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Think you know a lot about Roanoke College? Well, chances are you do. But here are some facts that even those most thoroughly versed in all things Maroon probably never knew....

How many spam and virus e-mail messages were blocked on campus over the last year? 9 million! (No kidding. Information Technology was very busy this year.)

Who traveled the most miles to attend Alumni Weekend in April!

Gerald McDearmon '75, who lives in Spain!

How many actual events did the College host throughout Alumni Weekend?

52! (And they used 400 balloons to do it!)



Name another great benefit of all the new campus construction going on now... It's creating 185 new parking spaces!

Did the beautiful weather at this year's commencement affect people's appetites?

If it did, it only added to it. The College served 2,400 boxed lunches on the Back Quad along with 4,000 to 5,000 bottles of water and soda.

What is men's track and field Head Coach Finn Pincus' lucky number?

Probably 8. He's led the team to conference championships that many times,

received the "Coach of the Year" award that many times — and a Maroon cross-country runner also has qualified for the NCAA's for 8 of the last 12 years.



Who is our oldest alum?

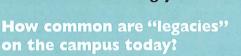
That distinction goes to Dr. Charles Harold "Hap" Fisher '28, who is 98. He has been an adjunct research professor of chemistry at Roanoke College for many years and is still active in the academic community.

How many current students are enrolled as double majors?

Sixty-three of the Maroons registered for spring term had declared two majors — and even one declared three!

How many Roanoke professors have won Virginia's prestigious "Outstanding Faculty" award?

2. Virginia Gov. Mark Warner presented this honor to Dr. Gregory L. Weiss, professor of sociology, in 2004. Dr. Roland B. Minton, professor of mathematics, received the same honor the following year.



Seventy-six of the incoming freshmen for fall are legacies — and 26 of them have a relative on campus now!

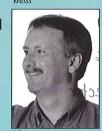
Has food in the Commons changed much over the years?

Well, a special event called "Neptune's Fest" in April featured 500 Maine lobsters served over newspaper-covered dining tables along with fried clams, baked fish and shrimp.

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