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By David Fyten

For some students with idiosyncratic interests and ambitions, one academic major isn’t enough.

Staying the Course

By Nathan O. Hatch

“At a time when everyone must adjust to new economic realities, we believe that careful analysis, open discussion, and clear communication offer the best path to keeping Wake Forest strong and resourceful.”
Wake Forest’s class of 2009 graduated May 18 on a history-making, cool, windy day on Hearn Plaza, with a send-off by Vice President Joe Biden—marking the first time a sitting vice president has ever given Wake Forest’s Commencement address.

For former basketball star Tyrone “Muggsy” Bogues (’87), Commencement meant that he’s now a Wake Forest parent, in addition to an alumnus. Bogues’ daughter, Brittney, was one of about 1,600 students—including 1,000 undergraduates—who received their degrees.

Brittney Bogues, a sociology major and communication minor, has a job lined up with a public relations firm in Washington, D.C. “I’m so proud of her,” said Muggsy Bogues, who returned to Wake Forest to earn his degree in 1999 after his NBA career ended. “I can’t believe this day is happening. I never imagined time would go by so fast, and now she’s walking across the same stage that I did.”

Brett Starr, who graduated with a degree in biology, was among those who weren’t ready to leave Wake Forest—he’s hoping to attend the Wake Forest School of Medicine in the fall. “I’ve had great professors here, who will be lifelong mentors,” said Starr, who is from Hickory, North Carolina. “It’s been beyond anything that I could ever have imagined.”

An audience estimated at nearly 12,000 people filled Hearn Plaza from Wait Chapel to Reynolda Hall for the three-hour ceremony. Parents and guests waited in long lines to pass through metal detectors because of the tight security required for Vice President Biden’s visit. Bottles of water and small packages of sunscreen were at each seat, but blankets and coats were more in demand as the day started off cold and then turned blustery.

Biden, who was on campus last October for a campaign speech in front of Reynolda Hall, shook hands with graduates as he walked in the faculty processional from Reynolda Hall to the stage under the traditional yellow-and-white-striped tent.
in front of Wait Chapel. Later in his remarks, referring to the Presidential election, he said, “It was a long trip from that end of your mall to this end.”

Biden received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree following his address. He also offered words of praise for NBC News journalist Tim Russert, who was awarded a posthumous honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree: Russert had been scheduled to be this year’s Commencement speaker until he died unexpectedly last June. His wife, writer Maureen Orth, accepted the award from trustee Al Hunt (’65).

In his thirty-minute address, “Yours to Bend,” Biden told the graduates that history was now theirs to bend and shape by seizing the opportunities before them, not to “restore anything, but to make anew.”

“Your generation’s opportunities are greater than any generation in modern history—not because you’re about to graduate into a point in history where everything is going to change no matter what you do, but you can affect the change.”

Noting the global recession, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and “a planet in peril and a world in flux,” he said, “Throughout the span of history, only a handful of us have been alive at times when we can truly shape history. Without question, this is one of those times, for there’s not a single solitary decision confronting your generation now that doesn’t yield a change from non-action as well as action.”

This generation will have to revive the economy, revamp America’s education system, change our energy policy, and reverse climate change. “Folks, we’re either going to fundamentally change the course of history, or fail the generations that come after us, because change will occur.”

It’s within their power to shape history, to bend it in the right direction, he told the graduates. “Imagine a country that invests in every child in America … Imagine a country where health care is affordable … Imagine a country brought together by powerful ideas, not torn apart by petty ideologies … Imagine a country that leads the world by the power of our example, and not by the example of our power.”

Biden said he was optimistic about the future because of the students sitting before him, and he singled out several of them, including Nadine Minani, who escaped the genocide in Rwanda when she was only eight-years-old, and Aaron Curry, the fourth pick in this spring’s NFL draft.

He also mentioned Fred Hastings, who received his bachelor’s degree three days before his 77th birthday. Hastings was an ROTC student in his final semester in 1956 when he was commissioned by the U.S. Army and left college one course short of earning his degree. Last year, he completed the remaining accounting course he needed at a college near his home in Florida and transferred the credit, so he could finally earn his degree. His son, Victor, graduated in 1982.

Like Hastings, Kimberly Cruz also returned to finish her degree, seventeen years after leaving Wake Forest because of financial and medical reasons. She said she wanted to show her eight-year-old daughter that you finish what you start.

“When I first came here, it was to learn about things, to become an educated person,” said Cruz, who received her degree in anthropology. “It’s the same now. I already have a job (at Reynolds Tobacco in Tobaccoville, North Carolina). I wanted to get the degree as an example for my daughter.”

