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Farewell, Class of 2007

‘Success is something that happens through us,’ columnist Brooks tells graduates.

The Minton family from Connecticut knows how to do graduations. Two hours before the 9 a.m. start of Wake Forest’s 2007 Commencement on May 21, the family members of soon-to-be-graduate Stephanie Minton had already claimed four rows of seats—marked off by black-and-gold, triangle-shaped signs with her name on them—near the stage in front of Wait Chapel.

“This is our (family’s) fifteenth graduation since University of Virginia in 1983, but the first time here and the most southerly school we’ve been to,” said her father, Richard Minton, leading a group that included Stephanie’s mother, Carole, brothers, and thirty other assorted cousins, aunts and uncles and grandparents, ranging in age from 3 to 84, from six states. Family members had bottles of water with specially printed labels with trivia questions about Stephanie or Wake Forest. “She’s loved it here,” said Minton of his daughter’s experiences. Stephanie Minton, a business major, plans to work for a consulting firm in Washington, D.C.

She was among approximately nine hundred undergraduates and more than six hundred graduate and professional school students to receive diplomas on a picture-perfect day under cloud-free skies. “It’s a very sentimental
moment,” said Kunal Gupta, an economics major from Hagers-town, Maryland. “The four years went by very quickly. It’s sad that I may never see some of these students again. But it’s time to move on to greater things.”

Commencement speaker David Brooks, a columnist for The New York Times, told graduates in his address, “The Hidden River of Knowledge,” that success is not something that they will achieve individually. “Success is not something that we do or that happens to us. Success is something that happens through us,” said Brooks, a former foreign correspondent for The Wall Street Journal who has written his twice-weekly column for The New York Times since 2003.

He encouraged graduates to remember the examples set by great leaders, their parents, and others who have come before them as they navigate the river of knowledge. “They will remind you of your place in the hidden river of wisdom. They’ll serve as models. They’ll give you an honest perspective on how you’re doing. They’ll remind you that your blessings don’t come from you but from those who came before you.”

Honorary degrees were awarded to Brooks; The Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, a noted Catholic priest and a professor at Harvard University, who delivered the Baccalaureate address on May 20; former U.S. Senator Dale Bumpers of Arkansas, who delivered the address at the School of Law’s hooding ceremony; Wolfgang Schutz, president of the Medical University of Vienna, who delivered the remarks at the School of Medicine’s hooding ceremony; Harold L. Martin Sr., senior vice
president for academic affairs at the University of North Carolina; and Anne Firor Scott, a pioneering scholar of women’s history and professor emerita at Duke University.

Retiring faculty members from the Reynolda Campus and the Bowman Gray Campus also were recognized (see page 18). In his remarks, President Nathan O. Hatch encouraged graduates to be wary of the allure of success.

“It is a siren song that lures you to believe that a person’s worth is based strictly on your achievement, that success is the measure of all. I trust that your education at Wake Forest reinforced a different message...that your value and meaning in life is worth infinitely more than whatever credentials, promotions, and bonuses come your way.”

Graduates and their families filled some 12,000 chairs—2,000 more than last year—that stretched from the yellow-and-white-striped tent in front of Wait Chapel back toward Reynolda Hall at the other end of Hearn Plaza. It was the fiftieth anniversary of the first Commencement held on the “new” campus since Wake Forest moved to Winston-Salem in 1956, although Commencement wasn’t held on the Quad for the first time until 1966.

Nichole Burnap, a finance major from Mesa City, Arizona, said she was sad to see her undergraduate experience come to an end. “It’s been amazing, I wish I had another four more years,” she said. “It’s so pretty here, why would you ever want to leave.” Burnap will be back at Wake Forest in the fall to complete her master’s degree in accountancy from the Calloway School and will be back in the same spot next May, picking up her second Wake Forest degree.

— Kerry M. King (’85)
Among those receiving honorary degrees were noted Catholic priest the Rev. J. Bryan Hehir (above) and pioneering Southern historian Anne Firor Scott (with Harold W. Tribble Professor of Art Margaret S. Smith)
Robert K. Walsh is stepping down from the dean’s position next month after a remarkable tenure in which he not only transformed the law school into one of the leading schools in the country but also rose to become one of the top leaders in American legal education. As announced last summer, he will take a one-year sabbatical and then return to the classroom.

Walsh had a varied background—as a practicing attorney, a law faculty member at Villanova University, dean of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law, and finally a litigation partner with a law firm in Little Rock—that made him well-qualified in 1989 to become dean. The fact that he’s served for eighteen years—more than triple the national average length of a law deanship across the country—shows that Walsh and Wake Forest were a good fit, says Jim White, who served for twenty-six years as the chairman of the ABA’s legal education section.

“Bob’s been a remarkable dean,” said White, a faculty member at Indiana University. “It’s fair to say he made Wake Forest a truly national law school. Before he came, it was certainly a good school, but it was regional. As I now talk to people around the country, it’s clear that Wake Forest is one of the leading law schools in America. There is no doubt that he’s considered one of the real leaders in American legal education.”

During Walsh’s tenure, the law school moved into the Worrell Professional Center for Law and Management; opened the Legal Clinic for the Elderly; began the Master of Laws degree program for international lawyers; and started summer study programs in Vienna and Venice, where Wake Forest owns residential study centers. He also led the development and completion of two long-range strategic plans for the school and saw the school through two University-wide capital campaigns. Fundraising has increased student financial aid and supported the creation of four faculty chairs and three endowed professorships.

“He has tirelessly worked on behalf of the law school and raised the profile of the school through any number of activities,” said Bill Davis (JD ’66), a partner with Bell, Davis & Pitt in Winston-Salem. “He’s expanded the school and been able to attract excellent faculty members. He’s spent a lot of time with alumni. He’s just been an excellent dean.”

Under Walsh’s leadership, the school won a number of awards and honors, including membership in the prestigious Order of the Coif; the Emil Gumpert Award for Excellence in Trial Advocacy from the American College of Trial Lawyers; and the E. Smythe Gambrell Professionalism Award from the American Bar Association for its three-year comprehensive professional education program. In 2004, National Jurist magazine named Wake Forest the “best private law school for the money” in the United States, based upon such factors as bar passage rates, placement rates, and student-faculty ratio.

For fourteen of his eighteen years as dean, Walsh taught a course on federal courts. He is most proud of having hired one-half of the current tenure-track faculty. “The collegiality of the law faculty here is outstanding. They are national scholars but are still devoted to their teaching,” he said. “They are committed to educating students outside of the classroom as well, always giving of their time to meet with students, to judge moot court competitions, and to attend student events.

“Wake Forest is built around the idea of education that cares about each individual student. There is a whole sense of community here that is very different from other national universities.”

— Ellen Dockham
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JILL TIEFENTHALER, professor of economics and consultant to the president at Colgate University, has been appointed provost, the first female to hold that position in Wake Forest’s history. Since joining the faculty at Colgate in 1991, she also has served as chair of the economics department and associate dean of the faculty.

“Wake Forest is a first-rate institution with a wealth of resources: a rich tradition, a beautiful campus, a warm community, quality students, and, of course, a dedicated faculty,” said Tiefenthaler, whose appointment was announced in late April. As provost, she will be the University’s chief academic officer, with responsibility for academic programs on the Reynolda Campus. She will succeed William C. Gordon (’68, MA ’70), who is stepping down on August 1 after serving as provost since 2002.

A native of Iowa, Tiefenthaler earned her bachelor’s degree in economics in 1987 from Saint Mary’s College in South Bend, Indiana, and her master’s and doctoral degrees in economics from Duke University. She has spent her entire career at Colgate, a nationally recognized liberal arts university in Hamilton, New York. Her research interests have focused on labor economics, economics of the family, and development economics.

“Liberal arts universities, like Colgate and Wake Forest, have a special character,” Tiefenthaler said. “They provide students with the opportunities of a research university and the intimacy and community of a liberal arts college. They ask faculty to be productive scholars and committed teachers. But finding and maintaining the right balance requires the care and attention of the administration.”

At Colgate, Tiefenthaler gained experience in strategic planning, enrollment management, curriculum development, and faculty development and scholarship. She also was active in various community groups in Hamilton. She was a founding director of the Upstate Institute, created to bring together the resources of Colgate with the needs of the region. In 1991 and 1992, she was a consultant to the World Bank and worked on female labor force participation and earnings issues in Brazil.

Morant appointed law school dean

BLAKE D. MORANT, an associate dean of the law school at Washington and Lee University, has been named dean of the Wake Forest School of Law.

A native of Virginia, Morant earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Virginia. He attended Virginia on a U.S. Army R.O.T.C. scholarship and was commissioned as a second lieutenant upon graduation. He served several years as a captain in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General’s Corps before practicing law in Washington, D.C., first in private practice and later with the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Since beginning his academic career in 1988, he has taught at American University, the University of Toledo, the University of Michigan, and the University of Alabama. He joined the faculty at Washington and Lee in 1997 and is currently associate dean for academic affairs and the Roy L. Steinheimer, Jr. Professor of Law.
University extends sympathy, support to Virginia Tech

W ake Forest joined universities across the country in offering sympathy and support to Virginia Tech following the shootings there April 16. Among the thirty-two killed was a professor with ties to the School of Medicine through the joint Virginia Tech-Wake Forest University School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences.

Kevin Granata, 45, a professor in the Department of Engineering Science and Mechanics at Virginia Tech who taught in the joint program, was among those killed in Norris Hall. The program’s director, Wally Grant, a Virginia Tech engineering professor, was among those injured.

The joint program, which began in 2003, has sixty-five students, twenty-two of whom are based at Wake Forest. The students take classes on each campus and by video conferencing, but no Wake Forest students were on the Virginia Tech campus the day of the shootings.

Granata, who came to Virginia Tech in 2003 from the University of Virginia, was described by colleagues as a gifted scientist. His research focused on muscle and reflex response and robotics, including control of lower back pain and computer simulation of walking and running. His department chair described him as one of the top five biomechanics researchers in the country working on movement dynamics in cerebral palsy. Granata is survived by his wife, Linda, and three young children.

At a memorial service in Wait Chapel two nights after the tragedy, President Nathan O. Hatch said, “The author Joan Didion in her book *The Year of Magical Thinking* reminds us that ‘Life changes in the instant. The ordinary instant.’ It is, perhaps, our familiarity with the ordinary day on a university campus that makes this week’s tragedy at Virginia Tech intensely personal for each of us… On a university campus, where open doors and open minds are honored as powerful forces for good, we mourn the recognition that each event of this magnitude erodes our freedom in ways both subtle and overt.”

Hatch offered to send counseling faculty and staff to Virginia Tech, and three counseling professors—Sam Gladding (’67, MAEd ’71), Laura Veach (’79, MAEd ’82), and Donna Henderson—spent two days on the Virginia Tech campus, beginning April 23 when classes there resumed.

In the hours immediately after the shootings, Wake Forest officials began reviewing campus security measures. Wake Forest has a crisis management plan that is regularly updated. Through the years, the University has taken various measures to enhance security, including the addition of gates at the three entrances to the Reynolda Campus; at night, one entrance is closed, while the other two are staffed by security officers.
Students receive Goldwater Scholarships

Two students have been awarded 2007 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarships, the premier national scholarship for students majoring in mathematics, science, and engineering.

Junior Chris Jackson, from Lebanon, Virginia, and sophomore Patrick Nelli, from Gastonia, North Carolina, were among 317 students to earn the scholarship this year. Anne Fedders, a junior from Beckley, West Virginia, received an honorable mention in the scholarship competition.

Jackson, who is majoring in English with minors in neuroscience and chemistry, plans to pursue a medical degree and a doctorate in neuroscience. He has done extensive research with Susan Fahrbach, Reynolds Professor of Developmental Neuroscience, and at a behavioral neuroscience laboratory in Canberra, Australia.

Nelli, who is majoring in physics, plans to seek a doctorate in biochemistry. His research interests center on developing and discovering molecules that can be used in drug therapy and disease detection.

More than 1,100 students were nominated for the scholarship this year. The scholarship covers the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to a maximum of $7,500 per year for one year for recipients who are juniors and for two years for sophomore recipients.

University applies to host another Presidential Debate

Will the road to the White House run through Wait Chapel again? After hosting presidential debates in 1988 and 2000, Wake Forest has applied to host a debate in the fall of 2008. The Commission on Presidential Debates received proposals from nineteen sites to host debates; typically, three sites are chosen for presidential debates and one site for a vice presidential debate. The commission expects to select the sites in October.

Since the commission began sponsoring the presidential debates in 1988, Wake Forest and Washington University in St. Louis, which has hosted three debates, are the only sites to have hosted more than one debate. All three of the sites which hosted presidential debates in 2004—Washington University, Arizona State, and the University of Miami—submitted applications to host another debate, as did Centre College in Kentucky, which hosted a vice presidential debate in 2000.

Other colleges and universities submitting applications were Belmont University, Hofstra University, Indiana University, Ohio State University, University of Central Arkansas, University of Cincinnati, University of Mississippi, Washington State University, Wesleyan University, and a group of universities from New Orleans. The state of Illinois and civic groups in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Wayne County, Indiana; and Portland, Oregon, also submitted applications.

Sites submitting applications had to pay a $7,500 application fee to the commission and must be prepared to pay about $1.4 million in production costs to host a debate; Wake Forest has already begun lining up potential sponsors, should the University be chosen.

The 1988 debate at Wake Forest, between vice president George Bush and Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis, was the first sponsored by the Commission on Presidential Debates. The 2000 debate, between Vice President Al Gore and Texas Governor George W. Bush, drew more than 37 million television viewers worldwide.
To reward outstanding researchers and sustain their work, the National Institutes of Health occasionally award what are termed MERIT (for Method to Extend Research in Time) grants. If an NIH committee reviewing a grant-extension application considers the project to be exceptionally productive and promising, and if the researcher’s track record with his or her previous NIH grants is stellar, the committee can, at its discretion, extend the grant for up to ten years—double the normal maximum time frame, worth an estimated $3.4 million.

With the security of long-term funding, recipients can concentrate on achieving outcomes that might require more time without the distraction of reapplying for an extension after three or four years as is ordinarily required. Moreover, it’s a strong signal that the NIH, one of the leading scientific research funding agencies in the world, has confidence that one’s project is important and likely to yield solid results.

Not surprisingly, MERIT grants are seldom awarded. The requirements are rigorous and eligibility is restricted to projects previously ranked in the top 10 percent by their review committees and among the top 5 percent of current renewal applications. Only 5 percent of all NIH grant recipients receive one, and no one, to the best of anyone’s recollection, had received one on the Reynolda Campus.

But that changed this spring when Professor of Physics Daniel Kim-Shapiro was notified that he had received a MERIT Award from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) to continue his pioneering research on sickle-cell anemia. He is investigating, with collaborators that include Bruce King of chemistry and Mark Gladwin, chief of the NHLBI’s vascular branch and among the world’s foremost authorities in the field, the effects of nitric oxide in sickle-cell blood.

Sickle-cell anemia, which affects people of African descent disproportionately and is debilitating and often fatal, is caused by a mutation of the oxygen-carrying molecules in blood, called hemoglobin. Hemoglobin is carried through the bloodstream by red blood cells, which must squeeze through vessels smaller than they are to deliver oxygen to the body. In sickle-cell anemia, the red blood cells form rods and become rigid, which prevents them from passing through the apertures they must get through. Blockages form and tissues are deprived of oxygen and die.

Symptoms and related maladies include severe pain, stroke, pulmonary hypertension, gastric diseases, infection, and ischemic reperfusion injury—the reintroduction of oxygen into oxygen-deprived tissues.

Kim-Shapiro and his colleagues are probing the pathology of poor nitric oxide availability in the blood of sickle-cell sufferers. Nitric oxide acts as a relaxation agent that promotes free blood flow. In sickle-cell patients, red blood cells tend to break open and release their hemoglobin, which consumes the nitric oxide in the bloodstream.

In something of a breakthrough, the group has found that nitrite—the salt used to preserve sausages, which can become nitrosamines, a carcinogen, when ingested in certain quantities and conditions—is converted to nitric oxide in the body. Its hypothesis, which is controversial among some sickle-cell researchers, is that nitrite could be used to generate nitric oxide and promote better blood flow in sickle-cell anemia sufferers.

Having already filed a patent for the use of nitrite for treating certain cardiovascular conditions, the group seeks to understand more thoroughly how the nitrite-to-nitric-oxide conversion process works and then to pursue possible clinical applications of the salt in sickle-cell anemia treatment.

—David Fyten
Try to remember

Psychologist Janine Jennings studies aging’s effect on memory.

YOU MUST REMEMBER THIS: memory diminishes as time goes by. Janine Jennings has a remedy: play it again, man or ma’am. And again.

Ever since Jennings, an associate professor of psychology, was an undergraduate at the University of Toronto in her native Ontario, Canada, she has been fascinated by memory, the human capacity to store and recall past information. Her work as a doctoral student, a postdoctoral fellow, and, since 1998, a faculty member at Wake Forest, has touched on various aspects of the field, such as false memory and the positive and negative effects, respectively, of nicotine and anxiety on recollective ability.

Her major focus, however, is on aging’s effect on memory. With her research collaborators, she has devised and tested a promising instrument for training older adults to strengthen their powers of remembrance. In her earliest studies, Jennings worked with her doctoral studies mentor at McMaster University, Larry Jacoby, who is now at Washington University in St. Louis. At Wake Forest, she collaborates with departmental colleague Dale Dagenbach as well as her students.

According to Jennings, memory has two facets—familiarity and recollection. The distinction between them is best illustrated by an example. Suppose you are walking down the street and spot someone you think you’ve seen before; that’s familiarity. Then, you rack your brain trying to identify the person and the context in which you might have known him or her; that’s recollection.

Although scientists aren’t quite sure why, it is this latter facility—recollection—that tends to diminish as we age. She wondered: could it be strengthened through repetition and exertion, much as exercise can build the body’s muscles and cardiovascular function?

To test the hypothesis, she and her colleagues devised the following strategy. Elderly subjects, along with a control group of younger subjects, are shown on computer screen a list of thirty words and are asked to study them. Then they are shown a second list that contains some new words interspersed with words on the initial list, and they are asked to identify the new words. Complicating the process is the fact that each of the new words is repeated, causing subjects to confuse them with words from the initial list.

At first, says Jennings, older subjects have difficulty recalling that a word is repeated, even with only a few intervening items. But by having them repeat a sequence until they respond accurately, and then gradually increasing the intervals between repetition of a new word, Jennings’ group documented definite improvement in the elderly subjects’ recollective ability.

How long do the effects of the training last? Jennings’ group found that many subjects still exhibited positive effects four months after they had the training. What remains unclear is the extent to which the effects can be retained long-term. She’s now applying her findings to individuals with mild cognitive impairment, a precursor of Alzheimer’s disease.

—David Fyten
Distinguished panel discusses globalization

Four top business executives—all graduates of the Babcock Graduate School of Management—discussed the challenges facing American businesses in today’s global marketplace during a panel discussion on campus in April.

Narrated by Emmy Award-winning journalist Charlie Rose, the discussion, “Jumping the Sun: Creating Competitive Advantage in an Increasingly Flat World,” featured panelists Charlie Ergen (MBA ’76), founder, chairman, and chief executive officer of EchoStar Communications/DISH Network; John Medica (MBA ’83), former senior vice president of the consumer product group at Dell Inc.; Ken Thompson (MBA ’76), president and CEO of Wachovia Corporation; and Eric Wiseman (’77, MBA ’88), president and chief operating officer of VF Corporation.

Trustees approve new tuition, budget

The Board of Trustees has approved tuition rates for 2007–08 and a $289 million budget for the Reynolda Campus, an increase of 8.3 percent over the current budget. Tuition for undergraduates will rise 6.8 percent from $32,040 to $34,230. Tuition increases in the graduate and professional schools will vary depending on the school and program.

The new budget provides a 10 percent increase in funds available for undergraduate faculty salaries, although actual raises will vary. Staff salaries were also increased by varying amounts, with those on the lower end of the pay scale receiving larger increases. Deans in the graduate and professional schools set salaries for faculty and staff in their schools.

University sells Gettysburg painting

Wake Forest has sold the Gettysburg cyclorama, the massive 1880s painting depicting the epic Civil War battle, to a group of private buyers. The buyers, who were not identified, hope to resell the painting to an institution that can properly display it to the public. The University did not disclose the purchase price.

The cyclorama, at one time the largest oil painting in the world, has been in storage since it was donated to the University eleven years ago by now-deceased local artist Joe King, who had purchased it in 1965. A second Gettysburg cyclorama, by the same French artist, Paul D. Philippoteaux, is on display near the battlefield in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
Angelou donates collection to ZSR Library

Since 2001, Reynolds Professor of American Studies Maya Angelou has donated movie scripts, drafts of plays, and other materials related to her work in movies, television, and theatre to Wake Forest. Angelou, who joined the faculty in 1981, was honored for her donations at a reception this spring.

Altogether she has donated hundreds of thousands of pages in the last six years. Many of the materials are handwritten on legal pads or in notebooks; printed documents often include handwritten margin notes or corrections.

Among the highlights are materials related to the movie “Georgia, Georgia” (1972); the television show “Sister, Sister” (1982); and the movie “Down in the Delta” (1998). The materials are housed in the Z. Smith Reynolds Library and are available to the public.

Art professor’s work featured in magazine

Paintings by Page Laughlin, professor and chair of art, were featured in the May issue of Traditional Home magazine. Laughlin’s large-scale oil paintings are based on photos of room interiors. One of her paintings, “Mirror, Mirror 2000” is in the permanent collection at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh.

Magazine ranks Calloway highly

BusinessWeek magazine has ranked the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy 17th on its list of the top 50 undergraduate business schools in the United States. To identify its top schools, BusinessWeek surveyed business students and undergraduate recruiters, and examined several areas, including teaching quality, facilities and services, and job placement.

Debate team wins JV National Championship

Two members of the debate team won the Junior Varsity National Championship in March. Sophomore Lauren Sabino of Canton, Ohio, and freshman Kurt Woolford of Wichita, Kansas, won the tournament by defeating a team from Binghamton University in the final round. Freshman teammates Elise MacNamara of Miami, Florida, and Hannah Rothman of Bronx, New York, reached the top sixteen.

Professor’s book traces history of Virginia

Professor of History Anthony S. Parent, Jr., is one of four authors to chronicle the history of Virginia in a new book, Old Dominion, New Commonwealth: A History of Virginia, 1607–2007 (University of Virginia Press). Parent, who wrote the first three chapters of the book, traces the natural history of the region and provides an overview of some of its earliest inhabitants. “For decades, we have lacked a modern account of Virginia’s rich, tumultuous, and consequential history,” said Nelson D. Lankford, editor of the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography. “Now, we have it.”

Concert Choir performs abroad

The Wake Forest Concert Choir was scheduled to perform for the first time in Europe late last month, with several concerts in Austria. About forty students—including recently graduated seniors—under the direction of Associate Professor of Music Brian Gorelick, were expected to make the trip.

Correction In the article “Rhodes Run” in the March issue of Wake Forest Magazine, one past winner of the Rhodes Scholarship was omitted: Paul Edgar Hubbell, class of 1912.
University Advancement announces staff changes

The University Relations office has been reorganized to better serve the needs of alumni, parents, and friends of the University. Vice President James R. Bullock (’85, MBA ’95) announced the following staff changes this spring.

Robert T. Baker, formerly assistant vice president and director of development, has been named associate vice president and director of University development, with responsibility for overseeing major gifts, planned gifts, and corporation and foundation relations.

Minta Aycock McNally (’74), formerly assistant vice president and director of alumni activities and annual support, has been named associate vice president and director of parent and donor relations.

Betsy Chapman (’92, MA ’94), formerly director of alumni and parent programs, has been named director of alumni communications. Vada Lou Earle (’85), formerly travel and reunion director, has been named director of alumni programs such as Homecoming and class reunions.

Emily Neese (’81), formerly director of administration and planning in the University Advancement office, has been named assistant vice president and director of constituent development. She will be responsible for overseeing the development programs for all the Reynolda Campus professional schools and the Reynolda Campus Annual Funds.

Blake Absher (’84), previously manager of database marketing at Lorillard Tobacco Company, has joined the office as director of the College Fund and annual support.

The Office of Special Events is moving from University Advancement to the President’s Office. Jennifer Richwine (’93), formerly director of special events, has been named director of University events and assistant to the president. Brandi Cleveland, formerly assistant director of special events, has been named assistant director of University events.

WFU BMC adopts single-CEO structure

The governing boards of North Carolina Baptist Hospital and Wake Forest University Health Sciences have adopted a new, integrated organizational structure with one CEO who will oversee Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

Baptist Hospital and Health Sciences, which includes the Wake Forest School of Medicine, will remain separate entities, and no assets will change hands. Both also will retain separate boards of directors; an existing Medical Center board will be enlarged. The new CEO will report to the enlarged Medical Center board, which will develop a unified vision and strategy for the entire Medical Center.

