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Death is nothing at all... I have only slipped away into the next room... I am I, and you are you... Whatever we were to each other, that we still are. Call me by my old familiar name. Speak to me in the easy way which you always used. Put no difference in your tone. Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow. Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes that we enjoyed together. Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my name be ever the household word that it always was. Let it be spoken without an effort, without the ghost of a shadow on it. Life means all that it ever meant... Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight? I am but waiting for you, for an interval somewhere very near, just around the corner. All is well.

—from “September” by Rosamunde Pilcher

IT ISN’T OFTEN that twenty-year-olds must contemplate such words as these; rarer still that the faces of two of their own would come to mind in doing so. But in September, one year after the deaths of Wake Forest sophomores Maia Witzl and Julie Hansen in a car accident caused by a drunken driver, students read these words as they gathered on campus to remember their friends. They called the service a celebration of life, but it was also a celebration of the way in which students—friends of the women and those who had never met them but were angered at the circumstances of their death—took their grief and anger and turned it into legislative action. In large part because of that student action, North Carolina now has a new law that cracks down on drunken driving.

“You didn’t raise your hands to heaven and ask why this had happened to you. Instead you applied your God-given intellect to insist on tougher laws,” Rabbi Harold Kushner, author of When Bad Things Happen to Good People, told the students at the service. “One of the ways I find God in the world is through the intellectual ability of human beings to find solutions and in their capacity to get angry at injustice.”

At first news of the accident, which happened while a carload of students were on their way to an off-campus party, shock and grief understandably enveloped the campus community. Those emotions gave way to anger when the news came that Thomas Richard Jones, the driver of the other car, was not only drunk at the time but also had a series of traffic offenses that included driving while impaired. Months later, Jones was convicted of first-degree murder in a landmark judgment that was the nation’s first such conviction in a drunken-driving case.

Within a week after the accident, about twenty students representing major campus organizations had formed a group called Safe Rds., which stands for Student
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Wake Forest students, LEFT to RIGHT, Elizabeth Laney, Laura Acton, Fiona Penney, and Jennifer Steinberg meet in Raleigh with Richard Moore ('82, JD '86), state secretary of crime control and public safety.

Action for Eliminating Reckless Drivers. "So many people were upset. We wanted to know why someone with this many offenses was even on the road," said Catherine Mitchell, a senior from Atlanta who organized the group. "We felt like we had to get our energy focused and do something about this."

With advice from President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. and other administrators, the students decided to focus that energy on keeping habitual drunken-driving offenders off the roads. They weren't shy in their efforts: Mitchell found allies in the office of crime control and public safety in Raleigh, and by February the group had organized a Governor's Summit on campus to discuss possible changes in driving-while-impaired laws. Gov. Jim Hunt, Lt. Gov. Dennis Wicker (JD '78), and Richard Moore, secretary for public safety, spoke to students. Safe Rds. and members of Chi Omega, the sorority to which the women belonged, spent the rest of the semester drumming up student support. They succeeded: In April, just before final exams, about 150 students rode buses to the state capital to participate in the "Rally in Raleigh." They spent the day knocking on doors in the state legislature building, working to convince every legislator they could find to vote for the bill. They held a press conference at which speakers included the chancellors of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University, Hearn, and Wicker. Students shared personal observations with legislators during an outdoor barbecue.

"I think it was very powerful for the legislators to see the support and the outcry from the students," said Laura Acton, a senior from Raleigh and Chi Omega president. "There were students there who you wouldn't have thought would get out of bed that early for anything."

In August, less than a year after the accident, Gov. Hunt signed into law the bill for which the students had lobbied so hard. Repeat offenders now can lose their cars, will spend more time in jail, and will be forced to enroll in a treatment program. Licenses will be revoked for thirty days instead of ten for those charged with DWI, and testimony about the results of roadside sobriety tests or the odor of alcohol will be allowed as evidence that a driver under twenty-one has been drinking.

"North Carolina's drunk driving laws have always been among the toughest in the country, and with the passage of the new DWI legislation this summer, they got even tougher," H unt said. "I am very appreciative to Dr. H earn and the Wake Forest students who dedicated themselves to helping make sure this bill was passed. Together we sent a strong, clear message that drunk driving will not be tolerated in North Carolina."

Wicker said it was the students who made the difference in the law's passage. "Wake Forest students were instrumental," he said. "I applaud the students and University leaders for taking such bold action in the face of tragedy."

The signing of the new law was an uplifting close to a tragic year, Mitchell said. "It's sad that this came from such a terrible beginning, but this effort was one of the best things I've ever seen at Wake Forest," she observed. "I couldn't get over the maturity of the students. I've never seen students come together in that way."

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- **Women’s agenda**

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**DWI law**

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Borden says she hopes that legacy of her friends’ deaths will prevent more tragedy, and she also hopes that people won’t forget the two women she called “amazing.” “Maia and Julie were two people whom no one ever said anything bad about,” she said. “They were beautiful and intelligent, and I’m just thankful I got to meet them.”

At last spring’s Commencement, Hearn said he was proud of what students accomplished in the midst of learning the difficult lesson that “death is ever present and powerful.”

“We have learned this year the power of communal action,” he said. “Our grief turned to anger, even rage, and that fueled a commitment to not allow this tragedy to be without redemptive consequence. Your rage for justice was answered by the court and will reverberate throughout the nation for many years to come.”

—ELLEN DOCKHAM
Salary Inequity: The commission recommends creating a way to monitor salaries. The administration pledges to repeat in 1998-99 the faculty salary review done as part of the commission’s work and to conduct a study on staff and administrative salaries. A merit pay policy will be explored as well.

Inflexible tenure clock: The commission recommends a change in tenure policy to allow a period of from five to eight years prior to a tenure decision. The administration said it will reaffirm the University’s commitment to flexibility.

Lack of a child-care facility: The commission recommends that the University provide a child-care facility. Officials are developing a plan to provide some type of access to child care for employees.

Paid maternity leave: The commission recommends instituting paid maternity leave for staff, but the administration responds that such a benefit is rare among comparable institutions. Officials will look at the overall benefits package as they examine the child-care issue. — ELLEN DOCKHAM

Kappa Sigma suspended

Chapter cited for group responsibility violations.

WAKE FOREST has suspended the Delta Gamma chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity through the 1999-2000 academic year for violating group responsibility standards this fall.

The suspension, announced November 13, required Kappa Sigma to immediately cease all operations and activities at Wake Forest. The fraternity also forfeited its chapter lounge in Davis House immediately and its block housing privileges in the residence hall at the conclusion of this academic year.

Following the suspension period, the fraternity may ask Wake Forest for permission to restore the campus chapter under terms and conditions which must be reviewed and endorsed by the University’s Student Life Committee, composed of students, faculty, and administrators.

The fraternity had the right to appeal the suspension within ten days, beginning November 13, just as this issue of Wake Forest Magazine went to press.

Harold R. Holmes, associate vice president and dean of student services, suspended the fraternity following an investigation by the student life staff and Group Advisory Panel, also composed of students, faculty, and administrators. Launched in October, the investigation found that several group responsibility violations, including hazing, occurred during the pledging process this fall. The investigation determined that the violations were substantial in nature and scope, and that they constituted a threat to the safety and welfare of pledges. — ELLEN DOCKHAM

This dying tree in front of Davis House is one of three that were scheduled to be removed from the west side of the Quad over the Thanksgiving or Christmas breaks. A mysterious disease has afflicted the Quad’s ash trees for the past couple of years, and an investigation into the cause continues. The dead trees will be replaced with ashes of similar stature, and the remaining trees on the Quad have been inoculated with an antibiotic.
The Academic Excellence Programs are aimed at providing growth incentives for programs to be the national and international leaders in their fields. Each program will have a business plan and methods for monitoring progress, and funding for the program will be released incrementally as the prescribed levels of success are achieved.

The programs will be funded through the NCBH Endowment. Although no exact numbers have been set, Medical Center officials estimated that approximately six programs would receive up to $5 million each over the next ten years.

Other features include the transfer of the medical school’s interest in several subsidiary operations to the hospital; a new affiliation agreement between the hospital, the medical school and the faculty practice organization, Wake Forest Physicians; and the alignment of economic incentives between them to enhance productivity, efficiency and accountability.

"With this realignment, we are fortifying both the medical school and the hospital for the changing health care environment," said Wake Forest President Thomas K. Hearn Jr. "Our aspirations for the medical school—to rise even higher in the upper echelons of academic medical centers—can
only help the citizens of this community and our region."

Len B. Preslar Jr., president and chief executive officer of North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc., will serve also as associate director of the Medical Center.

"The challenge of academic medical centers across the country is to create a governance structure, leadership structure and financial model which optimizes our core mission and improves the overall health status of the populations that we serve," Preslar said. "At the Medical Center, our respective institutions have always acknowledged our close interdependence. In this realignment, we believe we have positioned our combined institutions more effectively for even greater success."

Baptist Hospital was ranked as one of the nation's "Best Hospitals" in nine of seventeen specialties included in a recent survey by U.S. News & World Report's annual rankings of America's best colleges and universities. Money magazine places Wake Forest among its 100 best college buys.

The University received a record 6,841 applications for this fall's first-year class. Some 2,848 applicants were offered admission and 975 enrolled. The class is evenly divided according to gender—490 women and 485 men—and includes fifty-five valedictorians, seventy student government or class presidents, and 254 captains of athletic teams. Almost 50 percent of the class members were ranked in the top 5 percent of their high school classes.

Crime rates on the Reynolda Campus were down in 1996-97. Burglaries dropped from 47 in 1995-96 to 25, larcenies decreased from 210 to 163, and property damage declined from 97 to 74 incidents. The total number of incident reports dropped from 813 to 537.

For the fifth consecutive year, Wake Forest seniors graduating in 1997 participated in a senior survey administered by the Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium (HEDS). Of the 775 seniors in the Class of 1997, 369 responded to all or part of the survey. Among the results:

The percentage of students desiring a career in medicine dropped from 31 when entering Wake Forest to 19 by the end of their college careers.

Forty percent of respondents would definitely choose Wake Forest again, while only 4 percent definitely would not choose Wake Forest. Forty-six percent said they were "very satisfied" with their undergraduate education, and 45 percent said they were "generally satisfied."

Sixty-three percent of respondents reported being "very satisfied" with faculty availability, 32 percent reported being "generally satisfied," 4 percent answered "generally dissatisfied," and 1 percent said "very dissatisfied."

Seventy-six percent of respondents participated in some sort of volunteer service, 56 percent participated in academic/cultural/political clubs, and 55 percent in social fraternities or sororities. Only 1 percent reported no participation in extracurricular activities.

Fifty-four percent of respondents reported being "generally satisfied" with campus social life, 16 percent reported being "very satisfied," 22 percent said "generally dissatisfied," and 8 percent said "very dissatisfied."

Fifty-eight percent of responding seniors owed no money for school loans. The next-highest group, 14 percent, owed $20,000 or more.
Cultures of sex
Of birds, bees, and yeast.

WHAT'S LOVE got to do with it? Try fitter genes.

In one of the first studies to scientifically prove an evolutionary advantage for sex, a Wake Forest researcher and his colleague have found that sex helps weed out harmful genetic mutations, increasing a population's genetic fitness.

Clifford Zeyl, who joined Wake Forest's biology faculty as an assistant professor this fall, and Graham Bell of McGill University in Montreal, his doctoral adviser, studied reproduction in brewer's yeast, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, an organism capable of both sexual and asexual reproduction.

They provided the yeast with both a familiar and a new environment by including glucose, its preferred energy source, in one group of culture media, and galactose, another form of sugar in which yeast grows more slowly and for which it must adjust its metabolism, in another.

The researchers found that sex increased the yeast's fitness in the stable, friendly environment of glucose but made no difference in its condition in the challenging galactose environment. They also found that the sexual populations grew more quickly on both types of media than the asexual populations did.

Their conclusion: sexual populations are better at removing undesirable genetic mutations than single-sexed ones.

"Why sex evolved is one of the big unanswered questions of evolutionary biology," says Zeyl, who completed a paper on the study while he was a post-doctoral student at Michigan State University last year.

"Vertebrates are almost all sexual, and the persistence of sexual reproduction is one of the great mysteries of evolution."

Genetically speaking, sexuality is more than a little messy. Why go to all the trouble?

One standard explanation for the evolutionary benefit of sex is that it produces novel and interesting genetic combinations required for adapting to environmental changes. But Zeyl and Bell found that wasn't the case with yeast, since sexually active yeast fared no better in the new environment than asexual yeast.

"In most respects, cloning is a much more efficient way of reproduction," Zeyl says. "But if you have a whole population of organisms who are sexual, it appears more likely that they will carry around fewer mutations. So if you combine sex with natural selection, you end up with a fitter population."

"This is one of the first examples of finding an evolutionary advantage for sex," he says of their study, which was reported in the July 31 issue of the journal Nature. "This might be an explanation for why we turned out to be sexual and why we evolved to have two parents instead of just cloning ourselves."

—Wayne Thompson

Clifford Zeyl and his colleague believe they have found an answer to one of the big unanswered questions of evolutionary biology.
The following recollections of Wake Forest in 1967 are from a speech given by Samuel T. Gladding ('67, MAEd '71), assistant to the president for special projects, at the twelfth annual Presidents' Leadership Conference in September.

**Tribble Hall**

Tribble Hall, nee the Humanities Building was (and still is) "a building of many steps and confusion," with its chairs bolted to the floor and arranged in rows.

**A coffeehouse**

A coffeehouse, begun by campus ministries under the leadership of Ed Christman ('50, JD '53), was located on the eighth floor of the library.

**Due to drainage problems**

Due to drainage problems, "The Lakes of Wake" continued to expand after each heavy rainfall. The largest body of water was "Plaza Pond," covering the area between Wait Chapel and Reynolda Hall. It even had two large islands in the middle. Other campus wetlands included "Humanities Hollow," the long, flat plain in front of the General Classroom Building, the area where the Benson University Center is now located; "Davis Dip," located behind Davis Residence, which was traversed via a bridge of soft-drink crates courtesy of Theta Chi and Kappa Alpha; and "Bostwick Bog," a swamp commonly called "BBB," meaning Big Bostwick Bog. To help alleviate the soggy situation, cigarette filters were scattered on the ground to absorb water.

**Women were issued books of regulations and suggestions on proper behavior; however, men received none. Women also were reprimanded with notices of UPA, "undue public affection," punishable with grounding in the residence halls for two weeks.**

**Rooms on the Quad were for men only. Johnson, Bostwick, and Babcock residence halls were designated for women. Intervisitation was not allowed, although men could visit women in the formal parlors between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m.**

**Alcohol and dancing were banned from campus but were known to occur occasionally in fraternity lounges.**

**“High technology” consisted of the fast copying machines in the library and beverage machines. It was rumored that a computer did exist somewhere on campus. (Wake Forest had indeed installed its first computer in 1963. Grants from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation and the National Science Foundation enabled the College to order the computer and create two offices and a seminar classroom in Reynolda Hall.)**

**Chapel was held twice a week— one day was for sacred observances, the other for secular—with mandatory attendance.**

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**Way Back When: 1967**

TOP: Don Roberson ('67) left his legacy on a wood plank in the Wait Chapel steeple which he and friends would sneak into from time to time. ABOVE: Students enter the Humanities Building— soon to be renamed Tribble Hall after the University’s newly retired president—in late winter 1967. This, of course, was before construction of the Benson University Center, which would block this unobstructed view of Davis House, the chapel, and the west side of Reynolda Hall.
Class leader

President Hearn's leadership seminar leads by example.

What better way for Thomas K. Hearn Jr. to illustrate his interests in first-year seminars and instructional technology than to teach the former using the latter? And what better subject for the University leader to teach than leadership?

This fall, Hearn and his assistant for special projects, Samuel T. Gladding, developed and co-instructed "Leadership in American Life," a seminar that not only gave first-year students an insight into what leadership is, but also tried to instill in them an idea of ethical leadership.

"There is obviously intellectual content, but there is also the practical assets part of it," Hearn said. "We try to give them a theoretical sense of leadership to help them practice leadership when their time comes."

The seminar was structured around readings and on-line discussions outside of class and a series of speakers in class. Students got a chance to assess their own leadership styles through the Myers Briggs Type Indicator and were expected to lead a class discussion.

Asked what it's like coming to a class taught by the president of the University, Roger Price, one of eleven students in the seminar, said it was not unlike most of his classes. "There was some pressure at first, but you get used to it," he said. "Dr. Hearn's a professor—you talk to him and argue with him. He's opinionated and so are we." He also noted with a laugh that, "You don't skip class."

Despite a chaotic schedule, Hearn had managed to make every class at the mid-semester mark. The morning before an afternoon class featuring men's basketball coach Dave Odom, Hearn was in New York. He managed to catch a flight and make it to the afternoon class with time to spare.

"There's always talk about me being able to take the time to teach, but it has been very difficult given the time constraints," Hearn said. "Frankly I was interested in learning how to make the technology work for us in that regard. As a result of a lot of hard work by Sam over the summer, we've got a very effective system put together."

Indeed, the seminar could serve as a model on how to use the Wake Forest Template. Gladding spent the better part of last summer pulling together course material and getting it online so students could access it at any time—a time-consuming job, but one that he said has paid off dramatically.

"I was impressed with the way the students have picked up on using it," Gladding.
said. “They came into class and hit the ground running,” so to speak, because they kept in contact with each other and Dr. Hearn and myself through the online discussion areas.”

Freshman Steve Emmert said the template made it easier to keep up with the discussion topics—but also required you to keep close tabs on the class. “They can give you an assignment at any time, so you have to be prepared,” he noted.

Hearn said he became interested in the subject of leadership years ago. “There was a point in my career when I realized that rather than being concerned about trying to master finance and technology and so on, I needed to be concerned with the people who do those things,” he said. “I became interested in the subject of leadership, but I realized that I hadn’t heard the word leadership since I was in the Boy Scouts.”

