all three of his GS summers. ggores@sbglobal.net

Charles Fleischmann is living in Honolulu, HI. He is teaching computer skills to the unemployed and teaching immigrants how to read and write in English. He is married with two children, Jessica, 16 and C.J., 14. chasiv@msn.com

Dave Hargrave and his wife, Nancy, both teach physical education and health. They have three beautiful daughters ages 20, 18, 15. His youngest daughter hopes to attend GS in 2004. He says hello to GS '72 and remembers his summer in Greece fondly.

David Lee is retired. He spends his time reading, listening to music, on the computer and at the health club. dleez@rochester.rr.com

Sarah Duffus Massey is a busy mom of two ski racing boys, ages 14 and 11, and one basketball playing girl, age 16. They travel between basketball games in MA and ski races in NH. She works as a lactation consultant in private practice and at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. Her husband Mark works in Boston too. She hopes one of her children will participate in GS! sdmasseyrn@yahoo.com

Susan B. Read is a full-time lawyer with a small private practice in Virginia. She is raising two children, Melissa, 10, and Sam, 4. She is still playing the guitar when she gets a chance. davick@ntelos.net

1973

Jonathan Yaeger is starting a sales and marketing business in the Atlanta area. jono1@mindspring.com

John Warrington is raising three teenage boys in Cincinnati and realizing what his parents went through. He often wonders if Rudy is having any better luck with his three boys in Rochester. jwww@corporate-research.com

1974

Lesley Canfield is raising two busy kids, Jessica, 7 1/2, and Max, 5 1/2. She ferries them between school, piano, and taekwondo lessons. She does some volunteer work in her community. She has a wonderful, thoughtful and generous husband who is CFO of Boeing Credit Union. She went to Jessica Ludwig Noble's wedding this summer! blcanfield@uswest.net

Anne Thomas Schmidt is a mother of two daughters, ages 10 and 13. She is married to a yacht broker, who used to sell sailboats in Greece. Her life is full, healthy and happy. She loves to see and talk to any GSers. She can't wait for her kids to go. pagama@aol.com

Rod Smith has his own business called Smith Creative Group Inc. based in Boston, MA. He is married. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have two girls, Julia, 6, and Sarah, 2. He would love to hear from any GS '74ers. rodelizsmith@mediaone.net

1975

Michael and Sandy Gmúr Lansdale are living in California. They will be in Greece June 16 to July 13 this summer. They say hello to all. mslansdale@aol.com

Edie Lodi is living in Stralton, VT. She has four kids. She says life is good. noepe@earthlink.net

1976

Andrea Kingsley Rippe is living in Eugene, OR. arippee@pacinfo.com

Peter Schube is living and working in Los Angeles. He is the General Counsel of the Jim Henson Company. He has two sons, ages 12 and 8 1/2, and a wonderful wife. pschube@henson.com

1977

Cynthia Holdeman has been working for the Denver Public Library for thirteen years. She spends her weekends at her mountain cabin high atop Star Peak, overlooking the Continental Divide. On September 11th

she was flying to Istanbul for vacation with New York on her mind. She says with all the Beatle songs played when George Harrison died she was reminded of GS '77, she has memories of listening to the Beatles and Joni Mitchell all summer.

Sidney Witter-Daire was married on May 23, 1999 to Mourad Daire. He is an engineer from Paris, France. They just bought a larger apartment on the Upper East side of Manhattan. She hopes to start a family soon. They are also building a house in Key Biscayne, FL. She is still an Equity Analyst and Trader.

Ned Rimer and his wife, Katie, love being parents. Their daughter, Madeleine Rose, was born in April 2001. He continues to work in education. He is involved with after school and summer programs for youth aged 9-14. He co-founded an organization in 1995 called Citizen Schools. (to learn more, visit www.citizenschools.org) nedrimer@mediaone.net

1978

Star Pappas Burnett and her family relocated back to the northeast. She is still a flight attendant with Delta Airlines and will be based out of New York City. She has two boys, Kyle, 6, and Alex, 2. She would love to hear from any GS '78ers! Tarbaby021@aol.com

Bill Wardwell lives in Seattle with his family. He is married with two daughters and a son. They love the great northwest. He works in the high tech industry doing application development.

Greg Willis is living in Darien, CT with his wife, Lois, and two wonderful kids, Taylor, 11 and Malcolm, 8. He works for Pan Am Sat as the SVP of Global Sales Operations and Marketing. He hopes to catch up with fellow Gsers! gtwillis@optonline.net

For information about counselor Jane Lester see GS '71.