Also, a new organization will be created for the group medical practice, Wake Forest University Physicians, Inc., with its own president reporting directly to the Medical Center CEO. Both Richard Dean, the president of Wake Forest Health Sciences, and Len Preslar, the president of Baptist Hospital, will remain in place as the Medical Center adopts the new structure.

The move toward a single-CEO organizational model is becoming more common at academic medical centers and is already in place at Johns Hopkins University, New York University, and the University of Chicago.
Russ Hobbs (second from left) with his wife, Barbara, and his parents.

Russ Hobbs (’88) donates $1 million for entrepreneurship

Russ Hobbs (’88), an entrepreneur and founder of Blue Ocean Software, has donated $1 million to the Office for Entrepreneurship and the Liberal Arts, the first major endowment gift to the office.

Hobbs, who lives in Tampa, Florida, established the Russell D. and Elfriede Hobbs Fund for Entrepreneurship and the Liberal Arts in honor of his parents. The fund will provide seed grants, internships, and other funds for undergraduates who want to launch socially beneficial organizations, including charitable, educational, scientific, and artistic enterprises. The gift will also fund major prizes for entrepreneurial ventures each year.

“Wake Forest’s innovative approach to entrepreneurial education is unique in that it extends beyond the traditional definition of entrepreneurship to encompass scientific, intellectual, social, and artistic value creation as well as economic,” Hobbs said. “Combined with Wake Forest’s strong liberal arts education and focus on its motto, Pro Humanitate, I feel this program is leading the way in educating a new generation of entrepreneurs for the twenty-first century.”

After graduating from Wake Forest with a degree in philosophy, Hobbs began working in the information technology department of a large company. In 1990, he started Blue Ocean Software with $6,000, and within ten years, it had become a leading developer of help desk, PC inventory, and full-featured systems management solutions. Hobbs sold the company in 2002 to Intuit.

Bob McCreary (’63) gives $2.3 million to athletic program

Former football player Bob McCreary (’63) has committed $2.3 million to the athletic department, including $2 million for Deacon Tower, now under construction at Groves Stadium. The main plaza area around the tower will be named the Bob McCreary Plaza.

In addition, McCreary will continue his membership in the Moricle Society, the highest giving level in the Deacon Club. He also has committed for ten premium seats in Deacon Tower, pushing his total commitment to $2.3 million.

“The scholarship that was provided to me and the education I received enabled me to excel in business and life,” said McCreary, owner of McCreary Modern Furniture in Newton, North Carolina.

Construction on Deacon Tower began in January and is expected to be completed in time for the start of the 2008 football season. The seven-story $40 million building will include private boxes, premium seating, media seating, and the President’s Box.

Scholarship honors Mark and Shirley Reece

The Family of the Late Dean of Students Mark Reece (’49) is matching gifts to a memorial scholarship established in honor of Reece and his late wife, Shirley Parker Reece (’50). The Mark and Shirley Reece Scholarship Fund is a need-based scholarship for undergraduates.

Reece served Wake Forest for more than thirty years, the last twenty-five as dean of men and dean of students, before he retired in 1988. He died in 1997; Shirley Reece died last January.

Gifts may be made to the Reece Scholarship Fund, Wake Forest University, P.O. Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Freshman Patrick Russell from Lockport, New York, and sophomore Christopher Langley from Suwanee, Georgia, received the Reece Scholarship this past year.
The Prime Ministership of Tony Blair effectively ended in mid-May. His decision to stand down in favor of a yet-to-be-named successor closes a story of meteoric rise and spectacular decline. It is not a story well known or understood here, but it needs to be; for there are American dimensions to it, and American lessons to be drawn from the trajectory of so important a political career.

Tony Blair arrived in power as the British equivalent of Bill Clinton, full of self-confidence and promise. He leaves office as the British equivalent of George W. Bush, full of bluster and tarnished by defeat.

Like Clinton, Tony Blair broke the seemingly invincible grip on executive power exercised in the 1980s by parties of the Center-Right: here by Reaganite Republicans; in London, by Thatcherite Conservatives. Like Clinton, he made that unexpected breakthrough by first stealing and then softening conservative political clothes.

With a self-confidence rare in young and untested politicians, Blair—in an uneasy partnership with the man most-likely to succeed him, his finance minister Gordon Brown—remade the British Labor Party in Margaret Thatcher’s image. Out went the programs and symbols of old-style socialism and the close relationship with the trade unions. In came the endorsement of globalization, enthusiasm for private enterprise, and an aping of all things American. Blair and Brown even called their American style welfare-to-work program their “New Deal.” You don’t get much more American than that.

From the outset of his years in power, Tony Blair positioned the UK close to the US. The RAF policed the Iraqi no-fly zone alongside American jets. UK bombs, not just US ones, drove the Serbs out of Kosovo; and, after 9/11, Blair’s UK stood shoulder to shoulder with America as both moved to defeat the Taliban.

The confidence with which Tony Blair pulled the Labor Party away from old-style radicalism, positioning it in the very center of UK politics, brought unprecedented initial electoral success. In 1997, the British Conservative Party went down to its heaviest defeat since 1832. In 2001, it entirely failed to dent Labor’s huge parliamentary majority.

With two election victories of that scale, Tony Blair seemed set for permanence in office and a special place in the history books.

Yet it was not to be. Human frailty and policy mistakes intervened. Blair the prime minister became increasingly Blair the president. Self-confidence gave way to hubris. Tensions between Brown and Blair intensified. The move of Labor Government policy to the right continued unabated.

Abroad, in 2002 Tony Blair became point man for George W. Bush in the demonization of Saddam Hussein. In 2003, brooking no opposition, he took the UK into what quickly became an unpopular war. At home, Blair pushed Thatcher-like, market-based reforms into publicly provided welfare services and turned for party funding to many of his millionaire friends. Such foreign and domestic initiatives then divided his once united party and opened up an electoral space on Labor’s left. Blair’s credibility as world statesman was an early casualty of the continuing nightmare that is Iraq.

His popularity at home was an early casualty of his unremitting
enthusiasm for welfare reform. He and his immediate circle were even caught up in a corruption scandal linked to party finance. All they lacked for total disaster was a good sex scandal—and in 2006 his deputy prime minister even provided him with that.

Outflanked on his left even by David Cameron’s revamped Conservatives, May 2007 then brought the final nail in the Blairite coffin: Labor’s defeat in local elections in Scotland. Scotland—the land of Blair’s birth and long the bedrock of Labor’s core constituency—is now in the hands of a Scottish National Party keen for independence. Whoever, in 1997, could have anticipated that!

History will no doubt judge Blair more kindly than currently do the majority of his contemporaries. In the 1990s he undoubtedly pulled UK politics away from the excesses of Thatcherism onto the more center ground that the majority of UK voters prefer. Indeed, it is a measure of the strengths of the man and his project that the Conservative Party, which Margaret Thatcher once led, can now only regain power by distancing itself from her. The only route to power in the UK for the Conservatives under David Cameron is to out-Blair Blair himself. Yet that such a route is both credible and available in 2007, as it was not in 2001, also points to deep flaws in Blair the man and Blair the project—flaws of pride in the man and flaws of conservatism in the project—that may yet cost the British Center-Left dear, and from which the Democratic Party could well learn.

For if a David Cameron victory in the next UK general election is Tony Blair’s ultimate legacy to his embattled Labor Party, and it might very well be, then Margaret Thatcher’s revenge will have been sweet indeed: which is why there must be no long-term canonization of Tony Blair. For all his initial success, progressive politics on both sides of the Atlantic now needs more principled and less haughty leadership than he ultimately provided.
Wake Forest bids farewell to four illustrious professors who spent their entire careers at the University influencing four generations of students.
The route from the mountain town of Hendersonville in western North Carolina to Winston-Salem was serpentine in the late fifties, but it was a veritable crow’s flight compared to the figurative route that Michael Sinclair (’63) took from there to here.

It seems fitting, then, that the primary destination of the journeys of the mind on which the history professor took so many students over the years would be, for many Americans, the world’s most inscrutable and inaccessible: China.

Sinclair, who has retired from teaching after spending nearly four decades on the faculty, was the first full-time faculty member in the East Asian Studies program and for many years the history department’s only specialist in China and Japan. As one who participated in faculty searches and worked with those who came, he was instrumental in cultivating the increase in faculty and interest in East Asia at the University over the years.

Sinclair wanted to go to college after graduating from Hendersonville High in 1958, but he didn’t have enough money. So he enlisted in the Air Force. After attending cryptology school, he was assigned to the National Security Agency and spent twenty-six months in the Philippines, setting aside four dollars for discretionary spending every payday and banking the rest.

“Needless to say, I spent a lot of my off-duty time in the [base] library,” he says. “I also worked as an unpaid staff member at the local Armed Forces Radio and Television Service affiliate. I started as a disc jockey and worked my way up to sports director, doing the evening sports broadcast, a Saturday special, and play-by-play of football games.” While on duty, a major focus of his work was China.

Following his discharge in 1960, Sinclair enrolled at Wake Forest, but money was still in short supply, so he accelerated his studies to graduate in three years. He enrolled at Stanford University on a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship to study European history, but in his second year there, an opportunity cropped up that would sharply alter the course of his career.

“To counteract over-specialization [in academe] and encourage greater expertise in East Asia, the Ford Foundation developed, with Stanford, a double doctorate program in either U.S. or European history, and Asian history—either Japan or China,” he says. “I chose China, as so much more concentration, comparatively speaking, was being given to Japan. It was a wonderful opportunity, because the best history, as has been said, is comparative history.”

Sinclair, whose Stanford program included four years of formal study of the exceedingly difficult Chinese language, completed his doctorate after returning to Wake Forest in 1968. Besides his teaching and scholarship, he did consulting and translating with local businesses and worked with the public school system in developing East Asian programs.

Sinclair, who retired from teaching last year after being diagnosed with cardiac problems, recalls fondly the many students in whose lives he made a difference over the years. He still meets with students and continues his research, hoping to find the time to do a lot of the writing he put off due to other commitments.

—David Fyten
When the economics department posted a message on its Web site in January asking former students of professor John Moorhouse to share their memories of him for a retirement tribute, accolades poured in from around the country. His life’s work in Wake Forest’s classrooms across four decades elicited tributes from scores of grateful former students—now attorneys, bankers, business executives, and university professors—on the difference he had made in their lives.

“In my opinion, his best teaching was old-fashion lecturing, professor to student,” says Graham, who led the tributes for Moorhouse at a retirement dinner in February. “But others insist that he was exceptional in using questions to induce students to think in new ways. Virtually every class would have several extended Socratic dialogues.”

His tough questions stimulated many a memorable classroom discussion, but pity the poor student who showed up for class unprepared—probably for the last time—once they experienced his soft-spoken, but direct and often witty admonishment that perhaps it would behoove them to study next time. “I remember him as a wit, a raconteur, a scholar of deep knowledge, and a teacher with a remarkable ability to make his knowledge accessible to students,” says Jacob Lyles (05), an investment-banking analyst with Friedman Billings Ramsey in Arlington, Virginia.

Students visiting his office on the eighth floor of the Z. Smith Reynolds Library, or, for the last fourteen years on the second floor of the old law school in Carswell Hall, could expect wise counsel and encouragement, and some stern advice if the situation called for it. His classes in microeconomic theory and monetary theory provided a solid foundation for students pursuing careers in banking, finance, or other areas.

“He set a standard for clarity in classroom instruction that few matched during the remainder of my academic career; he had a knack for being able to explain the complexities of the subject matter very directly,” says Jim Hogan (71), senior vice president of Colonial BancGroup in Orlando, Florida. “Even today, I often fall back on the basic theories that I learned in his micro class.”

Moorhouse had a wonderful rapport with students, says Dave Felman (79), a corporate attorney in Tampa, Florida, who helped raise donations to establish a fund to support research and lectures in the economics department in Moorhouse’s name. “The remarkable thing about him was, students who had him decades ago would say he was the one who put them on the right course, and students who had
him more recently would say that as well. A lot of people can do something well for four or five years; he did that for thirty-seven years.”

A native of Pennsylvania, Moorhouse graduated from Wabash College in Indiana, a small liberal arts college for men—where he was a champion debater—and received his Ph.D. in economics from Northwestern University. In 1969, he joined the Wake Forest faculty as only the fourth professor at the time to teach economics in the Charles H. Babcock School of Business Administration, which was beginning its transformation into a graduate school; undergraduate courses in economics, as well as accountancy and business, were shifted into the college. Moorhouse received the University’s Excellence in Teaching Award in 1972.

“He was legendary as a teaching professor,” says Professor of Economics Don Frey, who joined the faculty three years after Moorhouse. “He was also actively engaged in professional writing and research, which was not the norm in the department or at Wake Forest at the time. And he was steadfast; he kept that up over the years.”

His research touched on a broad range of interests, from housing and rent control, to insurance, electric utilities, and federal spending. Brent Wanner (’03), a mathematical economics major who plans to pursue a Ph.D. in economics, co-authored a recent paper on gun control with him. “He was generous to include me in his work and in many ways made me feel as though I were a colleague collaborating on the project instead of simply a student,” he says.

In 1976, Moorhouse and now retired mathematics professor John Baxley created the mathematical economics major, one of the first programs of its kind in the country. About eight to twelve students graduate with the degree each year. Baxley, who co-taught a mathematical economics seminar with Moorhouse for years, says he “was one of the best classroom teachers I’ve ever seen. He had a conviction that teaching and research should go together; his research influenced what he did in the classroom and his teaching influenced his research.”

As chair of the economics department from 1981 to 1985, Moorhouse led a restructuring of the economics core curriculum that is still in place today. He created the Law and Economics course and sent many a student on to law school—which he had once considered himself—prompting colleagues to gently chide him that more of his students were pursuing careers in law than economics.

One of his earliest students was Dan Hammond (’72), who, after earning his Ph.D., rejoined his professor in the department as a colleague in 1978. “John’s monetary theory course was the seed from which my entire scholarly career has developed,” says Hammond, now the Hultquist Family Professor of Economics. “He expected students to meet high demands. He had confidence that if students put their minds to it they could do it.”

—Kerry M. King (’85)
Howell Smith grew up in the forties and early fifties in Farmersville, Texas, an onion-growing town of two thousand, thirty miles north of Dallas. Much of rural Texas, poor and lacking basic amenities, was captivated back then by the liberal agrarian populism of politicians like Lyndon Baines Johnson. As a boy, young Howell pumped water, bathed in a No. 3 tub, trapped rabbits, did chores around the family farm, and attended a two-room schoolhouse. His father and mother—schoolteachers as well as farmers—taught him the ways of a small farm town while friends took him to Dallas Symphony Orchestra concerts. His small high school needed every one of its male students to play football, so Howell signed up. “You didn’t have to be good—just present,” he quips. In summers he worked in Farmersville’s onion sheds side by side with migrant workers and paid no attention to the fact that they were Mexicans. “I was brought up by parents,” he says, “who taught me to respect everybody.”

Those who would assess Howell Smith’s forty-two-year tenure on the Wake Forest history faculty and the legacy he leaves behind him on the occasion of his retirement from full-time teaching might find clues in his upbringing. He will continue to teach two courses in the fall for the next few years.

A proponent of racial harmony, he initiated—and, for twenty years, taught—the University’s first courses in African-American history. As a mentor to student organizers, he championed symposia on the war in Vietnam, social change, and other contentious topics in the late sixties and early seventies. During his time as chair from 1987 to 1995, the department committed
to diversification and a global perspective in its curriculum and faculty, hiring women and an African-American, and experts in Latin-American, African-American, Middle Eastern, and Asian history. Being raised by schoolteachers and attending classical music concerts helped him become a learner who valued erudition, culture, and the life of the mind.

Factor in his superior teaching skills, his years of service as pre-law advisor, and his accessible, avuncular demeanor and it is not surprising that more than a few alumni list him among their favorite faculty members.

After obtaining his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Baylor and Tulane universities, respectively, Smith enrolled as a doctoral student in twentieth-century American history at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1961. A Rockefeller Foundation-funded program that subsidized the graduate studies of young scholars who agreed to teach in the South for several years paid for his expenses. Wake Forest qualified geographically, so in 1965, he accepted his first and only academic job at the University.

“When I joined the history department, it still had a large preponderance of faculty members from the South and who had come from the Old Campus,” said the burly and bearded Smith in a recent interview in his corner Tribble Hall office that must be among Wake Forest’s—how to put this—most space- and tidiness-challenged. “The curriculum was heavily weighted to Southern history. Almost all of the faculty belonged to Wake Forest Baptist Church and college matters would be hashed out over church suppers. Departments were careful not to schedule events at times that would compete with other events elsewhere on campus. Much of the faculty had lived in Faculty Apartments. It was a true community; a very cozy time.”

Although progressive internal and external factors soon dissipated that sense of coziness, the country’s changing cultural and political tenor resonated with Smith’s liberal instincts. In 1968, he developed and started teaching courses in African-American history and launched, with the late English professor Tom Gossett, January-term African-American study trips to Washington, D.C., and New York’s Harlem district. He also backed the efforts of students who sought to air the day’s most urgent issues in forums and symposia.

Across the decades, Smith designed and taught a host of provocative courses, among them, one he titled The Last Decade of Optimism. “It covered the mid-fifties to the mid-sixties, when Americans still thought they could fix things,” says Smith, who helped establish a Big Brothers/Big Sisters chapter in Forsyth County and served as state director of National History Day. “You won’t find too many who think that today. Forty-five or fifty years ago, people thought the [economic] pie would get bigger, and could be shared equitably and justly with others without it costing you. That notion had pretty much died by the late sixties.”

A good many history faculty members retired during Smith’s tenure as chair from 1987 to 1995, and in its hiring the department held to its commitment to diversify its gender and racial composition and expand its global coverage. His appointments included Anthony S. Parent Jr., the department’s first tenured African-American professor who assumed the teaching of African-American history from Smith; Sarah Watts, an economic historian whose research has delved into a host of political and cultural topics; Simone Caron, a U.S. social historian who developed courses in women’s history and medical history and who has become the department’s first female chair; and Bill Meyers, a noted Latin-American historian. To enrich faculty morale and cohesiveness, he took an office on the ground floor of Tribble Hall’s B Wing, thought by some to be a less desirable location.

Smith, who met his wife, Jeanette, at Baylor and has two grown children with her, has served under four presidents at the University and witnessed a lot of change over the decades. “In the past, our faculty were primarily teachers,” he notes. “Now, our teachers-scholar ideal compels us to ask our faculty members to do more than they would be asked to do elsewhere. Many of them could be outstanding at institutions whose primary mission is research. Our challenge is to find people who want to be at a place where minds grow and to make the balance we ask for acceptable to them so they can feel comfortable here for the long term.”

He sees a different challenge confronting students. “A lot of them come in all prepped and polished,” says Smith. “Many of them already have seats reserved for them on the other side of the door of opportunity. What Wake Forest can do is help them know and understand how to leverage that power for their own benefit and the common good. We want them to be proud of what they have done with the power they hold twenty years out.”

—David Fyten
When Professor of Religion John Collins arrived on the Wake Forest campus in 1970, he was the only faculty member teaching a religious tradition other than Christianity. Today, students benefit from the knowledge of faculty members who are experts in Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, and in Near East studies. Professors with Australian, Asian, and African ethnicity complement what Collins deems a beautifully diverse department—one that Collins himself is largely responsible for fostering.

“My function has been to make the religion department more inclusive and diverse. Thirty-seven years ago, I was the only person teaching anything other than Christianity. Today, Wake Forest is a global university, and that was my mission when I came here.”

“John was the first scholar hired in our department who focused on Eastern religious traditions, so his hire was a watershed for the department,” says Stephen Boyd, Easley Professor of Religion and chair of the religion department. “He’s been with us during a time when we have increasingly diversified the department in terms of gender, race, nationality, ethnicity, and religious tradition.

“He has mentored young faculty who have not always felt comfortable at Wake Forest, and therefore, he has borne a great deal of responsibility for the kind of department we have become. It hasn’t always been easy, both inside the department and within the University, for us to grow this way. We are very grateful for his contribution,” says Boyd.
A native of Knoxville, Tennessee, Collins completed undergraduate and graduate school studies in physics at the University of Tennessee. “I always wanted to be a teacher but didn’t want to teach physics,” Collins says of his path from science to religion. “I grew up in a Southern Baptist home with wonderful instruction in religion, so it was natural that I’d be drawn to religion. After enrolling in a philosophy class in Eastern traditions because it was the only class in the whole school that had anything to do with religion, I knew it was exactly where I needed to be.”

Collins’ teaching style has focused on meeting the needs of each individual student and adapting his techniques to the topic and individuals at hand. He’s enlightened hundreds of students not by lecturing about ritual and communion but by donning a Screamin’ Demons t-shirt. “We have a community here at Wake Forest and we should identify ourselves as a community and think of how good we feel when we’re all yelling for the same thing. In addition to the t-shirt, I would project the University seal on the screen and discuss its meaning to make sure my students understood what Wake Forest is all about.”

Over the years, computers, the Internet, e-mail, and blogs have brought people and resources to Wake Forest from the other side of the world—bringing to students and professors alike data and details that would have been onerous, if not impossible, to find when Collins first started teaching. “Research used to be difficult, but now you can find a group of people who are discussing your specific interest with no problem, and this is one of the best things Wake Forest has ever done—giving us easy access to information.”

As the faculty, curriculum, and access to information have changed, the students have changed too. “The students who came to Wake Forest in the ’70s were liberal students—not liberal in terms of world understanding, but liberal in terms of the Baptist world. When I first arrived, my classes on Buddhism, Hinduism, and Taoism would fill up and I’d have to teach two sections. Our culture today, however, is much more pragmatic and interested in the bottom line. One would expect that students coming to Wake Forest would have global consciousness, but most don’t. They see themselves as Republican, conservative, liberal, Baptist, or Catholic, but they don’t understand themselves as citizens of the world with a Pro Humanitate consciousness. Wake Forest is the perfect place for them to develop that broader sense of who they are and what this wonderful human existence is all about.”

Though Collins says he’s excited about his new adventure and looking forward to days without schedules and definite plans, he has mixed emotions about retiring. “I hit the lottery when it came to a place to work and grow,” he says, “and I’m going to miss Wake Forest.”

— Kim McGrath

Retirees from the Wake Forest University School of Medicine

Walter J. Bo, Ph.D.
Professor of Neurobiology and Anatomy

Carolyn Ferree, M.D.
Professor of Radiation Oncology

Eberhard Mueller-Heubach, M.D.
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Maternal/Fetal Medicine

Ward A. Riley, Jr., Ph.D.
(Deceased April 27, 2007)
Professor of Neurology

Edward V. Staab, Jr., M.D.
Professor of Radiologic Sciences, Radiology

Robert L. Wykle, Ph.D.
Professor of Biochemistry

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For many alumni, life is better back in Winston-Salem.
WITH THEIR DEGREES IN HAND, most members of Wake Forest’s Class of ’07 will head far from Winston-Salem to make their fame and fortune. Few newly minted alumni remain in the Twin City, and many of those that do attend graduate or professional school rather than start their careers here. But at some point, as the years pass, the old college town starts looking better and better, and many return. About twelve percent of Wake Forest’s undergraduate alumni—almost 6,100—live in Forsyth County.

Alumni moving back from New York, San Francisco, and Atlanta in recent years have discovered that there’s no place like the “dash” (or the “hyphen,” depending on which term you prefer), and nothing better than reconnecting with your alma mater. “Overall, it’s just great to be at the heart of Deaconland,” is how one describes making his home in the city Wake Forest has called home for fifty years.
NOT LONG AFTER HE RETIRED to Winston-Salem from Atlanta, Roger Mayhew (’68) joined Pine Brook Country Club hoping to find some other regulars for a round of golf. The golf pro suggested he might enjoy playing with a group of other retirees who played several times a week.

Roger Mayhew (’68)

He was pleasantly surprised to find that the group included several retired Wake Forest professors, among them Henry Stroupe (’35, MA ’37) of history, whom he remembered as the father of one of his basketball teammates, David Stroupe (’68); his former physics teacher, Jack Williams; John Earle (’58) of sociology; Carlton Mitchell (’43) of religion; and retired vice president and treasurer John Williard; along with Reynolds Professor of Physics Richard Williams (’68), one of his classmates. It’s those kinds of Wake Forest connections that make Mayhew glad that he returned to Winston-Salem in 2000.

It was family connections to Wake Forest that brought him back when he and his wife, Susann, were contemplating where they wanted to live after he retired. All three of their children are Wake Forest alumni and were still in school or living nearby when they moved, although each has since moved on: Marc (’95, MD ’01), who is completing his cardiology fellowship at the University of Alabama-Birmingham; Robyn Wallace (’99), a former middle school teacher who lives in Columbia, Maryland; and Emily Groninger (’02), a financial analyst who lives in Alexandria, Virginia, with her husband, Greg (’02).