Over the years he has become both a student and practitioner of the subject, and in the process has become a leader in the field of leadership. He is president of the governing board of the Greensboro-based Center for Creative Leadership, the largest organization in the world devoted to edifying organizations on leadership. He is also a co-founder of Leadership Winston-Salem, a community-based program that promotes leadership within the community by teaching people in leadership positions how to be better leaders.

“One of the debates we had in the seminar was of course whether or not leadership can be taught—I happen to think it can be,” Hearn said. “But the subject is enormously complex. In the seminar we examined the perennial subjects: Stalin, Hitler—tyrants and despots—as well as people like Roosevelt, Jefferson, and Martin Luther King, Jr. The subject is conceptually messy in that sense, which I found to be remarkably appropriate for a first-year seminar.”

—LLOYD WHITEHEAD

English students nestle under a canopy outside Wait Chapel on Saturday, October 18, for a “Moby Dick Marathon.” The thirteen students, who were enrolled in instructor Ralph W. Black’s “Studies in American Literature” class, took turns reading chapters from Herman Melville’s classic novel along with faculty members, passersby, and other interested parties, including President Thomas K. Hearn Jr., who kicked things off at 10:00 A.M. by reading the book’s famous opening line, “Call Me Ishmael.” Black, a visiting instructor who previously had staged a nonstop reading of James Joyce’s Ulysses at Davidson College, said he chose Moby Dick for the open-air recital because he felt its lyrical quality lent itself to being read aloud. The reading concluded shortly before 6:00 A.M. Sunday, about four hours earlier than projected, and the students, who had camped out in sleeping bags, trundled off to bed—a bit hoarser, perhaps, but certainly wiser.
Blockage breakthrough

Scientists report novel way to block HIV virus.

IN WHAT could be the most exciting advance in the treatment of AIDS to date, Wake Forest scientists have reported a novel way to block the deadly HIV virus from invading white blood cells.

This new strategy, described in two journal articles, is a fundamental new way to treat patients with HIV-1 infection or patients with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

The reports, by Si.-Yi Chen, assistant professor of cancer biology, and his colleagues, describe how critical co-receptors on the surface of particular white blood cells are blocked, making the cells immune to infection by HIV-1.

HIV-1 virus causes AIDS by invading and destroying the white blood cells whose functions are essential to maintain the human immune system.

Chen's advance is based on the recent discovery of the critical role of chemokine receptors on the surface of the white blood cells, as the doorway B or co-receptor B for the HIV invasion.

After virus invasion, the now-familiar steps in the development of AIDS follow: multiplication of the virus in the infected cells and the killing of the infected cells, progeny virus spreading to other normal white blood cells, the decline of the disease-fighting cells, and the progression to AIDS and its ultimate downward spiral.

Last year, a genetic defect in a chemokine co-receptor was found to protect individuals with this defect from HIV-1 infection. These genetically defective individuals remain healthy, because the usual functions of a defective chemokine receptor can be taken over by other receptors because of redundancies in the chemokine family.

So, Chen reasoned, "genetic inactivation of the chemokine co-receptors should protect lymphocytes from HIV-1 infection and have therapeutic implications."

In the October 1 issue of the journal Nature Medicine, Chen and his colleagues set out to mimic the natural resistance of the genetically defective individuals. They designed a novel approach, termed "intracellular chemokine" — "intrakine," for short—to genetically inactivate a CXC-chemokine coreceptor, or CXCR4 for short, on the surface of a particular white blood cell called a lymphocyte.

This CXCR4 co-receptor plays a critical role in HIV-1 fusion and entry into permissive cells, especially for T-cell line tropic HIV-1 viruses that are frequently isolated in late stages of HIV-1 infection and AIDS.

In their studies, Chen and his colleagues were able to inactivate CXCR4 through a series of steps that prevent newly-produced CXCR4 deep within the lymphocyte from ever reaching the cell surface. The key is the alteration of what is known as the SDF-intrakine, which binds to the CXCR4 and traps the molecules inside the lymphocyte. Hence there is no place on which the HIV-1 virus can land to infect the cell.

In a second report, in the October 14 issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, the team said they were using a similar approach for the initial stages of HIV-1 infection, when the virus targets two types of white blood cells, lymphocytes, and macrophages.

In treating people with HIV infection, Chen envisions that in the near future human macrophages and lymphocytes from an infected patient's peripheral blood can be genetically modified with the appropriate intrakine, and periodically reinfused back into patients to delay the disease progression. W
Faith handlers

For believers, snakes can lead to the Lord.

Handling venomous snakes is not recommended for the faint of heart—nor the non-believer, according to Reverend Carl Porter, whose religious practice includes snake handling and other rituals based on a literal belief in the words of the Bible.

Porter, who came to speak at Wake Forest in September as part of the University’s Year of Religion, has handled snakes for more than twenty years, but doing so “only when the Lord moves me.”

A preacher at an Appalachian Church of God, Porter said he and other believers in his community follow the words of Mark 16: 17-18: “And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.”

To believers, Porter said, that quote from Jesus is taken literally. “Why would he say it,” he asked rhetorically, “if he didn’t mean it?”

Porter was joined by author David Kimbrough, himself something of a snake handler. Kimbrough, who grew up in Appalachia, wrote his doctoral dissertation and the book Taking Up Serpents about the practice of snake handling.

Most of what people come to know about snake handling comes from television shows, many of which are poorly produced,” said Kimbrough, adding that he has been moved once or twice to handle a snake during services. “They tend to focus solely on the snake handling, which is actually just one aspect of this particular religious practice.”

He said the religion as practiced includes the laying on of hands, drinking deadly things, speaking in tongues, and casting out of demons.

The practice was begun in the early part of this century by a minister in Tennessee, according to Kimbrough. Today, there are about 2,500 practitioners, primarily in the Southeast, he said. It’s traditionally kept to church services, where there may be several snakes kept in a latched box near the front of the sermon hall. If someone is moved by the spirit—at any time during the service—then they will go forward and take up a snake. But Kimbrough said children are kept away from the snakes, and no member of the congregation is ever asked or forced to handle snakes.

When asked what it feels like when he is handling snakes, Porter recalled what his wife told a reporter when asked the same question. “She told him that, ‘All I can tell you is to take the best feeling you’ve ever had, and multiply that by 10,000, and then multiply that by 10,000 again.’”

Nevertheless, Porter said he’s like most people—afraid of snakes. “The fear is still there,” he admitted. “I’m human just like anybody. In the normal sense I’m just as afraid of snakes as anyone else. But when you are in the realm of the spirit, nothing scares you. Believing in the Lord takes the fear off.”

Porter said he served jail time for handling snakes at a service in Conyers, Georgia, where the practice is against the law, as it is in most states. “It should be a religious right,” he stated. “But the Lord’s law comes ahead of Man’s law. It doesn’t bother me if they pass a law against it. If the Lord moves me, I’ll handle snakes anywhere.”

—LLOYD WHITEHEAD
Self Study

Ever wonder why breaking up is hard to do (sometimes)? Why people blush, even when complimented? Or why people insist on clinging to prejudices?

Loneliness, embarrassment, and the other social maladies from which we suffer are a locus of research in Wake Forest’s Psychology Department.

by Christina Stock-Windsor

Answers to these and many more of life’s big (and little) questions can be found in Wake Forest’s Department of Psychology. In a department of eighteen faculty members, four claim their turf in the field of social psychology, an area where researchers study the structures and mechanisms of behavior between people—the architecture of everyday interactions.

Their research interests range from behavior of individuals to behavior of partners and friends to that of groups.
and of different cultures. In each of these domains, more social structures and psychological mechanisms determine behavior than most people probably imagine. As the research of Mark Leary, Cecilia Solano, Catherine Seta, and Batja Mesquita shows, not every action is a unique expression of self.

**PRESENTING...ON ESELF**

Although Professor Mark Leary writes reams of papers on social anxiety, dysfunctional behavior, shyness, depression, embarrassment, anxiousness scales, and fear-of-negative-evaluation scales, he comes across as a well-adjusted individual. A trip to his personal Web site even reveals his most embarrassing childhood moment in all its glory: “In fourth grade, my pants split from just below the zipper in the front to just below the waist in the back and more or less fell off.” (His memory, however, is hazier when it comes to recalling adult moments.)

Leary knows the importance of making a good impression, and his research has repeatedly shown that people will act against common sense for the sake of making a good impression and fitting in.

“These motives lead people to do things that are bad for their health,” he says. “People succumb to self-presentation pressures.”

Self-presentation pressures, Leary has shown, can also be used to modify behavior much more effectively than health-based arguments. In one experiment, information warning of imminent leathery, wrinkled skin dissuaded subjects from wanting to sunbathe far more effectively than cancer warnings.

In his paper, “Self-Presentation Can Be Hazardous to Your Health: Impression Management and Health Risk,” Leary argues that illness prevention messages do not always get across because people are more concerned with appearance than well-being. Whether people are sunbathing too much, practicing unsafe sex, drinking too much alcohol, wearing too much makeup and causing acne, or suffering from eating disorders, their concerns about social image prevail.

In experiments with college students, for example, Leary has shown that in a chemistry laboratory, it was “almost impossible” to keep students wearing safety equipment such as goggles, lab coats, and shoe coverings, even if they were warned that the chemicals were dangerous (they...
weren’t in reality). Appearance so far outweighed safety and health concerns that students would risk eye damage rather than wear those dorky goggles.

Then, there is the other side of self-presentation, Leary explains—that which happens when self-presentation goes awry: when we are embarrassed, when we blush.

“Embarrassment,” Leary says, “is a reaction to a self-presentation failure, as perceived by oneself.”

So why do we blush and feel embarrassed when complimented? Charles Darwin called blushing the “most peculiar and the most human of all expressions.” But, says Leary, there is a lot about blushing that humans share with other primates. People blush when they receive undesired attention, positive or negative. Along with the dilation of the blood vessels of the face, ears, neck, and upper chest comes a tendency to avert the gaze of others and smile sheepishly. Leary theorizes that this grin and the gaze aversion are directly related to non-human primate appeasement behavior in which a chimp, for example, will look away and grin to avoid unwanted aggressive attention or to display submission.

So, what is it like to see behind the scenes of human weaknesses? “People suspect that psychologists analyze everything,” says Leary, “but really they rely on experimental data just like all scientists.” In fact, he admits, “just because I’m a psychologist doesn’t make me more effective as a social interactant.”

**FRIENDS AND LOVERS**

Alienation, fighting, jealousy, social failure, breaking up—all in a day’s work for Associate Professor Cecilia Solano and her students. An authority on the dynamics of friendships and close relationships, Solano examines how lonely people communicate, how people initiate relationships, and how they cut them off.

“I think the topic of alienation is at the core of social life,” Solano says. “There is a chronic undercurrent of people in our individualistic, capitalistic, and mobile society who cannot get connected.

“Loneliness is an incremental problem,” she adds. “If you don’t have friends, you don’t have anyone to introduce you.”

And even when people think they are connected, they may not be, as she has demonstrated while studying reciprocity in social networks. Solano discovered that people often don’t have as many friends as they think they do. To measure this, she asked people to list all the friends in their social network and then went out and asked the listed people who their friends were.

“The measure of reciprocity is how many of your friends chose you back, and the answer is surprisingly few,” she says. “Five out of ten will list a person back. It depressed me for days.”

Social networks—whether perceived or real—do mediate how people behave on a personal basis. Grounding a research project in what is known as politeness theory, Solano’s team unveiled some of the workings of how people break off romantic relationships. The researchers found a correlation between how involved both members of a couple are in a social network and how tactfully and carefully a breakup is executed. Using hypothetical scenarios, a mainstay of social psychology research, to question students, Solano found that the more friends partners had in common, the more likely the partner breaking up would try to preserve the other person’s feelings.

“In dating research,” says Solano, “you get to do a lot of fun stuff.”

**THE IN-GROUP**

Some group identities—race, religion, family, nationality—have deep roots, centuries of history. Some group identities are chosen by the individual—work, school, friends—
and have more immediate histories. Whether chosen or predetermined, group membership is a major part of human identity. And though group identity is celebrated in the name of teamwork, patriotism, or cultural pride, its sinister side—xenophobia, racism, prejudice—is all too common among humans.

Catherine Seta, associate professor of psychology, has revealed how ingrained group bias is in the human make-up by demonstrating how it forms, not over centuries, years, or even over weeks, but in the space of a single hour. Her research also shows that once formed, group bias is deeply entrenched in human perceptions.

Within an hour of creating a randomly selected experimental group of people, its members begin to exhibit bias toward people in other groups, says Seta. This bias is not about race or socioeconomic status or educational background; it is on such a fundamental level, it is a virtual protobias. It is simply related to showing people a number of dots on a board and getting feedback on what they have seen. Intergroup members will defend each other even if they are mistaken and question the responses of other groups—without even realizing what they are doing.

“These processes of group identification just naturally take over,” Seta says.

Another line of Seta’s work shows how people cling to negative and positive preconceptions of a group of people, even when those ideas are clearly contradicted. People try to keep their stereotypes in balance by projecting compensatory behavior onto other group members, she says.

In a series of experiments published in the Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, Seta presented student subjects with two imaginary scenarios. The first was about a minister who acts inconsistently with general positive expectations of behavior: he reads pornography, he has an affair with a married woman, and he molests a seven-year-old child. The other was about a motorcycle gang member who rescues a child from a burning building, in an act anomalous with what most people expect.
When students were asked whether the minister or another, unrelated minister would donate money anonymously, students were likely to expect the wayward minister to “make up” for his behavior if all he had done was read the dirty magazine. If he had molested the child or slept with the married woman, subjects expected the other minister, simply a fellow group member, (who doesn’t know anything about the situation) to be generous with his money. In effect, they wanted the second minister to compensate in their minds for another group member’s behavior and maintain their ideas about the entire group.

Subjects who had read the story about the heroic motorcycle gang member rescuing the child from a burning building were less likely to expect another, unrelated gang member to help a stranded motorist than subjects who did not read the rescue story. Readers of the rescue story expected compensatory negative behavior from the second biker in order to keep their challenged preconceptions in place.

Why? “People are motivated to maintain stereotypes,” says Seta, “because it makes the world more orderly and predictable—a fact that can have some positive effects. But more importantly, this causes extremely negative repercussions in the form of prejudice and discrimination.”

THE CROSS-CULTURAL PERSPECTIVE

The most recent addition to the psychology department, Assistant Professor Batja Mesquita, arrived from Holland this summer, where she had been studying how culture defines relationships and contributes to emotions. Fusing the approaches of anthropology, which argues emotions are unique to a given culture, and psychology, which argues that emotions are generic human phenomena, Mesquita has been working to create a middle ground.

For her doctoral dissertation, which is soon to be published by Oxford University Press, she studied three segments of the population in Holland: Turks, Surinamese (from Africa), and Dutch. Mesquita compared variations in emotions—how they were handled and how they mattered to members of the three cultural groups.

“We found with the Surinamese and the Turks that emotions are in between people,” she says. “They define a relationship. Emotions started to look more like cultural messages.”

Now this might seem odd to a Western reader who considers emotions a private, individual phenomenon. But that is precisely the point, Mesquita says. Emotions, as she defines them, are an appraisal of an event that is relevant to a person, not a purely internal happening. Love, anger, and shame, for example, are all social messages in her framework.

The Dutch, Westerners not entirely unlike Americans, were much more private about their emotional appraisals of events, such as passing an exam or getting a promotion. Her results, gained through interviews performed by same-culture interviewers, showed that the Dutch, members of what social scientists term an individualist culture, were far more concerned with an event’s effects on themselves. In contrast, the Surinamese and Turkish subjects, members of so-called collectivist cultures, assessed events in terms of how they would effect other members of their groups.

“If you expect emotions to affect other people, you appraise situations differently,” she says. “Emotional events take on many more layers.”

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‘Oh! the Duchess, the Duchess! Oh! won't she be savage if I've kept her waiting!’
The poem “Solitude,” published in 1855, marked the first appearance of Lewis Carroll. The young Oxford scholar Charles Dodgson adopted the pen name to preserve his real name for the publication of his serious, academic work. Stephanie Lovett Stoffel (MA ’91) calls the poem a “mournful and rather treacly Victorian exercise.” Stoffel is the author of Lewis Carroll in Wonderland: The Life and Times of Alice and Her Creator, and since she has studied the work of Lewis Carroll, and most of us have not, her criticism seems valid. Still, the poem resounds. It may be corny, but you know what Carroll was talking about.

The “fairy-dream of youth” was a theme Carroll/Dodgson would address for the rest of his life. In fact, his two masterpieces, Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking-Glass, are nothing more than the dreams of a little girl (both books end when Alice wakes up). And like dreams, the images from these books linger in our consciousness. We see them constantly in movies, music videos, and advertisements; few fictional characters are as instantly recognizable as Alice, the Mad Hatter, and the Cheshire Cat. But how many of us actually have read Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland?
How many of us thought the title of the book was Alice in Wonderland (the title of the Disney animated film)?

**As a man who longed to be an artist,** perhaps Dodgson would not be disappointed that most of us know his work through pictures. He made efforts at sketching throughout his life and even achieved some success as an amateur photographer. Stoffel supports, in part, one critic's theory that Dodgson approached his writing pictorially, putting more emphasis on separate scenes than narrative progression. There's no doubt that *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* was written to appeal to the visual senses. The book was intended for children, and Dodgson was aware of a child's need to experience things visually. The book begins with the following passage: “Alice was beginning to get very tired of sitting by her sister on the bank, and of having nothing to do: once or twice she had peeped into the book her sister was reading, but it had no pictures or conversations in it, ‘and what is the use of a book,’ thought Alice, ‘without pictures or conversation.’”

In today's parlance, Dodgson would be considered an author who knew his market, but his appeal goes much deeper than that. The popularity of his work taps into something primal about how we experience words and pictures, and how that relates to how we experience the world. Part of his success may arise from the fact that Dodgson actually made his living as a mathematician, a man who gained as much notice for his studies of Euclid and logic as for his stories and poetry. To use another modern term, Dodgson could be considered a perfect example of both a “right-brained” and “left-brained” thinker—someone who excelled at both analytical and creative thinking.