—Kerry M. King (’85)
Eight honorary degrees were awarded during Commencement on May 18, including one to the late NBC News journalist Tim Russert, who was awarded a posthumous Doctor of Humane Letters degree. Honorary degrees also were awarded to:

- **Vice President Joe Biden**, Doctor of Laws degree.
- **Frank Brown Holding** (’52), executive vice chairman and director of First Citizens Bank and Trust Co. of South Carolina, Doctor of Laws degree.
- **Allen Joines**, mayor of Winston-Salem, Doctor of Laws degree.
- **Dr. Richard David Krugman**, vice chancellor for health affairs, dean, and professor of pediatrics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, Doctor of Science degree. He delivered the address at the School of Medicine’s hooding ceremony.
- **The Rev. Barbara K. Lundblad**, Joe R. Engle Professor of Preaching at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, Doctor of Divinity degree. She delivered the Baccalaureate address.
- **John Willard Marriott Jr.**, chairman and chief executive officer of Marriott International, Doctor of Laws degree. He delivered the address at the hooding ceremony for the Graduate Schools of Business.
- **Lt. Gen. Eric B. Schoomaker**, U.S. Army surgeon general, Doctor of Science degree. He delivered the address at the hooding ceremony for the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.
Retirees

Retiring faculty members were recognized at Commencement:

**From the Reynolda Campus**

Robert C. Beck, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology
Stephen Ewing, Ph.D., Professor of Business
J. Edwin Hendricks, Ph.D., Professor of History
Fredric T. Howard, Ph.D., Professor of Mathematics
Donald P. Robin, D.B.A., J. Tylee Wilson Professor of Business Ethics
David F. Shores, J.D., Professor of Law
Peter D. Weigl, Ph.D., Professor of Biology

**From the Bowman Gray Campus**

Richard H. Dean, M.D., Professor of Surgical Sciences, General Surgery
John W. Hammon, Jr., M.D., Professor of Surgical Sciences, Cardi thoracic Surgery
Susan M. Hutson, Ph.D., Professor of Biochemistry
Frederick W. Kremkau, Ph.D., Professor of Medical Ultrasound
Ronald J. Prineas, M.B. B.S., Ph.D., Professor of Public Health Sciences, Epidemiology
Walter M. Roufail, M.D., Professor of Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology
Richard W. St. Clair, Ph.D., Professor of Pathology, Lipid Sciences
Jack W. Strandhoy, Ph.D., Professor of Physiology and Pharmacology
Philos Reidar Wallin, Ph.D., Professor of Internal Medicine, Rheumatology and Clinical Immunology
Admissions directors and social scientists from leading colleges and universities, as well as top researchers throughout the country, gathered at Wake Forest April 15-17 for a national conference on the future of the college admissions process.

Provost Jill Tiefenthaler, who organized the conference, “Rethinking Admissions,” sees growing interest in reducing the emphasis on standardized tests, a move Wake Forest made last year by making the SAT optional for applicants.

“This represents the first step on a higher road in higher education, beginning with more equitable admissions processes,” Tiefenthaler said. “In his address to Congress, President Obama cited an urgent need to expand the promise of education by making higher education more affordable, and he set a goal for America to again have the highest portion of college graduates in the world by 2020. To reach that goal, colleges must re-examine their selection methods to ensure they are providing opportunities to deserving students from all socioeconomic backgrounds.”

Conference panelists represented universities including Berkeley, Duke, Harvard, Ohio State, Princeton, Texas, Virginia, and Yale and spoke on topics such as how to predict engaged and successful students, the academic and social goals of admissions, and evaluating standardized testing. Robert Morse, director of data research for U.S. News & World Report, spoke on “College Rankings: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly.” (Video and podcasts at www.wfu.edu/provost/rethinkingadmissions/watch.php)

Pulitzer-Prize winning author and journalist Daniel Golden skewered the nation’s elite universities in his keynote address, “Slumdog Ivy Leaguer,” by suggesting that there are numerous ways those institutions use special preferences and backdoor methods to admit the children of alumni, corporate tycoons, Hollywood celebrities, influential politicians, and athletes—all in the pursuit of philanthropic dollars needed to support the enterprise of higher education. Golden believes that elite colleges should find other ways to maintain the loyalty of their alumni, beyond rewarding their commitment with preferential treatment in admissions.

