



Club News



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From Your Presidents

I went to the M Club web site and was surprised to see that so many of the letter winners were in the inactive status column. I hope the reason is because of the overwhelming work load that **Dave Diehl** and **Dotti Warren** have, that they are backlogged with updating the list. Check out the list for yourselves. If you are in the active status, find one of your fellow team mates who is not active and give him or her a call or send them an Email message to send in their dues. If you are in the inactive status, it means 1 of 2 things, (1) the list is not current, or (2) you must have forgotten to send in your dues. We will forgive you. I hope there are no other reasons.

We all have to be proud of what the athletic teams have accomplished this year. Every penny we receive in dues money goes to supporting your teams. At the last Board meeting I was very pleased to hear the comments of **Mike Fried**, a current member of the swimming team who was attending as the student athlete representative. He sat through our whole meeting and at the end commented how pleased he was that he attended and was appreciative of our goals.

I'm sure that all of you have heard of the "Fear the Turtle" scholarship campaign. It is your opportunity to contribute directly to the team of your choice. That's right, your choice. Most M Club funding goes directly to the Athletic Department and the staff determines its use. With funds contributed towards the "Fear the Turtle" campaign, it is directed to the team which YOU want it to go.

The Career Development/Technology committee, made up of **Ralph Lary**, **Dan DeArmas**, and **Russ Edwards**, are to be commended for their work in planning an addition to our website dealing with Business Networking Opportunities. This is in its early stages and the M Club hopes to have it available in the near future.

I will close by asking again—"PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP"

Jerry Bechtle
Basketball

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Fear the Turtle

Since this past fall, over \$832,000 has been raised through the Fear the Turtle Campaign for Athletic Scholarships for the men's teams that are not fully funded. The contributions raised to date include funding for 1 fully-endowed scholarship for Men's Track & Field; and donations for 6 scholarships for the 2004-08 academic years for Baseball, Men's Swimming, Men's Tennis, Men's Track & Field, and Wrestling.

The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics wishes to thank the following donors who have fully endowed a scholarship, or have made gifts to fund a full or half four-year scholarship.

- William Chesley:** Full Four-Year Scholarship for Wrestling
- Samuel J. & Ethel LeFrak Charitable Foundation:** Fully-Endowed Scholarship for Men's Track & Field
- Milton Matthews** (Track '68): Half Four-Year Scholarship for Men's Track & Field
- Norris & Gail van den Berg:** Full Four-Year Scholarship for Men's Swimming and Full Four-Year Scholarship for Men's Tennis

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Fear the Turtle continued

Additionally, alumni and friends of the under-funded men's teams have made gifts and pledges of amounts less than the full or half scholarship funding levels. These donations will be pooled together by sport, and when the pooled funds total enough for at least a half scholarship for a particular sport, the aid will become available for that sport. To date, each sport has pooled funds available toward providing a half (\$33,000) or full (\$66,000) four-year scholarship. The coaches of the under-funded men's teams continue to work with alumni and friends of their programs to raise additional gifts and increase the number of scholarships for their programs. Available pooled scholarship donations as of April 1, 2004 are as follows:

Baseball \$1,200— Men's Golf \$27,900 —Men's Swimming \$14,100 —Men's Tennis \$16,750
Men's Track & Field/Cross Country - \$13,350 Wrestling - \$26,550

If you would like to support the Fear the Turtle Campaign for Athletic Scholarships, please contact the Athletics Development Office at (301) 314-7020, or by email at terrapiclub@umd.edu. Gifts to the Fear the Turtle Campaign are payable over a four-year period. Whether you are able to donate \$66,000 to fund a full four-year scholarship; \$33,000 to fund a half four-year scholarship; or \$4,000, \$500, \$100 or any amount; your gift to the Fear the Turtle Campaign can help make a competitive difference for the under-funded men's teams. Keep up with results at www.umterps.com (click on "Fear the Turtle")

