



TWO NEW TRUSTEES OF WESTFORD ACADEMY, at right, Barbara Hildreth Parkhurst and Bruce Scott, in brief ceremonies are inducted into membership by Secretary Bette R. Hook. Principal Joseph F. Lisi and guidance counsellor Mrs. Mary Westford (at left) watch proceedings. (G. B. Seavey photo)

Westford Academy Trustees appoint 2 members

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WESTFORD — Westford Academy trustees, in order to bring their total number of members to fifteen, elected two trustees to membership at the group's annual meeting.

They are Mrs. Barbara Hildreth Parkhurst of Chelmsford and Bruce Scott of 9 Abbot Street. Both are natives of Westford and graduates of the old school founded in 1792 and long have been active in the community.

Mrs. Parkhurst is the 9th generation of Hildreths in town and still owns the original property consisting of a homestead built in 1787 plus 152 rolling acres now mostly woodlands but at one time a very productive farming complex.

She was an educator as was her father, Arthur Griffin Hildreth, and taught sciences at LaSalle Junior College for 28 years. She recently retired as chief parasitologist at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mrs. Parkhurst was also a medical technological and research assistant at St. Joseph's Hospital in Lowell.

Active in alumni affairs at Simmons College, from which she is a graduate with the Class of 1941, Mrs. Parkhurst recently was elected a member of the Corporation.

She was graduated from the Academy in 1936 and her attachment to the Academy is strong. Seventy-eight Hildreths attended the school prior to 1912 according to old records followed by several other Hildreths. Her mother, Bertha Norris, also taught there. Two years

ago, Mrs. Parkhurst set up a scholarship in memory of her parents.

Mrs. Parkhurst was co-founder of the Chelmsford League of Women Voters twenty years ago. With her husband, George, they revitalized the Hildreth Family Association which has 500 members from all over the country.

The Parkhursts have a son, Robert, a computer engineer, and a daughter, Sandra, in the admissions office of the Univer-

sity of Pittsburgh Medical School and one granddaughter.

Bruce Scott is the son of Mrs. Lillian Scott and the late Everett Scott. He is a graduate of the Academy (1964) and Bentley College. After spending two years with Digital, he joined The Murray Printing Company twelve years ago and is data processing manager.

Scott was a member of the Westford Finance Committee for seven years and is national co-chairman of the Honeywell Users Group.

With his wife, Marilyn (Miller) Scott, a classmate of his at the Academy, and their two daughters, Sherry, 9, and Jennifer, 8, they spend much of their vacation time boating and fishing on Lake Winnepesaukee.

The two new trustees fill vacancies which occurred with the deaths of Vice-President Norman E. Day and President Richard W. Hall.

They were inducted into office by Secretary Bette R. Hook.