1979

Kimon Sargeant has two sons, Alex, 9, and Jason, 7. She is preparing them for Greek Summer 2011 by enrolling them in Greek classes two evenings a week at St. Demetrios Greek School in Upper Darby, PA. kcsargeant5@yahoo.com

Shawen Williams is a full time mom. She has two kids Hope MacKeith, 7, and Arthur MacKeith, 4. She is married to Andrew MacKeith. She serves on four volunteer boards in the Rhode Island area.

For information about counselor Guido Gores see GS '72

1980

Rose Hauer is having loads of fun with her daughter Laurel, who is almost 2. She is still with Charles Schwab & Company, while her husband is directing and teaching. They are spending lots of time at home. If any GSers are in the San Francisco area give her a call. fidhauer@yahoo.com

Katharine Mountcastle has had a busy year. She was married in March 2001 and is expecting twins in March 2002. She and her husband are in the midst of major renovations to a house they plan to move into this summer. She is on leave from her job as a producer at CBS News but plans to return in the fall of 2002. kmtcastle@aol.com

Clark Reiner is living in Los Angeles and finishing an executive MBA program at UCLA. He currently works in the film business as a development director with one of the big production houses. He may change careers into investment banking. He is still in touch with Andrew Eristoff and occasionally with Katie Phelps, a.k.a. Katie McNamara. He says to call him if you come into town. andalusian3@aol.com

For information about counselor Anne Thomas Schmidt see GS '74, for Susan Read see GS '72.

1981

Josiah Emery and his wife, Lee, are proud parents of a daughter, named Averill Ann, who was born on December 7, 2001. Sleep has taken on a whole new meaning but otherwise life is wonderful with their new beautiful addition.

Donald Miller moved back to New Hampshire last year and is practicing ophthalmology. He has two children under 2 years of age, Sarah and Chanler. They are happy, busy and exhausted!

Anne Paxton is living in San Francisco. paxton@hamlin.org

For information about counselor Guido Gores see GS '72.

1982

Linda Hamlin Arnold works for Chapparral Network Storage as Marketing Programs Manager. She has two boys, ages 1 and 3. She volunteers as a Victims Advocate at the Boulder County District Attorney's office. lindaharnold@hotmail.com

Hillary Griffin Lundstedt and her husband have two wonderful boys, Daniel, almost 4 and Stuart, 2. She is teaching one to two days a week. Her husband is a pastor

at Vancouver Bible Fellowship. They love Vancouver.

Jeff Montgomery is living in Atlanta, GA with his wife, Chris, and two sons, Ron, 7, and Will, 6. He has been practicing law at a small corporate law firm. He would love to hear from any GS '82ers who are either in Atlanta or passing through. jfmontgomery@cmallp.com

1983

Lisa Flood has published six books on western style. She had her first child, Isabella Sommer Dewell on January 28, 2002. lflood@wyoming.com

Joel Post is living in Beverly Hills, CA. joelpost@earthlink.net

Nina Houghton is living in Los Angeles, CA with her husband, who is an actor. They have a 2 1/2 year old son. She is working as an educational researcher with public schools. nhouhgton@inverness-research.org

Nina Colhoun Wilson is living in Wenham, MA with her husband Patrick. They have three kids, Gardner, 5, Tookie, 3, and Harrison, 1. pwilson1@mediaone.net

1984

Fritz Michel and his wife, Lee, moved to Los Angeles to pursue opportunities in acting and writing. He's says they're chasing the sun. LA is warm, just like Skopelos. He keeps in touch with Willy Walker, who is in London. He also sees Andrew Foote, GS '86 & '92, Theo Doughty, GS '92 and Asa Palmer, GS '92 when in New York City. fritz@youngallies.com

Livia Selle had a baby girl, Ryan Helena, born on December 31, 2001. livandreas@aol.com

Mary Wilson has a band project with her husband called Fever N.O.W. Her day job is assisting the owner of a toy company called Marie Toys. She married her husband, Cory, in April 2001. maryw@marietoy.com

1985

Holly Brown Aymond just moved to Denver and loves it. She and her husband welcomed twins in January 2001, who joined their 5 year old daughter Margot.

