



From The Director's Desk

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Susie Davis, Food Service Supervisor: This is a photo of Sue and her husband, Harry on their anniversary. They have been married for 35 years. They have two children: Chris who works for Cigna Insurance and Jennifer who is married and works for Chase Bank. Harry retired from the Nippert Company five years ago.

Sue ran a daycare service in her home for twenty years. Then Jan Vest (retired Food Service Supervisor) called her to ask if she would like to work one day a week. And the rest is history. She will be here seven years this fall.

She really enjoys getting to know the students, especially the COS students. But when she is not preparing or cooking food for us, she likes to bowl and work in the yard.



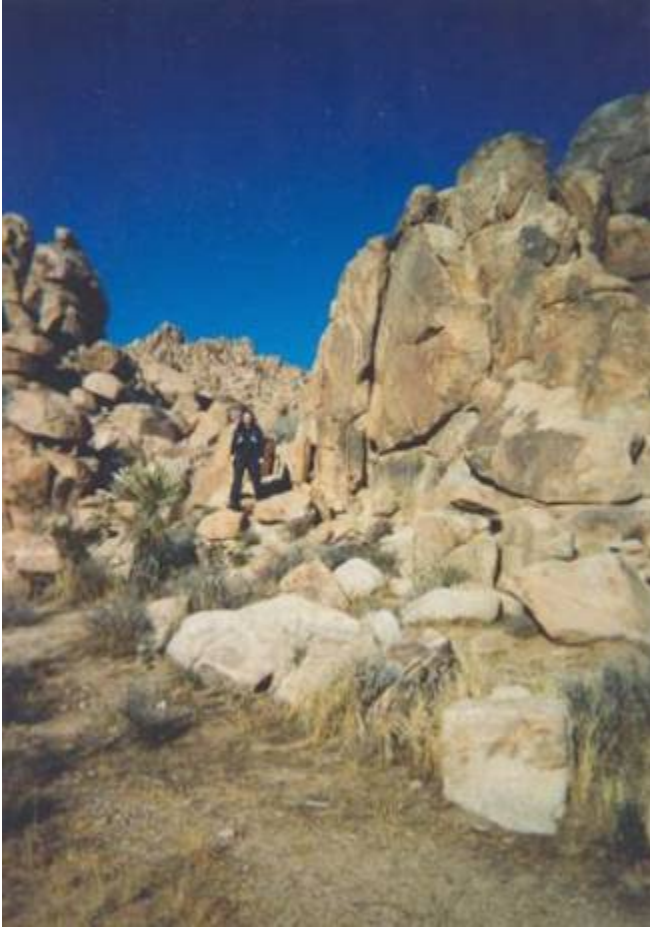
grateful and just enjoyable. (To see how the COS students respond to these women, check out the poem written by one hanging proudly on the register.)

When Lola is not planning, preparing, or cooking food, she recreates by gardening, playing volley ball, basketball and/or board games with Michael. She also likes to walk, and, of course to cook.

Lola Music, Director of Food Services: Lola and her son, Michael are eating out on Mother's Day, 2006. Michael is 12 years old. He has two uncles and three Aunts (Lola's brothers and sisters.) The family still mourns the death of her mother three years ago.

She came to Methesco because she wanted a change of pace and this place certainly provided that experience. She's been in the food business for twenty-nine years beginning at Denny's when she was 16. She worked for Sanese Services and ran State Farm Insurance Food Service in Newark.

She says the COS students are always so nice,



Grace Wallace: Assistant to the Coordinator of Programs.

Grace works with Jessica Spillman and in the MTSO archives. She studied for two years at Wesleyan University in Connecticut in two distinct disciplines.: American Studies and Women;s Studies. She will be a junior when she returns to college. She finds the COS students “really nice” and was enthusiastic enough about the COS program to attend the Directors’ meeting in California last September with her mother, Robin Knowles Wallace, Director of the Course of Study of Ohio. Before the meeting, they went to the Joshua Tree National Park in the desert outside Los Angeles. (See photo of Grace in Joshua Tree Park.)

Asked about the upside and downside of having your mother as a boss, Grace said that the upside is that her mother is always available to talk about anything. As for the downside? “If I make a mistake, not only do I let down my boss, but I also let down my mother.” Both her parents admire her vegan diet, but that is as far as it goes; they enjoy meat.

As a student of American studies, American culture, especially the arts, is close to her heart. She is an avid movie fan and noted as one of her all time favorite films “Amazing Grace and Chuck,” about a young boy preventing a global nuclear war. Among recent films up

for awards this year, she enjoyed “The Constant Gardner” a British film most of all. We should not be surprised then that she also enjoys classic English novels and is currently reading “Jonathan Strange and Mr. Norrell” by Susanna Clark. Apparently, her interest in American studies does not confine her interests to this side of the pond.

Margaret Van Sickle, Music Director.

This is Margaret with her granddaughter, Joanna. Margaret’s profile appeared in the Spring Newsletter.



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