Happy Holidays from Athens! We hope you all have a great holiday season and a wonderful 1994.

This is proving to be a busy year for us here in Athens. Dennis, Hans, and Tony have been installing a LAN connecting all of our offices. We're looking forward to being able to share information more quickly and efficiently. Eventually this administrative LAN will be connected to the LANs we have in our lab.

Hans and Tony continue to prepare for their part of the NASA ACTS satellite experiment. Tony is working on a project in the Caribbean with George Korn from the School of TCOM (nice choice of locations, Tony). Dennis is getting more involved in videoconferencing and is teaching classes at the regional campuses over the University's microwave system. Phyllis spent the summer giving presentations at regulatory conferences in New Hampshire and Michigan and working on a $3 billion access charge project at the FCC.

We're all busily reviewing the 90+ applications we have gotten in response to our advertisement for one, possibly two, professors. We hope to start next year with a full staff.

Meanwhile, we're planning Communication Week (details inside), hoping to start a new tradition of class reunions (more details inside), and trying to make the WATSLINE more fun and useful by adding a couple of new features (even more details inside).

We've been hearing from a lot of alumni this year, which makes us all very happy. Keep on staying in touch!
Homecoming

It was a real homecoming for us this year. Instead of having a booth at the Convo, we had our own reception in the Radio-TV Building. Andy Doyle '93, Irene Kehayas '90, Lori Rogers Sternisha '89, and Jeff Scullion '90 stopped by for cookies and soda; and Randy Risch '93 marched by with the Alumni Band.

We'd like to continue to have our own Homecoming receptions, if lots of alumni out there are interested in attending. Give us a call and let us know if you're interested in stopping by next year.

Communication Week

Communication Week this year promises to be a timely event. The over-all theme is Communication and Health Care. We're planning a packed day as usual, including discussions of EDI in health care, and demonstrations of remote diagnostics and other telecommunication applications.

We're also planning a luncheon, an alumni panel, and an awards banquet. CSM's day is Wednesday, April 27th. We'd love to have you join us. More information about Communication Week will be coming your way soon--including your own personal invitation.

Class of '84 Reunion

Beth Young '84 wrote to tell us that she's planning on being here for Communication Week this spring--and she suggested that we make it a 10th year reunion. We'd love to make that happen, if you folks are interested.

It's hard to believe that 10 years ago this June, the first sizeable CSM class graduated! According to our records, there were four folks who graduated before 1984: Theresa Bishop '82, Joan McCracken Moran '83, Michelle Six Heywood '83, and Susan Stolmack '83. (Did we miss anyone? If we did, give us a call and let us know.) In 1984, sixteen students graduated with a degree in Communication Systems Management.

We’d like to take Beth’s suggestion and honor all of you folks who graduated in 1984, or before, at this year's Communication Week. We’ll be contacting all of you to see if you can make it on April 27th. Hope to see all of you then.

Society of Alumni and Friends

We want to thank Maria Howard '85 for her excellent work on the College of Communication’s Society of Alumni and Friends. Maria’s term ended last spring; we’ll miss working with her. Glenn Ruff '88 has now joined our other CSM representative, Kate Redmond '91, on that group. Welcome, Glenn.

Career Network Receptions

We've participated in two career network receptions during winter break. The University's Cleveland Alumni group organized their first-ever all-university career network reception in Cleveland on December 7th. Joe Davis '89 was there to talk to current CSM students about their career aspirations and job searches. We hope that the Cleveland Alumni group makes this an annual event and that more CSM alumni and students will be there.

The College of Communication joined the College of Business in sponsoring a career network reception in Columbus on December 13th. Meeting with current students at that event were Gayle Sorgenfrei '91, Janet Faldowski '90,
Advisory Board Activities

We are fortunate to have four new members of our Advisory Board: John Fulton (Huntington Bank), Ron Ott (Cincinnati Bell), Richard Putt (MCI), and Linda Redwine (The PBX Connection). These folks joined the rest of the Advisory Board on October 28th to provide something new for our students: a roundtable discussion regarding what it takes to have a successful career.

