



Photo courtesy of Stephen Salpukas.

On a historic float in the annual Homecoming Parade, a participant in a flapper costume displays a home-made sign. The College went co-ed in 1918, and many floats represented historic hallmarks like this in the Homecoming Parade.

Graduating seniors process through the Wren Building on their way to William & Mary Hall for their graduation. All graduates participated in the famous tradition, but the rainy day made their own experience of the Walk Across Campus unique.



HONOR THE TRADITION

From their first steps through the beloved Wren Building during Convocation and yearly experiences of burning yule logs and bright fireworks to the final re-tracing of their steps out into the world, the College's students found their lives steeped in the traditions of the second-oldest university in the nation.

Distinguished guests such as Tom Brockaw, Chancellor Sandra Day O'Connor and Santa Claus himself attended the numerous ceremonial activities of the College. Students flocked in numbers even despite unpleasant weather to uphold the events as well.

The traditions of the College did include activities beyond the formal events, but all felt tied to the sometimes centuries-old practices which marked their lives as students.

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