To attempt to know the author of one of the most famous children's books in the world, it makes sense to begin in his childhood. The third of eleven siblings, Dodgson was born in 1832 in the tiny English village of Daresbury. His father, Charles Dodgson, is described by Stoffel as “a brilliant and diligent man” who had won a double first-class degree in classics and mathematics at Christ Church, Oxford, while his mother was a patient...
and gentle woman. "The man who invented Wonderland thus grew up in a large and well-established family, deep in the English countryside, and came of age together with the Victorian era," Stoffel writes.

Dodgson’s talent for writing and passion for scholarship developed in tandem. Dodgson was expected to follow in his father’s academic footsteps, a legacy he did not appear to mind. He flourished under his father’s tutelage and continued to excel in mathematics, classics, and divinity throughout prep school. At the same time, his ever-expanding siblings allowed him the opportunity to develop the skills and love for entertaining children that he used for the rest of his life. Aside from puppet shows, plays, and parlor games, Dodgson published several family magazines, some of which were written entirely by him. From the beginning, his writing showed a flair for parody and satire. He loved to explore ideas that were logical in principle but absurd in practice, a theme that Alice and Through the Looking-Glass develop to near perfection. Stoffel describes an early essay that "proves a stopped clock is preferable to one that loses a minute a day, since at least the stopped clock is correct twice a day, while the other is never accurate."

At the Age of Eighteen, Charles followed his father’s footsteps to Christ Church College at Oxford University. He continued to perform well academically there, receiving first-class honors in mathematics. For that achievement and his excellent overall academic performance, he was awarded a Studentship. Similar to a fellowship at other colleges, a Studentship allowed its holder a small stipend and the right to remain at Christ Church for life. Dodgson could now teach or pursue research as he pleased. This provided the young scholar with a comfortable living situation. By the end of 1854, he had received his bachelor’s degree, and by the end of 1855, he had won a mathematical lectureship and become an established member of the Christ Church community.

Once he had established his position at Christ Church, he began to seriously pursue interests outside of academia. He submitted several written pieces to magazines (one of these was the poem Solitude). His literary success marked him as one of the day’s promising writers, however, his true passion seemed to gravitate toward the visual: theater, art, and the fledgling field of photography. Dodgson’s love of the theater developed intensely and remained high for the remainder of his life. He consumed all that the theater had to offer: dramas, melodramas, farces, opera, and everything in between. He even made serious attempts at writing for the stage but was almost never satisfied with the results. He also took full advantage of London’s thriving art scene. Since childhood Dodgson had made awkward and frustrating attempts at sketching, and it’s possible to imagine him viewing Europe’s greatest contemporary works with a mixture of awe and jealousy. In 1855, Dodgson viewed a painting by the Pre-Raphaelite painter Sir John Everett Millais and was overwhelmed by the work. He began to study the Pre-Raphaelites intensely and became intimately familiar with them. As Stoffel explains, the Pre-Raphaelites were distinguished by their devotion to “an aesthetic of beauty and narrative, with a taste for romanticized medieval imagery.” Dodgson particularly enjoyed the Pre-Raphaelite art that depicted scenes of dreamlike worlds full of fairies and mythical creatures—themes that obviously influenced his own work. One of his particular favorites was Sir Joseph Noel Paton’s picture of Oberon and Titania from A Midsummer Night’s Dream. “He counted 165 fairies in the painting,” Stoffel writes. “One may imagine him standing before it counting up the precise number of fairies—the mathematician and the fantasist in him equally entertained.”

After unsatisfactory attempts at becoming an artist, Dodgson found the camera an intriguing possibility. He was introduced to photography through an uncle and purchased his first camera in 1856. Stoffel attributes Dodgson’s love of photography to the two different sides of his thinking capacities. “First, he took great pleasure in the many details, the fussy mechanics of making the cumbersome equipment and process work,” she writes. “Second, photography provided a unique, novel, and modern means of artistic expression. In love with art but never satisfied with his charming but amateurish draftsman- ship, Dodgson found in photography the means by which he could realize his ideas about art.”

Dodgson found something else in photography, as well: Alice. He met the young Alice Liddell (who was four at the time) and her two sisters one day while
photographing Christ Church Cathedral and was immediately taken with the little girls. A friendship quickly developed that involved much picture taking, as well as parlor games, picnicking, and storytelling. The fact that Alice was the daughter of Henry Liddell, dean of Christ Church and Dodgson’s boss, put an unusual twist on the relationship but did nothing to dampen Dodgson’s growing fondness for the girls, particularly Alice.

Aside from the more famous literary results of Dodgson’s relationship with Alice and her sisters, the pictures he took of them helped start a lengthy career as an amateur portrait photographer. Long after the Liddell children were grown and his friendship with them dissolved, Dodgson continued to devote a great deal of time and effort to photographing children, particularly little girls, occasionally in the nude. Stoffel includes quite a few of these photographs in her book and notes that “he is today considered the premier photographer of children of the Victorian era.” Much has been written about the darker implications of this avocation and of Dodgson’s general fondness for children. Stoffel presents some of these theories but refuses to pass judgment on them. She appears wise in doing so, for as with almost every other part of Dodgson’s life, the issue seems to have two distinct sides. On one hand, the Pre-Raphaelite art that Dodgson was so fond of often depicts young children, particularly girls, as the essence of truth, beauty, and innocence. Dodgson’s photography is squarely within that aesthetic tradition. Also, men of the Victorian era were often involved with girls much younger than themselves; Charles’s brother Wilfred fell in love with a 14-year-old girl and married her a few years later. On the other hand, Charles Dodgson definitely was attracted to little girls and was probably in love with Alice Liddell. Today our moral opinion is clear; the Victorian perspective is a little more cloudy. As a final note on the issue, it...
should be said that no one ever accused Dodgson of any immoral conduct with his child friends, and no evidence to support such a claim has ever been found.

Dodgson's friendship with the Liddell girls continued for many years and included many picnics, a popular Victorian outing. One of these picnics, which occurred on July 4, 1862, was legendary. Dodgson entertained the girls with stories, as he often did, but the stories he told on this day about a young girl named Alice and her adventures in a place called Wonderland were particularly entertaining. Alice Liddell pleaded with him to write the story down, and the enamored Dodgson set out to comply with the wishes of his young friend—the result, of course, was Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.

Stoffel describes Alice's Adventures in Wonderland as "a picaresque fantasy. . . characterized by sudden, dreamlike shifts of place and time and unexpected transformations and by a perverted sense of inverted logic. . . . The wild unreality of the tale only underscores a satisfying sense of familiarity: have we not all had odd and absurd encounters with peculiar people, or found ourselves in circumstances in which nothing seemed to go as planned?" It is the latter point, the familiarity of the book, that may be most relevant to the reason it lingers in our collective consciousness. In conversation, Stoffel elaborates on this theme. "The characters and situations in Alice really are archetypal," she says, "and that's why you can plug in whatever you want, and why they resonate with us."

FROM THE BEGINNING, Dodgson recognized that the illustrations would be crucial to the book's success, so he set out to find a professional illustrator. The man he eventually found for the job was John Tenniel, one of the leading political cartoonists of the day. Dodgson was in constant contact with Tenniel, sketching and describing scenes he could not draw to his satisfaction. To say that Dodgson "art-directed" the book would be an understatement; he literally controlled the way we see Alice.

The book was finally published in 1865 and was an immediate success (in part because of the recognition of John Tenniel's name). Dodgson, who had financed the majority of the book's costs himself, earned back his costs by 1867. By 1872 their were 35,000 copies of Alice in print. That same year Dodgson published Alice's next adventure, Through the Looking-Glass, to considerable fanfare. By that time Alice was well on her way to becoming one of the most famous characters in literature, and Lewis Carroll was a celebrity.

Through the Looking-Glass is a much more complex work, drawing together many ideas, stories, and anecdotes through the framework of a living chess game in an imaginary world similar to that of the first book. The story takes place six months after Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and, like the first book, most of the strange assortment of characters she meets are both opinionated and absurd. As before, Dodgson recognized how crucial the pictures were to the book's success and went to great lengths to secure the talents of John Tenniel. Though extremely busy, Tenniel eventually agreed to illustrate the book, again under Dodgson's intense direction.

Today Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking-Glass are often published in the same volume, and anyone who wants to give more than a passing thought to the books' cultural significance should seek out a version with the original Tenniel illustrations. Again, the sensation is one of a strange, disjointed sense of familiarity. We have known the books through an amazing variety of artistic interpretations, but the originals are still familiar. You are certain you’ve seen these pictures before, although perhaps in a slightly different order, with slightly different characters and scenes.

Much has been written on what Dodgson was trying to say with the two books. Stoffel describes theories ranging from how the books were satires of figures in British politics to the theory that they were Queen Victoria's secret diary. However, these theories, to put it mildly, miss the boat. Where Dodgson drew his material from was never the point of the books; they were written to entertain children. To do so, Dodgson was able to recreate the "fairy dream of youth" that children, by rights, should inhabit. Stoffel has her own interpretation about the inspiration for Alice, and it's a good one: "It's so easy to imagine this warm July 4 day. . . bright, smart young girls just dying for a story. And he just sits back and gets into that state where you’re not quite awake and you’re not quite asleep, and the story just flows out. Both sides of the brain meet; you’re relaxed.
and you're not censoring what you're saying, and it just comes." It's a theory that would make Jung proud, and one that goes a long way towards explaining why we know Alice, even if we've never read her.

Dodgson would go on to write other works, some of significance and some not. It was Alice's Adventures in Wonderland that made him famous in his own time, and it is what makes him remembered today. It's interesting to note that near the end of his life, long after he had achieved fame as Lewis Carroll, he returned to the visual arts that he loved. In 1886, he collaborated with playwright Henry Savile Clarke on a successful stage adaptation of Alice and Through the Looking-Glass; the good reviews and enthusiastic audiences finally allowed Dodgson to realize his dreams of theatrical success. Perhaps more significantly, he gave up photography completely in the early 1880s and devoted what little time he had for artistic pursuits towards sketching.

Dodgson died in 1898. Scholars and enthusiasts like Stoffel may still study him, but unfortunately, many know his work as it has been filtered through the likes of Walt Disney and other interpreters. Fewer, perhaps, know that "Charles Dodgson" was Lewis Carroll's real name. However, who among us cannot instantly conjure up images of the Queen of Hearts playing croquet, or the Mad Hatter's tea party, or of Alice vanishing down the rabbit hole? That these images are imbedded in us is testament to Dodgson's genius—with imagination he created living things, with his vision he touched us all.

The Queen turned crimson with fury, and... began screaming, 'Off with her head! Off -'

Acclaimed children's book illustrator Barry Moser used Allen Mandelbaum, the W. R. Kenan Jr. Professor of Humanities at Wake Forest, as a model for his portrait of the Mad Hatter, RIGHT. "On my first visit with him, I was astonished at the number of hats hanging in the entryway of his Manhattan apartment," wrote Moser of Mandelbaum. "Subsequent conversations left little doubt that Allen is quite mad—mad for his work, and for language, and for Dante and Homer and Virgil. He is, in short, a mad hatter."
AFTER YEARS OF collecting books and related material on Lewis Carroll, Stephanie Lovett Stoffel’s (MA ’81) interest in the author was firmly developed by the time she enrolled in the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) program at Wake Forest in 1987. However, she had no idea her studies would lead to her own book on the subject, titled *Lewis Carroll in Wonderland*, as well as a blossoming career as a Carroll expert.

Her work in the MALS program did quickly reveal a passion for literature. “As time passed, it was obvious I was just taking English classes,” she recalls, so English professor Nancy Cotton, head of the MALS program at the time, encouraged her to enroll in the master’s program in English.

Unlike most graduate students, Stoffel had the luxury of knowing her thesis topic before she started her graduate work. “One reason I was doing the master’s work was to work up to my thesis on Carroll,” she says. The result was a look at how different illustrators interpreted Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland. “In the process of handling the collection, one of the overwhelming things to me was how different the illustrations were,” she says. “I became fascinated with what a different experience you could have reading the book depending on what illustrations you were looking at.”

Stoffel’s Carroll collection first flourished on her honeymoon with
her first husband. The couple had wanted to start a book collection and knew some of the best collections focused on single titles. They picked Alice's Adventures in Wonderland because they both liked the book and thought a lot of material was probably available. "If we had chosen something more knowledgeably, we couldn't have done any better," she says. "It's a fabulous subject for book collecting because there's just so much." On their honeymoon in England, they walked into a London bookstore and asked the proprietor if he had any copies of Alice. "He came back up the stairs with milk crate after milk crate of books," she says. "We realized then what we'd gotten into." They returned from their two-week trip to England with 80 books in their suitcases and the realization that they were on their way to becoming serious Carroll collectors.

Serendipity played a role in Stoffel's jump from Carroll collector to Carroll author. A book packager friend noticed the "Discoveries" series, published in the U.S. by Harry N. Abrams, and realized that Stoffel's collection of Carroll material would be a perfect match for the series. After some negotiation, a deal was struck, though the original idea was different from the finished book. "Lewis Carroll in Wonderland was meant to be a sort of 'Wonderful World of Alice' book, with all the illustrations filled out from the collection," Stoffel explains. The proposed book would have focused on different adaptations of Alice— to the stage, the movies, foreign translations, and so forth.

The book's end result is more of a general introduction to the life and work of Carroll, but it is well-adorned with a wonderful collection of photographs, illustrations, and works of art that give the subject a sense of immediacy— many biographies and histories fail to grasp. The book's price tag of $12.95 is as pleasurable as the book itself, particularly for a volume with so much color art and illustrations.

Stoffel's next book on Carroll, which will be published by Smithmark, promises to include even more visual material. "The book I'm working on now will be really more of a coffee-table book," she reveals. "It will have lots of pictures from different editions of Alice . . . with the text being a series of essays slanted towards why Alice endures and what it means to us."

Aside from writing and collecting Carroll material, Stoffel also donates her time to the Lewis Carroll Society of North America. She is the group's current vice president and the coordinator of a society-sponsored centennial conference on Carroll (he died in 1898) to be held at New York University in New York City this March.

With a full slate of writing, collecting, and planning conferences, Stoffel appears to have made the jump from novice collector to full-time Lewis Carroll scholar. "It could be said that my career is in Lewis Carroll scholarship, but it doesn't pay too well," she jokes. However, how many other people can say their work is in the field of Wonderlands? —Andrew Waters
Michael Kent Curtis has spent much of his career examining First Amendment issues, recently as a professor at Wake Forest School of Law and earlier in his career as a practicing attorney. His clients included a minister arrested for reading from the Bible in downtown Greensboro (which was against a city ordinance), students suspended from public school for wearing a Confederate flag emblem, and black motorists who had taped over the phrase “First in Freedom” on their North Carolina license plates. He has published papers on historical and contemporary aspects of free speech and press, regularly teaches a course in Constitutional law, and often speaks on the subject of First Amendment rights.

So it was of obvious concern to him when his brother, freelance journalist Tom Curtis, was sued for defamation after he wrote an article on a theory as to the origin of AIDS. After the case ended, concern for a sibling engaged in a legal wrangle turned into professional interest in a case that Curtis believes exemplifies the danger of a broad reading of libel law for science, free speech, and the public interest.

The lawsuit was prompted by an article titled “The Origin of AIDS: A Startling New Theory Attempts to Answer the Question ‘Was It an Act of God or an Act of Man?’” written by Tom Curtis and published in Rolling Stone magazine in March 1992. In the article, Tom Curtis reported a controversial
and unconfirmed theory that polio vaccine trials conducted in Africa in the late fifties through 1960 could have unwittingly opened the door for the AIDS virus's entry into the human population.

For Michael Curtis, the lawsuit raised important and far-reaching issues. In “Monkey Trials: Science, Defamation and the Suppression of Dissent,” published in The William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal, Curtis explores the issue of higher protection for scientific hypotheses that fall into the realm of what he calls “complex criticism.”

He notes that although the suit eventually was settled, “it continues to cast a pall over scientific discussion on the topic.” He wrote: “The legal logic that encourages such actions threatens to undermine the tolerance and open debate that are essential both to science and to political freedom.” Indeed, a book about the theory written by Australian science writer Julian Cribb, has been published in that country but not in the U.S., apparently because of fear of another libel suit.

Possible vaccine-AIDS theory had been speculated on by scientists and doctors in the past. But the African polio vaccine theory was developed independently by two lay researchers outside the traditional scientific establishment. One, Louis Pascal, had attempted in 1991 to submit a manuscript to several scientific journals hypothesizing a possible link between the polio trials and the AIDS virus. His work, however, was published only as a working paper. The other was by AIDS activist Blaine Elswood, a maverick co-founder of the “guerrilla clinics” that provided alternative drug therapies to AIDS patients. Elswood had published several papers relating to the disease and had begun to study the polio vaccine-AIDS theory. It was in the wake of conversations with Elswood that Tom Curtis began to look into the theory.

Increasingly scientists believe HIV (the AIDS virus) is a simian (monkey or chimp) virus that somehow was transmitted to people. How the species jump occurred (if it did) is unknown. The theory reported in Rolling Stone suggests that by using kidney tissue from monkeys to culture an attenuated, or weakened, polio virus for use in vaccines (as all scientists who prepared such vaccines generally did), a simian ancestor of the AIDS virus could have been inadvertently transmitted to some of the 300,000 participants in the African clinical trials. This hypothetical simian virus, the theory alleges, could be the precursor to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS.

There is no shortage of theories about the origin of AIDS. Since its discovery, dozens of hypotheses have been put forth—some seemingly plausible and others downright bizarre. It has been speculated that AIDS arose from Cold War biological weapons testing, from outer space (via gaseous comets), as the result of a “cocktail” of sexually transmitted diseases, or from genetic mutations caused by French nuclear weapons testing in the sub-Sahara. Then there are the simian-related hypotheses that suggest AIDS was brought about
through medical experiments in which humans were injected with primate blood containing viable malaria parasites in the thirties; through a central African tribal custom of smearing monkey blood on a sexual partner to achieve arousal; through human-simian sexual contact; or, finally, either via a monkey or chimp bite or through eating uncooked monkey or chimp meat. As far as the scientific community is concerned, most of these speculations are just that. There is no hard, let alone conclusive, evidence to prove any of the theories. But, as Michael Curtis noted, quoting Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, "Progress in science is not remotely confined to findings made in the laboratory. Insights into the mysteries of nature are born of hypothesis and speculation."