“While we liked Atlanta and had a lot of friends there, we wanted a slower lifestyle,” says Mayhew, who has since returned to work as controller for Charles D. Lowder Inc., a site-development company in Winston-Salem. “Our kids and all of our immediate family were in North Carolina, so Winston-Salem was pretty much a slam dunk. Every time we came up to visit the kids, we scouted out the housing scene to see what was available.” (It was Robyn who ultimately pointed them in the right direction; after a class dinner at the home of her religion professor, Charles Kimball, she recommended his neighborhood.)

A native of Lexington, North Carolina, Mayhew graduated from Wake Forest with a degree in mathematics and worked in managerial positions in accounting, finance, and information systems with Southern Bell/AT&T/BellSouth for thirty-one years, the last fifteen in Atlanta. “Winston-Salem has one of everything that Atlanta has—except the Atlanta Braves,” he says.

Mayhew, who was president of the Atlanta-area alumni club, was surprised to learn that there wasn’t an alumni club in Winston-Salem, but now he understands. “So much goes on here anyway,” he says. “If you’re going to football games in the fall, basketball games during the winter, and baseball games in the spring, it’s a year-round thing. You don’t have to go out of your way to make the Wake Forest connection on a regular basis. You can’t go far in this town without running into someone with a Wake Forest connection, and that’s a good thing.”
Margaret Hobbs Collins ('78) has come full circle since graduating from Wake Forest and pursuing a career in arts management in Atlanta and New York City. What started out as a move to the suburbs of New York instead took an unexpected turn south four years ago that brought her back to the Twin City to promote the arts.

“My husband had been wanting to leave New York for a long time, but I wasn’t willing to let it go,” she says. “I had a wonderful job and loved my career. But we had lived in New York for twenty years, and we decided as a family that we would have a better quality of life if we moved elsewhere.”

A native of Shelby, North Carolina, Collins majored in music at Wake Forest and earned a master’s in performing arts and arts management at American University. After working in fundraising for a chamber-music group and a theatre company in Atlanta, she and her husband, Ray Collins, a professional actor and director, moved to New York City.

She built a successful career managing performing artists and booking music, dance, and theatrical productions at concert venues on the East Coast. She eventually landed a plum position at one of the largest talent agencies in the world, International Creative Management (ICM).

A decision to move closer to SUNY-Purchase, where Ray was then teaching theatre, and to provide a better environment for their then nine-year-old son, Michael, led to some “soul-searching,” she recalls, and they decided to make a more drastic move—and lifestyle change. By coincidence, or some would say, providence, the North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston-Salem invited Ray to interview for a new position at about the same time. Margaret Collins describes it as the moment when she suddenly remembered her old college town. “Winston-Salem reemerged as a great place,” she says. “There are possibilities here, and people are open to change. You feel you can make a difference.”

Collins remained with ICM for a year after she moved back, working the phones from her new home, before becoming development director for the Winston-Salem Symphony. In February, she joined the Piedmont Triad Partnership as director, Creative Enterprise and the arts. She now promotes the growth of the creative industries and the arts throughout the twelve-county Triad region.

Ray Collins is an adjunct professor in Wake Forest’s theatre department and a real-estate broker. Michael, now 13, is thriving in school and enjoying more opportunities for after-school sports. “We were surviving in New York,” Margaret Collins says. “We’re putting down roots here and really enjoying the lifestyle.”

Top five things you like about living in Winston-Salem
1. Active arts scene
2. Friendly people
3. Growth of downtown
4. Great lifestyle
5. Minimal traffic

Biggest change in Winston-Salem
Downtown has come back to life and people are living there!

Favorite college hangout you miss the most
Simos, Rose & Thistle, and Sam’s restaurants

Favorite college hangout you’ve rediscovered
Village Tavern

Favorite new hangout
Botta Bing, Burke Street Pizza, and Downtown Thai

Best Wake Forest connection since you’ve been back
Celebrating my 25th college reunion with a group of classmates at my house
‘I never thought
I’d come back here to work.’

‘I never thought I’d come back here to work,” admits Burton, who moved back to Winston-Salem a year-and-a-half ago to practice employment law with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP. “My plan was to retire in North Carolina. For years, I had been telling my Wake Forest friends that we needed to find some property here so we could build our own assisted-living facility and retire together,” she laughs. “I definitely didn’t want to retire in California; it’s too congested, too expensive.”

Burton grew up in Youngstown, Ohio, and Richmond, Virginia. After graduating from Wake Forest with a degree in history, she earned her master’s degree in public policy from the University of Texas at Austin and moved to Sacramento, California, where she worked for two years as a program analyst for the state legislative budget committee. She earned her law degree from the University of Chicago and returned to California to practice law, first in private practice and then with the United States Attorney’s Office in San Francisco. After eleven years there as deputy chief and chief of the civil division, “I had done everything I could do there,” she says. “You get to the point where you have to decide ‘am I going to be a permanent government lawyer or am I going to go back to private practice?’”

A member of the University’s Board of Trustees, Burton had frequently returned to Winston-Salem for trustee meetings, but hadn’t considered moving back until friend Steve Berlin (’81, JD ’84), a partner at Kilpatrick Stockton, encouraged her to consider joining the firm. It was a drastic lifestyle change, she admits, but she returned to a vastly different Winston-Salem than the one she left in 1980. Scores of restaurants have opened downtown, and there’s a more vibrant social and cultural scene. And she’s traded in an hour-long commute from Oakland, and parking nightmares, for a twelve-minute drive and her choice of parking spaces a few feet from her mansion office. “I really spend less time at home than I did in San Francisco, which most people wouldn’t believe,” she says. “Being in a smaller place, it’s much easier to get to know people. I never go anywhere without running into someone I know, which is kind of weird after living in a large city.”

Burton left behind a hectic professional life for a slower lifestyle in Winston-Salem.
AFTER A GLOBETROTTING CAREER in finance in New York, Tokyo, and Frankfurt, Jay Helvey (’81) now works out of an office in the guesthouse behind his new home. “We had lived in big cities and we had lived abroad, and we thought wouldn’t it be nice to raise our family back in North Carolina.” Helvey, his wife, Jane, and their sons, Cole, 17, Jed, 15, and Walker, 13, moved from New York to Winston-Salem in 1999.

“The quality of life is tremendous here,” he says. “Sure I gave up some professional opportunities. But it comes down to what are your priorities in life?” For Helvey, that means being able to spend more time with his family, more opportunities to be involved with his church, and the “appeal of Southern culture” —which he describes as everything from the friendliness of the people to the beautiful weather to the proximity to the mountains and coast. “There’s a tremendous sense of community here that’s enhanced by Wake Forest,” he adds.

A native of Lexington, North Carolina (his mother, Doris, is a 1952 graduate of Wake Forest) and a political science and German double-major at Wake Forest, Helvey met his future wife, Jane, while she was a student at Salem College. After graduating, he received a Fulbright Scholarship and studied at the University of Cologne for a year and then earned a master’s degree in international affairs from Columbia University. He joined J.P. Morgan in 1985, lived in Asia and Europe for seven years—running the company’s derivative trading operation—and then moved to New York, eventually rising to vice chairman of the company’s risk management committee. But by 1999, he was pondering a change.

During a visit to Winston-Salem for a meeting of the University’s Board of Trustees he decided the time was right. “I got a little Lexington barbeque, the ‘hot and now’ light was on at Krispy Kreme, it was ACC Tournament time, and the azaleas were blooming,” he recalls. “I just knew there was more to life than leaving the house at 5:30 every morning to drive into lower Manhattan and then coming back home at 8 o’clock at night.”

He stayed with J.P. Morgan for another two years, running from his home office a start-up online derivatives-service company until the dot-com bubble burst. In 2004, he mounted an unsuccessful campaign in the Republican primary to succeed now-U.S. Senator Richard Burr (’78) in the U.S. House of Representatives. Since then he’s become a partner in a small hedge fund, CMT Asset Management, based in Chicago.

Now, rather than rush to hit the Holland Tunnel by 6 a.m., he can have breakfast with his wife and take his sons to school before his three-minute commute down his driveway to his office. “I enjoy going back to New York,” he says, “but I’ve never once regretted the decision to move.”
When Todd (’85) and Kathy Bourne (’85) Borton decided to leave Florida several years ago, they weren’t chasing a job. Unlike earlier in their marriage, when their careers took them to Chicago, Atlanta, and finally Weston, Florida, Todd Borton was in a position to work essentially anywhere he wanted—and they chose to return to Winston-Salem. “We could choose where we wanted to go next and not let the job choose,” says Todd, who works out of his home as an investment consultant; most of his clients are in the Southeast. “We considered where we really wanted to be to raise our family and to stay put,” says Kathy. The Bortons have two children, Michael, now 14, and Chandler, 12.

They set their sights on North Carolina because of family in the area, the weather, and close proximity to the mountains and coast. Todd—an accountancy major originally from Chicago—and Kathy—a math major originally from Kingsport, Tennessee—had remained active with Wake Forest since their graduation and that led them to take a closer look at Winston-Salem. “We asked ourselves, ‘where do we have some known connections?’” Todd said. “That was Winston-Salem and Wake Forest. There was a familiarity here. From the day we unpacked the boxes we felt like this was a community we belonged in.”

Much of their life revolves around Wake Forest sporting events, from attending football, basketball, and field hockey games, to summer athletic camps for the children. “We didn’t foresee the impact of all the sports programs,” says Todd, who played catcher on the Wake Forest baseball team in 1982. “Where else would you have that level of programs in your backyard.”

They’ve been impressed with the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County schools and like the flexibility of being able to choose their neighborhood school or other “themed” schools within a zone, as well as the various magnet and gifted programs offered. “I can’t think of another place where we would be so happy with the whole package,” Todd says. “The city and University fit so perfectly with our lives.”
While some alumni move to Winston-Salem to get away from the “big city,” McLain (’85, JD ’88) and Marybeth Sutton (’86) Wallace made the opposite decision, moving back from a small town in eastern North Carolina.

“Because we had been students here and had such good memories and loved this campus and loved the city, it really was the only place we would consider pulling up roots and moving,” Marybeth says. “The quality of life in Winston is pretty unbeatable. You get all the attributes of a larger metropolitan area.”

Marybeth—originally from Richmond, Kentucky—and McLain—originally from Buies Creek, North Carolina—had lived the last sixteen years in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, about three hours east of Winston-Salem. Marybeth wrote grant proposals and taught freshman composition at North Carolina Wesleyan College. McLain was a partner with Battle, Winslow, Scott & Wiley, where he was general counsel for Nash Health Care Systems. Two years ago, he was named general counsel at North Carolina Baptist Hospital. “I very much liked representing the hospital in Rocky Mount, so Baptist Hospital was one of the few hospitals I would have considered joining in-house, largely because of the Wake Forest connection,” McLain says. Marybeth has since renewed her own ties with Wake Forest and works on special projects for President Nathan Hatch.

The move presented more educational, athletic, and cultural opportunities for their daughters, Catherine Stuart, 14, and Elizabeth, 11, than they could have found in a smaller city. “The girls have had amazing teachers and some unique opportunities in the schools,” Marybeth says. “It’s stunning to me the possibilities, just at Wake Forest, from hearing Supreme Court justices speak to a Chinese New Year Celebration to the Irish Festival. I don’t know of any other city where you can watch NCAA Championship field hockey and ten minutes later be at the Stevens Center for La Boheme.”

The biggest change since they left Winston-Salem twenty years ago has been the revitalization of downtown, where they enjoy music festivals, art galleries, and the many new restaurants. They bought a home close enough to campus that they can walk or bike to campus or Reynolda Gardens and Reynolda Village. “There’s something very familiar to ride by and see Wait Chapel,” McLain says. “The first year I was here, I would be riding down the road and it would hit me, I’m not just here for a ballgame and have to drive back to Rocky Mount. It’s now struck me that this is where we live.”

For the Wallaces, in Reynolda Village, moving to Winston-Salem felt like “coming home.”

‘The quality of life is pretty unbeatable.’
David Valliere (‘95) found Ann Arbor, Michigan, too cold and Dallas, Texas, too hot, but he’s found Winston-Salem to be just the right place for his family, and not just because of the weather. “I can’t imagine a better place to raise a family — great schools, lots of parks, and an amazing cost of living,” says Valliere, who lives just outside Winston-Salem, in Clemmons, with his wife, Sarah, and sons, Alex, 3, and Ben, 1 1/2. “This is my fourth stop since graduating, and this is easily our favorite place to live.”

Valliere has lived all over the country; his father was a salesman and his family moved frequently when he was growing up, from Michigan to the Midwest to Boston to Atlanta. “Having lived all over the country as a child and as an adult and having experienced different areas, I really appreciate this area,” he says, “and know this is where I want to be long-term.”

A finance major at Wake Forest, Valliere worked in Charlotte for a few years before pursuing his MBA at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and then worked at Frito-Lay in Dallas for several years. In 2004, he saw an opening for a position in marketing at one of Winston-Salem’s most iconic companies, Hanesbrands. “The move was job-driven, but the location was certainly a bonus,” he says. “The downside (of moving from a larger city) may be if you’re looking for something super specific and looking for ten choices, but we’ve found everything that we’ve looked for here.”
JOHN CHAMPLIN, NATHAN BYRD, AND ALEX REYES are bucking the norm; they’re all Class of ’06 graduates who didn’t leave Winston-Salem. All three live downtown in the eighteen-story Nissen Building, a 1920s office building renovated several years ago into luxury apartments. It’s but one example of the revitalization of downtown and, especially, the boom in downtown housing. With its rooftop pool (with views of Wait Chapel in the distance) and ground floor bakery, sandwich shop, and restaurant with sidewalk seating, the building offers a hint of big-city living; George Clooney and Renée Zellweger filmed a movie scene in the building in late April.

“I chose to stay in Winston-Salem because of my love for Wake Forest and so that I could keep up with all the friendships I had made,” says Champlin, who works in the human resources office of Noble Management Group, which owns the Embassy Suites and Marriott hotels across the street from his apartment. “I knew that the city itself was revitalizing and it needed young people. It seemed like a good ‘starter’ city. It’s cheaper than other big cities and has lots of events that keep me busy.”

Like Champlin, Byrd can walk down the street to his office at Wachovia. Reyes, who just completed her first year in the Wake Forest School of Law, says she thinks students don’t realize what Winston-Salem truly offers until after they’ve graduated and moved away. “As college students, we tend to isolate ourselves. Just because Winston isn’t a bustling metropolis doesn’t mean there aren’t a ton of things to do here: plays at the Stevens Center, theater and film festivals, and Latin dancing. I wish more students could experience that.”

Reyes, who is originally from Tempe, Arizona, says it’s too early to know if she’ll stay in Winston-Salem after law school, but she is interning at a local law firm this summer. Champlin says he’s had friends question why he’s stayed in Winston-Salem rather than moving to one of the larger cities that attract large numbers of recent graduates. “It’s not Washington, D.C., New York City, Atlanta, or Charlotte, but it does have many of the attributes that make those cities great, just on a smaller scale,” says Champlin, the son of Mike Champlin (’75) of Richmond, Virginia. “I think if more graduates stayed in Winston-Salem it would be beneficial for everyone—the city, local business, other graduates, the University. Winston-Salem is starting to make a name for itself. Why wouldn’t you want to be a part of that?”
If your idea of a big night on the town is stopping by Krispy Kreme for a couple of fresh, glazed doughnuts, well, Winston-Salem has been your kind of town all along.

If your idea of excitement requires something a touch more exotic, say, dinner at a downtown Thai restaurant followed by taking in a band at a bar housed in what was once an industrial garage, it’s true that things have looked pretty bleak in Winston-Salem at times.

And, some days, it has felt as if the local economy was wobbly in the knees like a boxer who had taken one too many blows to the head.

But not these days. We have most of the amenities of a big city without most of the nuisances, and the economy is sound.

When I moved back to Winston-Salem in 1985—after getting out of town as quickly as I could after graduating from high school in 1971—it was as if I were traveling back in time. Mundane treats such as fresh bagels that I took for granted in San Francisco were maddeningly troublesome to come by here.

And, in the years that followed, it began to look as if home-grown businesses were cursed and the day might come when it was time to put up a billboard that read “Would the last person leaving please turn out the lights?”

By 1985, Hanes had already been taken over by a company known for its cheesecake. The big blow, though, came after R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. supposedly took over Nabisco. The next thing we knew, Nabisco executives had staged a coup, and F. Ross Johnson was using “bucolic” as if that were a bad word as he moved the company out of town in 1987.

That same year, we watched USAir (now USAirways) envelop Piedmont Airlines. Its executives brandished the word “efficiency” in a way that made it clear that Piedmont’s reputation for Southern hospitality was of only marginal interest to them. Next, we pinned our hopes on Wachovia as we watched it become a major national bank—despite having a name that newcomers invariably pronounce wrong—only to go through the ordeal of a “merger” that was really a takeover and that sent its headquarters to Charlotte.

When people across the country started lining up under the “Hot Doughnuts Now” signs, we thought, “Woo-hoo! This time it’s going to be different.”
Poor Krispy Kreme, it no longer looked as if it would be building its new headquarters on the corner of Fourth and Broad streets—where people used to buy their Chevrolets—after the Securities and Exchange Commission start muttering about accounting irregularities in 2004.

There have been smaller losses, too. In a blow particularly devastating to Wake Forest students who believe that an ice-cold mug is essential to enjoying a beer, the man with the hatchet stopped chasing the pig after the owners of Simos Barbecue called it quits. Thank goodness, J.S. Pulliam Barbecue is still around.

But, lo and behold, positive developments were taking place at the same time as these reversals. For one, Wake Forest was growing up. Its medical center established a national presence on its way to becoming one of Winston-Salem's major employers. And the University expanded its reach in other ways as it turned Graylyn into a conference center and took responsibility for Reynolda House Museum of American Art.

Other educational and medical institutions—including N.C. School of the Arts, Salem College, Winston-Salem State University, Forsyth Medical Center—also matured. Reynolds came back home. Wachovia kept more of a presence here than we first thought, and enough other businesses thrived to keep the local economy on its feet.

As for downtown Winston-Salem, gone forever is the world familiar to those who grew up here in the 1950s and '60s, when Sears and other major department stores shared Fourth Street with movie theaters, eateries, Dewey's bakery, and such local businesses as George's Hobby Shop.

The owner of one restaurant pegged downtown's demise to young people starting to have cars of their own. Certainly, the rise of shopping centers had much to do with it. When Sears and other stores left downtown for Hanes Mall when it opened in 1975, that was pretty much that.

Thank goodness, Sears gave the wonderful Nativity that once stood on its roof to the Children's Home so we can still enjoy it at the holidays. During the Dark Ages of Downtown came some notable missteps, such as the Trade Street pedestrian mall. But by the mid-1980s, distinctly encouraging signs were emerging. Artists and others in the Sixth and Trade neighborhood were putting together the beginnings of an arts district. Sure, you had to squint a little when walking by the derelict buildings in between the studios so that your fantasy of a being in a bustling big city didn't fall apart. But it was clear that something real was going on. Today, Trade Street is fully developed, and people have moved on to fixing up buildings on Liberty Street.

In the mid-1980s, the music scene didn't extend far beyond Baity Street where you could find such places as Ziggy's—little more than a small house with a deck out back then. These days, downtown is home to places such as The Garage where music can be heard on any given night. Plus, during the warm months, a lively downtown music program provides three nights of music a week.

And the dearth of big-city amenities is no more. A friend who moved here in 1969 was appalled to discover that there was not a single, solitary Chinese restaurant to be found in all of Winston-Salem. Now, with all the foreign-cuisine and fine-dining restaurants, you would have to go out of your way to find something to complain about. What? No Ethiopian restaurant? Coffee aficionados can choose among such local coffee shops as Chelsea's and Sin or go with a national chain.

So many old buildings are being converted into lofts and apartments and so many new ones are being built from scratch, including one at the Modern Chevrolet site where Krispy Kreme had big plans, that you can't help but wonder where all the people to live in them are going to come from.

The Piedmont Triad Research Park is quickly establishing itself as a center for pioneering research and product development and has put downtown on the world's biotechnology map. And the definition of downtown has been extended to include the western edge of downtown where a new baseball stadium is planned for the Warthogs.

In other important respects, Winston-Salem hasn't changed at all. Those of us who have come back now appreciate traits that either we hadn't noticed or didn't care about when we were younger. Here, you can buy a house for a price that, in some cities, would get you nothing more than the box a refrigerator came in. And, when I left, I had no idea that I would one day find acres of free parking so exciting.

What I have come to appreciate most is how warm people around here are.

Really, if it weren't for the debilitating humidity awaiting us later this summer, we would have it made.

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LEVELING THE FIELD

by Karilon L. Rogers

HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIP TARGETS WAKE FOREST’S HISTORIC CONSTITUENCY.
Carson Moseley comes from the “City of Smiles,” Greenville, Alabama. Population 7,728. He grew up playing football, basketball, and tennis and spending time with his autistic younger brother before graduating at the top of the largest class in his school’s history—a class of forty-nine students.

Moseley didn’t have the benefit of advanced-placement courses or other “big-city” resources, as he calls them, when he threw his hat into the ring for such esteemed scholarship programs as the Coca-Cola National Scholars—or when he applied to Wake Forest. Like cream, however, he rose to the top. He landed in the elite top fifty of more than 108,000 applicants nationwide for the Coca-Cola competition and readily qualified for admission to Wake Forest. But he needed financial help to attend the private university of his choosing—more help than even the generous Coca-Cola award would provide.

For Moseley and a total of forty-nine other deserving students over the last six years, help arrived in the form of the Heritage Scholarship, a prestigious award established in 2001 with a $4 million gift from an anonymous donor. The award targets students both within and beyond North Carolina who meet the profile of Wake Forest’s historic constituency—young scholars from small towns and rural areas, high achievers from lower- and middle-income families, and those who are the first in their families to attend college.

“The Heritage Scholarship helps level the playing field for bright, accomplished students that fit our historical constituency,” says Paul Gauthier (’93), associate director of merit-based scholarships. “Without this scholarship, I have no doubt that many of our current students would not be here.”

That is certainly the case for Moseley. “I couldn’t have come to Wake Forest without the Heritage Scholarship,” he says. “It paved the way. In fact, when I heard that I had received it, I was ecstatic and made the final decision to attend Wake Forest that same day.”

Now a rising junior, Moseley already has spent a summer working in a rural hospital and has set his sights on medical school. He wants to both treat patients and work in biomedical research. His goal is to help find the cause—and a cure—for autism.

“My brother has shaped my life as much or more than anyone,” he explains. “Being the older brother of someone with autism is tough sometimes but extremely rewarding. There is so much research being done on heart disease and cancer and diseases like that, which is wonderful and needed, but society needs to put more energy and money into research for overlooked diseases like autism. We need to find the cause of it and a cure for it. It is something I’m very passionate about.”

Moseley is at once very much like and very different from the other Heritage Scholarship winners. Like him, all are fine young students who ranked at or near the top of their high school classes, according to Gauthier. They also are demonstrated leaders and achievers, as well as individuals with a heart for serving others. As a group, they tend to have lofty career aspirations and action-driven hopes to help make the world a better place.

Their hometowns span the globe from Kijabe, Kenya, to Yarmouth, Maine, and from Shelby, North Carolina, to Plano, Texas. They study biology, economics, sociology, communication, and history, as well as international studies, English, philosophy, and

Heritage Scholarship recipients (left to right) Jessie Yates, a rising junior, Matt Fredericks (’07), and Aaron Wolcott (’07)
political science. Some plan to serve in African war zones, in the Peace Corps, or through Teach for America; others hope to make their mark in journalism, in working to improve health care in developing countries, or like Moseley, through discovering the cause of autism.

Their greatest common denominator is the opportunity provided to them by the Heritage Scholarship, which made it possible for them to attend Wake Forest and pursue their passions.

“The day I was accepted to Wake Forest was probably the greatest day of my life, but the financial aid package was what made it real,” says junior Jessie Yates, an English major.

The University was notified of the gift by a Wall Street investment manager, and the gift was made through a transfer of stock. The donor was described only as “someone close to the Wake Forest family for the last decade.”

According to Bob Mills (’71, MBA ’80), associate vice president for University Advancement, it is not unusual for the University to work with benefactors who request anonymity. However, he has never encountered or heard of a situation in which a gift—particularly one of this magnitude—has been made with absolutely no one at the University knowing its source.

In a statement to Wake Forest at the time of the gift, the donor specified that it be used for scholarships for students who have “a record of outstanding academic achievement or potential; a high degree of intellectual curiosity; the enthusiasm and courage to take advantage of a college opportunity; a sense of service and social responsibility; and perhaps special talents in some aspect of the liberal arts.”

With the donor’s approval, University officials used those specifications to establish the Heritage Scholarship as a competitive, need-based program that provides assistance to extremely bright students who cannot afford the full cost of a private higher education and who come from backgrounds mirroring the University’s traditional student base.