Board member John Lusa moderated the roundtable discussion; students Derek Fink, Jodi Kaufman and Regina Sewell; faculty members Dennis Fouty and Hans Kruse; and board members Doug Ballou, John Fulton, and Dick Putt shared their ideas and insights with an audience of CSM students. The roundtable discussion was followed by an informal dinner for students, board members, and faculty.

Alumni Scholarship

It’s been a year since we announced the drive for a McClure School Alumni Scholarship. If you are interested in contributing to this scholarship, please write “McClure School Alumni Scholarship” on your check, and specify account number 96-91-9005. If you have made a donation which you thought was going to be added to the scholarship fund, but did not specify this information on your check, call Phyllis or Barb at 614/593-4890, and we’ll make sure your contribution goes where you want it to.

ICA This Spring

This year’s ICA will be in Dallas, Texas, again. The dates are May 22nd through May 26th. We’re hoping to take a big group of students to the conference again this year. Last year, we had a wonderful get-together organized by Eric Zines ’91 and Andrea Schroer ’91. We’d love to see all the alumni again this year. If you’re in the Dallas area, or planning to be at ICA this year, give us a call!

Videoconferencing

Communication Network Services has now added videoconferencing to the list of services they can provide to departments. Phyllis’ Contemporary Issues class took advantage of that service this fall. Tom Reid at CNS arranged for the class to have a videoconference with Robert Pepper, Chief of Planning and Policy at the FCC. Mr. Pepper is the FCC’s leading expert on telecommunications infrastructure policy. On October 7th, he spent an hour discussing infrastructure policy with 23 CSM students.

If you have access to videoconferencing facilities, and are interested in “dropping in” to a CSM class or SICM meeting, let us know by filling out and returning the information form included in this WATSLINE. At our end, CNS uses CLI equipment and two AT&T switched 56K lines.

E-Mail Directory

Several alumni have been staying in touch through E-Mail lately. We think that’s great and always look forward to getting messages. We’re wondering if you wouldn’t like to contact one another through E-Mail as well. To facilitate that, we’d like to make an E-Mail directory part of each WATSLINE. We’d need your help in keeping the directory up-to-date, of course.

If you are interested in being included in the E-
Mail directory, please send us your E-Mail address. There’s a spot to do that on the information sheet at the end of this WATSLINE.

To get things started, here are our E-Mail addresses:

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Send us your E-Mail address and see your listing in the next WATSLINE.

**Crosstalk**

Tony Mele has suggested that we add another feature to the WATSLINE: a column called "Crosstalk." Tony would like this column to be a way for you folks to send each other messages or to remind each other of things that happened while you were CSM students. If you have any personal messages--or reminiscences--you’d like to share, just pass them along to us and we’ll include them in "Crosstalk."

To get us started, we’ve contributed the following:

Susan, did you ever get a ride in John’s boat? - Tony

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John, have you given any boat rides lately? - Tony

Randy, how did you manage to get SICM announcements into the ladies’ restrooms? - Phyllis

Richard, has yodeling helped your love life? - Barb

Roberto, keep up the great gymnastics coaching - Alberto Tomba

Tom Dunlap has lost touch with Jerry Hirsh. If you are in contact with Jerry, tell him to call Tom.

We’ve added a "Crosstalk" section to the information sheet at the end of this newsletter. Just fill in your message and see it in the next WATSLINE.

**Recent Graduates Who Have Obtained Employment**

- **Andy Doyle**, Booz, Allen, and Hamilton.
- **Leslie Holtshouse**, Society Bank.
- **Amy Barr** (honorary CSM alum), Electronic Data Systems.

**Moves, Adds, Changes**

Thanks to everyone who returned a response form from the summer WATSLINE. Here’s what you told us:

Irene Kehayas ’90, is in an MBA program at Rider College in Lawrenceville, NJ. She was promoted to Voice Operations Coordinator/Manager at the Rahway site for Merck & Co., Inc. **James Martin ’93**, started working for Society Management Company July, 1993 in Network Computing Technologies Services and Support. He works with a
management team that technically plans and provides top level support for Society’s LAN/WAN.