Tia Fuhrmann Chapman got married to Drew G.L. Chapman in New York City on January 19, 2002. They recently moved to a new apartment in Manhattan. tfuhrmann1@aol.com

1990

1986

Rob Gramlich is living outside Washington, DC. He is married with two kids, ages 5 1/2 and 3 1/2. He loves being a parent. He is an Economic Advisor to the chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. thegramlich4@yahoo.com

1987

Benjamin Crawford married Stephanie Luorgo in June 2001. He is working for the General Accounting office in Washington, DC. He runs with his brother, Henry (GS'79, '87-89), every morning through Rock Creek Park. bcrawford51@hotmail.com

Felicity "Flip" Wood lives in Sacramento, CA. She writes reports for the State of California Bureau of State Audits. She loves it. felicitywood@yahoo.com

Katie Madden is living in San Francisco. kathryn.madden@uboc.com

1988

Caroline Campbell is currently self employed. She is doing some consulting work for non-profits and exploring her next career steps. She is eager to manage and run an environmental/experiential education organization, and is working towards that goal. carolioncampbell@yahoo.com

Topher Fearey and his wife had a daughter, Ashley Stinson, on January 8, 2002. He is working at Brandywine Asset Management in Wilmington, DE. topher@fearey.com

Daphne Wilmerding Scalamandre and her husband had a son, Max, on June 11, 2001. He is taking up most of her time. daphne@optonline.net

1989

Sarah Aird received a master's degree from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs in International Relations in 1998. She received a law degree from American University's Washington College of Law in 2001. She is currently working as the Executive Director of the Network in Solidarity (NISGUA) with the people of Guatemala. sarah_aird@igc.org

Frank Fritts is getting a master's in education at Harvard and having a great time. frank_fritts@gse.harvard.edu

John Sargent and his wife just celebrated their son Crawford's 2nd birthday. They wish they could have had Dimitris Pantazis MC the party. They had such a great time at the reunion in 2001. Some of his wife's

best friends are GS alums-Amy Keller GS'90, Jane Lauder GS '90 and Kate Reid GS '92. All three are getting married in 2002.

1990

Christine Cairns is completing her master's degree in Environmental Science. She is on her way to the Yucatan Peninsula for three months to do field work for her thesis. She has been living in Miami for four years and hopes to stay there and pursue a Ph.D. in Tropical Biology. ccairns@capitalist.org

Amy Chamberlain works for the David and Lucile Packard Foundation. achamberlain@packard.org

Jennie McClelland married Paul Dorn this summer in Washington, DC. They are in living San Francisco. She wonders where Christian G. and Amy C. are living? maclellandjennue@hotmail.com

1991

Douglas Alexander is finishing a master's degree in information technology at RIT while working at Xerox. He plans to leave Rochester when his wife, Daisy, graduates from the University of Rochester Medical School. They will move to the site of her psychiatry residency, which they won't know until Spring 2002. His brother Tim, GS '93, is in Cambridge, MA. He is in touch with Katie Schutzer on email. dougalexander@hotmail.com

Rebecca Hanson founded an art history, archaeology, studio art and language study program in Italy called Italian Passages. It is a program for high school students. rahanson@aol.com

Jennifer Lilly is living in NYC. She was the Greek Summer director the past two summers. lillyjen@aol.com

Colleen Madden Sterrett is in her fourth year of teaching at a Montessori school. She teaches grades 4th through 6th in one room. She and her husband, Nat, are expecting their first child in late April. They are thrilled. She is enjoying life.

1992

Perry Aldige teaches 2nd grade in NYC. She is pursuing a master's degree in education at Bank Street College. She saw Theo Doughty this summer. aldige@chapin.edu

Theo Doughty will be attending F.I.T. in the fall to pursue a degree in surface design.

Liza Folberth is living and working in Manhattan. lmfolberth@hotmail.com

Alexandria Marcus is working for Governor Gary Davis' re-election campaign. alexandria_marcus@hotmail.com

Asa Palmer has decided to put the pursuit of a more normal career path on the backburner to play basketball in Germany. Although his team isn't winning a lot the experience has been a dream. He plans to spend some quality time in Greece when the season is over. All visitors welcome, drop him an email! asapalmer@hotmail.com

Andrew Smith is working as an actor in Washington, DC and running his own theater company called Project Y Theatre Company. He says life is good, he is getting a ton of work and enjoying DC. He would love to hear from anybody and everybody by email. He misses everyone from GS'92 and thinks of the cement mixer and square dances often. awsmith3@worldnet.att.net

For information about counselor Fritz Michel see GS '84.

1993

Tim Alexander is living in Cambridge, MA.