Admissions officers and others at the conference expressed varying opinions on the value of the SAT, but most agreed that standardized test scores should not
overshadow other vital information needed to provide equitable access to all qualified applicants.

Addressing these challenges requires different approaches at different institutions, as the wide range of conference presentations illustrated. Some with large endowments, such as Harvard, are focusing on increasing financial aid to low-income students.

Public universities, facing political considerations, are taking a variety of steps. The University of Virginia has eliminated its early decision option. The University of Texas reports 10 years of success with its "top 10 percent solution," which guarantees admission to every in-state student in the top 10 percent of their high school class to any school in the University of Texas system. The University of California system has been wrangling over the use of standardized tests for forty years and will implement a new policy in the fall of 2011, which drops the SAT II subject tests but retains the SAT I.

Wake Forest has begun emphasizing interviews to get a better sense of personal qualities that numerical assessments cannot quantify. "College admissions practices need to reflect the values of the institution," Tiefenthaler said. "At Wake Forest, our process reflects the value of educating the whole person."

Wake Forest received 10,535 applications for the incoming freshman class, a 16 percent increase over last year. About 8,000 of those applicants were interviewed by admissions counselors in-person, via webcam, or through a written, online interview.

"We anticipated growth in the applicant pool, but remained committed to using personal interviews to ensure that we retained our high standards," said Martha Allman ('82, MBA '92), director of undergraduate admissions. "We found that the interviews truly helped us differentiate among applicants. We began to wonder how we chose a class without interviews."

Said Tiefenthaler, "We wanted to be a catalyst for this national discussion. When you make a bold decision, such as Wake Forest has done in its admissions process, you must be ready to defend your position. You must also be open to criticism and flexible enough to adapt and learn throughout the process. I applaud the open discussion we have shared at this conference, and we look forward to sharing the results of our first class crafted on an SAT-optional model."


Panelists (from left) Sally Donahue, director of financial aid and senior admissions officer at Harvard University, Christoph Guttentag, admissions director at Duke University, and Arlene Cash, vice president for enrollment management at Spelman College, discuss "Crafting a Class: The Academic and Social Goals of Admissions."

For the conference blog, video, podcasts, speaker bios and national media coverage, visit www.wfu.edu/provost/rethinkingadmissions

Director of Admissions Martha Allman ('82, MBA '92)
**Law school team wins record fifth Moot Court competition**

The School of Law has won the Gabrielli National Family Law Moot Court Competition for a record fifth time. The team of second-year students Missy Hanna, Rich McPherson, and Caroline Payseur defeated teams from twenty-one other law schools at the competition, held in Albany, New York.

For their final argument, they appeared before the Honorable George Bundy Smith, who served on New York’s highest Court of Appeals for fourteen years. Since the competition began in 1989, Wake Forest has won the Gabrielli competition five times, the most of any school in the country.

**WF debaters conclude historic career**

Debate team members Seth Gannon and Alex Lamballe concluded a history-making debate career in April when they finished second at the National Debate Tournament, a year after winning the national championship.

Gannon, an English major from Atlanta, Georgia, was the fourth-place individual speaker, and Lamballe, a political science major from Nashville, Tennessee, was the eighth-place individual speaker among 156 debaters in the tournament.

In three years debating together, Gannon and Lamballe are tied for sixth place among the winningest teams in NDT history. They were the first Wake Forest team to reach the national finals twice, and one of only five teams to have done so in the sixty-three-year history of the tournament.

Both Gannon and Lamballe graduated in May. Gannon will be working at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C., for at least a year, before entering graduate school. Lamballe will be coaching debate at Harvard University.

**Students named to USA Today academic team**

Senior Patrick Nelli was one of twenty students named to the first team of USA Today’s 2009 All-USA College Academic Team. Senior Yan Zhao was named to the third team.

The recognition honors students for outstanding intellectual achievement and leadership. Both Nelli and Zhao were featured in the April 29 issue of USA Today. The teams were selected by a panel of judges from hundreds of students nominated by colleges and universities across the United States.

Nelli, a physics major from Gastonia, North Carolina, was recognized for his research on ultrasound devices used to break up blood clots in stroke and heart attack victims. In 2007, he was named a Barry S. Goldwater Scholar. After graduating last month, he joined McColl Partners, an investment bank based in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Zhao, a biology major from Nashville, Tennessee, was recognized for organizing a benefit concert on campus to raise funds for victims of last summer’s earthquake in his native China. He will attend Wake Forest University School of Medicine in the fall.