Joan McCracken Moran ’83, Vice President of Fidelity Investments, married Keven Moran in May, 1993. On the job, she is responsible for institutional sales and marketing of Fidelity’s products and services to bank clients in the MidWest and MidAtlantic states. Beth Young ’84, joined Pactel Meridian Systems in May 1993 as a System Design Specialist and member of the Major Accounts Project Team serving the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. She is still single.

Andrew Fox ’92, is working as a Technical Specialist at MCI in Indiana. Judi French ’90, recently moved to Cleveland from Cincinnati. She started a new position with Society National Bank as a Communications Specialist II. Ken Greer ’89 and Karen Green ’90 got married May 22, 1993. They both work at Alltel Corporation: Ken as a Transmission Engineer; Karen as a C.O. Translations Engineer. Congratulations and best wishes to both of you. Richard Lyon ’88, was promoted to Project Manager for Automation and Logistics Systems at Technisches Buro Sch broaden, in charge of planning and execution of IS systems for automated distribution and supply facilities. He’s also learning to yodel.

Ronald Shumway ’87 was recruited by IE Systems 3 months ago from a local Toshiba Telecommunications dealer. He’s been selling telephone and voice mail systems for the last 3 years. Todd Dungan ’91 and Kimberly Hobb-Dungan ’91 celebrated their one year anniversary September 12 in Marco Island, Florida. As Assistant Operations Manager at ComNet of Ohio, Todd is responsible for inventory management, technical dispatching, training of new employees, and numerous other duties. Kimberly just started a job in annuity services with the Great American Life Insurance Co. Jeff Dean ’89 was recently promoted within Ameritech and will be moving to their Chicago office.

Matt Sweeney ’93 recently married Tonya Conrath, also an OU graduate, and moved to Lancaster. He is working at Larry Conrath Realty as a sales agent and also installed a new Novell computer network and voice mail system in the office. Stephen Engle ’92 started working with LCI February 1 and already has been promoted to work in their revolutionized 800 environment. He lives and works with Tom Dutton ’92. He will be getting married to Tina Giustino, 1993 OU grad and sister of Maria Giustino-Lepore ’90, this December.

Michael Persina ’92, is now a Technology Consultant for NCR. He works at the help desk supporting the TCP/IP and X.25 networks. He and Linda Armstrong-Persina ’90 finally got to take their honeymoon to Jamaica and bought a house last fall. Laura Czarnecki ’89 finished her MBA at Cornell and started working at Coopers and Lybrand as a Senior Associate. Michael Crowe ’85 recently left his position at Automatic Data Processing, Inc. in New Jersey to take a position with Banc One in Columbus.

Paul and Meg Fussner ’85 have two kids and are moving to a new house in Bay Village. Meg is working on a Master’s in Education degree at Baldwin-Wallace. Paul is taking over the family business, SoundCom Corporation. Yaulonda Harris ’92 just started working as a Electronic Data Processing Audit Analyst with Fifth Third Bank. She and her husband celebrated their first anniversary June 27th. She also let us know that it was good seeing Hans Kruse at the annual TTA Conference. David Krasnow ’87, Telecommunications Specialist with Clean Harbors, was sent to Nashville for Telco Research Tru System (SMDR). Mark Loftin ’90, Computer Specialist with the Department of Defense, moved to Columbus in March. He is enjoying central Ohio and travels as much as he can. He is still active with the National Guard in Cincinnati.
That's it for the winter WATSLINE. Our next issue will go to press in the summer. If you'd like to make "the news" fill out and return the information form.

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If yes, what is your e-mail address?

Are you interested in participating in videoconferencing for classes/SICM?

What's new on the home front?

What's new on the job?

Any messages for "Crosstalk"?

Help us keep track of you!  Fill out this form and return to:

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