Bill Wells (’74), director of financial aid, says this type of scholarship meets a critical need at Wake Forest. The University is one of only twenty-eight need-blind institutions in the country sharing a more realistic approach to defining a family’s ability to pay for college.

“We are committed to helping every student who wants to come to Wake Forest, meets our criteria, and is a good match,” he says. “We want to bring in the very best students, regardless of their families’ ability to pay. Creating the right mix of quality students provides a rich experience for all.”

The challenge is great, however. Wells explained that Wake Forest’s ability to meet prospective students’ financial-aid requirements with gifts is one of the lowest among the private schools with which the University competes for students. Thus, a significant portion of need must be met with loans; average debt at graduation is $24,000 for those who are required to borrow to help finance their Wake Forest education.

Anticipated debt of this magnitude limits the number of students who can afford to select Wake Forest, Wells says, as well as the career options—
and dreams—of those who do. This is particularly true for students who hope to go on to graduate school or who feel called to professions like teaching. Out-of-state students also are greatly affected because very limited scholarship dollars are available for students living outside of North Carolina.

According to Mills, that is exactly what makes the Heritage Scholarship so valuable.

“Programs like the Heritage Scholarships allow us to reduce or eliminate those loans for the most outstanding need-based scholarship applicants,” he says, “which often makes the difference between a student coming here and their going to a public university.”

The Heritage Scholarship covers up to 75 percent of all expenses, depending on a recipient’s level of need. More than $900,000 has been granted since 2001. Nineteen students received the scholarship this year; most students retain the scholarship throughout their four years at Wake Forest.

To this day, there still are a few clues to the anonymous donor’s identity; he or she has chosen to remain in the background, preferring the limelight to fall on the scholarship’s recipients instead. There is, however, absolutely no mystery about the great value of the gift.

**Scholarship dollars at work**

Rebecca Cook (’05), who grew up in Kijabe, Kenya, is adamant that she could not have attended Wake Forest without the Heritage Scholarship and other assistance. She is equally convinced that attending Wake Forest was paramount to her selection as a 2005 Rhodes Scholar and the opportunity to study at Oxford University.

The biology major and international studies minor already has completed a master of science degree in medical anthropology at Oxford and now is studying for a master of science in global public health. When she leaves England in mid-July, she will attend medical school at Vanderbilt University.

Cook is deeply interested in the HIV problem in Africa as well as in the health of war-affected populations. She plans to serve in the developing world.

Aaron Wolcott (’07) is another Heritage recipient with dreams of helping in Africa. The son of American missionaries, Wolcott spent his youngest days in Zaire. At the age of twelve, he experienced the terror of evacuating his home overnight as his family fled the violence of civil war. They eventually settled in Uganda.

“I definitely would not be at Wake Forest if it wasn’t for the Heritage Scholarship,” he says. “I treasure the experience of Wake Forest.”

Although he was involved in many campus groups, the highlight of Wolcott’s experience came when he traveled home to Uganda on a Pro Humanitate grant. The economics major spent a summer working to establish support groups for persons diagnosed with AIDS, as well as beginning to identify microfinance ventures to help them pay for needed medications and other expenses. He graduated in May with plans to use his degree working in an African war-zone relief effort.

Matthew Fredericks (’07) of Monrovia, Maryland, came close to missing out on his Wake Forest dream.

“The first financial aid offer I received from Wake was something that my family would not have been able to do,” he says. “My Dad and I got in the car and drove fourteen hours to Wake Forest to meet with the financial aid office, which granted us a last-minute appointment.”

Fredericks said that, in the end, the Heritage Scholarship made it possible for him to attend Wake Forest. He graduated in May with a double major in history and philosophy and plans to serve in the Peace Corps or Teach for America before furthering his education. His ultimate goal is to become a professor.

Like so many other Heritage Scholarship recipients, Fredericks has been heavily involved in service both on and off campus. He explained that receiving a gift like the Heritage Scholarship “compels us to approach life differently.”

**A mission-critical donation**

Moseley has one message for the anonymous donor: “Thank you for recognizing people who come from small towns and people who might have less advantageous backgrounds.”

He acknowledges that his experience at Wake Forest already has changed his life and helped him grow—even as it has made him appreciate his roots and his small-town heritage. The program has done the same for the University.

“The Heritage Scholarship, as its name implies, helps Wake Forest maintain its historical interest in educating future leaders from small towns and first-generation families,” Gauthier says. “These students feel the squeeze of the rising cost of higher education. Wake Forest’s commitment to this sort of student not only acknowledges our history, but it is also mindful of our future because we recognize how much these students enhance and will continue to enrich our academic community.”

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When Porter Byrum (JD ’42) received the School of Law’s highest honor, the Carroll Weathers Award, at a law-alumni banquet last fall, he probably would have preferred to be out hunting or fishing instead of wearing a suit and sitting in a fancy country club. He’s not someone who likes a lot of attention or who puts on airs. He’d just as soon talk about the three-hundred-pound Russian boar he killed twenty years ago as his career as a highly successful attorney and businessman in Charlotte.

After opening his practice more than fifty years ago to take whatever cases came through the door, Byrum spent much of his career working with only two clients, who not coincidentally became lifelong friends. He traveled around the world with one, buying and reselling airplanes. He helped the other develop one of Charlotte’s first shopping centers, which he later bought.

Byrum, 86, is only the seventh person to receive the Weathers award since it was first awarded to and named for Carroll W. Weathers (’22, JD ’23), who served as dean of the School of Law from 1950 until 1970. Although he stopped practicing law five years ago, Byrum continues to manage the shopping center from a small, nondescript basement office, decorated with the mounted heads of two nine-point bucks and the aforementioned Russian boar that he killed on property he owns near Charlotte.

He’s quick to attribute his success to the example set by his father, a Baptist minister. In 1998, he funded the John Thomas Byrum Scholarship in the law school in memory of his father, a 1908 graduate. The
scholarship has supported twenty-five students since it was established.

“I know that I didn’t pay my way when I went to Wake Forest,” says Byrum, who, along with three of his brothers, received free tuition to Wake Forest because his father was a minister. “Given the circumstances, my daddy never would have been able to have gotten four boys through Wake Forest, so somebody ought to pay back the debt. And it makes me feel good to do that.”

Byrum’s oldest brother, Paul (’34, LLB ’42), was a teacher in Rowland, North Carolina, before his death in 1978. Conwell “Cliff” (’37, MD ’41) was a doctor in Raleigh, North Carolina, who died last December. David (’47, JD ’51), 88, is a retired attorney in Charlotte. John was the only brother not to attend Wake Forest—he graduated from N.C. State and was an engineer and salesman for General Electric; he died in May.

Byrum was born in Forsyth County and grew up in Wilmington and Edenton, North Carolina. Growing up during the Depression, his father never had much money, so he and his brothers learned to love the outdoors. The boy who loved hunting and fishing grew into the man who began buying land in the 1950s so he’d have a place to take his dogs out on a Saturday and hunt all day. For the last fourteen years, he’s leased about 250 acres outside Huntersville, North Carolina, to the Carolina Renaissance Festival, a medieval fair held every fall that attracts tens of thousands of visitors.

In recent years, he’s donated land in Union County, North Carolina, near Monroe, for a church and two schools, Porter Ridge Elementary and High School. “It makes me feel very humble when those little kids come in and thank me for what I’ve done,” he says. “I get a feeling that I’ve done something good in the world. I think back to the sermons my daddy gave years ago about being a good steward of what you have.”

Since his father had gone to Wake Forest, it was a given that he and his brothers would, too. “Daddy had one ambition in life: to college educate his five boys,” Byrum says. “He lived to see all five of us with college degrees. When I walked out of the church there in old Wake Forest, he said ‘Son, I’ve carried you as far as I can carry you, you’re on your own.’ I remember looking at the diploma thinking how am I going to survive.”

After he graduated from Wake Forest into a world at war, Byrum sought a commission as an officer in the Army and Navy, but was turned down because he is colorblind. That didn’t keep him from being drafted into the Army, and he was soon sent to Europe. He served with distinction—once pinpointing the position of a German artillery battery that was pouring fire on American troops so that it could be destroyed—and eventually received a battlefield promotion to lieutenant.

He later served in Korea before moving to Charlotte, where he hung out his shingle, paying $10 a month for a small office in the law building in downtown Charlotte. “Everybody who knew me thought I’d fail because I vowed I’d never work for anybody else,” he says, with his characteristic plainspoken candor. “I wasn’t going to be anybody’s lackey. If I didn’t have but one client a year, at least it would be mine.”

He soon got his first client—for a divorce case—who paid him more than his new suit cost, and he was on his way. When one of his earliest clients, Jenks Caldwell, needed some help to close the purchase of a government surplus C54 fuselage, Byrum thought it sounded like a pretty good deal and put up $500 of his own money. That was the start of his fifty-year association with what became Charlotte Aircraft Corporation and his travels around the world to broker deals to buy and sell airplanes.

Another client from the 1950s would also become a longtime friend. When A.V. Blankenship developed Park Road Shopping Center in Charlotte, the first large shopping center in the city when it was built in 1956, he hired Byrum to help with the financing arrangements. When Blankenship decided to sell the shopping center in 1967, he encouraged Byrum to buy it because no one knew the workings of the business better than he did.

The shopping center, with a Harris Teeter grocery store, Great Outdoors Provisions Company, Blackhawk Hardware, and sixty other stores, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary last November. But Byrum, in typical fashion, skipped the grand celebration—he was out hunting.

Byrum, at right, gets “his first taste of home... an ice cold carton of milk” after returning to the United States from Europe aboard the Queen Mary following the end of World War II; the photo ran with a National Dairy ad in TIME magazine in 1946.
Hall of Famer

Football standout Alan White ('62) scores the ultimate touchdown.

by Leo Derrick ('50)

IT WAS A LONG WAY from the six-man football team in Elm City to the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame, but Alan White ('62) made the Herculean—but not especially surprising—jump with his installation to that exalted body of athletic recognition in May.

The Atlantic Coast Conference's leading rusher in 1961 and recently retired athletic director at Elon University excelled on the gridiron for the Demon Deacons and in the classroom, as a student and an instructor, and still later as a college administrator. Athletic talent, teaching and administrative capabilities, a genuine interest in young people, a confident but self-effacing bearing, and Class, with a capital “C,” made his selection a natural. Hall of Fame executive director Reese Edwards said, “Alan and the other inductees represent the finest fabric of North Carolina sports, and he is a prime example of what the Hall is all about.”

White retired in May 2006 after twenty-seven years as director of athletics at Elon while jointly serving as professor of health, physical education, and leisure. He orchestrated tremendous strides in the athletic program, including planning and renovating two gyms and adding a state-of-the-art fitness center/office complex; renovating the baseball facility (Latham Park); and constructing the first on-campus football stadium (Rhodes Stadium). The Alan and Norma White Athletic Field was built in 2002 and named in honor of the couple's contributions to the college and community. A bell tower in the center of the athletics complex also bears his name.

His football playing days were cut short when he sustained two broken collarbones with the professional Edmonton team in the Canadian League. He was lightly recruited at best while competing in six-man competition in small Elm City, but he attracted the attention of Wake Forest assistant Elmer Barbour, who scouted his practices and several games. He was offered a scholarship without ever visiting the school and played running back and occasionally
cornerback on defense. Before the two-platoon system was introduced, he subbed on defense for future professional luminary Norm Snead ('61). His senior performance garnered an invitation to the Blue-Gray game in Birmingham, Alabama, and All-ACC and Academic All-America recognition.

Under his leadership, Elon won National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) championships in football in 1980 and '81, golf in '82, and men's tennis in '90, in addition to fifty-six conference championships. Yet with all his success at the NAIA level, White's idea of forward movement never wavered when he felt the program should move up to Division II status and still later to Division I. He forsook personal accolades at the lower rung of competition for what he perceived as increased attention for the university and its athletes that come from competing at a much more difficult level. He was NAIA District Administrator of the Year four successive years and National Administrator of the Year in 1988–89. More recently, he was named NCAA Southeast Region Athletic Director of the Year in 2004–05, and he is in the NAIA Hall of Fame.

Elon was never cited for a major rules violation under his supervision. “I never worried that Alan wasn’t going to do the right thing when it came to our institutional values or the welfare of our student-athletes,” said Elon President Leo M. Lambert.

With typical modesty, White said the key to running a clean program is “hiring the right personnel…the right coaches, and recruiting the right student-athletes.”

With all his involvement at Elon, he still maintained a distinguished profile within the community, his church, and civic affairs. He currently serves on the boards of Alamance Regional Medical Center, Alamance YMCA, and Alamance Parks and Recreation, and he has been president of the NAIA Athletic Directors Association, Alamance Rotary, and the South Atlantic Conference.

After graduating from Wake Forest, White earned a master's degree from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1964 and a doctorate from Mississippi State in 1973. He was a teacher and coach at West Montgomery High School in Mt. Gilead and later performed those same duties at Phillips Junior High and Chapel Hill High School before his first association with Elon in 1964 as assistant professor of physical education and assistant football coach. While pursuing doctoral work, he was assistant football coach and part-time PE instructor at Mississippi State. He came back to Elon in 1974 as full professor and department chair in PE and recreation, then became athletic director in 1979.

White met and married Norma McKinney ('62) of Reidsville while both were students at Wake Forest, and they have one son, Kyle Alan ('88, MAEd '94), who also played football for the Deacs. Kyle, in commercial real estate in Garner, and wife, Amy ('90), are parents to sons Tyler and Bryson.

Leo Derrick is a media consultant and writer living in Asheboro, North Carolina.

Bob Bartholomew (’57), football *
Jack Murdock (’57), basketball
Billy Ray Barnes (’57), football
Marvin “Skeeter” Francis (’42), sports information*
Vic Sorrell (’28), baseball*
Tommy Byrne (’66), baseball
Jim Clack (’69), football*
Bill Dooley, football coach
Al Dowtin (JD ’27), basketball, golf*
Jim Duncan (’49), football
Jesse Haddock (’52), golf coach
Dave Harris (’46), football
Dickie Hemric (’55), basketball
Gene Hooks (’50), baseball, athletic director
Bones McKinney (’56), basketball coach*
John “Red” O’Quinn (’49, MAEd ’50), football
Billy Packer (’62), basketball
Arnold Palmer (’51), golf
Pat Preston (’43), football, athletic director*
Jack Stallings (’55), baseball
Jim Staton (’51), football
Jerry Steele (’61), basketball
Peahead Walker, football coach
Jim Weaver, athletic director
Leon Brogden (’32), New Hanover High School football coach*
Bill Eutsler (’40), football
Murray Greason (JD ’26), basketball coach*

* deceased
Retiring Professor of History J. Howell Smith
I hope you have marked your calendars for Homecoming, which will be held the weekend of September 14–15. Homecoming comes just after the start of what should be another exciting football season. The largest gathering of Wake Forest alumni ever converged on the Orange Bowl in January, so let’s strive for record attendance at Homecoming 2007 to support our ACC Championship football team!

To be better stewards of University resources, Homecoming brochures will be mailed only to reunion classes and members of the Half Century Club, and sent by e-mail to all other classes. Homecoming information can also be found on pages 78–80 in this magazine and at www.wfu.edu/homecoming. There will be special events for reunion classes (those classes ending in 2s and 7s), so contact your friends and classmates and make your plans now. If you are not currently receiving e-mail from Wake Forest, please update your e-mail address at www.wfu.edu/alumni.

As announced this spring, Minta McNally (’74), who has been director of alumni activities and annual support since 1997, has been promoted to associate vice president and director of parent and donor relations and is moving to a newly created department that will focus on parent relations. I have worked with Minta through my role on the Alumni Council and want to thank her for the outstanding work she has done on behalf of the Alumni Association. Her vision and leadership have built a world-class alumni program. She is the ideal person to develop a similar program for Wake Forest parents.

A national search is underway for the next director of alumni activities (see page 62 for details). If you or someone you know is interested in leading our exceptionally strong alumni programs—which include Homecoming and other alumni activities, merchandising, and communications—please visit the Wake Forest human resources Web site for more information.

The end of this month is the end of Wake Forest’s fiscal year, and that means we are in the final push to meet the College and Calloway Fund goals. Last year, our alumni were ranked nineteenth in giving among national universities, according to U.S. News and World Report. It takes only 368 gifts to move our giving rank up a single percentage point. Your gift to the College or Calloway Fund, no matter the amount, helps toward that goal. Please join me and make a gift before June 30 at www.wfu.edu/alumni/giving/.

Finally, it is my pleasure to turn over the presidency of the Alumni Association to Rod Webb (’92) of Raleigh. I have worked with Rod on the Alumni Council and know that he will bring vision and energy to the Alumni Association. Thank you for the honor of serving you during this past year.

Ruffin Branham (’69)
Alumni Association President
If you have news you would like to share, please send it to CLASSNOTES editor, Wake Forest Magazine, P.O. Box 7205, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7205. CLASSNOTES can be e-mailed to classnotes@wfu.edu or entered in an online form at www.wfu.edu/magazine/classnotes. It is important that you include your class year(s) and degree(s) with each note. The person submitting information must provide a telephone number for verification and accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information. The deadline for CLASSNOTES is the 15th day of the month two months prior to the issue date. For example, the deadline for the September issue is July 15.

1920s
Leon Pharr Spencer Sr. (’27) is 102-years-old and living in Raleigh, NC. He is the father of Leon Pharr Spencer Jr. (’65) and Nancy Spencer.

1930s
Forrest Allen Glass (’38) is a retired teacher and football/baseball coach from Hopewell, VA. When he retired in 1976, a baseball field was named in his honor. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have been married 61 years, and he is 92-years-old. They have four daughters and 11 grandchildren and live in Richmond, VA.

William Jeffress Senter Sr. (’38, MD ’40) turned 89 and had a fun year. Three grandchildren got married, three graduated from college and law school, and two graduated from Wake Forest, Drew (’02, JD ’06) and Katherine (’07).

1940s
Douglas Carmichael McIntyre (’47) has been elected president of the residents council and to the board of trustees of Wesley Pines Retirement Community in Lumberton, NC. He is also on the board of trustees of United Methodist Retirement Homes.

1950s
Robert C. Lewis (’51) published his first book, According to Sam (Publish America).

1960s

Hervy B. Kornegay Sr. (’54, MD ’57) is a physician at the Mount Olive (NC) Family Medical Center. He received the Lion’s Club Outstanding Senior Citizen Award for being one of Mount Olive’s top civic club volunteers.

Fred Hill (’55) cheered on the Deacons at the Citrus Bowl in 1979 and this year went to Jacksonville and the Orange Bowl with his daughters and grandsons.

James H. Hayes (’57) retired from the U.S. Army in 1982 and retired as CEO of South Texas Organ Bank in 1997. He is chairman of the board of directors of Applied Measurement Professionals Inc. of Olathe, KS. He and his wife live in San Antonio.

Martin N. Erwin (’59) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. He is listed as one of Chambers USA’s “America’s Leading Business Lawyers” in employment law.

1970s
Ashley L. Hogewood Jr. (’61, JD ’63) is with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” by Law & Politics in real estate law.

Larry B. Sittin (’61, JD ’64) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named to Chambers USA’s “America’s Leading Business Lawyers” in litigation and named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” in business litigation.

Richard N. Everett Sr. (’62) has moved to Queen Creek, AZ.

Alan White (’62) is the retired director of athletics at Elon University. He has been inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame (see story, page 44).

James T. Williams Jr. (’62, JD ’66) is a partner with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of the top 10 North Carolina “Super Lawyers” in business litigation.


James W. Smith (’63) is retired after 34 years with Schering Plough Corp. in Kenilworth, NJ.

C. Ben Williamson (’63) is a retired professor and chair of the health, leisure and sports department at the University of West Florida, Pensacola. He has an endowed scholarship named in his honor.

1980s
John J. Gaskill Jr. (’64) retired in 1998 after 26 years as a special agent with the FBI. He was ordained a deacon in the Episcopal Church in 2006 and is working with individuals with severe mental illnesses, their families and caregivers. He and his wife, Donna, live in Beaufort, NC.
M. Daniel McGinn ('64, JD '67) is with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” in employment and labor law.

Brenda C. Blackwelder (MD '65) retired from teaching in 2003 and pursued her passion of ballroom dancing. She competed in the first World Pro-Am Championship in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and won second place with her instructor in the rhythm division for age 50 and over.

J. Donald Cowan Jr. ('65, JD '68) is with Smith Moore LLP in Raleigh, NC. He is one of Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” in antitrust law and is listed as one of Chambers USA’s “America’s Leading Business Lawyers” in litigation. He has also been named one of the top ten North Carolina “Super Lawyers” in business litigation.

Gerard H. Davidson Jr. ('65, JD '68) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” in class action and mass torts law.

Ross Griffith ('65) and Betty Turnage Griffith ('66) are proud of their new grandbaby, Josephine Elizabeth Carter, born 1/20/07 in Los Angeles.

Thomas E. Norman ('66) was named Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser for 2006 by the Charlotte Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. He is president of the Foundation for Central Piedmont Community College.

Ellen Bouldin Moore ('68) is managing director of Coldwell Banker Commercial Triad Realtors in Winston-Salem.

M. Jay DeVaney ('69, JD '71) practices commercial real estate law and land-use litigation with Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier PLLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” by Law & Politics.

Gregg J. Smolenski ('69) is president emeritus of the Association of Investment Management Sales Executives. He lives in Scottsdale, AZ.

Stan Gryskiewicz (MA '70) retired after 35 years from the Center for Creative Leadership in Greensboro, NC. The Positive Turbulence Fund was established by the Center to honor and continue his legacy. Among his books and publications are Positive Turbulence (1999) and Making Creativity Practical (2003).

Robert Hannah (JD '70) is deputy attorney general and chief counsel in Florida’s attorney general’s office in Tallahassee.

Carl W. Hibbert ('70, JD '72) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in estate planning and probate law.

John A. Hyatt ('70) is a research professor of chemistry at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City. He retired as a research fellow from Eastman Chemical Co.

Mark Planting ('71) retired as a senior economist from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis in Washington. He and his wife, Caroline, moved to Taos, NM.

Bill Brettschneider ('72) is with Orbital Sciences of Columbia, MD, working from his home. He and his wife, Tammie, live in Fleetwood, NC. His daughter, Leslie, is in college and children Olivia and Joshua are in elementary school.

William Davis Waters (MA ’72) retired after 34 years with the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources. He received the N.C. Governor’s Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award.

Howard L. Williams (JD ’72) is with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” in business/corporate law.

Catharine B. Arrowood (73, JD ’76) is with Holden Mickey & Mickey Inc. in Winston-Salem. He has been recognized as a leader in production with MassMutual Financial Group.

Stephen D. Poe ('73) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem and an adjunct professor at the Wake Forest School of Law. He has been named to the board of advisors for the UNC School of Law Center for Banking and Finance.

Edward “Ted” Waller ('73) and his daughter, Susanna, reached the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, Africa, at 19,342 feet.

Peggy Welch Williams ('73) retired from the U.S. District Court after serving 33 years with the federal government. She is the development coordinator at Martha Jefferson Hospital in Charlottesville, VA. Her husband, J. Page Williams ('73), is a partner and practices real estate law at Fell Pettit & Williams PLLC. He is on the Virginia State Bar Council.
Robert C. Carpenter (MA ’74) is principal at Forestview High School in Gastonia, NC. He presented a paper, “The Augsburg Confession War: Lutheran Confessional Beliefs, Rev. David Henkel, and Creation of the Tennessee Synod,” at the Lutheran Historical Conference.

Jane Warfford Handly (MA ’74) delivered the commencement address at Lenoir Rhyne College in Hickory, NC, where she was a 1967 graduate. She has been a professional speaker on service quality and personal development for 25 years and is in the Speakers Hall of Fame. She has authored two books, The Life Plus Program for Getting Unstuck (Rawson & Assoc.) and Why Women Worry and How to Stop (Prentice Hall).

Ron Perkinson (JD ’74) has a practice, Perkinson Mediations, in Sanford, NC. He has been named one of “The Best Lawyers in America” for alternative dispute resolution.

Harvey L. Cosper Jr. (JD ’75) is with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” for personal injury defense, medical.

Deborah Malmo (’75, MBA ’79) is a broker with Prudential Carolinas Realty in the Winston-Salem Oakwood office.

Roland H. Bauer (’76) is president and CEO of The Cypress Companies Inc., which includes one distribution and five manufacturing businesses. He was appointed to the board of trustees of The University of Akron. He and his wife have three daughters and live in Silver Lake, OH.

Thomas Hill Davis Jr. (JD ’76) is on the board of directors for the Wake County Bar Assoc. and the 10th Judicial District Bar. He is a partner with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC, and has been named a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” by Law & Politics and Charlotte magazines.

Jim Jenkins (’76) has been with Syngenta Crop Protection Inc. for 30 years and serves as head of Corporate Alliance in Greensboro, NC. He is president of the Mid America Crop Life Assoc. He and his wife, Pamela, live in West Des Moines, IA. They have three children, Susan Hooks Jenkins (’03), James W. Jenkins III (’05) and John, a sophomore at Guilford College.

