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Dear :

Thank you very much for your letter of May 25. Because I have received so much correspondence on the coed issue, I have generally not been responding to individual letters. However, I wanted to let you know how much I appreciated your very thoughtful letter, and that I plan to send it along to the administration for their files. At the Trustees' meeting in May, we discussed this issue at great length, including the issue raised in your letter. We have agreed to meet in July, at which time we fully anticipate making a final decision on the issue of coeducation. At this stage, I am trying to maintain an open mind but, as you, the overriding consideration in any decision is do whatever is necessary to maintain the academic excellence of the Washington and Lee experience.

The other reason I wanted to be sure to respond to your letter was to thank you for the write-up on Lulu. I have not seen him in more than ten years and am really pleased to hear something current of him. In the reading of his success, I have to take some credit for his completing W&L. Many times, his junior and senior year, I remember the struggle to wake him, help dress him, and push his 250 pound frame up the hill from Red Square to his 8:00 class. He never had any cuts for his whole four years. It is still very hard to picture him on a sailboat or in the boardroom of a bank.

It was great to see you in Lexington during reunion weekend. Thank you again for your letter and your thoughts.

With best personal regards.