In researching his article, Tom Curtis argued that while there was no direct proof, significant circumstantial evidence seemed to make the polio vaccine-AIDS virus link at least worthy of further study.

For instance, during the fifties, when the race for a polio vaccine was nearing the finish line, it was learned that several simian viruses could be transferred to humans, sometimes with potentially deadly results. Scientists using monkey kidneys as a growth culture for the polio vaccine, however, were able to test for and eliminate these known viruses prior to culturing the vaccines. Later, new simian viruses were identified, raising the question as to whether there were viruses unknown to polio researchers that could have slipped undetected into vaccines.

This was in fact the case with polio vaccines administered in the United States and elsewhere between 1941 and 1961 that were later found to be contaminated with SV-40, a simian papovavirus. We do not know exactly how many of the ninety-eight million vaccines administered in the U.S. were contaminated, but two Johns Hopkins researchers estimated that up to thirty million people could have received the monkey virus along with the polio vaccines. At first reported not direct proof, only a series of circumstantial elements. He interviewed and quoted leading researchers for the article, some of whom, like Jonas Salk, dismissed the theory out of hand; others, like Robert Gallo, said that while it was highly unlikely, perhaps further study was warranted.

The reaction to the Rolling Stone article from the scientific community was immediate and largely dismissive. Science was perhaps the most critical. One scientist

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vaccine be tested for a suspect virus—something which seems not to have happened. It also urged changes in the way polio vaccines are manufactured in the United States to reduce the danger the article highlighted—that unknown and thus untested for monkey viruses might contaminate polio vaccines.

In due course, the scientist who had conducted those early polio trials in Africa sued Rolling Stone and Tom Curtis for defamation. The magazine eventually settled the case for one dollar and printed a clarification that stated, in part, that the magazine “never intended to suggest... that there is any scientific proof, nor do they know of any scientific proof” that the scientist introduced AIDS to the human population. Another lawsuit involving the theory and brought against the Associated Press is ongoing. In that case, some scientists have submitted affidavits concluding that the theory is essentially false. Other scientists have responded that an AIDS-polio vaccine connection has not been disproved and that, while only a theory, the hypothesis that AIDS could have been introduced in early African polio vaccine inoculations warrants serious consideration.

Michael Curtis argues that libel law in its current form goes well beyond the intended purpose of punishing speakers of damaging and valueless untruths. "Regardless of the outcome, long and expensive libel suits may have a chilling effect, not only on false ideas, but also on those that are true, and on those whose truth is problematic," he says. "It doesn’t matter if a case of this nature is won or lost—the threat of being dragged into court has an obvious chilling effect."

Curtis maintains that because of their impact on our understanding of the social or physical world, complex criticisms such as those of scientific hypotheses, warrant a higher standard of protection under the law. This is so, he says, when the person criticized is one with extraordinary power to shape the world. And, said Curtis, as the Rolling Stone article shows, complex criticism is often not about wrongdoing. "So long as a primary focus of the work is, for example, on ideas, processes, risks and benefits, or the nature of political and economic power, it should qualify as complex criticism.

"One essential characteristic of complex criticism is its central relation to existing ideas," he points out. "Complex criticism reaffirms, challenges, or develops existing theories or ideas in ways that potentially impact our larger understanding of the social or physical world."

Illustrative of such complex criticism, Curtis notes, are Sinclair Lewis’ 1905 book The Jungle, an expose of the meatpacking industry, and Rachel Carson’s warning about the dangers of DDT and other pesticides in her book Silent Spring. The importance of these criticisms, while denounced by industry experts at the time of their publication, ultimately resulted in the Pure Food and Drug Act and a ban of DDT. "Under today's approach," says Curtis, "Sinclair and Carson might have been sued for product disparagement."

Another example is the scientific debate on the use of pesticides on food. Debate often is dampened, Curtis says, because of the constant threat of defamation actions. "The scientist who believes that pesticides causing cancer in laboratory animals are little cause for concern is comparatively safe in making unequivocal and bland assurances of safety primarily because of the difficulties of individual proof and causation, and because consumers, unless they can prove reliance and injury, are not in a position to launch lawsuits," he says.

"Meanwhile, scientists who think that pesticides in food expose the public to unreasonable risk must express themselves in a much more guarded fashion or face the possibility of an immediate product disparagement action."

Curtis has proposed a series of reforms that he believes would reduce the chilling effect on speech that libel law now promotes. "Current law in the United States seeks to protect free speech from defamation actions by several doctrines," he explains. "First, the law broadly protects the discussion of public officials, famous people, and those who have engaged in high-profile participation in ongoing controversies on matters of public concern. The First Amendment protects critics of such people, except where the writer says things known to be false or acts in reckless disregard of the truth. Second, the First Amendment is interpreted to require that, as to the matters of public concern, the defamed party must prove the falsity of the offending statement." For discussions of things like...
scientific hypotheses, these safeguards prove insufficient, says Curtis. “The vagueness of current laws encourages litigation.”

To remedy this, Curtis proposes that having extraordinary power or influence should make a person a public figure. “The researcher allegedly libeled by the Rolling Stone article was a famous scientist who had made and was known for making substantial contributions to the battle against polio,” he notes. “As such he was probably a public figure even under the ‘fame’ test. The proposed first test to protect speech and press is that people like the researcher should be public figures in the areas of their influence. The test should not be based solely on fame, but instead on the power of people to order and influence events.”

Secondly, in the case of such public figures, Curtis proposes increased protection of ideas and hypotheses that may prove false in the course of discussion of complex questions. “A hypothesis is a flashlight—it shines light in a dark corner of the world to see if what we expect to see is what actually appears,” he says. “It is a crucial means by which expansion of knowledge occurs. If the law inflicts harsh verdicts if the hypothesis proves false, it may extinguish many lights and suppress much knowledge.”

Finally, to protect complex criticism against libel suits launched by those with extraordinary power, Curtis proposes a “rational basis test” that protects even a seemingly improbable hypothesis as long as it has a rational basis. “As long as complex criticism is supported by rational arguments, it should be protected, even though the arguments later prove wrong or incomplete,” he asserts. “While this is a tough rule for a defamation plaintiff, it is justified because of the role played by the hypothesis and criticism in the growth of knowledge and in the democratic process. Decisions about health, risk, and regulation lie at the heart of democratic choice.”

Michael Curtis says that (as philosopher of science Karl Poppler noted) even theories that prove false often lead to new knowledge or greater understanding. This, Curtis says, was true of the AIDS-polio vaccine hypothesis. It led to recommendations by the Wistar Committee to change the way polio vaccine is made; it led to increased discussion of the danger of trans-species tissue exchanges; and it led to increased focus on what was thought to be the earliest known case of AIDS, leading eventually to the discovery that the man in question did not have AIDS after all. As Curtis has written, the stifling of free debate of ideas will lead us not to enlightenment, but to ignorance.

“Free speech and free press rules are designed in part to foster democratic and wise decision making, and that function should be the polestar that guides the courts in their search for free speech rules.”
Grand openings

A n EXCITING football season wasn’t the only bright spot at Groves Stadium this fall. Bridger Field House opened in the north end zone in September. The facility, made possible by an $8-million fund drive, features locker rooms and the Boyette Media Room on the ground floor; the Norm Snead Banquet Room, which can accommodate up to 400 guests, and the Bill Barnes Sports Lounge on the second floor; and offices and meeting rooms for the Deacon Club and the sports marketing staff on the third floor. New trophy cases and a Hall of Fame exhibition area are under development on the ground floor. Also opening in the stadium’s east parking lot this fall was a new eight-court Indoor Tennis Center which ranks as one of the finest in the Southeast.

LEFT: New locker rooms let the Deacons and their opponents dress in style. BELOW: The field house’s main foyer is bright and spacious.
The new Indoor Tennis Center will allow Wake Forest to host national-level tournaments throughout the year.

ABOVE: Bridger Field House as seen from Groves Stadium, LEFT, and from the parking lot, RIGHT.
The Deacons will be counting on senior guard Tony Rutland to propel their drive back to the upper echelon of the ACC and nation.
Class recognition

An Elementary school teacher from Delaware and a high school French teacher from Florida were named the 1997 recipients of the Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Awards during the University’s Opening Convocation September 4.

Ellen Carole Stanley (’84) of Wilmington, Delaware, and Patricia Ruffing Killian (’74) of Gainesville, Florida, each received a $20,000 cash award. They were selected from among sixty-five teachers nominated for the award, given annually to two alumni who are outstanding teachers in public or private schools.

“Ellen’s amazing teaching pace and her ability to make a multi-grade classroom work to the children’s advantage was the irresistible feature of her teaching,” said Joseph O. Milner, chair of Wake Forest’s education department and the Waddill awards selection committee. “Patricia Killian won my attention because of the clever way she used daily events and objects to prompt her students to communicate clearly in another language.”

Teachers nominated for the Waddill award submit letters of recommendation, lesson plans, and other examples of their classroom work. Finalists submit a videotaped interview and classroom session. The selection committee is composed of two members of the Waddill family, two professors from the education department, and the previous year’s recipients.

Stanley, a native of Winston-Salem who grew up in Burlington, North Carolina, taught at elementary schools in Virginia, Maryland, and Texas, before joining the faculty at Richey Elementary School in Newport, Delaware, in 1991.

“Teaching has always been like a calling to me,” said Stanley, who teaches kindergarten through second grade students in a multi-age classroom. “It was very important to me to make a contribution to society in choosing a career. Teaching allows me the privilege of having a part in a child’s social, emotional, and intellectual development.”

Killian, a native of Greensboro, North Carolina, said she fell in love with French language and culture after taking two French courses at Wake Forest and spending a semester in Dijon, France. After receiving a bachelor’s degree in French from Wake Forest and a master’s degree in French from the University of Florida, she started her teaching career in Gainesville in 1977.

Killian received a French government scholarship for study in Annecy, France, in 1980 and a Fulbright Teacher
Exchange award in 1987 that allowed her to spend a year teaching English in Pau, France. She has taught at Gainesville’s Eastside High School—an International Baccalaureate school, similar to a magnet school that emphasizes international studies—since 1989.

“Learning a foreign language can be quite challenging,” admits Killian, who was named French Teacher of the Year in Florida in 1991. “In order to become proficient in a language, students must not only learn the vocabulary and structures of the foreign language, but also apply their knowledge. Therefore, I use French extensively in the classroom, and I expect my students to do the same.”

Her students have won first place in a statewide competition for French students the last six years and have finished no lower than second since 1979. “Whether they become teachers, lawyers, scientists, or stockbrokers, I hope they remember the joy in discovering another way of looking at the world,” she said.

Established in 1994, the Waddill Award is funded with a $450,000 gift from New York investment manager David Waddill. The award is named for his father, Marcellus Waddill, who retired this year after teaching mathematics at Wake Forest for thirty-five years.

Robert Mills promoted to associate vice president

ROBERT D. MILLS (’71, M BA ’80), an assistant vice president for university relations, has been promoted to associate vice president for university advancement.

Mills manages the capital support and advancement technologies group for the university advancement office. His responsibilities include major gift fundraising and overseeing development of new ways to use technology to communicate with Wake Forest’s alumni and friends through the Internet and other means.

Mills, who directed the university’s Heritage and Promise capital campaign from 1989 to 1995, has worked in the alumni and development office since 1972. He was named director of alumni activities in 1978 and promoted to assistant vice president for university relations in 1986.

THIS SPRING, six Wake Forest clubs will sponsor “Wake Forest Days,” a day-long program of events culminating in evening receptions with an administrator and coaches Jim Caldwell and Dave Odom.

The program will be held in (all dates are tentative): Myrtle Beach/Wilmington (April 24), Wake County/Raleigh (April 28), Fayetteville (April 29), Charlotte (April 30), the Triad (M ay 5), and Washington, D.C. (M ay 7). Look for an informational mailer in early M arch.

Wake Forest Days was among the topics discussed during the fall meeting of the Alumni Council. The sixty-member council has four standing committees that reported on various alumni-related issues:

The Nominations Committee, chaired by Anne Bingham Philpott (’69), recommends new Council members and participates in the selection of the Distinguished Alumni Award and the Schoonmaker Faculty Award for Community Service.

The Education Committee, chaired by Bill Hull (’62) but led by Gerald Roach (’80, JD ’82) at the fall meeting, is responsible for developing consistent communication with alumni and educational opportunities for alumni.

The Stewardship Committee, chaired by Sammy Rothrock (’73), studies the University’s fundraising objectives and its donor recognition process.

The Alumni Services Committee, chaired by Antoinette Thomas (’80), oversees the clubs program, Homecoming, the Alumni-in-Admissions Program, and the Alumni Career Assistance Program.

The Council’s winter meeting will be a joint meeting with the alumni councils from the law, medical, and Babcock schools. I look forward to reporting the results in the next issue of the magazine.

Graham Denton (’67)
President, Wake Forest Alumni Association
Charlotte, North Carolina
Thousands of alumni turned out for Homecoming ’97, October 31-November 2. CLOCKWISE: the Demon Deacon leads the cheers as Wake Forest takes an early 7-6 lead over Clemson, although the Tigers would go on to win the game, 33-16; Provost emeritus Edwin G. Wilson (’43) greets Bill (’42) and Mary Duckworth of Asheville, North Carolina, at a reception for old campus alumni in Shorty’s; Checking out the memorabilia in Shorty’s and reminiscing are Betty Ann Wilkinson, Associate Professor Emerita of English Beulah Raynor, R.W. Wilkinson (’48), and Dot Jones Charles (’49); John (’84) and Eleanor Bailey (’84) Knox of Marietta, Georgia, with their children Graham, John IV, and Margaret Rose following the Homecoming carnival.
George Stamps ('47) of Oxford, Georgia, and longtime administrator Lula Leake, who retired this year, were honored during the Homecoming reception. Leake (ABOVE, at a ceremony naming the Magnolia Room lobby in her honor) was named an honorary alumna. Stamps, at RIGHT with his family, received the Distinguished Alumni Citation, the highest award given by the Alumni Association. ABOVE RIGHT: Elizabeth and Emily Earle, daughters of Cliff ('85) and Vada Lou Meadows ('85) Earle of Clemmons, North Carolina, and Kendall Henry, son of Nancy McKinney Henry ('85) of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, enjoy playing on the Quad.
**Answer line**

Questions about Wake Forest? Check the alumni Web site.

ANY OF THE questions that the alumni office receives every day can be answered by visiting the alumni Web site (www.wfu.edu/alumni). Here are some of those commonly asked questions and tips to help you select the right link to find the information you need.

I’ll be visiting campus next month. What’s happening on campus that weekend? From the Alumni page, select the “Upcoming Events” link. Under “Alumni Calendar,” select the month you’ll be visiting for a day-by-day schedule that lists athletic events, special events, guest speakers, and other campus activities.

There’s also a schedule of events for the Year of Religion in American Life.

I’ve just moved and would like to know if there’s a Wake Forest Club here? Selecting the “Regional Clubs Organization” link will produce a map of the United States; there are clubs in the states that are shaded. Clicking on North Carolina will give you a state map from which you can select a particular county. If your county isn’t shaded, select a nearby county. Or, click on your state for a list of clubs in your state. Clicking on a local club will give you the number of alumni in the area, a contact person, and a list of recent and upcoming club events.

How do I let my classmates know that I’ve moved and have a new job? Send a classnote to Wake Forest Magazine through the “Keep in Touch” link. You can also update your address from this link.

I’m interested in volunteering for Wake Forest in some way. Who do I contact? The “Volunteer Opportunities” link has information on the Alumni-in-Admissions (AIA) and Alumni Career Assistance (ACAP) programs. You can sign up for either program directly from this site. You can also volunteer to help plan reunion activities for your class or nominate someone for the Alumni Council from this folder.

I live out of state and my local newspaper rarely carries information on Wake Forest athletics. How can I follow the Deacons from far away? Selecting the “Athletics” link will take you to a world of information on Demon Deacon athletics, including recent game summaries, statistics, team schedules, and a trivia quiz. You can also listen to audio broadcasts of football and men’s basketball games from this site. There’s also a link to the Atlantic Coast Conference home page so you can check out the Deacons’ ACC rivals.

How can I find out what’s going on at Wake Forest today? The current edition of the Old Gold and Black, and past editions going back three years, are on the “Publications” page, along with Window on Wake Forest, the faculty and staff newsletter. Return to the home page and open the “What’s New” link which takes you to the Wake Forest News Bureau’s page. From there, select the “Deacon Digest” link for summaries of campus news stories.

Can I get information on the Wake Forest watch and lamp? For information on Wake Forest merchandise, click “The Kiosk” link. From this site, you can also access the Deacon Shop catalog for a large selection of Wake Forest apparel and gifts.

What are the giving levels for the major gift clubs? Click the “Giving Opportunities” option for information on the major gift clubs, the annual funds, and the different types of planned gifts. You can make a pledge or gift or sign-up for a major gift club directly from this site.

How can I find e-mail addresses for classmates? The alumni office is working on an e-mail directory. Check the Alumni and Friends page next summer for more information.
Two athletic scholarships have been established recently in honor of two alumni who played on Deacon football teams in the early thirties.

Richard W. Bunn ('32) of Winston-Salem has endowed a scholarship fund for female athletes, and Harriett N. Grant of Alexandria, Virginia, is funding an athletic-academic excellence scholarship in memory of her husband, Gordon Grant ('33).

Bunn's scholarship will support women's athletics because he has followed the women's teams for many years.

"Traditionally donors have not given to women's sports, so we are thrilled that this scholarship has been designated for female athletes," said senior women's administrator Dianne Dailey.

Bunn practiced medicine in Enfield, North Carolina, and was the medical director at R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company for thirty years before retiring in 1971. He died in 1974.

Life Trustee Albert L. Butler Jr., who died last May, left Wake Forest $700,000 through a life insurance policy.