Denise Williams Koch (’76) lives in Williamsburg, VA, where she is chairing the Williamsburg-James City County School Board.

Dan Taylor (JD ’76) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in business litigation.

A. Grant Whitney Jr. (’76, JD ’79) is with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” by Law & Politics for real estate law.

Stephen R. Briggs (’77) was inaugurated as the eighth president of Berry College in Rome, GA. The keynote address was delivered by Debbie Best (’70, MA ’72), dean of the college and William P. Puteat professor of psychology at Wake Forest. He and his wife, Brenda Morgan Briggs (’78), have three daughters, Morgan, Meredith and Maddy.

Joslin Davis (JD ’77) is one of Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” and has been named a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in family law. She is a shareholder of Davis & Harwell PA in Winston-Salem.

Jack H. Derrick (JD ’77) has retired as senior counsel for Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co., Central Telephone Co. and other Embarq Corporation companies in North and South Carolina. He and his wife, Dagmar, live in Wake Forest, NC.

David N. Farr (’77) is chairman, CEO and president of Emerson Electric Co. in St. Louis. He has been named the 2007 campaign chair of the United Way of Greater St. Louis.

Sallie M.H. Kellems (JD ’77) enjoyed taking her granddaughter, Kaitlyn, to South America last year and is looking forward to taking her grandson, Jack, to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands this year.

Curtis Strange (’77) has been voted into the World Golf Hall of Fame. He won 17 PGA tournaments and the U.S. Open in 1988 and 1989.

John Nelms (’78) is in his 30th year with State Farm Insurance Co. As an agent for 26 years, he has qualified for his 24th Life Insurance Sales Achievement Travel Award. He and his wife, Debbie, will be going on a Mediterranean cruise.

Ruth Ellen Werner (MBA ’78) appreciates support from fellow alumni in returning to her career after recovering from a temporary disability. She lives in San Francisco.
Christine “Christy” L. Myatt (’79, JD ’82) practices bankruptcy, creditors’ rights and workouts with Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier PLLC in Greensboro, NC. She is one of North Carolina’s “Top 50 Female Super Lawyers” in Law & Politics.

1980s

Neal Brown III (’80) completed his PhD in education administration at Indiana State University.

Carole W. Bruce (JD ’80) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. She has been named one of Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” in tax and estate planning and one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” in tax law.

Kimberley Coiner Hempen (’80) teaches English literature at a private school in Marietta, GA. She and her husband, Ryan, have two sons, Jacob and Arthur. Jacob is a sophomore and one of the Deacon mascots.

Kevin Nelson (’80) is a partner with Huddleston Bolen LLP in Charleston, WV, practicing employment law and general litigation. He is coach of the Charleston Catholic High School girls’ soccer team and was named the 2006 West Virginia Region III Girls’ Coach of the Year.

Linda Stowe Nelson (’80, MAEd ’91) has been appointed executive director for the N.C. Assoc. of Independent Schools.

Stephen R. Berlin (’81, JD ’84) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in environmental law.

John Capps (’81) is with Caromont Internal Medicine, a primary-care practice with four other doctors in Gastonia, NC. He has two children, Samantha (16) and Stewart (13). He reports he has successfully battled testicular cancer with surgery and chemotherapy.

Johnny L. Dawkins (’81) is president of the N.C. Assoc. of Health Underwriters. He is a partner/broker with Ebenconcepts Inc. in Fayetteville, NC. His wife, Donna Palmer Dawkins (’84), is pursuing her master’s in accounting at N.C. State University. They have two children, Jay and Jill.

David A. Senter (’81, JD ’84) practices construction and surety, commercial litigation and commercial collections with Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier PLLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of North Carolina’s “Super Lawyers” by Law & Politics.

David C. Smith (’81, JD ’84) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in business litigation.

Andrew J. Sterge (’81) is CEO of A.J. Sterge LP, a hedge fund investing in reinsurance risks. He was profiled in How I Became a Quant (J.Wiley & Sons).

Robert L. Wilson Jr. (JD ’81) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in health care law.

Cynthia Collins Allner (JD ’82) is a partner at Miles & Stockbridge PC in Baltimore, MD. She has been elected chairwoman of the board of directors for the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond’s Baltimore office.

Fall Weekends 2007 (and Thursday nights, too!)

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Details about Homecoming and President’s Weekend will be available on the Alumni Website (www.wfu.edu/alumni) later in the summer; details about Family Weekend will be available on the Student Union Website (http://su.wfu.edu) later in the summer.
Jennifer Early Calvert (‘82) published a book, BFFs: Best Friends Forever, a fictional novel following a group of teenagers from middle school to adulthood. She contributed “Memories of My Mother” and “How I Met My True Love” to two anthologies (Xulon Press).

Tom Heavey (‘82) has been named a managing partner of Grossman & Heavey, specializing in litigation, in Bricktown, NJ.

Maria Henson (‘82) received the Mary Morgan Hewitt Award for her contributions to journalism and a Jefferson Fellowship through the East-West Center in Honolulu. She will study globalization in China and India.

Gary K. Joyner (JD ‘82) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in real estate law.

Nancy Borders Paschall (‘82, JD ‘85) is a partner/attorney with Mullen Holland & Cooper PA in Gastonia, NC. She received the 2006 ATHENA Award from Citizens South Bank and The Gaston Chamber of Commerce.


Jill R. Wilson (JD ‘82) is with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro, NC. She has been named a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in education law.

Susan Hockstetler Bridges (‘83) is principal of A.G. Richardson Elementary School in Culpeper, VA. She was recognized by President George W. Bush in the Oval Office for receiving the 2006-07 National Distinguished Principal Award from the Virginia Assoc. of Elementary School Principals.

Margaret Shea Burnham (JD ‘83) practices commercial real estate and litigation with Nessen Pruett Adams Kleemeier PLLC in Greensboro, NC. She is on the list of North Carolina’s “Top 50 Female Super Lawyers” in Law & Politics.

Sarah Wesley Fox (JD ‘83) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. She was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in employment and labor law.

Mickey L. Smith (‘83, MBA ‘91) is a certified financial planner and an independent financial advisor with Securities America Advisors Inc. in Winston-Salem.

Laura Carlan Battle (JD ‘84) is a colonel in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General’s Corps. She is a staff judge advocate at Lackland AFB, TX, specializing in environmental and criminal law.

Jennifer Dolby (‘84, MD ‘89) is a pediatrician in a practice associated with Children’s Hospital of San Diego.

Brian A. Gallagher (JD ‘84) lives in Camp Hill, PA. He had a chapter, “HIPAA Privacy in the Pharmacy,” published in the Pharmacy Law Desk Reference.

Walter C. Holton Jr. (JD ‘84) opened a law office in Winston-Salem, practicing personal injury, wrongful death and worker’s compensation. His wife, Lynne, handles real-estate closings in his office.

E. William “Bill” Kratt (‘84, JD ‘87) practices estate planning and probate law with Herring McBenett Mills & Kratt PLLC in Raleigh, NC. He was elected a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel.

Jennifer Mills (‘84) left The Golf Channel to freelance and spend more time with her family. She teaches fourth-grade English and spelling part-time. She covered interviews at the Masters for Augusta National and NBC Sports and is a spokesperson for The Cliffs Communities in the Carolinas.

Ralph O. Mueller (‘84) is a professor of educational research, public policy and public administration at The George Washington University in Washington. He has been named an American Council on Education Fellow for the 2007-08 academic year.

Jim W. Phillips Jr. (JD ‘84) is with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been named a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in business litigation.

Richard C. Price (MBA ‘85) is senior vice president of finance for Fruit of the Loom. He and his wife, Pat, have two children, Lauren and Richard. They live in Atlanta.

Christopher L. White (‘85) is general counsel, executive vice president and secretary of AdvaMed of Cambridge, MA. He was the first recipient of the PricewaterhouseCoopers Award for Leadership in the Advancement of Ethics in the Medical Device Industry.

Randall D. Avram (JD ‘86) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in employment and labor law.
James D. “Bert” Concepcion (JD ‘86) is with the U.S. Army stationed in Tikrit, Iraq. He is the command judge advocate for the 105th Engineer Group (Combat) National Guard unit from Winston-Salem.

Bobby Ray Gordon (JD ’86) is a humanitarian operations advisor at the Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance in Honolulu. He completed the civil-military coordination staff course conducted by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva, Switzerland.

Rob Pitkin (JD ’86) has been named chairman of the Heart of America Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors. He practices construction law and commercial litigation with Levy & Craig in Kansas City, KS.

Kimberly H. Stogner (‘86, JD ‘94) has been elected a Fellow of the American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel. She is with Vaughn Perkinson Ehlinger Mosley & Stogner in Winston-Salem and has been named one of the “Top 50 Female Lawyers” in North Carolina by Law & Politics.

Mark Cundiff (‘87) is area general manager with Caraustar, a manufacturer and converter of recycled paper products, in Austell, GA. He has been there 16 years. He lives in Douglasville, GA, with his wife and two sons, Elijah (6) and Ethan (4).

Martha Greene Eads (‘87, MA ’93) is professor of English at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, VA.

Allen Frommelt (‘87) is director of population analysis and measurement for Cardium Health, a disease management organization, based in Farmington, CT.

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Master of Education

Sylvia Rousseau ('68) is promoter of education in and out of the classroom.

By Scott Holter

For four decades, from East Coast to West Coast, in high schools and colleges, as teacher, principal, and superintendent, Sylvia Rousseau ('68) has been an ardent advocate for education. At a time when she could be retiring, she instead has just entered her second year as a teacher in the University of Southern California's esteemed Rossier School.

Her lifetime passion for education was ignited long ago. A native of Cincinnati, Rousseau was studying French at the University of Cincinnati when she married a pastor and they soon moved to North Carolina. Rousseau appreciated the intimate environment she found at her new school—Wake Forest. “I appreciated the smaller environment and that the professors were very engaged in making sure students had a rich experience,” she recalls. “A few of them lived near campus, and on Saturday nights we would go to their homes for great conversations.”

She became the first African-American woman to graduate—with a major in English and a minor in education—from Wake Forest. Her first stop after graduation was in Kokomo, Indiana, where she was a high-school English teacher at a school with one black student and one black teacher (herself). Then came four years in Cincinnati where she was hired after the merger of an all-black high school and a mostly white high school.

But being a pastor's wife meant life was all about change. Just as she began to find her niche at one school, it seemed it was time to move to another. After Cincinnati, it was on to the nation's capital for four years, and finally to Los Angeles, where Rousseau has made her home since 1978.

In 2000, after seven years as principal at Santa Monica High School—where she raised academic expectations and reduced the dropout rate by 8 percent—she was appointed superintendent for Los Angeles Unified School District 7. There she watched over eight districts and 82,000 students in South Los Angeles.

While her resume also has included stints at Loyola Marymount University and UCLA, Rousseau derives her passion from the public school system. “The problem with public schools is the attitude that people have about public schools,” she says. “Public education is still the pillar of a democratic society, and alternatives are the detriment of that society. If we don’t take care of public education, it hurts our future.”

At USC, she is having a large impact on others who will serve as she has. “Faculty teaching faculty,” she calls it, classrooms made up of teachers, school administrators, physicians, assistant deans, and community college instructors in pursuit of a doctor of education. “They’re all either seeking to go to the next level or get better at what they do.”

Her latest classroom is a great distance from Winston-Salem and Kokomo and Cincinnati and Washington, D.C. It's poles apart from the position of principal or superintendent or high-school English teacher. But like all of those jobs in all of those faraway places, it's all in the name of education. And that's what keeps her from even considering retiring.

“I have such a passion that I ache over the neglect that some children experience in the denial of their birthright to education,” she says. “Chiefly, I speak of children of color and those from poor families. I want to help this nation continue to realize the treasures we have in public education and continue to demonstrate what can be done. I feel like I have a debt to pay.”

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Beatrice Dombrowski Hair (’87) has franchised the Salisbury Tutoring Academy Ltd. specializing in one-on-one tutoring and teaching parents to help their children. She published a book, *ADHD in the Classroom: A Powerful, Practical Solution*, and was a keynote speaker for the National Tutoring Assoc. Convention.

Gerald M. Malmo III (MBA ’87) is with Holden Mickey & Mickey Inc. in Winston-Salem. He has been recognized as a leader in production with Mass-Mutual Financial Group.

Gregg E. McDougal (JD ’87) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was recognized as a North Carolina “Super Lawyer” in business litigation.

Kelli Chase Clark (’88) and her husband, Perry, purchased Allegra Print & Imaging, a commercial printing company, in Winston-Salem.

Greg Conforti (JD ’88) is the 2007-08 chair of the transportation practice group for the American Law Firm Assoc.

Frank S. Ioppolo Jr. (’88) is a shareholder practicing corporate and securities with Greenberg Traurig in Orlando. He is chairman of the board of directors of the Seminole County Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Seminole Community College Foundation.

1990

David Wayne Johnson Jr. (JD) is writing and producing a documentary about instrumental music education and marching bands. He lives in Los Angeles.

Daniel O. Kennedy (JD) is in-house general counsel for RLI Corp. in Peoria, IL. His wife, Cynthia Davis Kennedy (JD ’91), is with Powell Goldstein Frazer & Mur in Atlanta and works from home.

1991

Carl Harnett King is a United Methodist pastor in Columbia, SC.

W. Curt LaFrance is the director of neuropsychiatry at Rhode Island Hospital and an assistant professor of neurology and psychiatry (research) at Brown Medical School in Providence, RI. He has been included in the 2007 editions of *Who’s Who in the World* and *Who’s Who of Emerging Leaders*.


Mark Seifert received his PhD in anthropology from Brandeis University in Waltham, MA.

Carolyn Repp Stikeleather and her husband, Jeff, live in Cary, NC. She is a stay-at-home mom for their three children, Ryan (7), Matthew (5) and Nathan (3).

1992

Frank S. Castor has been elected County Court Judge in the 15th judicial circuit in West Palm Beach, FL. He reports he is the youngest judge in Palm Beach County.

Thomas C. Caves Jr. is special assistant to the Secretary of the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety in Raleigh.

Blaine Clotfelter is a consultant developing the executive benefits practices with Clarity Benefits Consulting in Atlanta.
Daniel Geijer and his wife, Allison, continue to work in humanitarian aid and development in Almaty, Kazakhstan. They are relocating to Thailand.

John T. “Jack” Gilbertson (JD) is with the life sciences and health care regulatory practice of Deloitte & Touche LLP in Los Angeles.

Melissa Tuttle (MBA ’02) is director of store projects and business process management at Lowe’s Home Improvement. She lives in Huntersville, NC.

1993

Lisa Angel (JD) practices family law at Rosen Law Firm in Raleigh, NC. She has been named one of Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite.” She is a member of the board of directors of the Wake County Bar Assoc. and the Council of the Family Law Section of the N.C. Bar Assoc.

Kimberly Anderson Betz is in-house counsel with INVISTA S.a.r.l., a subsidiary of Koch Industries. She and her husband, Pete, have a son, Alex (3), and are expecting a daughter.

Eric H. Biesecker is a partner of Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier PLLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been appointed counsel of the Triad Chapter of the American Subcontractors Assoc. of the Carolinas.

William E. Burton III (JD) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. He is one of Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” in environmental law.

Albert Cedric Calhoun has been named executive director of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers, headquartered in Bethesda, MD.

Heather Sager Fedeli is a partner of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in its San Francisco employment law group.

Brian Rudel teaches fourth grade at Julian Gibson Elementary School in Winston-Salem. He received his National Board Certification through the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. He and his wife, Sheri, have two sons, Connor (6) and Mason (4).

Phylis Stump (MAL’S) started a new career as a playwright, poet and performer after retiring from the Thomasville (NC) city schools. She has spent several years researching and writing about the life of a legendary midwife in Virginia, Orlena Hawks Puckett (1839–1939), who delivered more than 1,000 babies, without losing a mother or child, in spite of having 24 pregnancies herself without a surviving child. She has performed a monologue on Puckett more than 40 times, including performances sponsored by the Friends of the Blue Ridge Parkway and the National Park Service. Recently she published her second book of poetry: Walking the Gunny Sack Trail: A Mountain Journey, as an indirect tribute to Puckett.

Allison Overbay Van Laningham (JD ’96) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro, NC. She has been named one of North Carolina’s Top 50 Women “Super Lawyers” in civil litigation defense law.

1994

Patricia Clinard Alfing teaches an online course at Forsyth Technical Community College in Winston-Salem. She lives in Chesapeake, VA.

Shannon Zazworsky Collins is a stay-at-home mom. She and her husband, Randy, have two children, Grace Elizabeth (6) and Dominic (11/2). They live in San Francisco.

Hope Austin Laingen received the Dorothy M. Flatley Award for outstanding service to Navy families.

Ian Mayville has been with Ameriprise Financial Services Inc. in Boca Raton, FL, for 10 years and is working on his CFA charter.

Ken Sevensky (MS) and Kristin Hatcher Sevensky (MS ’85) have their own business, Gum Ridge Mill and Flying Pig Furniture, in Fleetwood, NC. They handcraft reclaimed wood from the N.C. mountains into custom furniture, floors, etc. They were featured in the March 2007 issue of Southern Living magazine.

David M. Smith (MA) is executive director of The Summit Counseling Center in Alpharetta, GA.

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1995

Africa D. Alston (JD ’98) is a lead consultant, litigation support services, with FirmLogic LLC in Winston-Salem.

Duane A. Danner completed certification with the National Assoc. of Certified Valuation Analysts. He is CFO with Johnson’s Modern Electric Co. Inc. He and his wife, Jennifer, live in Clemmons, NC, with their daughter, Norah.

Chad Davis is a real estate developer and president of East Coast Capital Inc. based in Winston-Salem.

Jenny Lynn Hinson is a stay-at-home mom while in Cambridge, England, with her husband, Kevin Taylor (’94), who is pursuing a PhD in theology. At home in Albemarle, NC, she is an ER physician. They have a son, Cameron (1).

Nathan A. Jones (MBA ’06) is president of Salem Benefits Group Inc., an employee benefits consulting firm, in Winston-Salem.

Jeanie Marklin Reynolds received her PhD in curriculum and instruction with an emphasis on literacy and urban education from UNC-Charlotte. She is director of English education at UNC-Greensboro.
“There is music everywhere,” a Frenchman is reported to have said in the 1600s about Venice. “In every home, someone is playing a musical instrument or singing.”

Once known as the Republic of Music and recognized as the birthplace of opera, Venice today remains a magical city of music, as well as of art and architecture. It is just the type of place where Wake Forest students should go to immerse themselves in history and culture—and they do. The University has owned Casa Artom on Venice’s storied Grand Canal since 1971, and more than 1,100 students have studied in the stately 1820s palazzo that once was the American consulate.

But something has been missing. “We thought it would be nice to have a grand piano,” said Professor of Music Peter Kairoff, who also is coordinator of the Venice program and a noted concert pianist with an international reputation. “But our budget was stretched thin. It seemed like an extravagance when we were trying to pay the bills.”

Enter Elizabeth Holmes (MALS ’07), who was born into a family of musicians. Holmes studied with Kairoff at Casa Artom in the spring of 2005 and returned home with a piano plan in mind. For her, beautiful music was a necessity, not a luxury.

“Casa Artom is a jewel in the University’s crown,” she said. “It is an incredible building that is centrally located—you can walk just about anywhere you want to go. Casa Artom is superb; Venice is extraordinary. But something important was missing. Musical history goes back centuries in Venice. It is an important part of the culture. I thought the house just cried out for a grand piano.”

When Holmes discovered, in talking with Kairoff, that the only thing standing between Casa Artom and the music she cherished was the cost of a grand piano, she put a plan into action immediately upon her return to the States.

“I told my husband that I was going to raise $26,000 for a grand piano for Casa Artom,” Holmes said, “and he said, ‘You’re going to do what?!’” After talking with the fundraising office at Wake Forest, I started smiling and calling. I called people I knew had an interest in music and in the University. I began raising the money in May, and it was in the bank by December.”

Kairoff selected a grand piano and installed it in Casa Artom in February 2006. “The piano certainly gives a splendid touch of elegance—a layer of sophistication and culture—to a room that looks out over the Grand Canal,” he said. “It gives us the opportunity to have wonderful music in the city that is the home of so much wonderful music. I’m so grateful to Elizabeth and to all people like her for their ongoing support of the house. We couldn’t do it without them.”

The piano debuted at an informal surprise concert for Casa Artom students by a Venetian opera singer. It continues to get much play for pleasure, as well as being pressed into service for more formal concerts, such as one played by Kairoff for President and Mrs. Nathan O. Hatch when they visited.

Holmes, who graduated in May, found great joy simply in following her passion—for Venice and Casa Artom, as well as for Wake Forest and music.

“Music has always played an important role in my life,” she said. “I am delighted that Casa Artom now has a piano, and it is my hope that in the coming years it will serve to enhance the visits of Wake Forest faculty, students, alumni, and guests.”
In an out-of-the-way warehouse in Durham, North Carolina, L. Taylor Arnold’s business markets and sells, among other items, a color-changing gel ball, a throwing toy that’s part boomerang and part baseball, and a gadget that allows the user to play a multitude of games just off the tip of his nose.

Hawking products with names like the Yackle Ball, the DogGone Opener, and the AirZooka Keychain, Controlled Mindstorms Inc. comes across as an online resource for pop culture toys and unique gifts. But Arnold (’94, JD ’05), its president, who earned history and law degrees from Wake Forest, says his product design and development company is more about the inventor of the products than the products themselves.

“Our focus,” Arnold says, “is to shine a light upon independent inventors—to give them credit for their hard work while giving the consumer some idea of what genius lurks behind (the inventors’) everyday commodities.”

Controlled Mindstorms does not help to foster the ideas of inventors, choosing instead to get behind a product that is already in production. “We do not serve the role of invention broker, but focus on what we know and how we can help on the back end,” Arnold says. “The invention process is a difficult one, because after the idea and the patent, you have to sell it.”

It’s no coincidence that the 34-year-old Arnold created such a format to assist inventors. Nearly a quarter of a century ago, as a fourth-grader, he concocted a robot that walked around and entertained his classmates and teacher. “I guess you can say that I’ve always been cursed with finding everything interesting,” he admits. “As a child I would spend my summer vacations holed up in my room just making things.”

Arnold grew up in Kansas, but relocated to Matthews, North Carolina, just before high school. His ingenious and inventive wit peaked in those high school years when he built a small
hovercraft out of vacuum cleaner motors, plywood, and a shower curtain. 

But he had other interests, including history, biology, and industrial design, when he went looking for a college. “I had already moved enough so I didn’t have the same urge to leave the state as others,” Arnold remembers. “I wanted something intimate, but with a reputation that preceded it. All it took was one loop around the Quad, and I was hooked.”

By the time he left Winston-Salem with an undergraduate degree, Arnold recalls being “more interested in following my muse than thinking of a practical application for it,” which led him straight into mechanical engineering courses at N.C. State University in Raleigh. But two years into that process, Arnold got the chance to lead a student team that specialized in toy design. “The germ,” he says, “of where Controlled Mindstorms began.” His company was incorporated in 1999.

Early on, the firm was used mostly as a launching pad for Arnold’s own inventions, including one —perhaps his most recognized creation to date—that he owes to his own mother, who always stored her greeting cards in an old shoebox. The Card Keeper, which holds up to eighteen cards and allows viewing without removal, has been featured in a half-dozen national publications and remains a big seller.

And then there's his Bubble Morph Squish Ball, a novelty item that Arnold says proves the invention doesn't have to be revolutionary to create excitement. When squeezed, the baseball-sized ball of gel—wrapped in a mesh netting—changes color, from green to blue to magenta. “It became so popular that the first production model I saw at a trade show was actually a knock-off of mine,” recalls Arnold, who says some even use the ball as a therapeutic device.

Early on Arnold traveled the country, developing contacts with executives looking to add newer items and fresh blood into their product lines. But by the end of 2001, with the economy going sour, he decided to formulate a backup plan and went after the law degree. Four years later, with the company still afloat, Arnold chose to focus not on what he had developed, but on inventors in general. “I was looking for those who were very eager and very enthusiastic,” he says. “Getting behind their product was not only a gift to them, but a gift to the customer.”

A visit to Controlled Mindstorms’ online store (www.cmstorms.com) uncovers a virtual treasure chest of extraordinary and eccentric products, including the Yackleball, a soft, X-shaped throwing toy that Arnold says is “easier to catch than a ball, but throws farther than a Frisbee,” and the itoPad, which goes under a laptop, keeping heat away from the lap and creating a more comfortable working environment.