Terp Topics and Tidbits by Van Sigworth



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The helm of the M Club is secure. Director **Dave Diehl** (swimming '63) is back in the pool getting into shape to defend his Senior Olympic swim title after recovering from eye surgeries and an Oct. stroke.....President **Jerry Bechtle** (basketball '60), as expected, is providing firm leadership. After all, Jerry was the Assistant Director of the U.S. Secret Service and, later, was Alan Greenspan's top security guy. Incidentally, did you know that actor Jack Nicholson is Jerry's cousin?.....**Jim Merna** (basketball '57) and Jerry became granddads just ten days apart. Jim has retired from his job as the PR Director of the Transportation Association.....Remember quarterback **John Fritsch** (football '57)? He still holds the ACC punting record with an 88-yard whopper. John retired from the U. S. Marine Corps as a Lt. Colonel after playing football for the Quantico Marines and a tour in Viet Nam. Then it was on to the Science Applicators International Corp. as a Computer Systems Trainer, from which he retired to the good life in Nokesville, Va., just outside Manassas where, are you ready

for this, he is "very busy" with his hobby of "picture framing".....It seems that a chunk of our membership leans towards the Marine Corps.....**Bob Kessler** (basketball '56) was a Marine pilot and is a retired Captain/pilot.....**Julius "Doc" Weingarten** (basketball '59) retired from the Marines with the rank of Lt. Colonel.....And don't forget that grand 'ol Marine Colonel **Tom Fields** (track '42) who has moved, with his beautiful wife, Patti, to Riderwood Village in Silver Spring, MD.....**Al Bleich** (baseball '56) has been a successful cardiologist in Atlanta, Ga. for close to 40 years.....Congratulations to **Stan Gelbaugh** (football '85) who was inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame last Nov.....More than 70 Terp supporters joined the crowd to welcome **Jack Zane** (Mr. Terp Everything '69-'03) into the Anne Arundel County Sports Hall of Fame this past Jan. Jack has recovered nicely from his knee surgery. He took a proud walk to the podium. Our **Betty Francis** joined Jack's Terp supporters. She looked terrific (see last column).....**Dick Edell** (lacrosse Coach '84-'01) joined the crowd of Jack supporters. Dick was inducted into the Potomac Chapter Lacrosse Hall of Fame on Feb. 7, at the University Club in Washington, DC. Dick is suffering from a degenerative nerve problem, which has caused some weight loss. Dick says, "If they measured my progress by fat cells I could go on forever." Dick and wife Dolores are very proud of daughter Erwin who plays lacrosse for Delaware State.....Our own **Suzanne "Sue" Tyler** (lacrosse coach '74-'90) was also inducted into the above Lacrosse Hall of Fame which made it a real grand slam for the Terps....."Big" **Jim Ulman** (football '79) is still in the big scale these days. Jim is the General Counsel for the huge domain registry/web authentication outfit Verizon Network Solutions.....That awesome wide receiver **Dean "Dino" Richards** (football '79) is associated with mammoth Bethesda, Md. data base company Oracle Government Services.....**Marjorie Bollinger** (x-country, track '02) is the Outreach Specialist at the National Aquarium in Baltimore, MD. Running an educational program for pre school to middle school children. She's a winner with the children. Say hi to her at marjbollinger@hotmail.com