**Senior wins Carnegie fellowship**

Senior Benn Stancil was one of only ten students nationwide to be named a Carnegie Junior Fellow by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. The Carnegie Endowment is a global think tank in Washington, D.C., that conducts research and sponsors programs in international affairs and U.S. foreign policy; Stancil will work in the economics area.

“A Wake Forest education opens up a wide range of possibilities, and the Carnegie Fellowship will allow me to spend a year meeting people in the field in which I’m interested in working,” says Stancil, who spent last summer in China studying the Shanghai stock exchange through Wake Forest’s Richter Scholarship program.

A native of Belmont, North Carolina, Stancil graduated in May with a double major in mathematics and economics. His parents, Heather Hayes Stancil (MA ’78) and Jim Stancil (’74, JD ’78), and a brother, Will (’07), are Wake Forest alumni.
Student entrepreneurs have a big idea, get big results

Sophomore Ben Comer and junior Brett Apter have launched their own Internet business that is beginning to yield big results. Their Web site, mySavu.com, connects local businesses that cater to college students. The site lists restaurants, service stations, gift shops, and other businesses that are convenient to campus. Businesses receive a free basic listing but can also purchase ad space on the site.

“When the concept has, because of the economic slowdown, been well-timed,” says Comer. “When I paid a call on a nearby restaurant, the owner said he was thinking about hiring someone to help find ways to bring students to his business, but with mySavu.com he’s able to reach his specific audience more economically.”

Comer is from Medford, New Jersey, and Apter is from Treasure Island, Florida. “We’re very fortunate to have an entrepreneurial program that combines entrepreneurship with a student’s other interests and pursuits,” says Comer. “Wake Forest offers the kind of help and support for entrepreneurial students that you might expect to see at a school three or four times larger.”

Bren Varner (’99), program director for the University Center for Entrepreneurship, had been meeting with Comer and Apter separately for almost a year when he suggested they get together and brainstorm ideas. “Our office and several entrepreneurs-in-residence helped them analyze opportunities, conduct research, and refine their business model. Based on their consumer research, a financial feasibility analysis, and their own personal interest, they landed on the current mySavu.com model which they continue to tweak and refine.”

—Kim McGrath

Costume designs earn recognition for theatre major

Senior theatre major Lauren Gaston won the top prize for costume design in a competition sponsored by the Southeastern Theatre Conference.

A Presidential Scholar in costume design, she was recognized for her work on the Wake Forest Theatre production of Arthur Miller’s “All My Sons,” which ran in the Mainstage Theatre last fall. It’s a distinctive honor that’s especially significant since Gaston is the first student to design costumes for a major Mainstage production.

“I wanted to be involved in all stages of the costume design process for ‘All My Sons’ because of my love for design, art, and collaboration,” says Gaston. “The theatre department’s dedicated faculty—along with my mentor, Lisa Weller, the costume shop manager—helped my ideas become reality.”

In addition to extensive research into the culture and dress of the play’s time period, the 1940s and 1950s, she spent hours each week shopping for fabrics and clothing and overseeing costume construction and fittings.

After graduating last month, Gaston headed to Italy to join a traveling opera company, La Lirica Musica, for the summer. She hopes to eventually secure an apprenticeship in costume construction.

—Kim McGrath

Women’s golf wins ACC title

Several members of the women’s golf team and coach DiANNE Dailey were honored this spring after Wake Forest won the ACC Women’s Golf Championship for the first time in fourteen years.

Sophomore Natalie Sheary was named ACC Co-Player of the Year, along with Duke’s Amanda Blumenherst. Sheary defeated Blumenherst, the three-time defending ACC champion, for the individual title at the ACC Championship. Sheary and senior Nannette Hill were named to the All-ACC team.

Dailey, in her 21st season as head coach, was named ACC Coach of the Year for the third time. She also earned the award in 1994 and 1995, the last two times Wake Forest won the ACC Tournament Title.

For the men’s golf team, senior Dustin Groves was named the All-ACC Men’s Golf team for the first time in his career. The men’s team finished tied for fourth at the ACC Men’s Golf Championship.
Bill J. Leonard, the Baptist historian, professor, and minister who developed Wake Forest’s ecumenical divinity school after being named dean of the proposed school in 1996, will retire next summer. He will remain at Wake Forest as Chair of Church History in the divinity school and the religion department.

After he was named dean, Leonard spent the next three years recruiting faculty and students and developing programs before the school opened in the fall of 1999 with twenty-four students. The school currently has about one hundred students enrolled. Leonard advocated a new kind of school that was “Christian by tradition, ecumenical in outlook, and Baptist in heritage.”