Every product has a story of the person behind it, but none quite like that of Seattle’s Patrick Turner. Resting in his hammock one day, Turner brainstormed an assortment of toys attached to the end of a stem protruding from a pair of plastic eyeglasses. Nose Aerobics was born, allowing its user to play basketball, wind through mazes, and solve puzzles simply by moving the head. “That’s one that evokes contrarian reactions,” says a chuckling Arnold. “It’s either, ‘Who would buy that?’ or ‘I gotta have that now.’”

Arnold employs two others full-time and adds seasonal help when needed. He also relies on two unpaid “testers” for unbiased opinions of his own inventions: his two sons. “I have a lot of stuff lying around the house that turns out is more valuable to play with than I thought,” he says.

As for Controlled Mindstorms, Arnold envisions a future where other forms of creative endeavors, such as art, music, or books, are added to the line of products. But no matter what comes aboard, he’ll always market it with the creator in mind. “I want to continue building a network of successful inventors and help them reach their goal of marketing their creation and telling their story,” he says. “I want them to be able to appreciate that their product is not a static item but the manifestation of a dream.”

Taylor Arnold: shining a light on inventors

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1996


W. Ross Forbes (JD) is a partner in the litigation section of Jackson Walker LLP in Dallas. He has been named a 2006 “Rising Star” and is listed in the *Texas Monthly* magazine.

T. Adam Ginn (MD ’00) is an orthopaedic hand surgeon for RoMedical in Salisbury, NC. He lives in Winston-Salem with his family.

John Green is on the faculty as a trauma and critical care surgeon at the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis.

Christopher John Leonard (JD ’99) is COO and general counsel for Image Products Inc., a provider of rewards and incentive programs for banks and health insurance companies. He and his wife, Laura, and son, Jack, live in Wilmington, NC.

1997

Stephen Barnes received his MD from St. George’s University Medical School and has accepted a residency in anesthesiology at SUNY Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, NY. He and his wife, Elizabeth McGill Barnes (’99), have one daughter, Caroline Margaret (1-1/2).

Mark D. Boynton (JD) has been named *Business North Carolina’s* “Legal Elite” in construction law. He is a partner with Pharr & Boynton PLLC in Winston-Salem.

George W. Sistrunk III (JD) is with Hamilton Gaskins Fay & Moon in Charlotte, NC. He has been named to *Business North Carolina’s* “Legal Elite” in their “Young Guns” category.

Ronald Skufca (JD) is the managing partner of Moretz & Skufca PLLC in Charlotte, NC.

Craig A. Taylor (JD ’01) has been named a director of Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro, NC. He is a participant in Leadership Greensboro's 2006–07 class.

Kevin G. Williams (JD) is an attorney and director with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of the “40 Leaders Under 40” by *The Business Journal*.

1998

Nathan B. Atkinson is a senior attorney at Spilman Thomas & Battle PLLC in Charleston, WV. He practices labor and employment law and commercial litigation.

Zachary Bancroft (JD) has been named a partner of Lowndes Drosdick Doster Kantor & Reed PA in Orlando, FL.

W. Kevin McLaughlin Jr. (JD) has been appointed general counsel of the N.C. Department of Administration in Raleigh.


Jennifer Bumgarner is a policy advisor in the office of the N.C. Governor. She has been named to the state advisory panel of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation for a three-year term.

Jonathan W. Dion (JD) has been named a partner in Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He practices commercial real estate and commercial lending.

Mary Graciano (MAEd) is pursuing her PhD in English and education at the University of Michigan.

Ben Harris (MBA) is president of Harris Contractors Inc. The family-owned business was established in 1957 and is celebrating its 50th year.

David L. Holden is with Holden Mickey & Mickey Inc. in Winston-Salem. He has been recognized as a leader in production with MassMutual Financial Group.
Mark Sampson (JD) is with Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice PLLC in Greensboro, NC, in labor and employment law.

Cynthia Cox Walsh is CEO of Cox Walsh & Assoc. in Charlotte, NC. She has been elected vice president of the Charlotte Jaycees. She serves as treasurer for the Charlotte Chapter of the Assoc. of Fundraising Professionals and is a member of the board of directors for Teen Health Connection.

2000

Amelia Fulbright Howard received the Pile-Morgan Fellowship for post-MDiv advanced studies from the Austin Seminary.

Mary Suzanne Miller (MD) completed her internship and residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She is a gynecologist with Greensboro (NC) Women’s Health Care.

Timothy M. Persons (MS, PhD ’01) is the technical director and chief scientist for the Disruptive Technology Office at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence in Washington. He received the Director of National Intelligence Fellows Award.

Michael Sexauer (MBA) is director of marketing and communications at Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens in Pittsburgh. He and his wife, Diana, and their twin sons, Cameron and Nathan, live in Mt. Lebanon.

Stephanie Fulton Terry received her MBA from the University of Pittsburgh Katz School of Business. She is a program development coordinator in global resourcing at Lowe’s corporate office in Mooresville, NC.

Danielle Whren received her master’s in library science from the University of Maryland. She is a digital access librarian at the Loyola/Notre Dame Library in Baltimore.

2001

Megan Anderson is a vice president in the institutional equity sales division at Bank of America in Chicago.

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Hunt Mayo is a senior global marketing associate with Eli Lilly & Co. in Indianapolis.

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Alexander Roth (LLM) is a prosecutor in the office of the District Attorney in Coburg, Bavaria.

Scott S. Ward (JD) is general counsel of the Republican State Leadership Committee and has been elected general counsel and secretary of the District of Columbia Republican Party.

Robin Whitley is in the U.S. Navy. She has been deployed to Afghanistan for a year.

Xinyi “Sunny” Wu (LLM, MSA ’04) is a senior consultant in tax and business advisory services for the Beijing branch of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu CP Ltd. in China.

2002

Sara Courtney Busch received her JD and MBA from the Case Western Reserve School of Law and Weatherhead School of Management. She has been admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar and is an associate in the corporate and securities group of Reed Smith in Pittsburgh.

Andy Gruel is an environmental engineer at Ecology & Environment Inc. in Boulder, CO.

William Holman (JD) has joined Michael A. DeMayo LLP in Charlotte, NC. His focus is on civil litigation, personal injury, wrongful death, workers’ compensation, medical malpractice, nursing home negligence and Social Security disability.

Brandon Jones (MDiv) is a candidate for the Mississippi House of Representatives District 111.

Amy Chastain Moore (PhD) received an American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellowship. She will conduct research on the molecular causes of acute myeloid leukemia at Vanderbilt University.
Alumni Director

The Office of University Advancement seeks a strategic and collaborative leader to serve as its next Assistant Vice President and Director of Alumni Activities. The director reports to the Vice President for University Advancement and is responsible for directing and executing Wake Forest’s Alumni Activities program, which serves a constituency of more than 57,000 alumni throughout the United States and worldwide.

The Alumni Director will be asked to maintain and enhance the vital connections that alumni have to their friends and classmates and to Wake Forest. S/he will have overall management responsibility for alumni programs such as Homecoming and reunions, the robust network of Wake Forest Clubs in the U.S. and abroad, merchandising and alumni communications. The director will work with the Alumni Council and other alumni volunteer boards to generate new programs and strengthen existing ones. The director’s goal will be to set the standard for best practices in Alumni Activities among peer institutions and to identify and champion opportunities for increased alumni involvement in and satisfaction with Wake Forest.

The ideal candidate must have experience in leading volunteer or constituent programs that are recognized for their strength and effectiveness. S/he will have skills in relationship building, stewardship, event-driven programming, communications and volunteer board management. The director will also need personal warmth, charisma and the confidence to serve as a key liaison between Wake Forest and its accomplished and highly diverse alumni population. The ability to travel frequently is essential.

Major Gift Officers

The Office of University Advancement is embarking on an ambitious initiative to increase charitable giving and is looking for results-oriented, energetic and enthusiastic staff members to join the Office of University Development and Major Gifts.

Major Gift officers will be asked to increase Wake Forest’s fundraising capacity through the successful cultivation, solicitation and stewardship of a pool of prospective donors with the capacity to make gifts in the $50K to $1M range. They will develop and execute prospect management plans, including solicitation strategies, draft proposals, ongoing cultivation and correspondence for prospects.

Ideal candidates must have exceptional interpersonal skills and a proven history of gaining the support and financial commitment of others. They must demonstrate a clear understanding of Wake Forest University, its component schools and programs and its strategic direction, and have a passion for communicating the University’s needs and priorities. The ability to travel frequently is essential.

For more information, visit the Human Resources Web site: www.wfu.edu/hr/careers
Aaron Oyarce (LLM) is head of the corporate department and academic coordinator of the law school at San Martin University in Peru. He returned to the Wake Forest School of Law for a month as a visiting international researcher on comparative corporate governance.

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Drew Senter is an associate with Isom & Stanko LLC in Anniston, AL.

Maria Toler is pursuing an MBA in marketing and entrepreneurship at New York University’s Leonard N. Stern School of Business.

Maribeth C. Wechsler received her JD from Temple University. She practices general corporate, real estate and business and finance at Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippell LLP in Philadelphia.

2003

Ann Curby received her JD from the University of Queensland. She is with Clayton Utz in Brisbane, Australia. She is the daughter of Jon and Vicki Morgan Curby (‘68).

Stephen M. Hawryluk received his master’s in public affairs from UNC-Greensboro. He is a budget analyst for Gaston County in Gastonia, NC.

Sarah Josephson graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine and will begin a residency in dermatology at the Medical College of Georgia.

Pascal Kremp (LLM) is an associate working in labor and employment law with DLA Piper in Frankfurt, Germany.


Jennifer Needham has been accepted in the MBA program at George Washington University’s business school.

Jill Sahajdack Rainwater is program manager of the continuing education and professional development department of a college in Grand Rapids, MI. She also has a private practice as a psychotherapist, specializing in eating disorders and personal growth. She and her husband, Ben (’02), founded Atlanta Growth & Wellness Inc.


2004

Courtney Barksdale graduated from the University of Texas School of Law and is a law clerk to a chief judge for the U.S. District Court in Winston-Salem.

Mike Buddie is associate director of development for major gifts in the Wake Forest athletic department. He and his wife, Traci Tucker Buddie (’95), have two children, Zachary (6) and Zoe (3).

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Courtney Suzanne Johnson graduated from the University of Florida Levin College of Law. She is with King & Spalding LLP in Atlanta.

Brian Kulju graduated from the University of Miami School of Law. He was a member of the International and Comparative Law Review.

Young Jo Lim (LLM) is senior engineer and in-house counsel in the intellectual property strategy office of Samsung Electronics Co. in Korea.

Kyle Richard Olson earned a master’s in global ethics from King’s College London.

2005

Fusako Kirinuki (LLM) earned a second LLM from WIPO/Turin University Law School and completed an internship with Societa Italiana Brevetti in Florence, Italy. She returned to Blakemore & Mitsui in Tokyo.

Christopher Daniel Lins (JD) is an associate practicing business litigation with MGLAW PLLC in Nashville, TN.

Daniel Millares (LLM) is a legal analyst in the Organization of American States’ Mission to Support the Peace Process in Colombia.

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Sachiyo Nishie (LLM) is completing an internship at Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky & Popeo PC in Boston.

2006

Katherine Royal Bosken (JD) and her husband, Christopher W. Bosken (JD), are with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem.

Sachiyo Nishie (LLM) is completing an internship at Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky & Popeo PC in Boston.
Marriages

Altha Smith Satterwhite (’45) and Harold Gallagher. 2/16/07 in Hawaii, according to a story in the Times-News in Hendersonville, NC.

Elizabeth Hamrick (’82) and Al LeBrun. 12/28/06. They live in Hermosa Beach, CA.

Jennifer Dolby (’84, MD ’89) and Randall Smith. 12/4/05 in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. They live in Mission Beach, CA. A reception was held in May 2006 in San Diego. Attending were Melanie Adams (MA ’85, MD ’89), Richard Cooper (MD ’89), Claudia Reynolds Harris (’84) and Phil Wenzell (’84).

Anne K. Pollard (’89) and Keene Haywood. 11/2006. They live in Washington.

Carl Harnett King (’91) and Stacy Lynn Wood. 5/28/06 in Columbia, SC.

Alisha L. Hogue (’92) and Donovan S. Corneetz. 7/15/06 in Wait Chapel. The wedding party included Paula Goodwin (’92) and Kwamine Simpson (’92). Pam Ward (’92) attended.

Jennifer Lynn Wheless (’93) and David Pearce Campbell Jr. 11/25/06 in Richmond, VA, where they live.

Jeanie Marklin (’95) and Johnny Reynolds. 11/10/06 in Blowing Rock, NC. Attending were Jamie Vacca Chambliss (’94), Will Chambliss (’96), Jennifer Jones (’95), Will Marklin (’90) and Ashley Simmons Thurmond (’94).

Megan McLaughlin (’96) and Louis Beaubien. 10/21/06 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. They live in Pawtucket, RI.

Xandra Timmermans (’97) and Tim Moran. 12/12/06 in Costa Rica. They live outside Philadelphia. Katie High (’97) attended.

Laurie Levie (’93) and Cary Estes. 3/3/07 in Birmingham, AL. In attendance were Greg Brondos (’90, MAEd ’93), Kristin DeHaven (’93), Chris Meta (’92, MA ’94), Rachel Godsoe Meta (’93), Tina Hartsell Upshaw (’89) and Kim Walsh (’93).

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Ellen Stanley Cross ('98) and Daniel Michael Feeney. 10/8/06. The wedding party included Andrea Caro (JD '01), Sheri Rights Marchiori ('98) and Kristin Muzina ('98). Attending were Jennifer Gentile ('98) and Chantal Dilzer Mahon ('98).

Richard T. Galinski ('99) and Wendi L. Garrett ('03). 10/28/06 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Chrissy Davis ('03), Alan R. Dickinson ('98), Amy Bradley Dunning ('03), Justin E. Dunning ('02), Rebecca L. Ellington (MA '02), Alicia Garrett McArthur ('98) and Jordan D. Wong ('99).

Mary Graciano (MAEd '99) and Daniel Mertsch. 8/06. They live in Germany.

John Mark Sampson (JD '99) and Mary Suzanne Miller (MD '00). 10/21/06 in Pinehurst, NC. They live in Greensboro, NC.

Jennifer A. Cianelli ('00) and John R. Cooper Jr. ('01). 6/18/06 in Newport, RI. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Aaron Baer ('01), Michael Capizzani ('02), Jannella Dash ('00), Derek DeGrass ('01), Stephen Hawryluk ('03), Rebecca Jones ('00), Tyler Middleton ('00), Anthony Nicastro ('01, JD '05), Zachary Palmer ('01) and Jill “Spillane” Sutton ('00).

Daniel Beavers ('01) and Kristen Beam. 8/5/06 in Chapel Hill, NC. They live in Waco, TX. The wedding party included Philip J. Beavers ('71), Jennifer Beavers Bland ('03), Scott Cislo ('98) and Tamara Beavers Cislo ('99).

Andrea Doyle Brooks ('01) and Richard Charles Fuquay. 6/24/06 in Dallas. They live in Denver. The wedding party included Emily Chapin Lewis ('01), Brooke Woods McCollum ('01) and Matthew Drew Talley ('01).

Ellison Susanne Craig ('01) and Christopher Edward Laskowski. 10/28/06 in Doylestown, PA. They live in Washington. The wedding party included Amanda Jackson Goodwin ('01), Libby Phelps Langsdale ('02) and Cameron Grant Smith ('01).

Amanda Jean Getman ('01) and Timothy Cribbs. 7/22/06. The wedding party included Laura Hurd Bilton ('01), Michelle Brack ('01), Chriissa Getman Burns ('98) and Jessica Wolfging Morgan ('02).

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William “Will” Barrett ('02, MBA '06) and Jessica Sumner. 8/19/06 in Boone, NC. They live in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Adam Foster ('04), Dustin Knuston ('02), Brian Shaw ('03, MSA '04) and Jon Spivey ('02, MSA '03).

Craig Robert Brodersen ('02, MS '03) and Christine Marie Manuck ('03). 9/23/06 in Farmington, CT. They live in Burlington, VT. The wedding party included Jennifer Schneider Camp ('03), Andrea Lavin ('03), Tracy Manuck ('99, MD '03), Jeffrey Margevich ('03) and John Royall ('02, MSA '03). Attending were Carolyn Conner ('03), Erin Lichtenstein ('03), Rebecca Lundin ('03) and Deborah Shelton ('03).

John Snowden Manning ('02) and Victoria Nicole Huntley ('03). 9/9/06 in Charlotte, NC. The groom’s mother was the late Carolina Hudnall Manning (MS ’80, PhD ’87). The bride’s father is Danny Edward Huntley (73, MD ’77). The wedding party included Michael Charles Bounds ('02), David Richardson Elliott ('76), John Poole Elliott ('73), Reid Harden Harris ('02), Mary Alice Mitchell ('97), Thomas Zimmerman Mitchell ('96), Chad Austin Pugh ('02), Laura Manning Riley ('93) and Justan Alan Treadway ('02).

Jennifer K. Ream ('02) and Andrew Gordon Pittard ('02) and Lauren Bea Richardson. 10/28/06 in Mount Pleasant, SC. They live in Brentwood, TN. The wedding party included the groom’s father, William B. Pittard III ('68), brother and sister-in-law, William B. Pittard IV ('96) and Melanie Angiollilo Pittard ('96), Nick Dahm ('02), Cary Hudgins ('03), T.J. Martin ('02), Ryan Newth ('02) and David Ryan ('01).

Robert Jackson Chapman ('00) and Mary Jane Ciallella ('00). 6/9/00 in Greensboro, NC. The wedding party included the groom’s father, William B. Chapman ('68), brother and sister-in-law, William B. Chapman IV ('96) and Melanie Angiollilo Chapman ('96), Nick Dahm ('02), Cary Hudgins ('03), T.J. Martin ('02), Ryan Newth ('02) and David Ryan ('01).

Caroline Kirby Tyson ('02) and Bradley Ryan Cox ('03). 3/31/07 in Pinehurst, NC. They live in Colorado Springs, CO. The wedding party included Mary Claire Hodges ('02), Evan Kistler ('04), Jesse McKay ('03), Sean Simons ('03), Bryan Watts ('02), Cristofer Wiley ('03, MAEd '04) and graduate student Jason Tyson. Attending were Noelle Cutts ('02), Bill Davis (JD ’66), Rusty Duke ('70, JD ’74), Lia Erickson ('99, MD ’03), Bonnie Fenton ('03, MSA '04), Jonathan Fenton ('03, MSA '04), Hal Goff (MBA ’77), Mary Ellen Kistler ('04), Tracy McKay ('03), Erin Pearson ('02), Meagan
Seymour (’02), Anna Shaw (’06), Adrienne Thompson (’03), Hunter Thompson (’03), law students Karl Amelchenko and Jeff Kuykendall and medical student Ashley Barber.

**Stan Browning (JD ’03) and Agnes Lepine.** 2/16/07. They live in Atlanta.

**John Colavincenzo (’03) and Bethany Giles.** 7/1/06 in Pittsburgh. They live in Washington. The wedding party included Lucy Colavincenzo (’06), Chris Mauney (’03), Travis Vesel (’03) and Danny Vichot (’03). Attending were Brian Bohow (’03), Carol Collier (’06), Jon Harkey (’03), Alexandra Hull (’06), John Kiss (’03, MSA ’04), Will Pittman (’00, JD/MBA ’05), David Riedel (’03), Drew Ritting (’03, MSA ’04), Will Pittman (’00, JD/MBA ’05), Alexandra Hull (’06), John Kiss (’03, MSA ’04), Will Pittman (’00, JD/MBA ’05), David Riedel (’03), Drew Ritting (’03, MDA ’07), Eric Rumberger (’03, MSA ’04), Jessica Sams (’03) and junior Lisa Brett.

**Joan Fort Fraser (’03) and Seth Rhodes Poston.** 7/1/06 in Roswell, GA. They live in Nashville, TN. The wedding party included Emily Blake Hinman (’03), Kate Hitzhusen (’05) and Melanie McMillan (’03).

**David Willingham Lentz (’03) and Kelsey Raine Scofield (’05).** 4/14/07 in Mt. Pleasant, NC. They live in Charlotte, NC. The bride’s father is Robert J. Scofield (’74), and her uncle is Douglas H. Scofield (’78). The wedding party included Justin Bartus (’03), Jonas Blomqvist (’03), Zach Collings (’05), Kristen Best Farrell (’05), Retta Franklin (’05), Dave Hanson (’05), Kenny Jacob (’02), Cassie Kirby-Smith (’05), Jessica Long (’05), Scott Newbern (’03) and Carey Scheible (’04).

**Adam John Reilly (’03, MS ’05) and Elizabeth Anne Perez (’03).** 5/20/06 in Bethesda, MD. They live in Silver Spring, MD. Father Jude DeAngelo officiated. The wedding party included Joseph Antrosio (’05), Jessica Fegan (’03), Brian Heaton (’03) and Kelli Karasiewicz (’03).

**Cynthia Ellen Szejner (’03) and Jonathan Todd Gross.** 10/14/06 in Nashville, TN, where they live. The wedding party included MBA student Emily Blake Hinman (’03), Tricia Pribula (’03), Elizabeth Settlerin (’03) and Kristen Stutz (’03). Attending were Jennifer Beavers Bland (’03), Emily Dolim (’03, MAEd ’05), Christine Dorney (’04), Katie Farber (’04), Laura Hall (’04), Lauren Magnetti (’03), Nicole Murphy (’03) and Caroline Satterfield (’05).

**Jennifer Leigh Watkins (’03) and Josh Ansphach Hanson.** 12/30/06. The wedding party included Elizabeth Condo (’03), Anna Curnes (’03), Jessica Fegan (’03), Brian Heaton (’03) and Seth Vesel (’03), and her uncle is Douglas White, NC. The bride’s father is Robert J. White, NC. The wedding party included Kevin Cumbus (MBA ’05). Attending were Katie Cumbus (JD ’06), Rodolfo Fernandez (MBA ’05), Adam Harrington (MBA ’05), Chris Hughes (MBA ’05), John Macrini (MBA ’05), D.J. O’Brien (JD ’06), Meg O’Brien (MBA ’05), Lori Englebert Street (’00, MBA ’05), Chris Victory (MBA ’05) and David Webb (MBA ’05).

**Carolyn “Kit” Wilkinson (’03) and Matt Neill Thomson Jr.** 1/13/07 in Nashville, TN. They live in Washington. The wedding party included Victoria Thatcher Wilkinson (’06). Attending were Amanda Winston Monschein (’02), Jennifer Lynne Newman (’03, PA ’06), David Safer (’03), Laura Anna Sandy (’03), Nandana Surendra Shenoy (’02), Hillary Claire Thompson (’02) and Emma Jane White (’02).

**Heather Aimee Altenbern (’04) and Kenneth Warren Poe Jr. (’04).** 9/9/06 in Charlotte, NC, where they live. The wedding party included Emily Brown (’04), Scott Cleveland (’04), Anna Groos (’04), Rachel Harris (’04), Katie Mills (’04), Robbie Mills (’04), Grant Mitchell (’04), Jenny Pinkard (’04), Katie Rigby (’04), Douglas Saunders (’04) and Phillip Simson (’04).

**Carolynn R. Gebo (’04) and Kristopher H. Majak (’04).** 10/7/06 in Wellesley Island, NY. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Joseph Bennett (’04), Robert Brooks (’05), Nathalie Davis (’05), Adrianna Henson (’05) and Meredith Laughbridge (’04). Attending were John Cross (’04), Robert James (’05), Beth Laughridge (’71) and Digit Laughridge (’69).

**Joseph Adell McGowen (’04) and Ashley Paige Weston (’05).** 8/13/05 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Margaret Bussmann (’06), George Fleeson (’04), Justin Kamlade (’04), Jayme Persons (’05) and Karen Riddle (’05).

**Erin Elizabeth Wiseman (’04) and Jim White IV.** 5/27/06 in Orlando, FL. They live in Fort Lauderdale, FL. The wedding party included Jocelyn Farmer (’04), Greer Raggio (’04) and Kiley Smith (’04). Hillary Poole (’04) attended.

**Lindsay Butler (’05) and Jonathan Oparsowski (’05).** 2/24/07 in Miami. The wedding party included Emily Hedgpeth (’05), Mary Craven Hines (’03), Kathleen Stelling Hodgson (’03), Sarah Mastalar (’03), Carrington Rice (’03) and Sarah Wilson (’03).

**Hideyuki Kohata (LL.M ’05) and Tomoe Yamaga.** 9/18/06 in Hiroshima, Japan.

**Tara D. Watford (MBA ’05) and Timothy D. LeBlanc (MBA ’05).** 3/3/07 in Austin, TX. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Kevin Cumbus (MBA ’05). Attending were Katie Cumbus (JD ’06), Rodolfo Fernandez (MBA ’05), Adam Harrington (MBA ’05), Chris Hughes (MBA ’05), John Macrini (MBA ’05), D.J. O’Brien (JD ’06), Meg O’Brien (MBA ’05), Lori Englebert Street (’00, MBA ’05), Chris Victory (MBA ’05) and David Webb (MBA ’05).