According to provisions of his will, $300,000 will be used to establish a need-based scholarship fund for undergraduates from Alleghany, Surry, and Wilkes counties in North Carolina. Another $300,000 was earmarked to the medical school for the Sticht Center on Aging. The final $100,000 was designated as endowment to the Graylyn International Conference Center. Butler chaired the committee that oversaw Graylyn's renovation and conversion into a conference center in the early eighties.

Butler (LLD '70) was one of the first non-Baptists to sit on the University's Board of Trustees. A native of Winston-Salem, he played active roles in virtually every capital campaign for the University from the mid-forties through the Heritage and Promise campaigns in the nineties.

A former student of Professor Emeritus of Philosophy Gregory Pritchard has endowed a scholarship for philosophy students in honor of Pritchard.

The donor, whom Pritchard taught more than three decades ago at Oklahoma Baptist University, has asked to remain anonymous. Pritchard taught at OBU from 1952 until 1968 when he came to Wake Forest. He retired in 1994 but continues to teach one course a semester.

The scholarship will provide partial tuition to a student each year.

"The man whom this scholarship honors is unique among the excellent professors I have known," said the donor, a businessman who lives in Oklahoma. "Hundreds of his brightest students are testimony to his effectiveness."

Pritchard said he and his former student have maintained close ties over the years. "I believe that his gift expresses the insights gained from a liberal education epitomized by philosophy," he said.
Major changes

Gift club program restructured

Wake Forest's major gift club program has been restructured to encourage more alumni and friends of the University to join.

Membership in all the major gift clubs will now require a five-year commitment instead of a ten-year commitment. The total pledge required for membership in each club, except for the President's Associates, also has been cut in half. For example, the largest gift club, the President's Club, now requires a $5,000 pledge to be paid over five years instead of a ten-year $10,000 pledge.

New levels of giving for the other major gift clubs are: Founders' Circle, $50,000 over five years; Pro Humanitate Society, $25,000 over five years; and Silver Society, $12,500 over five years. The criteria for President's Associates—open only to alumni under the age of 30—remains the same, $2,500 payable over five years.

"The ten-year structure has served us well since the President's Club was founded nearly three decades ago," said Victor I. Flow ('52), chair of the Board of Trustee's university advancement committee. "But what we had found in recent years was that some donors were reluctant to tie themselves down to a ten-year commitment. Five-years seemed a more reasonable period of time to project future financial obligations."

Membership in the major gift clubs has more than doubled in the last seven years to about 2,600 members. The majority, 2,070, are in the President's Club, the first gift club, established in 1970 by Arnold Palmer ('51). Gift club members contributed almost $7.6 million in the last fiscal year, twenty percent of the $38 million raised by the University, including the School of Medicine.

Current gift club members who have more than five years remaining on their pledges will be contacted to ask if they would like their membership converted to the new structure. Current members with less than five years remaining on their pledge will not be affected.

Palmer honored

The Wake Forest University Board of Trustees elected trustee and golf legend Arnold Palmer ('51) a lifetime trustee at its October meeting.

The board also reelected businessmen L. Glenn Orr Jr. and John C. Whitaker Jr., both of Winston-Salem, to new terms.
1940s

Dave Harris ('46) was the honoree at National Deacon Club Day at Tanglewood Park in Clemmons, N.C., on August 26. He was named to the all-Southern Conference football team in 1945 and 1946 and was an honorable All-American those years. After graduation he coached football at Thomasville, N.C., High School and Charlotte Harding High School, where he won back-to-back state championships. He retired as director of athletics for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School, where he won back-to-back state championships. He was an accountant and the volunteer baseball coach due to medical reasons. During that time he coached in Little League, Pony League, Babe Ruth League, and at Broughton High School in Raleigh, N.C. He has moved from Raleigh to Benson, N.C., with his wife of 41 years, Della.

Billy F. Andrews ('53) gave the presidential address at the American Osler Society’s 27th Annual Meeting in Williamsburg, VA, last April. In Sept., he gave the keynote addresses at the International Meeting on Quality of Life of the Life Planning Center and St. Luke’s International Hospital and College of Nursing, held in Tokyo, Japan, and at the Primary Care Association of Japan, held in Kyoto, Japan. Also in Sept., he received the Kentucky Medical Association Educational Achievement Award.

1950s

Elizabeth H. Grigg ('50) has published her poems in several anthologies. She has also written articles, editorials, poems, and stories for the Charlotte Observer and the Gastonia Gazette. She resides in Gastonia, N.C.

Wiley A. Warren Jr. ('52) has retired after 41 years as a volunteer baseball coach due to medical reasons. During that time he coached in Little League, Pony League, Babe Ruth League, and at Broughton High School in Raleigh, N.C. He was an accountant and the asst. director of the corporate tax division for the state of No. Carolina. He has moved from Raleigh to Benson, N.C., with his wife of 41 years, Della.

Buchanan ('54)

1962

M. Robert Cooper (MD) was the recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Faculty Service Award presented by the Wake Forest School of Medicine's Medical Alumni Association on September 4, 1997.

W.R. "Bill" Olatunji Ojo has spent his life devoted to ministry. He is now retired and living in Nigeria. (Please see "Callings" classnotes on page 62 for more information on his ministry.)

Brenda Jordan Winnick has retired from the school system of Palm Beach Co., FL, where she was the payroll manager for the past 13 years. She and her husband, Marty, will continue to reside in Palm Beach Co. and will spend their early retirement years traveling.

1966

E. Lee May was named the Outstanding College Professor of 1996 by the Maryland Council of Teachers of Mathematics. He also recently received the Mathematical Association of America’s Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics award for the Maryland-Virginia-District of Columbia section. He is a professor of mathematics and

If you have news you would like to share — promotions, awards, honors, announcements of marriage, births, adoptions, deaths, etc.— please send it to Andrew Waters, classnotes editor, Wake Forest Magazine, P.O. Box 7205 Reynolds Station, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7205. Internet: awaters@wfu.edu.

We’re sorry, but we cannot publish third-party news unless the person submitting it provides a telephone number for verification and accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information.
Class Notes

Lewis ('67, JD '70)

Clayton ('75)

computer sciences in the Richard A. Henson School of Science and Technology at Salisbury State University in Salisbury, M.D.

Carl L. Tilghman (JD '69) was recently appointed a special superior court judge for the state of North Carolina. He resides in Beaufort, N.C.

1967

Michael J. Lewis (JD '70) was chair of the 1997 “Safe and Sober Prom Night,” and his law firm, Lewis & Daggett, P.A., sponsored the project. Over 12,000 students from 28 area high schools participated in the event, which promotes a drug- and alcohol-free environment at local high school proms. He and the firm of drug- and alcohol-free environment at local high school proms. He and the firm of Lewis & Daggett will continue to sponsor this event in 1998 and expect participation to increase. Additionally, he and his wife, Kathy Lewis (JD '69), recently won the USTA Southern Senior Closed '50s Mixed Doubles Championship at Kiawah Island, S.C. The USTA Southern section consists of N.C. and So. Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia. They won 7-5, 6-0 in the championship round.

Errata: Perry D. Uphchurh has not died as was reported in the September issue of Wake Forest Magazine.

Margaret Everhart Wooten earned a PhD in English and American literature from the University of South Carolina in May 1997. She is an associate professor of English at Anderson College in Anderson, S.C.

1968

Richard V. Bennett (JD '74) is a partner in the new law firm of Bennett Dawso & Guthrie in Winston-Salem. The firm concentrates on insurance defense litigation, medical malpractice, and construction law.

William J. Parker is serving an administrative internship at Scotland High School in Laurinburg, N.C., and is pursuing an educational specialist degree at Winthrop University.

Elizabeth Ann Roseberry moved to Houston, T.X., last May to work in the neonatal intensive care unit at St. Joseph’s Hospital. She is part of the Pediatric Medical group, which serves hospitals in 25 states and is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

1969

Milt E. Gold was elected chairman of the board of trustees of Craven Community College.

He also was elected to the executive board of the American Yarn Spinners Association. In September, he served as honorary chairman of the Annual American Cancer Society Golf Tournament—Craven Unit, where records were set for participation and money raised. He resides in New Bern, N.C.

1970

Eldon Eckard (M S, PhD '73) has been promoted to professor of chemistry and physics at Bainbridge College in Bainbridge, GA. He recently published an article titled “Freedom of Movement” in the Curriculum and Faculty Development Newsletter for Two-Year College Physics Educators. He and his wife, Linda, have 3 children, Mark, Maria, and Kimberly.

1971

Mary D. France was a panelist at a program on bankruptcy and criminal law presented for the continuing legal education program on bankruptcy at the Dickinson School of Law of Pennsylvania State University. She is the assistant U.S. trustee for the middle district of Pennsylvania. Previously she was the deputy chief counsel for the Pennsylvania Dept. of Banking.

Michael M. Sheffield was appointed to the board of governors of the State Bar of Georgia. He resides in Atlanta, GA, with his wife, Susan.

Roger L. Stancil is the interim city manager of Fayetteville, N.C. He has worked in the city’s administration as an assistant city manager and deputy manager for 17 years.

1972

R. Steve Bowden is the founding partner of R. Steve Bowden Associates, a personal injury law firm based in Greensboro. He has given a scholarship to Wake Forest and serves on the Touchdown 2000 board that oversaw the construction of the new Bridger Field House at Groves Stadium. He also funded a seminar that instructed Wake Forest athletes on how to deal with the media.

Jane S. Stotts received a PhD in epidemiology from UNC-Chapel Hill last Dec. She and her husband, Jack Stotts (JD ’71), have worked at UNC-Chapel Hill for over 20 years but still root for the Deacons at Wake-About Carolina basketball games. They have 2 daughters, Amy (18) and Katie (16).

1973

Melvin F. Wright Jr. (JD) has joined the law firm of Lewis & Daggett in Winston-Salem. He will work in the firm's personal injury group. Previously he was a senior partner in the law firm of Wright, Parrish, Newton & Rabii in Winston-Salem. He is a past president of the Forsyth Co. Bar Assoc. and the 21st Judicial District.

1974

Sigsbee W. Duck has been elected to fellowship in the Triological Society, the most prestigious senior honor society in otolaryngology in the U.S.

He is an otolaryngologist practicing in High Point, N.C.

Gail Segal teaches classes on screenwriting and aesthetics in the department of film and television at the Tisch School of the Arts in New York, N.Y. She has worked in the independent documentary film community in New York for 16 years.

1975

Jack O. Clayton has been named central region executive for Wachovia Bank of N.C. in Raleigh. He will have responsibility for consumer, private banking, sales finance, business banking, commercial real estate, and corporate banking services in a region encompassing 19 counties and 9 cities in central North Carolina.

Jack Cozort (JD '70) has resigned his position as a judge on the North Carolina Court of Appeals to join the firm of Parker, Poe, Adams & Bernheim. In his new position, he will work in public finance and government relations. He had been a judge on the Court of Appeals since 1985 and served as counsel to Gov. Jim Hunt from 1977 to 1984.

Janice Doucherty Rawl (MD '78) was promoted recently to associate professor of family medicine at the East Carolina University School of Medicine. She is course director for Clinical Skills I, which teaches interviewing, counseling, and physical diagnosis skills to first-year medical students. She resides in Bethel, N.C., with her husband, Richard Rawl.

1976

Rick Hubbard recently performed his musical entertainment act at the Red River Revel, a music and arts festival in Shreveport, LA. He performed for over 1,000 four- graders in the morning and orchestrated kazoo band concerts in the evening.

Connie Knight is the new director of communications and public affairs for Clarient Corporation in Charlotte, N.C.

John W. Lassiter (JD '80) is the president of Carolina Legal Staffing, a new company that
Midas man

We live in the Golden Age of Athlete Marketing, in which superstardom is only partly a function of championships and talent. A winning personality counts, too. Those with the right stuff are gilded by the companies whose products they endorse.

Tom George (‘76) has the Midas touch. As senior vice president of athlete marketing for Advantage International, he and his colleagues cut multimillion dollar endorsement deals for some of the top names in sports.

Among the more than 150 athletes AI represents are tennis stars Michael Chang and Steffi Graf, golf champion Sandy Lyle, Olympic gold medalists Matt Biondi and Bonnie Blair, and professional basketball players David Robinson, Jerry Stackhouse, Sheryl Swoopes, and—of special interest to Deacon fans—Randolph Childress.

Shoe and clothing deals, by far the most lucrative endorsement contracts for high-profile players, are handled by a separate division. George’s division pursues promotional opportunities for the company’s clients in all other product categories—food, soft drinks, cars, airlines, credit cards, you name it.

Although many of his responsibilities as one of AI’s senior corporate officers are executive in nature, George—ever the hardcore salesman—cuts his share of deals. Just recently, he personally negotiated endorsement contracts for Robinson with Oreo cookies and Stackhouse with Mountain Dew.

According to an article in The Wall Street Journal, the latter epitomizes today’s “bankable” athlete. “It matters little that Mr. Stackhouse plays for a lousy team, or that his jump shot still needs a little work,” its author wrote. “What matters is that he pleasantly hums while he signs autographs, that he calls his father ‘sir,’ that he aches for his mother’s homemade barbecue . . . .

These days, the promise of superstardom and a winning personality will get you a shoe commercial, and, literally, put the world at your feet.”

George, who talked in the article about exploiting Stackhouse’s fondness for Gummi Bears candy by pursuing a promotional deal for “Gummi Jerrys,” said in an interview at a Deacon Club golf outing in late summer that the youth of today’s endorsable athletes (Stackhouse, three years after leaving UNC after his sophomore season, is still only 22) is one of the biggest changes he’s witnessed in his fifteen years in the business.

“That, and the money involved,” he went on. “Back then, off-court income was not consequential. Today, it’s in the millions, and an expected part of an athlete’s financial package.

These guys are multimillionaires when they come to us,” he noted. “What we’re doing is helping them manage their lives. In many cases, we represent the athlete’s family as well as the athlete.”

A native of Rockville, Maryland, where his dad is a legendary high school coach, George, 43, amassed a terrific track record in sales in the years following his graduation from Wake Forest. In 1983, he decided he wanted to focus on sports marketing and was fortunate in getting in on the ground floor as a founding member of AI. Today, the firm is a multidivisional organization of more than 225 employees in fourteen offices on five continents.

But while George has a head for the business side of sports, at heart he’s a fan. “We had this impressive display made up when we were trying to sign Randolph Childress,” he said. “I told him, ‘Randolph, if you sign with us, I’ll hang this in my office. If you don’t, I’ll hang it in my home.’”

—DAVID FYTEN
Michael N. Hayes (MAEd ’80) has formed Pathways Counseling & Development, a private practice for adolescents and family counseling in Winston-Salem. He has been a counselor at the Family Center in Winston-Salem for the past 10 years.

Scott Hoch was the leading U.S. golfer in the biannual Ryder Cup, in which professional golfers representing Europe defeated pro golfers from America. He is 2.5 points in the competition were more than any other U.S. golfer.

Kathryn A. Lee received the Lindback Foundation Award for Excellence in Teaching in May. She is chair of the political science department at Eastern College in St. Davids, PA. Next May she will complete her law degree at Temple University School of Law.

Douglas C. Lyon (MA ’82) received the CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) designation from the Association for Investment Management and Research. Earning the CFA requires passing 3 exams. He is the principal and chief investment manager for Lyon Capital Management in Pittsford, N.Y.

John A. Neims qualified for his 15th consecutive State Farm Insurance Life Honor trip, a week-long golfing trip to Pebble Beach, CA, in April. He resides in Advance, N.C., with his wife, Deborah.

Michael A. Paul is serving his 5th year as a judge for the Second District Court of N.C. Carolina. He and his wife of 18 years, Penny, live in Washington, N.C., with their 2 children. Mike Jr. (14) and Katie (11).

Leslie W. Powell III has developed and is marketing a funeral home management software package for the Virginia Funeral Directors Association. The package is titled “VFDA—Funeral Pro.”

Joseph J. Gatto (JD) has joined the firm of Spry Leggett & Crumpler, P.A., in Winston-Salem. He has served as a district court judge in Forsyth Co. and has practiced in Winston-Salem for the past 18 years. He will practice in the areas of domestic relations, equitable distribution, and civil litigation.

Christine L. M yatt (JD ’82) was recently named chair of the N.C. State Bar Board of Legal Specialization, which works to improve the competency of members of the bar in various legal specializations and to deliver specialized legal services to the public. She is a partner at the firm of Adams, Crumpler, P.A. in Winston-Salem. The firm concentrates on insurance defense litigation, medical malpractice, and construction law.

Mary Holmes was one of 26 No. Carolinians to be selected as one of 300 No. Carolinians to be selected for the William C. Friday Fellowship for Human Relations, a 2-year program of continuing education for leaders from across the state. Currently she is the executive director of the Cumberland Community Foundation in Fayetteville, N.C.

Michael A. Paschall (JD ’95) was selected by the American Board of Trial Advocates as one of 7500 attorneys nationwide to receive the ABOTA Distinguished Young Lawyer Award for 2008. He concentrates on insurance defense and commercial litigation.

Nancy J. Stancil was named the student legal services attorney of the year for the Second Judicial District in March. She has practiced criminal, civil, and juvenile law for 21 years.

M. C. W hitehurst has joined the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Solicitor, as an assistant solicitor specializing in land use and environmental law.

Mary Martin has been named the executive director of the New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce. She will oversee the chamber’s mission to promote the economic growth and development of the community.

Mary C. Fouts, P.L.L.C. and is a special-11 of Maida Guggenheim, a leading international leader in the field of international business and law.

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Melissa Exum has been promoted to associate VP of student affairs/intercultural affairs at Ohio University. In her new position, she will be in charge of the Office of International Student and Faculty Services, multicultural programs, and counseling and psychological services. She will also form and chair an intercultural affairs advisory council to review and represent faculty, staff, and student interests on issues of intercultural education.

Cathy Cudney Hartley is a part-time programer at Westat in Rockville, M.D.


