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**Ms. Dorry Ross** started at the University in 1982 by tutoring graduate and undergraduate students in the Writing Center. Since they came from every possible field, she never knew whether the topic would be nuclear physics, embezzlement, Charles Dickens, or oil pollution in the Delaware River. Her response was quintessentially MALS-like: she loved learning about new ideas and fields. Somewhere in the early 1990s, she began teaching first year composition as well as a grammar course for future high school teachers. Then, in 1997, Ray Callahan invited her to become the writing coach for the MALS program. As she observes, "I had never imagined that I could be paid to do something I enjoyed so much. All of us involved in this program know that MALS students are something special because of their enthusiasm for and interest in learning." She revels in learning about everything from date stones in Chester County to problems with ethanol additives to sea planes in WWII, and she feels privileged to know and work with people who share her love for learning and who demand the best education possible. Since 1967, Dorry has lived in Newark, where she and her husband have raised three children. She likes to garden, travel, read and collect modern art glass