**Christopher W. Bosken (JD ’06) and Katherine M. Royal (JD ’06).** 8/19/06 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Ann Arfken (JD ’06), Barbara Fitzgerald (JD ’06) and Amanda Zimmer (JD ’06). Attending were Mark Bentley (JD ’06), Kelly Gidcumb (’00, JD ’06), Saad Gul (JD ’06), Heather McKinney (JD ’06), William Reavis (JD ’05) and Peter Zellmer (JD ’06).
Births/Adoptions

Stephen Loftis (’82) and Lee Beasley Loftis, Marshall, NC: a son, Colin Gregory. 3/20/07

Stephen G. Teague (JD ’83) and Tuyen Teague, Greensboro, NC: a son, Jacob Andrew. 12/18/06

Andrea Herring Morris (’87) and W. Castlen Morris Jr. (’88), High Point, NC: a daughter, Addison Elyse. 8/24/06. She joins her sister, Maren (9).

Elisabeth Willis Paisley (’87) and Ted Paisley, Roanoke, VA: a son, Samuel Worth. 1/26/06. He joins his brother, Breece (8).

Peter S. Van Nort (’89, MBA ’94) and Kelly Coll Van Nort (’92), Atlanta: a son, Peter “Edward.” 2/20/07. He joins his brother, Harrison (3).

David Dresser (’90) and Tracy Dresser, Annandale, VA: a son, James “Sam” Patrick. 2/19/07. He joins his sisters, Molly (3) and Delia Ann (3).

Patrick Lemons (’90) and Allison Lemons, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Caroline Selby. 6/13/06

Peter Nielsen (’90) and Susan Nielsen, Summerville, SC: a son, Michael Paul. 2/2/07. He joins his sisters, Kirsten (11), Megan (9) and Hannah (5).

Paula Koutsogeorgas Duringer (’91) and Thomas A. Duringer, Charlotte, NC: a son, Wyatt Christian. 3/16/07. He joins his brother, Lucas (3).

Amy House (’91) and Ralph Gillies, Augusta, GA: a son, Owen Micah. 8/26/05

Wiley Reed (’91) and Diane Reed, Denver: a son, Hannan. 5/31/06

Rosalind Telford (’91, MA ’94) and Patrick Morton (MA ’97, MBA ’02), Winston-Salem: a son, Sean Patrick. 10/31/06. He joins his sister, Erin Nicole (3).

Laurie Fischer Beck (’92) and Julian David Beck (’92), Atlanta: a son, Owen Edward. 8/13/06

Emily Carter Dunton (’92) and Stephen Dunton, Arlington, VA: a son, Samuel Christian. 12/30/06. He joins his brother, Harrison (3).

Jennifer Eanes Foster (’92) and Greg Foster, Atlanta: a daughter, Eleanor “Ellie” Sarah. 6/7/06. She joins her brother, Jack (3).

Daniel Geijer (’92) and Allison Geijer, Thailand: a son, Nathanael Corban. 1/21/07. He joins his brother, Joseph (5), and sister, Anna (3).

Amy Goebel Henry (’92) and Travis Hill Henry, Knoxville, TN: a daughter, Katherine Diane. 2/5/06

Stefanie Rodwell Jones (’92) and Justin Jones, Clemmons, NC: a son, Elijah “Eli” Samuel. 2/1/07. He joins his brother, Jon David.

Catherine Wisner Taylor (’92) and E. Derek Taylor (’93), Richmond, VA: a daughter, Annalee Ware. 10/3/06. She joins her sister, Abigail (5), and brother, Sawyer (2).

Nancy Rodwell Tuohy (’92) and Chris Tuohy (MD ’01), Nashville, TN: a son, William Gardner. 9/6/06. He joins his brother, Patrick (3).

Courtney Woods Baum (’93) and David Baum, Atlanta: a son, William Connolly. 9/13/06. He joins his sister, Cameron Grace.

Steven William Braskamp (’93) and Caroline Gupton Braskamp (’97, MAEd ’98), Allen, TX: a daughter, Sophia Grace. 8/8/06

Kevin Crybskley (’93) and Lauren Crybskley, Alpharetta, GA: a son, Owen Bradford. 9/6/06. He joins his brother, Jack Edward.

Deborah Stumpf Curtis (’93) and Jason T. Curtis, Clayton, NC: a son, Nicholas Austin. 5/17/06. He joins his sister, Bailey Lynn (5).

Merisue Huffman Donovant (’93, MBA ’01) and George David Donovant, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Morgan Reece. 1/1/07. She joins her sisters, Briana (11) and Meagan (5).

Heather Sager Fedeli (’93) and Andrew Fedeli, Greenbrae, CA: a son, Nicholas Ray. 11/18/06

Jennifer Dework Katz (’93) and Joel Katz, Newport Beach, CA: a son, Samuel David. 9/8/06. He joins his brothers, Max (4) and Nate (2).

Laura Manning Riley (’93) and Sean Riley, Charlotte, NC: a son, Jackson “Jack” Patrick. 12/12/06

Patricia Clinard Alfing (’94) and Joshua Alfing, Chesapeake, VA: a daughter, Roseanna Kay. 10/7/05

K. Todd Barfield (’94) and Anna K. Barfield, Oceanport, NJ: a son, Kevin Christopher. 6/26/06. He joins his brother, Griffin.

Carolyn Armstrong Calkins (’94) and Brian Calkins, Cincinnati: a daughter, Kayla Lynn. 9/23/06

Joseph W. Dickson (’94) and Elizabeth Dickson, Chattanooga, TN: a daughter, Molly Kate. 1/26/07. She joins her sisters, Emily and Morgan, and brothers, Jake, Aidan and Alex.

Lisa Hedden Edler (’94) and Rob Edler (’94), Lawrenceville, GA: a daughter, Dana Mae. 1/22/07. She joins her sister, Elisabeth (6), and brother, Scott (4).

Hollis Singleton Marek (’94) and Joseph Marek (JD ’01), Matthews, NC: twin daughters, Julia and Effie. 9/13/06. They join their sister, Sadie (2).

Ian Mayville (’94) and Rachel Mayville, Boca Raton, FL: a daughter, Audrey. 2/11/06

Cherie Van Der Sluys Nagel (’94) and Scott Nagel, Trumbull, CT: a daughter, Abigail Helen. 7/31/06. She joins her brother, Nathan (2).
Will Nolan (’94) and Stephen Kaplan, Bogota, NJ: adopted a son, Michael Patrick. 9/21/06

Rachel Kuhn Stinehelfer (’94) and Danny Stinehelfer, Durham, NC: a daughter, Claudia Jane. 2/1/07. She joins her brother, Henry (2).

David Scott Chapman (’95) and Peggy Chapman, Charlotte, NC: a son, Matthew David. 2/2/07. He joins his sister, Lauren (2).

Nathan A. Jones (’95, MBA ’06) and Monica Jones, Winston-Salem: a son, William Deacon. 3/13/07. He joins his brothers, Ian (5) and Henry (2).

Jeffrey A. Kramer (JD ’95) and Heather Kramer, Far Hill, NJ: a son, Timothy Joseph. 4/27/06. He joins his sister, Sophie Elizabeth (4).

Amanda Lane Long (’95) and Andrew Long, Greenville, SC: a daughter, Stella Elise. 1/1/07

Peter J. Mohler (’95) and Nancy LeCroy Mohler (’94), Iowa City, IA: a daughter, Caroline LeCroy. 8/28/06. She joins her sister, Stella (2).

Amanda Muelchi Price (’95) and Jay Price, Raleigh, NC: a daughter, Sarah Scarlett. 4/6/07. She joins her sister, Kaitlyn Marie (4).

Toby Wells (MBA ’95) and Frances Wells, Pinehurst, NC: a daughter, Lydia Louise. 1/19/07

David W. Alexander (’96) and Ann Alexander, Mt. Pleasant, SC: a son, John William. 4/12/07. He joins his brother, David “Mac” McKnitt (1 1/2).

Kelly Green Clay (JD ’96) and William Clay, Raleigh, NC: a son, William “Liam” Charles. 12/16/06. He joins his sisters, Rebekah and Rachel.

Michael DeFrank (’96) and Jessica Thompson DeFrank (’97), Raleigh, NC: a daughter, Paloma Isabel. 12/26/06

Laura Whipple Dollyhigh (’96) and Samuel Dollyhigh, Detroit: a son, Jack Monroe. 1/16/06

John Green (’96) and Andrea Green, Chattanooga, TN: a daughter, Caroline. 2/6/07

Jessica Wadkins Grieger (’96) and Charles Grieger, Dallas: a son, Cooper Wadkins. 3/21/07. He joins his brother, Charlie (5), and sister, Amelia Grace (3).

William A. “Tony” Hooker (’96) and Melissa Hooker, Concord, NC: a daughter, Madelyn Youmei. 4/23/06, adopted 2/26/07. She joins her brothers, Logan (4), Nate (1) and Andrew (1).

Christopher John Leonard (’96, JD ’99) and Laura Curlee Leonard, Wilmington, NC: a son, Christopher “Jack” John Jr. 10/27/06

Charlotte Dillon Little (’96) and Randy Little (’97), New York: a daughter, Reagan Gwyn. 2/28/07

Kelly Bumgarner Trenchard (’96, MSA ’97) and Matthew Trenchard, New York: a son, Cameron Martin. 4/15/06

Norbert Woodruff Weldon (’96) and Mary Weldon, Summit, NJ: a daughter, Abigail Jane. 2/20/07. She joins her brother, Thomas (2).

Helen Knapp West (’96) and Kevin West, Norcross, GA: twin daughters, Elizabeth Ruth and Allison Margaret. 10/12. They join their brothers, Andrew (3) and Colin (2).

Paul Becker (’97) and Kristen Gilbride Becker (’99), Hamburg, NY: a son, Cameron Martin. 4/15/06

Frederick Way Booth III (’97) and Kristin Booth, Hawthorne, NJ: a daughter, Kellen Farrell. 3/28/07. She joins her brother, Connor (2).

Owen C. Bouton (’97) and Merrie Hatch Bouton (’97, MSA ’98), Dunwoody, GA: a daughter, Hannah Blanche. 10/13/06. She joins her sister, Presley (3).

Bryan Chitwood (’97) and Jodi Chitwood, Atlanta: a daughter, Allison Brooke. 2/5/07

Meredith Razook Granese (’97) and Steven Anthony Granese (’98), St. Petersburg, FL: a son, Carson Anthony. 1/24/07

James Edward Kelley II (’97) and Suzanne Anne Blakeney Kelley (’98), Charleston, SC: a daughter, Blakeney Elizabeth. 12/5/06.

Amy Christine Glotzbach Moll (’97) and Charles Moll, Fenton, MO: a daughter, Brooke Leanne. 3/27/06. She joins her sister, Sarah (2).

Matthew Shurts (’97) and Sarah Hovis Shurts (’97), Butler, NJ: a son, Nathaniel Thomas. 5/18/06

Tricia White Sistrunk (JD ’97) and George W. Sistrunk (JD ’98), Charlotte, NC: a son, Luke Gordon. 1/17/06. He joins his brother, Garrett (3).

Kaci Starbuck (’97) and M.S.M. Saifullah, Singapore: a son, Asadullah (born in India) and Yusuf (born in the U.K.), and sister, Rumaysa (born in the U.S.).

Kimberly Alexander Bogert (’98) and Tim Bogert, Charlotte, NC: a son, Alexander “Xan.” 2/1/07

Alex Brown (’98) and Georganne Brown, Cincinnati: a daughter, Annelise DeVries. 10/2/06

Matthew Gilley (’98) and Jennifer Greer Gilley (’98), Spartanburg, SC: a son, Avery Garrison. 12/8/06. He joins his brother, Owen (3).

David W. Joyner (’98, MSA ’99) and Caitlin Maier Joyner (’99), Nokomis, FL: a son, Austin David. 1/1/07

Keith A. Krut (’98) and Emilie Lapeyre Krut (’98), Kensington, MD: a son, Thomas Joseph. 12/1/06
Mark George Makovec (’98, MAEd ’99) and Allison Makovec, Virginia Beach, VA: a son, Mark “Austin.” 1/2/07. He joins his brothers, Mason Garrett (4-1/2) and Morgan John (2).

Andrew O. Mathews (’98) and Whitney Montague Mathews (’99), Richmond, VA: a son, Andrew Beauford. 3/6/07

Mike Riley (’98, MAEd ’00) and Summer Shaw Riley (’01), Winston-Salem: a son, Andrew Michael. 12/25/06. He joins the twins, Connor (2) and Hannah (2).

Leslie Shively Robinson (’98, MSA ’99) and Paul Robinson, Hanover, NH: a daughter, Charlotte Rose. 2/9/07. She joins her sister, Rebecca Kate (2).

Ronald A. Skufca (JD ’98) and Silvia Skufca, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Lia Summer. 3/8/07. She joins her brothers, Dane (6) and Alan (3).

Elizabeth Thalheimer Smartt (’98) and Ryan Smartt, Richmond, VA: a daughter, Caroline Marie. 2/15/07

Douglas W. Thiessen (JD ’98) and Sarah Thiessen, West River, MD: a daughter, Charlotte Rose. 11/16/06. She joins her sisters, Hannah (9) and Heidi (3), and brother, Taylor (7).

Allyson Hilton Yanni (’98) and Jason Yanni (’99), Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Lili. 2/16/07

Christine Calareso Bleecker (’99) and David Bleecker, Laguna Niguel, CA: a son, Benjamin David. 2/11/07

Jennifer Mermans Bruno (JD ’99) and Barry Bruno (MBA ’99), Princeton, NJ: a daughter, Aerin Elizabeth. 12/31/06. She joins her brother, Nicholas (2).

Benjamin Eckert (’99) and Andrea Morrison Eckert (’99), Pennington, NJ: a son, Ethan Morrison. 2/27/07. He joins his brother, Eli (2).

Elise Murphy Forrest (’99) and John Forrest, Chevy Chase, MD: a daughter, Maren Elisabeth. 3/8/07

Steve Frasher (’99) and Lindy Kryzewski Frasher (’99), Durham, NC: a son, Spencer “Quin.” 7/26/06

William Morrison Kennedy (’99) and Sarah Kennedy, Round Rock, TX: a daughter, Sloane McGill. 12/19/06

Justin Lefevre (JD ’99) and Margaret Lungar Lefevre (JD ’00), Davidson, NC: a son, Ryan Charles. 2/8/07. He joins his brother, Will (2).

Kelly Wolff Lyman (’99) and Dustin Lyman (’99), Chicago: a daughter, Olivia Elizabeth. 1/5/07

Leslie Rush Spurrier (’99) and Matt Spurrier, Littiz, PA: a son, Simeon Cole. 12/16/06

Robert Yurkutat (’99) and Barbara Mathes Yurkutat (’99), Winston-Salem: twin daughters, Anna Grace and Caroline Joy. 8/3/06

Karen Fort Bordas (’00, MSA ’01) and Matthew Bordas, Houston: a son, Ryan Matthew. 9/15/06. He joins his sister, Anna Kristine (1 1/2).

Anne-Marie LeBlanc Davis (’00) and Aaron Davis, Portland, ME: a daughter, Vivian Skye. 8/20/06. She joins her brother, Owen (3).

Tiska Kennedy Farnham (’00) and Kevin Farnham, Raleigh, NC: a daughter, Kennedy Ann. 8/1/06

Erin Elizabeth Foley (’00) and Michael Lewis, Alexandria, VA: twin daughters, Blair Elizabeth and Kirin Reese. 12/25/06. They join their sister, Madelyn Grace.

Jennifer McCarthy Kindy (’00) and Jeremy D. Kindy (’01), Winston-Salem: a son, Timothy Aaron. 1/14/07. He joins his brother, Daniel Alexander (3).

Jennifer Pollock Mueller (’00) and Matt Mueller, Timonium, MD: a daughter, Ann Stuart McEvoy. 5/31/06. She joins her sister, Hadley (1).

Pamela J. Simmons (JD ’00) and Jeremy Simmons, Jacksonville, FL: a daughter, Heidi Nicole. 11/8/06. She joins her sisters, Kate Elizabeth (4) and Lauren Emily (2).

Cheryl B. Smith (MBA) and Bryan Smith, New Bern, NC: a daughter, Peyton Sloan. 3/15/07

Marc Andrew Snyder (’00) and Ronda King Snyder (’00), Charlotte, NC: a son, Owen Patrick. 2/21/07. He joins his brother, Caleb Andrew (2).

Stephen Arndt (’01) and Jamie Lemke Arndt (’01), Jacksonville, FL: a son, Thomas Stephen. 2/24/07

Jennifer Warren Barnett (’01) and Mark Barnett, Morrisville, NC: a son, Colin Charles. 7/19/06

Sandra McCullough Bowen (MA ’01) and Jamie Bowen, Garner, NC: a son, Drake Edward. 11/1/06

Jay Hemphill (JD ’01) and Melinda Seamans Hemphill (JD ’02), Pittsboro, NC: a son, Hayes Randolph. 6/17/06. The grandparents are Laura Thomson Hemphill (’71) and James Lowell Hemphill (’69), and his aunt Laura Turner Hemphill (’07).

Klemens Keferboeck (LLM ’01) and Anna Keferboeck, Vienna, Austria: a daughter, Lilli. 2/16/07

Nicole True Cedarleaf (JD ’02) and Karl Per Cedarleaf, Webster, NY: a son, Gunnar Michael. 7/5/06

Nicolas Mutis (MBA ’02) and Silvia Mutis, Richmond, VA: a daughter, Olivia. 2/9/07. She joins her sister, Sofia (2).

Eric C. Trosch (JD ’02) and Elizabeth Thornton Trosch (JD ’02), Charlotte, NC: a son, Joseph Theodore. 4/11/07. He joins his brother, Alexander.

Robyn Byrd Michalove (MDiv ’03) and Aaron Michalove, Fort Worth, TX: a daughter, Allison Ellen. 3/22/07

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Bill Haywood Kinsey ('35), Feb. 23, 2007, Washington, NC. He went to veterinary school at Alabama Polytechnic Institute and received his DVM in 1941 from Auburn University.

Herman Moorman Abbitt Sr. ('36), April 9, 2007, Louisa, VA. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, operated Village Drug Store in Highland Springs, VA, and worked at the Appomattox (VA) Rexall Drug Store.


James V. Dooney ('38), Feb. 4, 2007, Galloway Township, NJ. He served in the U.S. Navy and retired as an inspector after 40 years with the Atlantic City Police Department. After retiring, he returned to the department as a civilian employee in the property and evidence unit.

Herbert Tallie Dupree ('39), Jan. 9, 2007, Angier, NC. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He was assistant principal, coach and biology teacher at Coats High School, retiring after 33 years. He was owner of Dups Auto Parts in Angier for 59 years. He was a member of the Educators Hall of Fame at East Carolina University.


Frank Strong Parrott ('39, MD '41), March 11, 2007, Salisbury, NC. He served in the Army Medical Corps and completed his surgical residency at Baltimore City Hospital. He was a surgeon at Davis Hospital in Salisbury and had a private practice until his retirement in 1985. He enjoyed 50 years in the Salisbury Rotary Club and was a Paul Harris Fellow. After retirement, he attended Rowan-Cabarrus Community College and developed his hobby of making furniture.

Ralph Copeland Harris ('42), March 29, 2007, Rockingham, NC. He worked for the Federal Crop Insurance Program of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture in Washington. He established a Southern Life Insurance Agency, taught adult education classes and was dean of evening programs at Richmond Community College. He retired as RCC’s first Dean Emeritus.

James Baxter Turner Jr. ('42), March 20, 2007, Raleigh and Banner Elk, NC. He was a former member of the University’s board of trustees and a past president of the Deacon Club. He was the owner and president of Pender Mfg. & Supply Co. and the Turner companies in Raleigh and Columbia, SC. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II and Korea as a carrier and land-based pilot of F4U Corsairs in the Black Sheep Squadron, providing close air support to ground troops in the South Pacific, and received the Distinguished Flying Cross in each conflict. He is survived by his wife, Ann, and four children, James Baxter Turner III ('73), Ann Merrick Turner “Dida” Parrott ('74, MBA '79) and husband Robert Johnson Parrott (MBA '79); Frank Judson Turner ('77) and wife Lee; and Ruth Dudley Turner Camp ('84) and husband Robert; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Joseph Garrott Browder ('43), Feb. 12, 2007, Winston-Salem. He retired as lieutenant commander of the Civil Engineer Corps of the U.S. Navy Reserves after 35 years. He was an assistant bridge engineer with Southern Railway System, and superintendent, project manager, division chief engineer and site manager for McDevitt & Street Co., retiring in 1992. He is survived by his wife, Carlotta; and four children, Donna B. Moyer ('75), Becky B. Neustadt, Timothy M. Browder ('78) and Kevin L. Browder ('84); and five grandchildren.

Thomas J.M. Burnett ('45, MD '46), Feb. 9, 2007, Charlotte, NC. He was a retired radiologist and a generous donor to Wake Forest, who established a unit-trust to fund scholarships in the college, medical school and divinity school.

Following a tour of duty as a medical officer at U.S. naval hospitals in Tennessee and Japan, he entered private practice in Greenville, SC. He joined Mecklenburg Radiology of Charlotte in 1956 and was also a radiology and nuclear medicine specialist at Presbyterian Hospital until retiring in 1985. He is survived by his wife, Iris Willis ('44), and children, Dianne Sanchez ('70), Mike Burnett, Beth McGinley and Tom Burnett Jr. ('81).

Donald Floyd “Don” Bunn ('46), Feb. 3, 2007, Richmond, VA. He served in the U.S. Navy and was a retired dentist.

Frank Eugene Deese ('46), Jan. 29, 2007, Black Mountain, NC. He was a chaplain and 29-year military veteran. He received awards including the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Air Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm and Glider Badge. After retiring from the military, he had interim pastorate duties in Kentucky and North Carolina. Memorials may be to the Poteat Scholarship, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227, the Frank Eugene Deese Scholarship Fund, Wingate University, Campus Box 3071, Wingate, NC 28174 or the Kiwanis Foundation, PO Box 491, Black Mountain, NC 28711.


Winifred Hollowell Shope ('47), Jan. 24, 2007, Nashville, TN. She was a medical technologist and head of the clinical lab at Central State Mental Health Hospital. She later served as secretary and treasurer of Hart Hardware Co. She is survived by her children, Ruth Ann Veach ('77) and Frank S. Shope, and five grandchildren, including freshman Brad Veach.

Sidney B. Schrum ('48), March 7, 2007, Goldsboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and practiced optometry in Goldsboro since 1951.
OBITUARY

Thomas M. Steele

PROFESSOR OF LAW THOMAS M. STEELE, who led the law school’s library into a new era with the opening of the Professional Center Library, died on March 27, 2007. He was 58.

Steele began his career at Wake Forest in 1985 as the director of law library services and associate professor of law. He was named professor of law in 1991. He became director of the Professional Center Library in 1993 when the School of Law and Babcock Graduate School of Management moved to the Worrell Professional Center for Law and Management. He continued as its director until 1999.


A native of Oklahoma, Steele graduated from Oklahoma State University and pursued a graduate degree in history at the University of Oregon, planning to become a history professor. But he was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and instead spent two years as a military policeman at West Point, N.Y. After he was discharged, he earned his master of library science degree from the University of Oregon and his law degree from the University of Texas in 1977.

He began his 30-year career in legal education as acting law librarian at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He also taught and was the law librarian at the Franklin Pierce Law Center in New Hampshire and at the University of Mississippi before joining the law faculty at Wake Forest in 1985.

Steele is survived by his wife, LeAnn Steele, the registrar of the Wake Forest School of Law, and four sons. Memorials may be made to the Thomas M. Steele Research Scholarship in History Fund, Oklahoma State University, OSU Foundation, 400 South Monroe, Stillwater, OK 74074.
OBITUARY
Warren T. Carr

THE REV. WARREN CARR, the cerebral and often outspoken minister of Wake Forest Baptist Church from 1964 until 1985, died on Feb. 24, 2007. Carr, who was 89, was a Southern Baptist minister who once described himself as “a denominational maverick” who enjoyed taking on religious fundamentalists.

Throughout his ministry, he spoke his convictions firmly, often as a champion of civil rights and an advocate for the poor and disenfranchised. His tightly crafted, eloquent commentaries made his congregation—largely students and faculty—think about religious issues, whether they agreed with his strong opinions or not.

A native of Lexington, Ky., Carr graduated from Transylvania College. He had once wanted to be a lawyer, but went into the ministry to honor his mother’s wishes. After graduating from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, he spent several years at small churches in Virginia and West Virginia before being called to Watts Street Baptist Church in Durham, N.C., in 1946. During his 18 years there, he was an outspoken supporter of civil rights. He also led his congregation to ordain the first woman minister in the Southern Baptist denomination.