Creative counselor

When you make a living by consistently thinking up innovative and exciting ideas for parties, seminars, and weddings, creativity is a necessity. Luckily, Mary Tribble ('82), the founder and president of Mary Tribble Creations, has enough to spare. Attesting to that are satisfied customers like the National Basketball Association, Nations-Bank, and the Mint Museum of Art.

With Charlotte-based Mary Tribble Creations firmly established as one of the premiere event production firms in the Southeast, Tribble decided to use some of that spare creativity to teach others her successful methods. Her latest venture, the Idea Institute, provides seminars, workshops, and speeches focused on innovation in the workplace. It will also offer a series of instructional audio tapes, the first of which, "Adding a Creative Spark to Your Special Event," is already available.

Tribble says the genesis of the Idea Institute occurred after she received several calls from industry associations asking for idea counseling. "Nowadays there is such a demand for quick production and turnaround," she says. Couple that with the day-to-day tasks of most jobs, and, "if you're not careful, you can allow your mind to get so cluttered that you don't pay attention to thinking creatively."

Tribble teaches clients to avoid the "clutter" by being proactive with their creative thinking. The first step in the process, she says, is building an atmosphere where "creativity is not just accepted but expected. You should build a physical space that contains art, toys, fun hats—anything that stimulates your mind." Next is a four-step creative process that includes idea "incubation" techniques covering everything from solving problems in your dreams to a visualization process called "mind mapping."

An art history major, Tribble credits her classes and studio training at Wake Forest with helping her to think both critically and creatively. "Studying art history taught me how to distill an idea down to its essential concept," she says. "Those kinds of skills are what I use most often in planning events." She also credits her success to the design and composition skills she learned in the art curriculum at Wake Forest. "A lot of what we do concerns the overall look of an event."

The idea for her business started after she moved to Charlotte in 1984 and joined Hinnant and Associates, an advertising firm whose services included planning special events for clients. "It wasn't long before I realized there was a need for a full-service event planning firm," she says.

A large measure of her success is her willingness to work long, hard hours, and of course, her creativity. "We have been able to set ourselves apart because of our creativity," she notes. "But to me, that's the easy part. It's making sure everything you do in the planning stage enhances that creative theme that is difficult."

The work has paid off. In 1991, she planned the festivities surrounding the NBA All-Star weekend in Charlotte, a massive undertaking that included three events for 3,500 to 4,000 people. Today her client list reads like a Who's Who of the Carolinas' most important corporations and nonprofit institutions. Eventually she hopes work with the Idea Institute will alleviate some of the demands of her event planning schedule, but for now, the "party" is still going, if not growing—in September she produced an event in Denver, Colorado, and in October, one in San Diego, California.

So has the woman who makes her living by being creative ever been stumped? Tribble says only once, and even then the solution finally came to her. The client wanted an "elegant fifties party," and Tribble and her staff were unable to get beyond the typical fifties' icons of poodle skirts and soda shops. After months of deliberation, they finally hit on the answer: a recreation of Ricky Ricardo's nightclub from the I Love Lucy show. "That's a perfect example of really forcing yourself out of that box," she says, and the delighted partygoers couldn't have agreed more.

Andrew Waters

Alumni Profile

Mary Tribble ('82)
Cloninger ('83)

**James J. S. Johnson** recently published ecology studies in the Creation Research Society Quarterly and in Creation Ex Nihilo. He is a hearing examiner for the Texas Education Agency, an attorney, and adjunct professor at LeTourneau University and Dallas Christian College.

**Bill Johnston** has had an introductory statistics textbook accepted for publication by Addison-Wesley. Richard Joyner was named one of the Best 250 Financial Advisers in the U.S. in the Oct. '97 issue of Worth Magazine.

**Janice Emken Mullin** is the asst. director of the Presbyterian Hospital Foundation in Charlotte, NC.

**Dino A. Ross** has been elected a partner in the Harrisburg, PA, office of the law firm of Reed Smith Shaw & McClay LLP. He is a member of the firm’s litigation and bankruptcy groups; his practice focuses on bankruptcy law, creditor’s rights, and civil litigation.

**Harriet Swor** is a youth counselor with the Nashville, TN, Police Dept. She is pursuing her master’s degree in public service admin. and has been inducted into Pi Gamma Mu, an international honor society in social sciences. She resides in Old Hickory, TN, with her husband, Rob, and their 2 children, Matthew (11) and Katie (3).

O’Brien ('84)

1983

**Patrick Cloninger** has been named director of public relations at Holland & Holland, Inc., a communications marketing firm in Lenoir, NC. Previously he was a product manager at Hickory Chair Co. He is an active member of Catawba Co. Council for the Arts, Hickory M museum of Art, and Hickory Landmarks Society.

1984

**J. Patrick Dannelly** is the general auditor for Sprint PCS in Kansas City, M.O., where he resides with his wife, Kristi Robison Dannelly ('84), and their four children: Alexandra (7), Ryann (6), Hanna (4), and Jack (2).

1985

**Susan Earwood Caceres** has moved to Atlanta with her husband, Victor, who is a physician/epidemiologist with the Centers for Disease Control. She continues to work for the South Carolina Council on Child Abuse and Neglect as a consultant on preventing the abuse of children with disabilities.

1986

**Tommy Gregg** was selected for the post-season roster of the Atlanta Braves baseball team. He spent the majority of the year with the class-AAA Richmond Braves before being called up to the Atlanta team.

**Robert Gorham** has been transferred to the Tempe, AZ, headquarters of Avnet, Inc., one of the world’s largest distributors of electronic components. He is a senior product manager and has been with the company for over 9 years, including stints in Costa Mesa, CA, and Boston, MA.

**William Phillips Jr.** and his wife, Carla, have relocated to Danville, CA, following his promotion to northern California regional surety manager for Chubb & Son, Inc. The couple recently celebrated their 2nd anniversary.

**Raye Shoemaker Varney** is the marketing director for the Georgia Shakespeare Festival in Atlanta.

**Janet Yancey-Wrons** is a research scientist in the research and development dept. of the veterinary products division of IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., a biotech company based in Portland, ME.

1987

**Daniel Davis** is a broadcast coordinator for the closed caption center of WGBH-TV in Boston, MA. His short story “Lightning Rod” won 2nd prize in the 1996 Raymond Carver Short Story contest.

**Robin Ganzert** (MB A ’91) has been promoted to asst. dean for administration and human resources at the Babcock Graduate School of Management.
C l a s s  N o t e s

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Joseph L. Carter III is a senior VP for Wachovia Bank, serving as the credit manager for commercial real estate in Georgia. He resides in Atlanta, GA, with his wife, Anne.

Mark P. Del Mastro was given tenure and promoted to associate professor of Spanish at the Citadel in May. He was also appointed executive secretary-treasurer of Sigma Delta Pi, the national collegiate Hispanic honor society. In Aug., he live in Charleston, SC, with his wife of 3 years, Melissa.

F. Stephenson Matthes is an associate in the corporate finance dept. at M & M, Wallace and N. urick in Harrisburg, PA. He and his wife, Paige, have one child, Haley Ruth.

Joanne Coman Dickerson is the director of donor relations at Salem College. Her husband, Rob Dickerson (JD/MA, ’91), is employed at Northwestern Mutual. They have one child, William Cushman (age 1), and are expecting another child in Jan. ‘98.

Mike Riley is in his third year with the law firm of Michaels Parris & Tessener in Raleigh, NC, working in civil litigation. He resides in Durham, NC, with his wife, Sharon.

Scott H. Wilson was recently promoted to manager of HAJOCA Corp. in Staunton, VA. Previously he was a salesman for HAJOCA Corp. in Lynchburg, VA. He and his wife, Vera, plan to reside in the Waynesboro, VA, area.

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Kimberly A. Dale received her BS in nursing from UNC-Greensboro School of Nursing in May 1996. She is now a registered nurse in the labor and delivery department at Forsyth Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Charlie Bryan Finch is an asst. professor in the psychology dept. of the University of Houston, TX. He received his MS in psychology from Old Dominion University and his PhD in clinical-community psychology from the University of So. Carolina. He encourages his "associates" to e-mail him at FinchC@dt.uh.edu.

Ingrid Kincaid Gentry is an asst. VP of corporate development at Brown-Forman Corporation in Louisville, KY. Previously she was at Bowles Hollowell Conner & Co. in Charlotte, NC. She earned her master’s degree in management from Northwestern University.

Jay Gentry is living in Taipei, Taiwan, where he is completing the master of international business studies program (Chinese track) at the University of So. Carolina. He resides with his wife, Susan Campbell Gentry (BA ’89, JD ’95), who has completed a 2-year federal judicial clerkship, in Raleigh, N.C.

Jeffrey M. Gott graduated from Creighton University School of Law in May 1997 and was sworn in as a member of the Florida Bar. He is currently a student in the estate planning graduate program at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, FL, and plans to relocate to Charlotte, N.C., in May 1998.

Catherine A. Johnson Haden is an asst. professor in the psychology dept. at Loyola University Chicago, IL. Her husband, Jeff Haden (’90), has transferred to the Chicago office of Price Waterhouse LLP, where he is an audit manager. They reside in Evanston, IL.

Mike Lambert is the supervisor of financial planning for Southern Energy, Inc. Within the last year he has traveled to London and Hong Kong in connection with the company’s international acquisitions. He resides in Roswell, GA, with his wife, Cathy, and their 2 children, James and Elizabeth.

Tom Legan is working in Atlanta, GA, for Showtime Networks, which includes Showtime, The Movie Channel, Flix, and the Sundance Channel.

Tony Mabyer opened the 1997 NFL season by playing in his 95th consecutive game at center for Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who upset the San Francisco 49ers by a score of 13-6.

Elizabeth Morton is pursuing an MS in historic preservation at Ball State University in Muncie, IN. She plans to graduate in May 1998. She spent this past summer in Washington, DC, working for the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Tony Mabyer

Allison Norton-Rimron received her MA in Latin American studies from Tulane University. She has worked for Arthur Andersen Accounting and GTE, and is currently an operations reporting controller for Sara Lee Corp. in Winston-Salem. She resides in Winston-Salem with her husband, Pat Rimron (’89), and their 2 dogs, Amber and Ginger.

Damon V. Pike (JD) has been named to a 5-year term on the U.S. Dept. of Commerce’s Exporters’ Textile Advisory Committee, which provides advice and guidance to Commerce Dept. officials on

Make a date

Friday, June 19, 1998

Alumni Admissions Forum

If your child is a high school sophomore or junior, mark your calendar for the sixth annual Alumni Admissions Forum. Whether your child is interested in attending Wake Forest or another college, the Forum will guide you through the college search and admissions process, from finding the right college, to completing applications, to financing a college education. Registration fee is $50 per family and includes lunch.

For more information, call the Office of Alumni Activities, (910) 758-5264.
“Prairie Music” is a suite, or collection, of original prints and poems created by eight prairie artists, produced in the Wake Forest printmaking studio of the art department during the Year of the Arts celebration last spring and summer.

THE SUITE FEATURES the poems of Robert (Bert) Hedin, formerly poet-in-residence at Wake Forest for 12 years, and the works of printmakers Gwen Frank, Derek Michael Besant, Jim Westergard, Karen Kunc, Warrington Colescott, Frances Myers, and Wake Forest printmaker David Faber.

THE EDITION SIZE of the suite is 32 members. Each member of the suite will be contained in its own specially hand-made, 15” x 18” archival suite box, and will contain the complete membership of all the works of each artist. There will be six poems by Hedin and 15 woodcuts and etchings by the artists along with four photographs depicting prairie images from the early twentieth century—a total of 25 works in each suite.

The price of each suite is $4,500 and includes the hand-made suite box.
Proceeds will fund an art department scholarship in printmaking and special art department projects.

To reserve one of the suites or for additional information, call David Faber at (910) 758-5302 or the Wake Forest Department of Art at 758-5310.
Class Notes

the expansion of textile exports. He is the director of international trade services for the Atlanta, GA, office of the firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP.

Pat Rimron attended the U.S. Army’s Armor Officers Basic Course and Ranger school following graduation. He was then stationed at Ft. Polk, LA, and Ft. Hood, TX. In 1993 he attended the Armor Officers Advanced Course and then commanded a M1A1 tank company in the Republic of Korea. He is now the operations officer for the Wake Forest University ROTC dept. and resides in Winston-Salem with his wife, Allison Norton (’89).

Tom Siffinger is employed in the diagnostic medical sales field with Polymedco, Inc. He lives in Charlotte with his wife, daughter (age 4), and son (8 months).

Katherine Stroud recently received a master’s degree in history from the University of Georgia. Currently she is working with the Peace Corps in Zimbabwe, teaching high school English and establishing a community library.

1990

Sara Drummond Alba has moved to Ithaca, NY, where her husband, Josep Alba, is studying for his doctorate in linguistics at Cornell University. Previously she taught Spanish at the Hammond School in Columbia, SC.

John Andersen is a pharmaceutical sales rep for Bristol-Meyers Squibb. He and his wife, Ruth Ann (Wootton) Andersen (’90), reside in Burlington, NC, with their son, Spencer.

Peter E. Cohen is the VP, sales & marketing, of the Chair Co., a manufacturer of glider-rockers in Liberty, N.C. He resides in Greensboro, N.C.

J recently moved to Gaeta, Italy, and welcome Wake Forest visitors.

Alan S. Pringle is a technical editor for Scriptorium Publishing Services, Inc. He resides in Cary, N.C., and his e-mail address is asp@scriptorium.com.

Ricky Proehl recently played in his 105th game in the NFL when he started at wide receiver for the Chicago Bears in their Sept. 1 game against the Green Bay Packers. He scored a touchdown in that game and went on to score another touchdown in the Bears’ next game.

Alexandra Rooks is employed in the sales and customer service call center at MindSpring, an Internet service provider in Atlanta, GA. She has returned home to Atlanta after living in Baltimore, MD, for over 5 years.

Del Tucker Salm is the staff educator, specializing in training and orientation, at N aples Community Hospital in N aples, FL. She resides in N aples with her husband, John.

1991

Lisa M. Breitbel is starting her seventh year teaching math at M arist School in Atlanta, GA, where she resides with her husband, Ken Farnsworth.

Missy Corte菜 left her position as deputy chief of staff to the Senate Republican Conference in August. She is awaiting the transfer location of her fiancé, Dan Foxman, before making future arrangements.

Belinda Griffin received her M BA from Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University this past M ay. She is employed as a senior consultant with Ernst & Young’s Performance Improvement Consulting practice.

Kelly Groeber is studying for a PhD in counseling at Georgia State University in Atlanta, GA. Her husband, Terry Groeber (’91), is in his 3rd year of medical school at the M edical College of Georgia.

Thomas L. Hawker is an attorney with the firm of Hun, M aclean, Exley and Dunn, PC, in Atlanta, GA.

Jennifer Jennell is regional account manager for Hu-Friedy Co., a dental healthcare firm in Chicago, IL. She resides in the Lincoln Park area of Chicago with her husband, Robert D aley, who is studying for his M BA through the 4Q program at Northwestern University.

Linda Donelan Langiotti received her M BA from the University of South Florida in Aug. Her studies emphasized marketing and management. She continues to work for M P TotalCare Pharmacy in Tampa, FL, where she became marketing manager in Apr. ’97. She and her husband, Kevin, are looking forward to the arrival of their first child in Dec. ’97.

Nicholas M antia was transferred to Atlanta, GA, by H omeBanc M ortgage Corporation after working in the company’s Orlando, FL, branch for 2 years. He was selected as HomeBanc’s “Rising Star for Sales” earlier this year. He resides in Alpharetta, GA, with his border collie “Deacon.”

N oelle Paschon received her M BA from the Wake Forest University Babcock School of M anagement in M ay 1995. She is employed with Nabisco in N ew Jersey and is the product manager of Bubble Yum and Fruit Stripe Gum.

Amy Peacock has recently relocated to suburban Philadelphia, PA, where she is an audit manager with Price Waterhouse. Her work also frequently takes her to Wilmington, DE.

Robert L. Smith received a master’s degree in clinical chemistry from RIT in 1996 and is now in his 2nd year at the Health Science Center at Syracuse College of M edicine. Before returning to academics, he was a PGA golf professional in western N ew York. He plans to enter family medicine upon completion of his M D.

Reid M. Stines received his M BA from the University of Tennessee last M ay. He has accepted a position as a forecast analyst with John Deere & Co. in Knoxville, TN. His wife, Susan Horowood Stines (’91, M A Ed ’93), has recently accepted a position in the research dept. at the Knoxville Zoological Gardens after spending the last 5 years as an environmental risk analyst and instructor with Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Knoxville, TN.

Laura Williams has been named an associate of the C asualty A ctuarial S ociety. To earn the designation, she passed 7 exams on property and casualty insurance. She is employed as an actuary at Liberty M utual I nsurance Group in Weston, M A.

G. Dewey Yeatts (M BA ’91) received his doctorate in education administration from Virginia Tech this summer.

1992

Brian S. Arbogast received an M S in zoology in 1996 from Louisiana State University. He is currently a doctoral student in the biology department at Wake Forest. He recently became engaged to Andrea J. Schwandt, also a graduate student at Wake Forest. The couple plans to wed on July 11, 1998, in Ann Arbor, M I.

Dorothy Candler Baugher works in marketing and community relations for The Arbor Co., which develops assisted living residences for the elderly. She resides in Charlotteville, VA, with her husband, Chris Baugher (’92), who is in his 3rd year of law school at the University of Virginia. The couple plans to move to Atlanta, GA, in June of 1998.

Jay Beddo lives in Tokyo, Japan, and has worked as a consultant for Price Waterhouse’s global finance and capital markets group since M ay. He spent the previous 2 years working for a Japanese prefectural government and has lived in Japan a total of 4 years since graduating. He encourages other Wake Forest grads living in the Tokyo/Yokohama area to contact him for some Deacon basketball and sushi.

Trey Brody is an asst. manager at the Greenbrier Hotel in White Sulphur Springs, WV. Previously he was a marketing/sales manager at the Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, VA.

Cathy M yers Carlino and Pete Carlino (JD ’95) live in Charlotte, N.C., with their two yellow labs. He is practicing real estate law, and she is an assistant comptroller with Royal Insurance.