Nicholas Apostal is living in Chicago with his brother Peter, GS '95. They are having a great time. nikoapostal@hotmail.com

Marianne Gimon is pursuing a master's in International Relations at Columbia University.

Richard Kruger is living in NYC. He is working for a software publishing company that makes video games. He thinks it's a great job but says a summer in Greece would be better. richard_kruger@yahoo.com

Peter Mustalish will be attending law school in the fall of 2002.

Tatiana Papanicolaou is living in midtown Manhattan and working in marketing at Frederic Fekkai. She will be traveling to Greece this summer. She is also looking forward to being the maid of honor at the September wedding of her cousin, Hilary Gardner. She is equally nervous and excited about the responsibility which will occupy her upcoming months. tpapanicolaou@ffekikai.com

1994

Jim Kapsis, is living in Washington, D.C. He is the press secretary for congressman Rush Holt (D-NJ). He has gotten Congressman Holt involved in Greek American issues. He remains in touch with his Greek family and visited in 1999. jimkapsis@hotmail.com

1999

For information about counselor John Sargent see GS '89.

1995

Kai Diao, since graduating in 1999, has been working at a bank as a systems network administrator. He is enjoying living in New York again. diao828@yahoo.com

Kate Gardiner is a Senior Research Associate at Forrester Research in Cambridge, MA. She was recently certified to scuba dive and is off to Cozumel for her first big dive! kgardiner@forrester.com

Clay McClure is working in Washington, D.C. for the state of Kentucky. claymcclure@netscape.net

Lara Moultime is going to school to be a massage therapist and will graduate in May 2002. She then will be moving back to Bellingham with her boyfriend of four years so he can go back to school. She got a pet ball python for Christmas. She named her Lucy and says she's great!

Elizabeth Pavlides is currently living in Brookline, MA. She is planning her July 6, 2002 wedding in Wilmington, DE.

1996

Meagan Lansdale graduated from Stanford University in June and moved to Washington, DC. She is working for Georgetown Medical Center. She will begin applying to medical school this spring. She is a new comer to the east coast and would love to see any GSers in the DC area. mlansdale@stanford.alumni.org

Audrey McMullan graduated in December 2001 from the University of California at Santa Barbara with a B.A. in Global Studies. Last August she returned to Kristoni and stayed with her host family for a week. She is applying to the Peace Corps and hopes to leave within a year. admcmullen@aol.com

Steve Mullen is in his first year of law school at Washington University in St. Louis. He got engaged in October to his college girlfriend of four years, Susanne Safavi. They won't be getting married until May or June of 2003. He couldn't be happier except that Susanne is in Philadelphia working. He may transfer to the Philly area. steve_mullen@hotmail.com

1997

Chrystal Vang graduated from Lewis and Clark College in 2001. In May she will be attending the Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, CA. vang@lclark.edu

1998

Sam Boardman is a junior at Western Maryland College. boardmansam@hotmail.com

Lauren Hubbard just got back from a semester abroad in Rome. She had an amazing time. She is a 2nd semester junior at Lafayette College in Easton, PA. hubbardl@lafayette.edu

Zoe Haydock is living in New York City. zoha5b@aol.com

George Kottas is enjoying his second year at Georgetown, where he is majoring in International Politics. He says life is exciting in DC, where so much is going on right now. He is heading to Guatemala on a mission trip during spring break and is planning on studying in Santiago, Chile this fall. He hopes everyone is doing well. george@kottas.net

For information about counselors Nicholas Apostal or Peter Mustalish see GS '93, for Asa Palmer see GS '92.

1999

Jennifer Nicholls Griffin is currently working in one of America's top baby hospitals assisting cesarean sections. She has an 18 month old son named Andrew. She recently purchased a home which is lovely. She misses her fellow GSers. platinumof2000@hotmail.com

Tanya Spadaro is a sophomore at Fordham University. Her brother, Piero, will be a participant on GS '02. tanya82@aol.com

For information about counselors Nicholas Apostal or Peter Mustalish see GS '93, for Jen Lilly see GS '91, for Asa Palmer see GS '92.

2000

Winslow Clarke is a freshman at Appalachian State University. She loves it! winc16@aol.com

Putnam Pane is finishing his senior year and headed off to Colorado College in the fall. He just competed in the Vermont Nordic Ski Championships and the Eastern high school championships.