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...Speaking of winners...How about **Fred Funk** (golf '80, coach '82-88). Freddie was the world's 38th best professional golfer in 2002 and number one in driving accuracy on the PGA Tour. Oh yes, he was also 22nd in career \$ leaders.The ultimate swimmer's honor...**Hugh Roddin's** (swimming '65) high school, Roosevelt High School, Wyandotte, MI, has named the school pool in his honor. It is now the Hugh J. Roddin Natatorium.... Those Terp honors keep coming.....**Mike Furman** (wrestling '84) and Century.....That 'ol high jumper **George Hogan** (track '58) has really sailed into new heights. George writes, "After 40 years in the aerospace business, first with NASA and then with various aerospace companies, I've finally retired." Just listen to the amazing career this quiet gentleman has had. He helped design the first weather satellites, designed experiments for the early communications satellites and witnessed the start of the Space Shuttle flights. He also helped NASA repair the Hubble Space Telescope...a truly remarkable career...The afore mentioned **Jim Merna** calls our attention to a WASHINGTON POST item, National Wrestling Hall of Fame inductees. One of the wrestlers was **Kelly Ward**, a two time Maryland state champion at Kennedy High School ('74-'75), who competed at Iowa State and became the first Maryland born wrestler to win an NCAA title. Jim continues, "The story didn't say so, but we all know who Kelly Ward's dad is – our own Terp great and a legend in Md. football – **Bob Ward** (football '52). Now there's a family of All-Americans."Congrats to **Bryan Borda** (golf '78) who was promoted to Vice President Sales-Major Accounts division for Financial Profiles, Inc. (software company that serves the Financial Services industry). But more importantly, Bryan got married to Ruth Anne Burke in Darnestown, MD.....**Helena** (M Club Vice Pres., lax '98) and **Jamie Bragg** (football '94) had their first baby, Theresa Jordan. Congrats mom and dad and our newest Terp TJ.....Did you know that the Terps are only one of five schools to win national championships in football and basketball?.....Another did you know...The M Club gives our Athletic Dept. around \$185,000 each year.....**Darryl Hill** (Football) was mighty on the gridiron when his playing weight was only 170 pounds. After graduation Darryl entered the world of city economic development and rose to become the director of the Greater Washington (D. C.) Business Center. He then went to the West Coast to the ownership of an energy management business. He returned to D. C. in the 90's for different business ventures. As of last Sept. Darryl became our Athletic Department's Director of Major Gifts. He's a natural. Incidentally, his playing weight is now 225.....Notice to all Terp tracksters...**Nick Kovalakides** (track '61) needs your help. Nick is finishing "Men's Track & Field at the University of Maryland – Its First 100 Years – 1894 – 1994" but he has some gaps to fill (tid bits, relay team members names, times, newspaper clippings, etc.). Contact Nick at: nkovalakides@aol.com.....For the past seven years **Ron Brooks** (basketball '54) has conducted a Terps On The Shore Golf Tournament in Ocean City, Md. The event is sponsored by the M Club. This year, on June 14, the event will be moved to the number one course on the Eastern Shore – The Links at the Lighthouse Sound. Reach Ron at 1-899-866-LUMP in Ocean City. And if you want his world famous (literally) crab cakes let him know. Now you know what the LUMP stands for. See you there.....**Jap Trimble** (basketball '74) is the Hearst Eagle Award winning Account Executive at WBAL-TV, Baltimore, Md. I never saw a guy get so many hugs as Jap got when he was the Honorary Capt. at the Md.-Clemson game. Mr. M Club **Bob Weiss** (baseball '56) had a malignant kidney removed on Feb. 2. The cancer was "contained and slow growing with a less than 10 percent chance of spreading." Robert says, "Everything seems to have worked out well." He can't wait for the golf season to begin after his return from Fla.Nice note from **Lee Frederick** (baseball '50) who retired to Tara Country Club in Bradenton, FL after a career as a Montgomery County, Md. judge. His Honor wrote, "I look forward to your articles in Terp Talk, and while I don't know too many names, I feel like you're talking to me in every issue of the M Club Newsletter." That's one of the nicest compliments that this writer has ever received.....We are saddened to have to report the Nov. death of **David W. Ott** (wrestling '63) from Lou Gehrig's disease. He was a Towson, Md. resident where he established a real estate sales firm. He also built homes in Ocean Pines, Md. and Ocean City.....**Sam Cavallaro**, goalie on the '54-'55 lacrosse team died of a heart attack at his home in Fla. in early Jan.....**Paul Glamp** (football '79) died last Sept. after a two-year battle with brain cancer.....Sorry to end with these sad notes. But life goes on.....For instance, Marine **Col. Chris Cowdrey** (football '72) recently returned to Kuwait "to take care of the bad guys who still may be there,".....

Van Sigworth

SPORTS REPRESENTATIVES

Mary Barnes—WBBALL

Gerald Bechtle—MBBALL

Suzanne Hesprich—CHEER

Chuck Wight—MSWIM

Marjorie Bollinger—
WTRAC/WCC

Tom Fields—MCC

Carla Tagliente—WFH

Ed Gregory—MLAX

Steve Hayleck—WRES

Willette Dority—VOLLEY

Michael Lipitz—MTEN

Liz Henkin—WTEN

Logan Schutz—MTRAC

Maureen Dupcak—WLAX

Scott Buete—MSOC

Amy Wenhold—WSWIM

Dave Whitehill—BASE

Russ Edwards—FOOT

Bryan Borda—MGOLF

Sarah Bedford—WGOLF

Nicole L. Campbell—GYMN

Amy Sandler—SOFT

AT-LARGE

Bob Stumpf—WRES

Tony Santy—FOOT

Connie Carpenter—MBBALL

Ralph Lary—FOOT

Bob Weiss—BASE

Jim Sandwisch—FOOT



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Your annual dues to the M Club help fund our scholarships and special athletic department activities for the student athletes.

My dues payment of \$ ___ is enclosed: \$30 (current membership); \$30 sustaining fee appreciated (original life members only)

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