Mimi M. Jones (JD) was promoted to senior staff attorney with the KY Court of Appeals. This past spring she toured England, Scotland, and Wales with her husband, Jeff. She and her husband were confirmed in Trinity Episcopal Church in Danville, KY, with the loving support of fellow Deacons Bill and Susan Johnston (’82).
David Griffith graduated with honors in May from the 3-year master's program in physical therapy at Shenandoah University, VA. He recently passed his board exam and is employed as a physical therapist at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington, KY, where he resides with his wife. Kelly Griffin ('92), who is the ass't. director of the Admission and Development Office at the Sayre School in downtown Lexington.

Brad Matton has graduated from the MBA program at Indiana University, completing a marketing/entrepreneurship double major and receiving the school's certificate for Global Business Achievement. He is now a marketing coordinator for Rain Bird Irrigation's golf division in Amana, IA.

Paul Meyer is the ass't. general counsel for the N. Carolina Assoc. of County Commissioners, an organization that represents county government in the North Carolina General Assembly. He received his JD from Campbell University School of Law in May 1996 and passed the North Carolina Bar Exam in August. He resides just outside of Raleigh, N.C.

Don L. Morrison Jr. joined the Edmundite Missions Corps in Selma, AL, in August. He will spend the next year teaching an arts education program at Knox Elementary School and working with children after school at the Selma Youth Development Center.

Ashley Peck Van Wormer is a territory manager for Nortel Network General Corporation, a computer networking software company. She resides in Raleigh, N.C., with her husband, Robert Van Wormer.

Davina J. Young won the Ida B. Wells award for best news story of 1997 from the National Newspaper Publishers Association in June. She is currently the features and book editor for the Charlotte Post newspaper in Charlotte, N.C.

1993

Vtaro Aono lives in New York, NY, and is attending classes.

Richard W. Becker received his MBA from the University of Georgia in June. He is a program analyst supporting Internet/data products for MCI Business Services in Atlanta, GA.

David Blackshear is the quality assurance manager for Wampler Foods Inc. Feed Mill Division. His wife, Jacquie Blackshear ('93), is a customer service director for Banta Book Group. They reside in Mcalee, GA, in the Shenandoah Valley and recently bought a home.

Steve Braskamp is pursuing an MBA at the University of Pennsylvania.

Rachel Earp recently returned to the U.S. after living and working in Russia for a couple of years. She now lives in Arlington, VA, and works for the U.S. Dept. of Defense on Russia/Eurasia policy issues. She will serve a 6-month tour in Russia beginning in late 1997. Her e-mail address is 103244.1400@compuserve.com

Jay Allen Fernandez is an editorial assistant for the "Book World" section of the Washington Post in Washington, DC. He has also written several reviews for the Boston Review in Boston, MA.

Cheryl Powell Fischer and her husband, Brian Fischer, reside in Arlington, VA. She works for U.S. Airways as a prorator specialist.

Rosalyn V. Frazier is in the first year of the MBA program at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. Previously she worked for Andersen Consulting in Charlotte, NC.

Gray Strikeleather Handwerk is the field services coordinator for the North Carolina Manufactured Housing Institute, a trade association representing the state's manufactured housing industry.

Phil Handwerk began work towards his master's degree in higher education administration at N.C. State University this fall.

Timothy S. Lynde is a manager of corporate marketing with the National Collegiate Athletic Association in Overland Park, KS.

Michael M. Cray is a defensive end with the NFL's Baltimore Ravens. In his debut game with the team, he had 4 tackles, including 2 sacks. He also had 7 tackles, including a sack, in a Sept. 28 game with the San Diego Chargers.

Christina M. Moore is a dietetic intern at Maimi Valley Hospital in Ohio, where she is working towards her certification as a registered dietician. She is also pursuing an MA in nutrition education. She resides in Kettering, OH.

Mary M. Unroe is the wellness center coordinator at Florida International University in Miami, FL, where she is also a graduate student in the school's public health program.

Jay Parker has recently graduated from the University of Maryland MBA program. He is now the Peripherals Brand Manager in Portable Dell Computers in Austin, TX. His wife, Ellen Fogle Parker ('93), is a child counselor with a project to prevent youth substance abuse.

 Roxane White Scott graduated from the Medial University of South Carolina College of Medicine in May. She is currently doing a residency in psychiatry at the Medial University of South Carolina in Charleston.

Matthew Wood Smith is in the MBA program at UNC-Chapel Hill. He expects to graduate in 1999. He continues to pull for the Deacs.

Ashley Tantum is pursuing a master's degree in public health at the Boston University School of Public Health in Boston, MA, and is employed as a health policy analyst with the Massachusetts Division of Health Care & Policy. She will graduate in May 1998 and plans a September 1999 wedding to USAF Lt. Robert Alvord.

Ann M. Addox Utterback ('97) is president of the young lawyer's division of the New Mexico Bar Association in Killeen, TX. She is a sales representative for Dell Computers in Austin, TX. She recently moved to Killeen from Austin.

Mark Edwards ('97) is an attorney with the firm of Fields & Cooper in Nashville, NC.

Razan Fayez is a second-year student at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Philadelphia, PA.

Nicole Leveque is a point guard with the Charlotte Sting of the Women's National Basketball Association. She
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Class Notes

Tanya J. Augustson joined the team mid-season and went on to start several games for the team, which lost to the Houston Comets in the first round of the playoffs.

Michael Peil is a postdoctoral associate with the Legal Information Institute at Cornell Law School in Ithaca, N.Y. He specializes in legal education applications of the Internet. He will begin work with the Chicago law firm of Althermo & Gray in 1999.

Meredith Roberts completed her master of public health degree. She is currently doing evaluation research in the area of women’s health issues at the University of Oregon and resides in Eugene, O.R.

Kevin Smith is teaching 5th grade in Bristol, TN, and completed his M.A. in teaching at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, TN, in May of 1997. He recently began work on his doctorate at East Tennessee State University.

Katherine Ventura has accepted the new position of Groves Stadium Complex coordinator in athletic operations at Wake Forest. She will manage the new Bridger Field House and new Indoor Tennis Center.

Amy Wallace was recently hired as an assistant women’s basketball coach at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA.

1995

Tanya J. Augustson is enrolled in the master’s program in mass communication/broadcast journalism at the University of Georgia in Athens, GA. She was awarded a full-tuition waiver and is a paid graduate assistant in the H.W. Grady College of Journalism. Previously she was an Internet production specialist/web designer for Aspen Sys. Corp. in Washington, D.C.

Daniel Baird (M.A) was recently featured in a Winston-Salem Journal article profiling his invention, the Wrap ’n Grwap, an elastic-and-velcro band that wraps around tools and other items and provides storage for accessories. He resides in Walkertown, N.C., and works full-time selling and marketing the Wrap ’n Grwap.

Randolph Childress has signed a contract to play the 1997-98 basketball season for Tofas of the Turkish professional basketball league.

Timothy J. Cohan (M.B.A) was recently promoted to project leader, business process and technology, at Philip Morris U.S.A. in Richmond, VA, where he resides with his wife, Hazel, and 2 sons, Alex (3) and Jake (1).

Nathalie Dalton received her M.A. in French studies from American University in August 1997. She is currently an import/export assistant for Surex International Corp., an import/export trading and holding company in Washington, D.C.

Clintond Harris Guyaux was promoted to commercial lending officer with PNC Bank. His wife, Brooke Harris Guyaux (’95), has accepted a new position with Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories as a pharmaceutical sales representative. The couple recently celebrated their first anniversary, and they reside in Gibsonia, PA.

John Clayton Matthews has joined the Raleigh office of Morgan Keegan & Co. as an investment broker.

Patrick A. Murphy has been promoted to R&D toxicologist in the scientific and regulatory affairs division of RJ Reynolds Tobacco Co.

Amber Rice is employed in the public relations dept. of U.S. News and World Report, which is based in Washington, D.C. She has recently been promoted to editorial publicist, working directly with the magazine’s editors and business managers to publicize the content and image of U.S. News across the country. She resides in Arlington, VA.

Lisa Snodgrass is a marketing representative for the Atlanta Braves. She has previously worked for the New York Yankees and Tampa Stadium. She enjoys traveling and spending time with friends.

Karen Mary Stoffan recently completed her master’s degree in chemistry from Duke University. She is now an associate scientist at Bristol-Meyers Squibb and resides in Milford, CT.

Julianne Surface has an internship at the World Trade Center North Carolina this summer and is now in her 2nd year of graduate school at N.C. State University studying political science. She is also the program assistant for the school’s Emerging Issues Forum.

Matthew Thompson is a second-year veterinary student at the University of Georgia in Athens. He still hopes to form a heavy metal band called the “Fetid Scours.”

Mike Warner was the keynote speaker at the Mayor’s Council on People with Disabilities annual awards banquet in Winston-Salem in October. He resides in Sturbridge, MA, where he writes columns and book reviews for the local newspaper. He is continuing to pursue his M.S. degree in professional communication at Clark University in Worcester, MA.

1996

Brian Brady is a legislative correspondent in the Pittsburgh, PA, district office of Pennsylvania State Rep. John R. Pippy. In January he will begin the M.A program in political communication at the Manship Graduate School of Political Communications at Louisiana State University.

Caroline Coln is a graduate student studying speech-language pathology at East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C.

Chad Curry will be graduating from business school at Rollins College in the spring of 1998.

Bryan Fleming is attending law school at SMU but wants to be a blackjack dealer in Las Vegas. He resides in Plano, TX, with his wife, Kara Kimzey.

John Green is attending medical school at Louisiana State University M edical Center in Shreveport, LA.

Garrick Isert has spent most of the last year as a freelance consultant for a management consultancy in London, England.
He will soon return to the United Kingdom to help write a book for the Financial Times.

**Emily C. Jones** is working towards her M S in the physical assistant program at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX.

Rusty LaRue signed a 1-year contract to play basketball with the Chicago Bulls of the NBA. In August he helped the U.S. basketball team win the gold medal in the Tournament of the Americas, held in Montevideo, Uruguay. He scored 11 points in the final.

**Brad More** has accepted a Fulbright fellowship to teach English in Villach, Austria, for the 1997-98 school year, after which he hopes to find a job in Europe or attend graduate school in the U.S. Previously he was a laboratory assistant for Pfizer, Inc.

Robert Neely completed his master's degree in journalism at Northwestern University. He is now an associate editor for Pro Football Weekly.

**Megan Elizabeth Ref** has just returned from 9 months in Pakistan and Afghanistan where she conducted research on ethnic conflicts in Asian countries, especially the economic and political impacts of such conflicts. Her research was funded by a Fulbright grant.

Todd C. Schaeffer is a first-year medical student at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Sharon Lynne Setzer is a second-year law student at Roger Williams University School of Law in Bristol, RI.

**M. Kyle Thompson** is enrolled in law school at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. He expects to earn his JD in 2000.

Tracy Thompson has been accepted to the school of medicine at the University of Miami, FL.

Elizabeth C. Todd (JD) has joined the firm of Allman Spry Leggett & Crumpler, P.A. in Winston-Salem. She will practice in the areas of domestic relations, civil litigation, and bankruptcy.

Stephanie Evans Ward works in the alumni relations office at the University of Portland, OR. She resides in the Portland area with her husband, Brian Ward, who is employed at Cargill.

1997

Ben Applebaum has been selected as 1 of 6 participants in the T-2000 “Entertainment Boot Camp” with the Turner Entertainment Group in Atlanta, GA. The 10-month program provides a chance to work with all of Turner’s entertainment networks. He is the first Wake Forest graduate selected for the program.

Tim Duncan won the McElvin Award, given annually to the ACC’s top male athlete, in July. Also in July, he signed a 3-year contract with the San Antonio Spurs of the National Basketball Association.

Erin Haygood (JD) has joined the staff of East Central Community Legal Services, a non-profit corporation that provides free civil legal assistance to low-income residents of Johnston, Wake, Harnett, Sampson, and Lee counties in North Carolina.

**M. Kyle Thompson** is enrolled in law school at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. He expects to earn his JD in 2000.

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Laura E. Coakley (‘95) and Andrew C. Woerner. 5/30/97
Julia Kate Harris (JD ‘95) and James Gregory Hatche (JD ‘93). 9/20/97
Amelia Page Hollis (‘95) and Robert Baker Shaffer III (‘96). 9/20/97
Bryan Fleming (‘96) and Kara Kimzey. 8/2/97
Stephanie Evans (‘96) and Brian Ward (‘96). 6/28/97
David Barrett (‘97) and Becky Hughes (‘97). 8/9/97

Births and Adoptions

1970s

Kyla Boone Fain (‘79) and Rick Fain, Weaver Cave, NC: son, Benjamin Clayton. 1/29/97

1980s

W. Scott Higgins (‘80) and Gita Higgins, Fishers, IN: son, Colton. 1/14/96
David Morgan (‘80) and Kim Morgan, Winston-Salem: daughter, Mary Katherine (Macy). 9/14/96
Terry W. Null (‘80) and Donna Null, Greensboro, NC: daughter, Anna Grace. 3/16/96
Mary Keeton Good (‘81) and Tim Good, Charlotte, NC: daughter, Kathleen Mary. 10/31/97
John J. Korzen (‘81) and Catherine Frier Korzen (‘82), Kennesville, NC: daughter, Christina Morgan. 3/22/96
Julia S. Wright (‘81) and Jay Wright, Rocky Face, GA: son, Jackson Thomas. 11/8/96
David B. Edwards (‘82) and Carol Edwards, Herndon, VA: daughter, Rebecca Lynn. 4/14/97
Chant Stiers Vaughn (‘85) and Bobby J. Vaughn, Statesville, NC: daughter, Mallery Elizabeth. 8/18/97
Elizabeth Mauney Baggerly (‘86) and Philip M. Baggerly, Ft. Worth, TX: daughter, Susanna Claire. 4/10/97
Jennifer Betts Fisher (‘86) and B. Scott Fisher, Aiken, VA: son, Wilson Alexander. 9/14/96.
Thomas T. Keane (MA ‘86) and Susan E. Boylan, Potomac, MD: daughter, Dorothy Rose. 10/4/97
Robert F. Millikan (88) and Joy M. Millikan, Raleigh, NC: son, Andrew Joel. 4/1/97
W. Scott Faircloth (‘89, MBA ‘96) and Tricia M. Gigure Faircloth (‘89, Greensboro, NC: daughter, Mary Scott. 3/21/97
Mike Lambert (‘89) and Cathy Lambert, Roswell, GA: daughter, Elizabeth. 8/25/97
Tom Siffringer (‘89), Charlotte, NC: son, Brenda Cain. 11/15/96

1990s

Tom Jones (‘90) and Phoebe Jones, Alexandria, VA: son, Andrew Bowry. 8/17/97
Elizabeth Senter Kester (‘90) and Thomas S. Kester (‘90, M A ‘92), Winston-Salem: son, Benjamin M. 10/27/96
Joseph L. Bell Jr. (JD ‘91) and Amy Batts Bell (‘84, rocky Mout, NC: son, Forrest Jefferson Bell. 6/24/97
Susan Vander Wagen Malnati (‘89) and Robert Malnati, Chicago, IL: son, James Daniel. 8/4/97
Ginger Carpenter Espino (‘91) and Byron Espino, Cary, NC: son, William Patrick. 7/12/97
Thomas Tobi Gee (‘91) and Sheila Gee, Glen Allen, VA: daughter, Mary Adelyn. 4/16/97
Susan Knipschild Smith (‘91) and Daniel Bruce Smith (‘91), Lilburn, GA: son, Daniel Brian. 6/10/97

Jake R. Austin (‘92) and Amber Smith Austin (‘92), Clayton, NC: son, Grant Stanford. 7/5/97
Amy George Berry (‘92) and Jason Berry, Winston-Salem: daughter, Emma Catherine. 5/3/97
Elizabeth Autrey Abernathy (‘93) and J. Brett Abernathy, Yadkinville, NC: daughter, Taylor Elizabeth. 7/19/97
Kyle Finnery M olohen (‘93) and Steve M olohen, Reston, VA: son, Reilly Evans. 8/3/97
Chris Berry (‘94) and Laura Cline Berry (‘94), Richmond, VA: son, Cameron Clynch. 8/12/97
Marc H unter Eppley (JD ‘95) and Wendy Eppley, Winston-Salem: son, Marc Hunter Eppley Jr. 8/19/97

Deaths

Alumni

George Thomas Rogers (‘19) April 8, 1997, Apex, NC
George P. Cullipher (31) January, 1997, New Bern, NC
Ernest H. reynolds (‘31, MD ‘31) October 8, 1997, Reidsville, NC. He was a native of Madiston, NC, and played varsity baseball at Wake Forest University. He served as a physician in the National Guard during WWII in Columbia, SC, and later became a member of the medical staff at Annie Steinhill Hospital in Reidsville, NC. He was a member of the Rockingham Co. medical Society, the N Carolina Medical Society, and the American Academy of Family Physicians. He retired from his full-time practice in 1988 but continued to serve at the blood bank in Greensboro and the Western Rockingham Family Practice Clinic in

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M adison until his full retirement in 1996. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Mildred Payne Reynolds; 3 daughters; 2 sons; and 10 grandchildren.

Samuel A. Justice (’33) August 7, 1997, Woodbridge, VA. He was a high school chemistry teacher, guidance counselor, and an employee of the state dept. of education in N.C. Carolina before serving in the Navy during World War II. He went to work at the U.S. Dept. of Labor in 1945 and was employed there for 37 years until his retirement in 1982 as director of foreign financed programs. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Agnes Wren Justice; 3 daughters; 2 sons; and 10 grandchildren; Mary Webb Walker; and Kathy Evers.

William Luther Wyatt Jr. (’35) M arch 6, 1997, Raleigh, N.C. Emmett Webb Ellis (’36) August 26, 1997, Asheville, N.C. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Kathryn; a son, Douglas M. Ellis; and 2 daughters, Mary Webb Walker and Kathy Evers.

