

WC honors Goldstein and Kennedy

New Goldstein Hall planned for 2000

CHESTERTOWN – Washington College will name a new \$4 million academic building after Louis L. Goldstein, an alumnus who served Maryland for 40 years as its state comptroller. He died in July.

When Goldstein Hall opens in August 2000, it will become the only landmark named after Louis Goldstein on the Eastern Shore and the fourth building in Maryland to bear the name of one of the most popular politicians ever to have served in the state.

Goldstein was chairman of the Washington College Board of Visitors and Governors for 18 years until his death, and served as an aggressive advocate for the college in state and national circles. He graduated from Washington College in 1935, and joined the board in 1957.

Goldstein Hall will replace the aging Ferguson Hall, which was constructed in the 1940s and will be razed to make way for the new facility. With its 22,000 square feet of space, Goldstein Hall will house classrooms, faculty offices, laboratories, a 75-seat lecture hall, an academic resources center, and seminar facilities.

“Louis Goldstein loved the education and the opportunities Washington College offered young people, and he worked hard to see that the college’s facilities matched its potential,” Washington College president John S. Toll said earlier this week in announcing the Goldstein project.

“Louis would be proud to have a building so bustling with learning and energy bear his name.”

The drive to raise the funds needed for the Goldstein project received

an initial boost recently when the Alden Trust, of Worcester, Mass., pledged \$100,000 to the effort. The donation is a matching grant that will be delivered once Washington College raises the next \$300,000 for the building. College officials are approaching corporate and foundation leaders across the state and asking them to contribute to this academic memorial to Louis Goldstein.

Along with providing modern and integrated space for classrooms and faculty, Goldstein Hall will become the centerpiece of an effort to create an attractive south entrance to the campus.