Carr received an honorary doctor of divinity degree from Wake Forest in 1965. After retiring from Wake Forest Baptist Church in 1985, he served as interim pastor of Unity Baptist Church in Winston-Salem and First Baptist Church of Elkin.

He is survived by four daughters, Ellen Carr Boone, Meredith Carr McIntosh, Martha Gail Carr and Deborah Carr Lemus, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Emory Marvin Musselwhite (’50), March 24, 2007, Wingate, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, was a Merchant Marine and a member of the Navy Block Island String Band. He was a pastor, serving last at Prospect Baptist Church in Supply, NC.

Troy Carson Bennett (’51), Feb. 2, 2007, Raleigh, NC. He served as a missionary in East Pakistan, Lebanon, Zambia, Tanzania and South Africa. He pastored Baptist churches in Fayetteville, Kinston and Winston-Salem, retiring in 1991. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, son, Stephen, daughters Rebecca Perry and Deborah Reynolds (’80) and five grandchildren.

Gerald Lee Coates Sr. (’51), Feb. 15, 2007, Greensboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. He began his career as a teacher at Littleton High School and later moved to finance, retiring from Barclays Bank in Greensboro.

William Joseph Eaker (’51, JD ’52), Jan. 17, 2007, Cornelius, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was an insurance claims adjuster for the General Adjustment Bureau. He practiced law for over 35 years in Huntersville, NC, and was instrumental in establishing the Legal Aid Society of Mecklenburg County, serving as its first director. After retiring from his law practice, he worked for GAB Robbins as a litigator.

J.D. Fulmer (’51), Feb. 27, 2007, Trussville, AL. He served in World War II in the Army Air Corps and was retired from PEMCO.

James “Jim” Garry (’51), March 4, 2007, McDonald, PA. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He played football in the Gator Bowl while at Wake Forest. He taught drivers’ education and history at Fort Cherry High School and coached football there for 45 years, retiring in 2002. He was inducted into the Pennsylvania Football Hall of Fame and the Tri-County Football Coach Hall of Fame and was Conference Coach of the Year several times.

Emmett O. Albright (’52), Jan. 9, 2007, Lawton, OK. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, receiving the medals of American Defense, American Campaign, Asiatic Pacific Campaign, Good Conduct and WWII Victory. He was a records management officer for the civil service at Fort Sill, retiring after 45 years.


William Joseph O’Brien (’53), Feb. 17, 2007, Kernersville, NC. He worked with Wachovia Bank as assistant vice president in the Kernersville Branch, retiring in 1985. He received the Man of the Year Award from the Jaycees and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award from Lions Club International. He served as president of the N.C. Eye and Human Tissue Bank and received the Kernersville Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award.

John Vernon Blackwell Jr. (’53, JD ’55), Dec. 1, 2006, Fayetteville, NC. He joined his father and uncle at Blackwell & Blackwell and practiced law for more than 50 years. He was a former president of the Cumberland County Bar Assoc., a former district attorney and a past member of the Campbell University School of Law Estate Planning Committee. He also was involved with the Wake Forest School of Law Continuing Education Program. He is survived by his wife, Edna, and three children, Cheryl, Steven and John Vance.

Charles M. Smith (MD ’53), March 14, 2007, Rockmart, GA. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps and interned at Baptist Hospital in Nashville, TN. He moved to Rockmart in 1955 and had a general medical practice, retiring in 1988.
OBITUARY
David A. Hills

DAVID HILLS, the gentle clinician with the wry sense of humor whose whimsical cartoons depicted his psychology students and life at Wake Forest for three decades, died on March 22, 2007. He was 75.

Hills joined the University’s new counseling center in 1960 and taught in the psychology department until retiring in 1996. “His teaching was laced with the same sense of humor as his cartoons,” said Professor of Psychology Bob Beck. “His range of expertise was both broad and deep.” His humor—and creativity—even extended to his tests: colleagues recall the statistics test with the question that students had to answer correctly so that they would know what room in Winston Hall to turn in their paper.

His light-hearted cartoons—packing a wealth of information into a simple drawing of a character or two accompanied by a clever phrase—endeared him to colleagues and students. “He had a comic view of the world; he was as good as any professional or editorial cartoonist,” said Beck, who had Hills illustrate a book he wrote in the 1980s. “He had an uncanny ability to take a complex situation, reduce it to its essentials, twist it around in some humorous way, and draw it.”

For years, his cartoons enlivened brochures for Freshman Orientation, Parents’ Weekend and the course catalogue for the now defunct January term. He would often sketch his students or guest lecturers as they presented their research. Modest and self-effacing, he often included himself in his cartoons as the small, unassuming, bespectacled man in the corner.

Hills grew up in Kansas and received his bachelor’s degree in English at the University of Kansas. After serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, he earned his masters in experimental psychology and his doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Iowa.

At Wake Forest, he was assistant director and then director for the Center of Psychological Services—originally part of the psychology department—from 1960 until 1974 and coordinator of student services for the University from 1974 until 1981. He was one of the founding members of the section on neuropsychology at the School of Medicine and was a consultant at the Center for Creative Leadership in Greensboro.

Hills was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Behrens Hills, and is survived by his son, Stuart, and two daughters, Karen and Kristin.

— Kerry M. King (’83)
OBITUARY

Paul S. Robinson

Paul S. Robinson, a retired longtime professor of music and University organist, died Feb. 15, 2007, in Winston-Salem. He was 99.

A native of Westminster, Robinson graduated from Westminster College in 1929 and studied music at Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. After obtaining a master's degree from Union Theological Seminary (where he later also earned his doctorate) in New York City, he was hired as the organist for Centenary United Methodist Church in downtown Winston-Salem in 1938. During World War II, he served three-and-a-half years with the U.S. Army's Third Armored Division as a chaplain's assistant and traveled throughout England, France and Germany, where he played a folding reed organ for services.

He joined the Wake Forest faculty as acting head of the music department in 1952, the same year as his future wife, Mary Frances McFeeters, professor of Romance languages. For years, he was organist for University assemblies, such as commencement, convocations and the once-compulsory chapel services, and he was accompanist for the Mozart Club's annual presentation of Handel's Messiah. He retired from the faculty in 1977. He also was the organist for Wake Forest Baptist Church from 1956 until 1993.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Pauline McMahon and Ellen O'Connor.

Charles E. Summers Sr. ('58), Feb. 8, 2007, North Wilkesboro, NC. He worked for Lowe's Companies, retiring after 30 years.

Billie Pickett Carr ('60), March 29, 2007, Winston-Salem. She was retired from the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina.

Rodney Lee Todd ('61), Feb. 19, 2007, Tampa, FL. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He was with International Harvester Credit Corp for 16 years and then Verizon for 23 years.

Eugene S. Tanner Jr. (JD '63), Jan 24, 2007, Greensboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and practiced law with Warren Coble, which later became Coble Tanner & Grigg, in Albemarle, NC. He was president of the Stanly County Bar Assoc. and secretary-treasurer of the 20th Judicial District Bar.

Charles Marion Upchurch (MD '63), Feb. 20, 2007, Huntsville, AL. He served in the U.S. Air Force as a pediatrician in Alabama and Japan. He practiced pediatrics for 35 years with Huntsville (AL) Pediatric Associates. He served as chief of pediatrics and chief of the medical staff at Huntsville Hospital.

Susannah Taylor Wilds ('65), Jan. 23, 2007, Blythewood, SC. She taught at the University of South Carolina and was employed by Policy Management Systems before retiring.

Cynthia Stafford Erickson ('66), April 13, 2007, Raleigh, NC. She was owner of Application Systems Co. She is survived by her husband, Walter, two sons, Geoffrey and Robert, a daughter, Kimberly E. Arnett ('94), and one grandchild.

Paul Mitchell Coble ('69), Dec. 7, 2006, Alexandria, VA. He served in Vietnam. He worked with the Federal Reserve Board in Washington and was an instructor with IBM.

George Allan Ferre Jr. ('75), March 25, 2007, Lutz, FL. He was a store manager of Drug Fair, regional vice president of Trak Auto Parts, and a store manager at Lowe's in Naperville, IL.

Hayden Russell Hensley ('75), Feb. 27, 2007, Brasstown, NC. He was a juvenile court probation officer before completing his JD at Samford University School of Law. He retired as a federal probation officer with the office of U.S. Courts in Bryson City, NC.

Kent Alan Robertson ('75), Feb. 24, 2007, Saint Cloud, MN. He earned a PhD in urban affairs and public policy from the University of Delaware and taught at State University of New York-Purchase. He joined St. Cloud State University in 1983 as professor and director of the Community Development Program.

Michele Donovan Wickham (MAEd '75), Jan. 1, 2007, Raleigh, NC. She retired in 2006 as the executive director of the Prince William County Public Schools Education Foundation. She received awards throughout her career for her contributions to education and her community.

Donald Meek Francis ('76), Jan. 2, 2007, Marion, VA. He was a dentist in Marion for 20 years.

Elizabeth “Betsy” Thornhill Gammon ('76), Nov. 3, 2006, Cedar Park, TX. She is survived by her husband, Carl Wilson Gammon (MS '79), a son, Benjamin, and daughter, Emily.

Henry “Hank” L. Hicks Jr. ('76), March 3, 2007, Winston-Salem. He was an assistant principal at North Forsyth High School and a former assistant principal at Mount Tabor High School. A native of Erwin, NC, he was on the basketball team at Wake Forest and was a tri-captain in 1975-76. He earned his master's degree from A&T State University.

Evander M. Britt III (JD '80), March 3, 2007, Lumberton, NC. He practiced law in Lumberton from 1981 until 2007 and was senior partner of Britt & Britt, practicing domestic, criminal/traffic and personal injury law. He was a direct distributor with the Amway Corp. and an independent owner with The Quixtar Corp. He is survived by his wife, Mary Hepshy Britt ('83), and two children, Marilyn and Evander.
David Nifong McDaniel (‘77), April 2, 2007, Charlotte, NC. He completed his DDS from the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Dentistry and was a dentist in Charlotte.

Jeffrey David Jack (MS ’88), Jan. 1, 2007, Goshen, KY. He was an associate professor of biology at the University of Louisville and was named the Tom Wallace Professor of Conservation Biology. He is survived by his wife, Elaine, and daughters, Amanda and Gracelynn.

Scott Allan Pike (JD ’91), March 11, 2007, Lisbon, OH. He was a project manager for McCoy Associates in Alliance and an office manager in Warren.

John Mark Bassir (MS ’99), Jan. 6, 2007, Portland, OR. He worked for 20 years at Oregon Health & Science University and was a shop steward for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union.

Kathryn Ferraris Taylor (JD ’06), April 7, 2007, Atlanta. She graduated from Clemson University in 1999. At Wake Forest she was a member of the Honor Council, worked with the Elder Law Clinic and studied in London and Vienna. She married Keith Taylor on 11/17/06.

Jeanette Joyner Humbert, April 3, 2007, Winston-Salem. She was a longtime resident of the Faculty Drive neighborhood and daughter of law alumnus John Council Joyner (‘18, JD ‘23), who endowed a College scholarship and law library fund years ago. She is survived by her husband, Bill, two sons, William and John, a daughter, Nancy Sweeney (MBA ’93), a brother, John Joyner (’55, JD ’59), and a sister.

Carolyn Vann Irvin, April 14, 2007, Williamsburg, VA. In 2006, at the age of 101, she created a $300,000 annuity to fund a need-based scholarship in honor of the descendants of Alexander Vann (1847).

Lynne Ellen Johnson, March 3, 2007, Winston-Salem. She was an assistant professor of art who specialized in Renaissance art, particularly the Baroque period. She earned her undergraduate and master’s degrees from the University of Wisconsin in Madison and a second master’s and PhD from the University of Maryland. She also studied at Paris Sorbonne and the University of Florence. She taught at Goucher College in Maryland for almost 20 years before joining the faculty at Wake Forest in 2004. She is survived by her husband, Peter Brunette, Reynolds Professor in Film Studies and director of the film studies program. A travel fund for art history students has been established in her name; gifts may be sent to: The Lynne Johnson Memorial Fund, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109, or may be made online at www.wfu.edu/alumni/giving.

J. Paul Sticht, March 27, 2007, Winston-Salem. He was a former chairman of R.J. Reynolds and a board member and strong supporter of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. The medical school’s Sticht Center on Aging was named in his honor in 1987. A native of Pennsylvania, he graduated from Grove City (PA) College. He was president of Campbell Soup Co. in the late 1950s and vice president and president of Federated Department Stores from 1960 until 1972. He was named president of Reynolds in 1973, the first outsider in the company’s executive history, and became chief executive in 1978 and chairman in 1979. He retired in 1984 but remained as chairman of Reynolds’s executive committee. He later supported the leveraged buyout of the company—which by then had become RJR Nabisco—by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., and he served as interim chairman and chief executive in 1989. He is survived by his wife, Ferne, and sons, David and Mark.

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A soldier’s fortune
By Richard E. Beale, Jr. (’64)

This past November my wife, Wynne, and I attended Wake Forest’s annual Stewardship Breakfast. I had the privilege of introducing the first recipient of the Robert M. Helm Leadership Endowment, Cadet Cameron L. Smith, a sophomore from Colorado Springs, Colorado. Wynne and I established, with some help from others, the Helm Endowment to assist deserving ROTC cadets.

The link between Dr. Bob Helm (’39) and ROTC dates to 1946. Upon his return to the Wake Forest faculty following Army service in World War II, Dr. Helm worked diligently to bring ROTC to the campus by 1951. His vision has given nearly 1,500 Wake Forest graduates the opportunity to make a positive difference by serving their country. That is why we chose to honor Dr. Helm.
Because of ROTC, Wake Forest and the Army are inextricably linked as two of six major building blocks that shaped the person I was to become. The other four, you ask: my parents, my faith, my teachers, and Wynne (my most loving critic). Wake Forest has been constant and true to me in two obvious ways—first, in relationships built and nurtured, and second, in my liberal arts education.

Many of my better traits were borrowed from those with whom I associated at Wake Forest. The liberal arts curriculunm was exactly the right balance of knowledge for one who was to become a Jack-of-all-trades Army officer. The third segment of my constant and true journey focused on a single event and one other person. But it changed my life forever.

I was born in the nation’s capital and grew up in Bethesda, Maryland. That makes me a Yankee although two of my great-great grandfathers fought in Lee’s Army of Northern Virginia. But at Wake Forest in 1960, while geography made me a Yankee, society had not. The Washington, D.C., I knew growing up was a “Southern” city with segregated facilities. By the time I was in high school, Washington and Maryland schools were integrated, but out of 2,200 students at my high school, only six were African American. I only knew one by name. During my time at Wake Forest, the only black member of the Class of 1964 I can recall is our now-distinguished alumnus, Ed Reynolds.

This brings me to a moment of truth, and perhaps my greatest lesson at Wake Forest. I routinely attended Sunday worship at Wait Chapel. One Sunday I took a seat in an empty row toward the back. Just before the service began, Ed Reynolds sat down next to me and introduced himself. Outside I tried to appear calm, but inside I was most uncomfortable. I had never thought of myself as racially prejudiced, but I couldn’t explain my feelings. Yet to this day, I thank God that Ed Reynolds sat next to me one Sunday long ago. For it was at that moment I was forced to admit to myself prejudices I had never acknowledged. I knew I would never be the same.

For one hour Ed Reynolds and I worshiped, praised, and prayed to God Almighty. If we were equal in the eyes of God, we had to be equal in the eyes of each other. I have one regret—that I never thanked Ed Reynolds until now. So Ed, if you read this, even though you probably don’t remember the circumstances, thank you for helping me turn a big corner early in my life. Is it not remarkable that the campaign to conquer racial prejudice in my young life began at a nearly all-white school in North Carolina?

Suffice it to say that Wake Forest has been constant and true to me, but what about my scorecard? Have I been constant and true to the Pro Humanitate spirit of Wake Forest? I believe my wife and our sons would say yes, but perhaps you should ask them. I hope that the soldiers with whom I served and led for thirty-two years (black, white, brown, yellow, and red) would say I was competent, fair, just, compassionate, and left each unit a little better off when I departed.

One of my most treasured possessions is a letter from the father of one of my soldiers, which I received shortly after relinquishing command of a brigade in Germany. It read in part, “It was our son’s good fortune that at a very critical time in his life he was able to find in your person a role model whom he both admired and respected. For that I am greatly in your debt.”

To me the spirit of Pro Humanitate has always meant making a positive difference. That is why I chose to remain a soldier for thirty-two years. It is why some choose to be teachers, doctors, lawyers, engineers, business executives, or whatever their calling—to make a positive difference.

Richard E. Beale, Jr. (‘64), graduated with a B.A. in economics. He was commissioned in the Regular Army in June 1964 and retired in 1996 at the grade of Major General. He is now an active volunteer living in Mathews County, Virginia, on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay.

To make a gift to the Robert M. Helm Leadership Endowment fund, contact Cameron Meador (‘01, MAEd ’02) at meadorcm@wfu.edu or (336) 758-4834.
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

10 a.m., Half-Century Club Gathering and Photograph
Reynolda Hall, Main Lounge (Green Room)
Share special memories of your years at Wake Forest and celebrate the induction of the Class of 1957 into the Half Century Club. Followed by Half-Century Club picture at 11:30 a.m. $10 per picture.

Noon – 6 p.m., Homecoming Registration
Reynolda Hall Main Lobby (Quad/Green Room level)
For all alumni, except the Half-Century Club.

11:45 a.m., Half-Century Club Luncheon
Benson University Center, Room 401
The Class of 1957 will also be honored as the first class to graduate from the new campus. $15 per person (no charge for members of the Class of 1957 or emeriti faculty)

1 p.m., Alumni Admissions Forum
Benson University Center, Room 410
Alumni and their high school students are invited to join the Admissions Office to learn how to conduct the college search. To register, contact Dawn Calhoun at calhoude@wfu.edu or (336) 758-5177.

2:30 p.m., Return to the Classroom
Benson University Center, Room 407
Professor of Physics Jacques Fetrow will lead a class discussion about pharmaceutical drug discovery and the biotechnology industry. Register early, space is limited.

4 p.m., Alumni in Admissions (AIA) Training
William G. Starling Hall (Admissions Office)
For AIA volunteers and those interested in volunteering. To register, contact Dawn Calhoun at calhoude@wfu.edu or (336) 758-5177.

5 – 7 p.m., Alumni, Faculty and Emeriti Faculty Reception
Reynolda Hall, Main Lounge (Green Room) and Magnolia Patio
$5 per person; light refreshments, cash bar.

7:30 p.m., Homecoming Bonfire
Davis Field
Get your Homecoming spirit off to a blazing start; featuring live music, food, the football team and Homecoming Court.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Homecoming Registration
Thomas K. Hearn Jr. Plaza/The Quad

9:30 a.m., Service of Remembrance
Wait Chapel
A memorial service to honor alumni and faculty who have passed away between October 2006 and August 2007. All are welcome.

10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Festival on the Quad
Thomas K. Hearn Jr. Plaza/The Quad
A Homecoming favorite for young and old alike with food, children’s games, music and much more!

Two hours prior to kick-off, Deacon Walk
Groves Stadium (in front of Bridger Field House)
Come cheer on the Deacons as they prepare to take on Army.

Two hours prior to kick-off, Pre-Game Alumni Tailgate
Enjoy a catered tailgate in the Red Lot at Groves Stadium.
SPECIAL OFFER: You can purchase a “football game and tailgate” ticket for $40. If you already have football tickets, you can purchase “tailgate only” tickets for $15. Football/tailgate tickets will be provided in your Homecoming registration packet; no tickets will be mailed. Children over 2 years of age must have a football ticket to enter the stadium; there are no youth prices available.

TBD, Wake Forest vs. Army
For tickets to the game only, call 1-888-758-DEAC. In order to sit with your class, you need to purchase the package through the alumni office. Order tickets under one name if you want to sit with a group of friends.

Post-Game Party
Groves Stadium
Immediately following the football game, the fun continues with entertainment from the band The Fantastic Shakers.
Events for Reunion Classes and Professional Schools
All reunion classes for undergraduate and professional schools will participate in the Pre-Game Tailgate and Post-Game Party at Groves Stadium on Saturday, September 15. See details under General Homecoming Events. Although many events are free, please register so we can plan each activity for the proper number of guests.

Class of 1957
Half Century Club Events
See details under Half Century Club in the General Homecoming events

Class of 1962
6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Class Party at the home of Eims and Harriet Allen, 513 Westover Avenue

Class of 1967
7 p.m., Class Party at the home of Anne Kennedy Brock, 4640 Cherryhill Lane

Class of 1972
7:30 p.m., Class Party at the home of Keith and Lydia Vaughan, 4440 Bent Tree Farm Road

Class of 1977
7:30 p.m., Class Party at Jack Welker's Catered Affairs, $15 per person

Class of 1982
8 p.m., Class Party at the home of David and Lisa Rowell, 809 Arbor Road

Class of 1987
8 - 11 p.m., Class Party at the home of Mari and Tom Valaoras, 1853 Virginia Road

Class of 1992
8:30 p.m., Class Party at Diamondback Grill, 751 North Avalon Road

Class of 1997
9 p.m., Class Party, Shorty’s, Benson Center

Class of 2002
9 p.m., Five-Year Reunion Kick-Off Party, Reynolda Hall, Lu Leake Foyer (outside the Magnolia Room)

Important Registration Information
A limited number of tickets for paid events will be available for purchase at the door. We strongly encourage you to register now to guarantee your place.

All prepaid tickets to events (including the special “football and tailgate ticket” package) will be put in your registration packet; no tickets will be mailed. General alumni registration packets will be available during Registration on Friday and Saturday.

Campus Organizations
Many campus organizations are planning their own Homecoming activities. Visit www.wfu.edu/homecoming and/or contact any groups with which you are affiliated (such as Greek organizations, service clubs, social organizations, religious groups, cultural groups, Women’s Studies, etc.) for details.

Questions?
Contact the Office of Alumni Activities (800) 752-8568

Reunion Class Hotels
Ask for your Wake Forest Class Year/Professional School block

Half Century Club
Class of 1957
Class of 1962
Sundance Plaza Hotel and Suites
3050 University Parkway
(336) 723-2911
$89

Class of 1967
Class of 2002
Courtyard by Marriott
(University Parkway)
3111 University Parkway
(336) 727-1277
$99

Class of 1972
Fairfield Inn and Suites
1680 Westbrook Plaza Drive
(336) 714-3000
$72 kings & doubles/$119 suite

Class of 1977
Residence Inn
7835 North Point Blvd.
(336) 759-0777
$92 studio/$139-2 bedroom

Class of 1982
Twin City Quarter
425 North Cherry Street
(336) 725-3500
$119/ Marriott side

Class of 1987
Comfort Inn Cloverdale
110 Miller Street
(336) 721-0220
$80

Class of 1992
Class of 1997
Wingate Inn
125 South Main Street
(336) 714-2800
$89

Babcock School
Hawthorne Inn
420 High Street
(336) 777-3000
$79.99

Law School
Divinity School
Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway
(336) 767-9595
$79

General Alumni Hotels
(Ask for the Wake Forest Block)

Brookstown Inn
200 Brookstown Avenue
(336) 725-1120
$89

Hampton Inn
1900 Hampton Inn Court
(336) 760-1660
$89

Babcock School
Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway
(336) 767-9595
$79

Holiday Inn Select
5790 University Parkway
(336) 767-9595
$76.99
Please return this form by September 1 to the address below or register online at www.wfu.edu/homecoming or fax to 336.758.4800

Homecoming/Reunion 2007
Office of Alumni Activities
P.O. Box 7227
Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227

Name ___________________________________________________________ (maiden) ______________________ Class Year ____________
Address _____________________________________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip _______________________________________________________________________________________
Daytime telephone (with area code) ________________________________ E-mail _________________________________
Name of spouse or guest ____________________________________________ Class Year ____________

Please indicate the number of people attending the following events:

GENERAL HOMECOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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REUNION CLASSES AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL EVENTS

NOTE: Please sign up for the Pre-Game Tailgate and Post-Game Party using the General Registration Form (at left)

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SUBTOTAL $________

Registration fee (this fee is used so that we can continue to keep the costs for events as low as possible—or free—for alumni events such as receptions, the Festival on the Quad, and more.) $5.00

TOTAL $________

Method of payment:

_____ Check enclosed (make checks payable to Wake Forest University)
_____ Credit card (please complete the following information)

Name (as on card) _____________________________
MasterCard ______ Visa ________ AmEx _____________
Card number __________________________________
Expiration date ________________________________
Signature ____________________________________
Double Deacons

Alton L. Absher Jr. and Alton L. Absher III, father and son from Winston-Salem, started at Wake Forest School of Law three years ago and graduated together May 21. “It was Dad’s idea,” said the younger Absher, who said his father had always wanted to be an attorney and when he retired early from an information technology job, started thinking about it more. After a year, he called up his son and suggested the two of them start law school. Alton III will work in patent law, while his father plans to practice estate law.