Clyde C. Greene Jr. (’37) July 24, 1997, San Francisco, CA. He became the director of Pacific Telephone’s Medical Dept. in 1957 and retired from that position in 1983. During the mid ’80s, he served as a ship’s physician aboard the cruise ship Illini. He served as secretary-treasurer, president; editor, and historian for the American Society of Internal Medicine. He was presented with the Distinguished Alumnus Award by Wake Forest University and was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order.

Robert B. “Bob” Howard (’37) May 19, 1997, M orehead City, N.C. He was the retired general manager of Dick Parker Motors in Morehead City. He was a volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America for 55 years and received the Silver Beaver Award, the James E. West Award, and the Distinguished Citizens Award for the East Council for his service to the Scouts. He was president of the Morehead City Rotary Club and served as Rotary’s District Gov. of District 733 in 1980-81. He also was on the Board of Directors of Carteret Community College and was a staunch fundraiser for Hope Mission. In 1995 he received the Governor’s Award for Volunteering, which was presented by Gov. James B. Hunt. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Bitsy McCray Howard; a son, Bobby Howard; a daughter, Kathy Schantz; and one grandchild.

Bet Lee Shute (’37) May 31, 1997, Birmingham, A.L. He was a retired manager of GMAC-Motors Insurance Corp. He is survived by his wife, Sue Powell Shute.

Evan D. E. Ewer Anderson Sr. (’39) June 8, 1996, Newberry, SC

V.A. Jackson (’39, M ’39) March 1, 1997, Paducah, KY. He is survived by his wife, Marie Jackson.

James S. Nowell (’39, M ’41) August 10, 1997, Franklin, N.C. He served as a captain in the Signal Corps assigned to the Army Air Force during World War II. He retired in 1981 as an executive in the accounting division of New Jersey Bell Telephone Co. and devoted his retirement to working with his church. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lou Gordanier; a son, Andrew Gordanier; a daughter, Sandra Lee Smith; and 5 grandchildren.

James Harold Ward (’41) M arch 6, 1996, Plymouth, N.C. Herbert B. Cline Jr. (’42) August 12, 1997, Lovely, KY. He was a football and basketball standout at Wake Forest University and was inducted into the Wake Forest Hall of Fame in 1991. He was the retired board chairman of A.T. Massey Coal Company.

Gilbert W. Francis (’42) August 6, 1997, Boykins, VA. He practiced law in Boykins for 47 years. During World War II he served 4 years as an officer in the U.S. Navy and commanded a sub-chaser in the Pacific theater. He helped organize and was a former president of the South Hampton Co. Historical Society and served as chairman of the Board of Trustees for Rawls Museum Arts, Inc. He served on the Boards of Advisors of Chowan College and Virginia Wesleyan College. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Elizabeth Lincoln Francis; 3 sons: Gilbert W. Francis Jr., Richard L. Francis, and Jeffrey K. Francis; and 5 grandchildren.

Everett Dean Bergen (’43) June 6, 1997, Bethelhem, PA. He was a retired hospital chaplain. In 1967 the American Baptist Convention in Pittsburgh, PA, named him Institutional Chaplain of the Year, and the next year he received the Career Service Award from the Pennsylvania League for Civil Service. He served as adjunct faculty at Moravian Theological Seminary, Crozer Theological Seminary, and the Allentown, PA, Council of Churches School of Religion. He is survived by his wife, Lynn; and 3 daughters, Becky, Hannah, and Jean.

Burnell Preston Jones Jr. (’44) June 24, 1997, Danville, VA. He is survived by his wife, Rena Ann Devereux Jones.

Elmer O. Bean (M ’45) M arch 6, 1997, Fort M yers, FL

Raymond Edward Manieri (’47) August 7, 1997, West Palm Beach, FL. He was the president of M anieri Construction Corp. in Jupiter, FL.

Richard Alexander Williams (’47, JD ’49) September 23, 1997, Newton, N.C. He was an attorney with Waddell, Mullinax, Childs & Williams. He is survived by his wife of 47 years and a daughter, Martha Sharpe Burgess; a son, Curtis R. Sharpe Jr. (JD ’49); and one grandchild.


Garland Otho Gunter (’50) June 10, 1997, Richmond, VA. He was a retired professor from the University of Richmond.

Jimmy Walker Allen (’50) July 2, 1997, Thomasville, NC. He was a retired science and mathematics teacher. He is survived by his wife, M attei M ae Coulter Sharper; a daughter, Martha Sharpe Burgess; a son, Curtis R. Sharpe Jr. (JD ’49); and one grandchild.

Julian F. Keith Jr. (’49, MD ’53) July 18, 1997, Clayton, N.C. He was a former Forsyth County commissioner and was responsible for creating the Reynolds Health Center. He retired from the Wake Forest School of Medicine to run a drug-treatment program in Jacksonville, N.C., and went on to become the director of N.C. Carolina’s alcohol and drug-treatment program.


Curtis Randolph Sharpe (’49) July 22, 1997, Newton, N.C. He was a retired science and mathematics teacher. He is survived by his wife, M attie M ae Coulter Sharper; a daughter, Martha Sharpe Burgess; a son, Curtis R. Sharpe Jr. (JD ’49); and one grandchild.

Robert Dudley Smith (’51) August 16, 1997, Bullock, N.C. He is survived by his wife, Becky Smith; daughter, Beth Smith; and son, Bruce Smith.

Caylon Paul H unter (’56) June 21, 1997, Raleigh, N.C. She was a reference librarian in the Charlotte, N.C., Public Library for more than 30 years. She is survived by her mother, Willie Paul Hunter; and brother, John E. Hunter Jr.

Robin Ferrell McBride (’58) M arch 31, 1997. He was a...
Physician in Apopka, FL. He was chairman of family practice for Florida Hospital Orlando, a member of the staff of the Florida Hospital system, and on the consultant staff for Orlando Regional Medical Center. He was a diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice and a fellow of the American Academy of Family Practice. He is survived by his wife, Jackie McBride.


Susanne Stanley Brewer (‘63, M ‘67) January 17, 1997, Surfside Beach, SC

Christopher Dodge Kohler (’92) June 16, 1997, Lloyd Harbor, NY

Bradley Dennis Opheim (JD ’96) August 14, 1997, Cheshire, CT.

Faculty, Staff, and Friends

Anna Hanes Chatham October 9, 1997, Winston-Salem. She was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church and co-founder of The Gazebo in Reynolda Village. She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Thomas Lenoir Chatham; a daughter, DeWitt Chatham Kierstead; a son, Thomas Lenoir Chatham III; and 3 grandchildren.

Louise Lawrence Denham October 4, 1997, High Point. She retired from Wake Forest University in 1982 as a residence counselor. She is survived by 3 sons, John W. Denham, Robert D. Denham, and William L. Denham; 8 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Janet C. Hodges September 24, 1997, Winston-Salem. She was retired from the Controller’s Office.

Hazel A. Jordan September 1, 1997, Winston-Salem. She worked on the Reynolda Campus of Wake Forest from 1977 until 1990, when she retired as an administrative assistant in the Office of Student Services. She also worked in the Babcock Graduate School of Management.

Robert E. Lee August 21, 1997, Winston-Salem. He was professor emeritus and former dean of the Wake Forest School of Law. A native of Kinston, N.C., Lee earned both his bachelor’s and law degrees from Wake Forest in 1928 at the age of 20. During his long career at Wake Forest, which extended from 1946 until 1977, he was known as a difficult but engaging teacher, as well as a highly respected legal writer and a renowned expert on family law. As dean of the School of Law from 1946 to 1949, he was responsible for rejuvenating the school after World War II. As a professor Lee earned a reputation as an inspired lecturer, known for the colorful anecdotes he used in class. He was also a demanding teacher; his early years at the school were referred to as the “Reign of Terror” due to the highly technical questions he asked in class and on exams. Lee already had considerable experience when he came to work at Wake Forest in 1946. He served on the faculty of Temple University for 16 years, beginning when he was just 22. Lee was a prolific writer on legal issues. His syndicated column, “This Is The Law,” ran for 25 years. He published 18 books, including a four-volume treatise on family law in North Carolina that is his best-known work, and a biography of Blackbeard the pirate, which is still one of the few comprehensive portraits of the famous historical character. He is survived by a daughter, Betty Lee Recoulley; two sons, Robert E. Lee Jr. and Charles F. Lee; and seven grandchildren.

Richard Thomas Myers October 24, 1977, Winston-Salem. He was a former chair of the Department of Surgery at the School of Medicine and a recipient of the M Edallion of Merit, the University’s highest honor. After receiving his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1943, he joined the Wake Forest medical school in 1945. During his tenure as head of surgery, the department grew to include nine surgical sections with 45 full-time faculty members, 76 part-time members, and more than 550 surgeons in the residency program. Also under his leadership, the department developed an organ transplant program and became a leader in the field of joint replacement. Upon his retirement in 1984, the school established an endowed professorship and chair in surgery in his honor, and he became a trustee of Baptist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Myers; 4 children: Richard Thomas Myers Jr., John Henry Myers, Frances Myers Hyatt (‘82), and James Richard Myers (MBA ’92); and 3 grandchildren.

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1956

debut to Good People,

Robert E. Overstreet has served thirteen years as area minister on staff of the American Baptist Churches of Massachussetts, and has completed a four-year term as chair of the Executive Committee for Area Ministers of the American Baptist Churches, USA. He holds the degrees BD, STM, and DM in from Andover Newton Theological School. He and his wife, Vivian Butler Overstreet (57), will celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary in December.

1957

After eleven years of Baptist pastorates in Virginia and Georgia, Clive R. Buttemere is completing 25 years as a Baptist missionary to Costa Rica in Central America. Appointed by the International Mission Board of the SBC, he is the urban missionary serving the capital city of San Jose. Dedicated to urban Baptist church planting efforts, he has been instrumental in organizing more than a dozen Baptist churches to date. He and his wife, Nancy, plan to retire to the Western North Carolina/North Georgia area in 1999.

1959

Samuel E. Harvey, Jr. has been pastor of the First Baptist Church in Grifton, N.C., since 1988. He serves as a member of the Pitt County Mental Health Board, as seminary extension director and teacher for the South Roanoke Baptist Association, and as a member of the Wake Forest University Ministerial Alumni Council. Harvey holds the DM in degree from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA, and has pastored for 35 years in North Carolina and Virginia. He and his wife, Rosanna, have two children and two grandchildren.

1961

Nancy Brooks Detwiler, an ordained minister, has her own private practice, Bridging the Gap Ministries of Richmond, Virginia, in which she offers spiritual direction counseling and metaphysical classes with her ministry geared toward bridging the gap between traditional Christianity and New Age spirituality. Her first book, *A New Age Christian: My Spiritual Journey* was expected to be released in late October or early November of 1997.

1965

W.R. “Bill” Olatunji Ojo has spent his life devoted to ministry. After graduating from WFU, he obtained his BD and DM in degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY. Over the years he has been recording secretary of the Nigerian Baptist Convention, served as pastor in four Nigerian churches for a total of 17 years, worked as a Sunday school director for 18 years, led four Christian pilgrimages to the Holy Land, served as commissioner in the civil service of his State Department, and served on committees of the World Council of Churches and the Baptist World Alliance. Now retired, he and his wife, Grace, a retired school teacher, live at 34 M olete Street, Igbara-Oke, Ondo State, Nigeria. They devote their time to reading, counseling, and speaking to churches and Christian assemblies.

1966

Diane McDougall Barrett is the director of programs for Taylor Chapel United Methodist Church in Fort Wayne, IN. Her responsibilities include the Christian education program for all ages and other programming for adults and for children from birth through fifth grade. She is a certified lay speaker and has completed the UM requirements for certification in Christian education. In addition, she and her husband, Walter, are very committed to short-term mission service and have led youth and adult work teams in the U.S., Mexico, and the Caribbean.

1968

C. Ellis Leagans Jr., a SBC missionary, and his wife Judy continue to serve on the faculty of the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Cali, Colombia. Michael Queen has for the past eleven years been pastor of First Baptist Church in Wilmington, NC, and for the past two years has been president of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. He continues to serve Wake Forest University in ways such as holding a second term on the Board of Trustees, on committees that have worked over the last nine years to establish the Divinity School, and on the Alumni Council, the Alumni-in-Admissions program, the Poteat Scholars Interview Committee, and the Deacon Club.
1969

**Douglas T. Ramsey** is pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Ridgeway, VA.

1973

**Frank Dow** is the pastor of New Creation Community Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, NC, and also serves as the chaplain of the Greensboro Urban Ministry.

1978

**Lynne Mose Lepley**, a graduate of Duke Divinity School and an elder in the United Methodist Church, has been pastoring in the local parish for the past nine years. She is currently serving a 2-point charge in Iredell County and is doing curriculum writing for the Church of the Nazarene.

1979

**Donna Orsuto** is the founder of the Lay Center at Foyer Unitas, Rome, an institute whose aim is to provide an academic and community setting for lay theology students. She is also professor at the Pontifical Gregorian University, where in 1989 she completed her doctorate.

1980

**Don Flowers Jr.** has begun work as pastor of Providence Baptist Church in Charleston, SC. He is currently completing work in the doctor of ministry program at Emory University and resides in M. Pleasant.

1981

**Richard Wurst** has been pastor of Stony Creek Presbyterian Church in Burlington, NC, since 1990. He was ordained in 1987 and served the First Presbyterian Church in New Canaan, CT, for three years.

1982

**Dwayne Greene**, who received his M.A from WFU and a PhD in New Testament and Early Christianity from the University of Virginia, served as chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Chowan College from 1986-1990. He is now an associate professor of religion and chair of the Division of Humanities at Lee-Mcrae College. He and his wife, Carolyn, have two daughters, Patricia (10) and M. eredith (9).

1983

**Neal Jones** is currently enrolled in the doctor of psychology program at Baylor University and is completing his dissertation, “The Sayings of Jesus as Jungian Metaphor: Some Common Therapeutic Themes.” An ’86 graduate of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and the former pastor of a United Church of Christ and a Moravian congregation, he is currently the pastor of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Waco, Texas, where he resides with his wife, Toni.

**Carter Via** is the founder of a small non-profit organization called Bridges to Community, Inc. of Chappaqua, NY. After obtaining his M.Div from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1987, he was ordained into the Presbyterian Church (USA) and accepted a call to The Reformed Church of Bronxville, NY, where he served as the minister of outreach and congregational life with a program emphasis on developing “service” opportunities. In 1992, he felt the beginnings of a new call, left The Reformed Church, and for six months traveled through Central America doing research. He then founded Bridges to Community which takes volunteer teams (university teams, church teams, civic teams, etc.) into developing countries for an “intensive, intercultural, service-driven experience.” They have built primary schools, health clinics, water systems as well as created opportunities for doctors and nurses to address healthcare problems/issues. Anyone interested in this venture can contact him at (914) 238-8354 or via e-mail at BrdgstComm@aol.com.

1985

**James Allen Garrison** serves as chaplain with Hospice of Davidson County, N.C. He and his wife, Ruth Waddell Garrison, are the new parents of Jacob Nathaniel, born in September.

1987

**Kristina Madsen Johnson**, who received her M.Div in 1993 from Lutheran Theological Seminary and was ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), is filling pulpits around North Carolina and working in the Mount Airy City school system as a teacher/coordinator of English as a second language, while she awaits a permanent call to a parish. Her particular interests lie in Hispanic Ministry (she speaks Spanish) and youth ministry. She and her husband, Chris, also an ordained minister, had their first child, a son, Kip Robin, born September 29, 1997.

1992

**Kristen Bargeron** is beginning her second year in the master of divinity program at Duke Divinity School in Durham, N.C.

1993

**Elizabeth Jones Edwards** received her M.Div from Princeton in May 1997. She is now an associate pastor at Rosemary Baptist Church in Roanoke Rapids, NC.

**Gina R. McCarver**, who received her M.Div from Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond in 1996, is the associate youth minister at First Baptist Church in Greenville, SC. Last summer, she and her 74 youth and adults went to Taos, New Mexico, on their annual mission trip, where they conducted Vacation Bible Schools and worked on a house with Habitat for Humanity. She says she owes her view of God, Christianity and people “to her roots at Wake Forest.” She also is grateful to the First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem who helped fund her seminary education.

**Stephen Wehr** has completed his masters of divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, N.J., and is enjoying a three month residency at the Holy Monastery Thrir of the Archangel Michael in Rhodes, Greece.

1994

**Thomas Kevin Taylor** is a senior in the M.Div program at Princeton Theological Seminary. He is a certified candidate for ordained ministry in the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

1996

**Phillip Hunter French Jr.** of Fort Worth, TX, has enrolled in the master of divinity program at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other distinguished figures who participated in lectures, classes, and small group discussions included, TO P TO BO TTO M , A bbot Hyon Gak Sunim, a Buddhist monk; Arun Gandhi, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi; and Rev. Claudia Highbaugh, chaplain of Harvard Divinity School.
The Last Word

Paul D. Escott

The power to better  Let me say welcome to our new faculty members, and welcome back to all of you who are returning. I hope that the 1997-98 academic year will be a very successful one for every faculty member and student.

In the past I have used this letter to comment on a variety of matters, but this year I would like to offer just one central idea. We, the faculty, have the power to better Wake Forest in every way. We are at the heart of this institution’s mission, and through our actions as faculty members we can address virtually any problem that exists on campus.

Are some students not serious about learning? We can solve that problem by setting a high standard and holding them to it. Wake Forest students are bright and want to do well; if we challenge them, most will respond immediately.

Is our campus’s climate not intellectual enough? We can model the love of ideas, engage students in discussion of issues in and beyond our disciplines, and invite students to stimulating events on campus.

Do students need better guidance about individual decisions or organizational activities? They will listen to us if we approach them seriously.

Many alumni have told me about the individual faculty members whose questions and concern made the difference for them. We have great influence over students, and I can sincerely affirm that every office on our campus respects the faculty and the centrality of learning in our mission. As we begin a new year, let us as faculty use our influence, actively and ambitiously, for good.

Paul D. Escott is Dean of the College and Reynolds Professor of History at Wake Forest. The preceding was excerpted from his annual letter to the College faculty this fall.
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