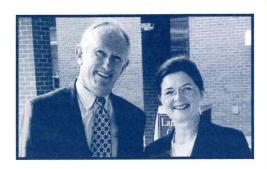


## SENATOR HONORED, HELPED LANDMARK EARN TITLE VII GRANT



Senator James M. Jeffords, (R) Vermont, received an Honorary Doctorate in Humane Letters at Landmark's August 28th Convocation Ceremony. The Senator praised the College as a "model for the nation" in his speech to an audience of faculty, staff, students and their families. He also congratulated Landmark on its work, begun last fall, on a three year \$690,000 U.S. Department of Education Title VII grant project.

Jeffords chairs the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee and authored the 1998 changes to the Higher Education Act that created the new grant program. "This program was actually the brain-child of Landmark College, and Dr. Katz's expertise was invaluable in helping to author the legislation - the first specifically recognizing the needs of college students with learning disabilities," Jeffords said. "Landmark is one of only 21 institutions to receive a Title VII Demonstration Project grant which will allow it to share its know-how with faculty at all the other colleges in Vermont. The methods and materials developed will later be disseminated to colleges and universities across the country."

Dr. Katz thanked the Senator for his commitment to education and for his help and support as Landmark prepared its Title VII grant application.

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## **ALUMNI REUNION 2000 IS BIG SUCCESS!**

"It was like the Hotel Landmark!" joked Ethan Fleming '99 about Middle Hall which housed more than 40 of the alumni attending Landmark's Reunion 2000. "They provided us with linens and everything!" The Reunion, held August 4-6, was the largest in Landmark history. Seventy five alumni, representing classes from 1987 to 2000,

attended the "main event," a dinner at the Putney Inn held on Saturday evening. "It was a lovely party," said Dr. Katz. "It was obvious that everyone enjoyed both reconnecting with people who had been at Landmark with them and also talking with fellow alumni from different classes whom they met for the first time at the Reunion."

On Friday evening, as the Reunion got underway, twenty-two faculty and staff joined the arriving alumni — some of whom had brought spouses and children — for a cookout and a chance to

catch up. Later a smaller group sat around a campfire and reminisced. Saturday's breakfast provided a chance for alumni to talk with Dr. Katz and ask her questions about recent developments at the College and about future plans. "You can ask anything except my age," she joked, and then fielded questions and heard suggestions from the group. Alumni were impressed that the College has broken ground this summer for the new Athletic Center, as well as with the many technological advances Landmark has made in recent years. A number of alumni work in technology fields and offered their ideas for further expanding the use of technology on

Later that morning, an alumni panel spoke about their careers. Sharing their job successes (and stresses) were Pete Adeson '93, Sports Director at a Fox affiliate in Minnesota, Ben West G'96, a researcher for National Geographics TV documentaries, Barton Fendelman '89, a New York City fireman, Meg Gott '92, an ADD and

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Reunion group photo. See Page 4 for more Reunion photos.

## COLLEGE LANDS \$1.75 MILLION TITLE III GRANT

Landmark was recently awarded another prestigious U.S. Department of Education Grant — a five year, \$1.75 million Title III Grant. Landmark was one of 32 institutions, selected from among some 1800 applicants, to receive this "Strengthening Institutions" grant.

"Title III grants are known as 'selfish' grants," said Dr. Katz, "because they can be used by colleges to fill their own identified needs. This grant will allow us to address three areas of need — providing release time for some faculty members to

engage in research or other professional development, as well as a speakers program for the entire faculty, developing a model for student outcomes assessment using a new integrated database, and growing our scholarship endowment."

"We're pleased that Leslie Hill will serve as Project Coordinator for the entire grant, and also direct the professional development activity," said Executive Vice President, Brent Betit. "Her experience as Dean of Faculty Development certainly prepares her well for this new role."

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