Ben Willsea is attending Principia College in Illinois but will most likely be transferring to the University of Puget Sound in the fall. bcworx@aol.com

Nicole Zarafonetsis is enjoying the last few months of her senior year. She was elected captain for the varsity softball team. She is also waiting to hear from a bunch of colleagues. She will be working as a teacher's

aide at the University of Maryland at the Center for Young Children this summer. kanal531@aol.com

For information about counselor Theo Doughty see GS '92, for GS director Jen Lilly see GS '91.

2001

Nick Barnes is attending Marymount College. This summer he plans to intern at Brillstein and Grey, a production agency, in Los Angeles. tixman@aol.com

Kristin Cooke is a senior at Indian Hill High School. She spoke at the "Secrets to Self Esteem" Symposium in Washington, DC in February. kplay13@hotmail.com

David Hopkins is living in San Francisco. hopkins0130@aol.com

Daphne LaBua is a senior at Chatham High School in NJ. She was accepted to Tufts University in Medford, MA. She is thrilled. She plans to study veterinary medicine and perhaps minor in Greek or history. daphenlb4@aol.com

Robb Morgan is wrapping up the last two months of school. He will be attending Colby College next year in the booming metropolis of Waterville, ME. He'll be in Worcester all summer. hotywbode@aol.com

Jonathan Simpson has been accepted to Middle Tennessee State University Recording Industry department for Fall 2002. He was awarded the Presidential Scholarship from MTSU. His rock band, KRINGE, won 2nd place in the "12 Bands of Christmas" competition sponsored by Garage Band Records and held at the Hard Rock Café in Atlanta in December 2001. "Obsession Girl" by KRINGE was released on February 22 by Shut Eye Records on a compilation CD available at Tower Records. jonathanm.simpson@juno.com

Courtney Rose Wilson is going to school, trying to decide on a college and taking photography at the local college of arts. She is thinking of a degree in botany, loving hiking and writing. She misses Greece! nectarblossom@qwest.com

For information about GS director Jen Lilly see GS '91.

In Memorium

The American Farm School was deeply saddened by the passing of **Maria Reinhardt DeCesare**. Maria was a participant on GS '83 and a counselor in 1988. She is survived by her husband Bruce DeCesare and her two children Andrew and Elizabeth. As they say in Greece, *may her memory be eternal.*

1998

Commemorating the American Farm School Centennial

World War I

*Adapted from Stewards of the Land: The American Farm School & Modern Greece
by Brenda L. Marder, to be published during the centennial year by Mercer University Press.*

The explosion of World War I that burst upon Europe in 1914 was ignited in the Balkans. For four years its shock waves reverberated throughout northern Greece. Villages that had been leveled and depopulated during the Balkan Wars were again exposed to devastating warfare, so that the refugee upheaval was augmented and exacerbated by the new catastrophe. The School was affected profoundly by the war, for the Macedonian front pivoted round the center point of Thessaloniki which was used as homeport, garrison and base for the Allied troops. The campus was surrounded by British, French and Serbian installations. Nearby,

a huge hospital, signal corps depot, machine shops, convalescent centers, transportation points, prisons and police barracks, were hastily erected in the fall and winter of 1915-1916. The atmosphere was electrifying for the boys, who found themselves catapulted into a modern and technical environment, the dimensions of which had never been seen in this corner of Europe.

The School became a center particularly for members of the British expeditionary forces. Officers and soldiers joined the boys and the staff for Sunday church services, and in the evening the men formed duets and quartets to sing hymns

and songs in western harmony mysterious to the Balkan boys. To formalize their support of the School, the British formed the "Friendship Association of the Thessalonica Agricultural and Industrial Institute"

Farm School students profited in other ways from the presence of the Allied troops. They learned the use of modern equipment, most importantly gasoline-driven vehicles that would later include tractors. Allied doctors and nurses gave unstinting services to sick students, and in several cases boys were taken into army hospitals where delicate, life-saving operations were performed.

The caption in Ann House's photo album reads, "Some members of the Friendship Association. There is no place to tell of the unflinching help the School received from Officers, Nurses and men, not only in times of special need, but also in numberless friendly deeds from day to day. Those who went through those trying years together will never forget."



Correction. On page 8 of *The Sower* No. 151, Ethel House Bliss was incorrectly identified as the youngest child of Dr. John Henry House and Susan Adeline House. Gladys Edwards House Williams was the youngest of the seven children, while Ethel was the fourth child. For more information on the House family, visit www.cromwellbutlers.com/famtree/jhouse.