“In the past, religion in this country was organized by denominations,” he said in 1996. “Today, fewer and fewer people think of their primary religious identity as denominational.”

The school is one of only five divinity schools in the country with no formal denominational affiliation.

A native of Texas, Leonard was professor of religion and chair of the religion and philosophy department at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, prior to becoming dean. He had also taught church history at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and had served as an interim pastor at several churches.

Opening with a three-year Master of Divinity program, the divinity school has steadily expanded its list of degree programs during Leonard’s tenure. Today, the school also offers several dual-degree programs including a Master of Divinity/Master of Counseling and a Master of Divinity/Juris Doctor (law), as well as a Certificate in Spirituality and Health open to divinity and medical school students.

Student entrepreneurs organize Cuban art exhibit

An exhibit of books and prints by Cuban artists, put together by Wake Forest students, faculty, and staff, opened last month at the Grolier Club in New York City on the 50th anniversary of the Cuban Revolution. The exhibit, “Cuban Artists’ Books and Prints: 1985-2009,” will make its debut on campus in August at the Charlotte and Philip Hanes Art Gallery and then travel to galleries nationwide.

The exhibit features more than one hundred pieces, including handmade, limited-edition books and other objects created by contemporary Cuban painters, sculptors, photographers, and printmakers. “This exhibit is primarily about the ingenious resilience of the Cuban artists represented and how they express their experiences of life in Cuba,” says Associate Professor of Romance Languages Linda Howe. “But, it is also a testament to the service and entrepreneurial work of more than two hundred Wake Forest students, faculty, and staff over the years.”

In 1997, Howe founded Wake Forest’s summer academic program at the University of Havana and directed it until 2005, when student travel to Cuba was severely restricted by the U.S. government. Howe, whose expertise is Cuban cultural production, also conducted research for her book “Transgression and Conformity: Cuban Writers and Artists after the Revolution” during these trips.

In 2007, she initiated an interdisciplinary entrepreneurship project to create an exhibition that would bring national and international attention to Cuban artists. Last fall, in Howe’s course “Entrepreneurship in Art Education and Educational Outreach: Cuban Artists’ Books and Prints: 1985-2008,” students organized the exhibition’s content and created educational materials and curriculum to accompany the exhibit.

“These artists have survived cultural politics, difficult living conditions, and resource shortages that limited their access to the most basic materials, like paper,” says Howe, “but the project is not about politics. It’s about living our university motto, Pro Humanitate—for the good of humanity.”

—Pam Barrett, Wake Forest News Service
Howards wins teaching award


Howards earned his bachelor’s degree from Williams College and his doctorate from the University of California at San Diego. He began teaching at Wake Forest in 1997 and was named a Sterge Faculty Fellow in 2003. He won the 2004 Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching.

Former BB&T CEO joins business faculty


“OUR STUDENTS WILL BENEFIT FROM HEARING JOHN, WHO IS A GIFTED TEACHER IN THE CLASSROOM, BUT THE STRONGEST BENEFIT WILL BE THE INTERACTIONS AND MENTORING RELATIONSHIPS THAT WILL COME FROM HAVING HIM AS A VALUED MEMBER OF THE WAKE FOREST COMMUNITY,” SAYS DEAN OF BUSINESS STEVE REINEMUND.

Allison retired as CEO of BB&T, the eleventh largest bank in the country, in 2008. He will remain chairman of the board until the end of 2009 and on the board thereafter.

Elder Clinic director participates in UN program


Mewhinney directs the law school’s Elder Law Clinic. She also developed and taught, for several years, a course on comparative law and aging. In 2008, she and Professor Israel Doron of Haifa University (Israel), co-edited “The Rights of Older Persons: Collection of International Documents.”

Researcher deciphers secrets of mammal fossils


Miller is working with University of Michigan paleontologists Philip Gingerich, Gregg Gunnell, and William Sanders, and Ahmed El-Barkooky of Cairo University. After Gingerich found the fossil site in the area of Khasm El Raqaba, Miller was asked to study some of the fossils he found there.

Miller, who also studies fossil remains of African mammals at another site in Egypt, hopes the discovery of these bones of small mammals from the same period will provide missing pieces of an ancient animal immigrant story.

“For the first time you get a land bridge between Eurasia and Africa and at that time you get a whole array of different kinds of animals that comes flooding into Africa,” Miller says. “The deposits here preserve the remnants of those animals, the first immigrants from Eurasia into Africa.”

The small mammals found have clear relatives in Eurasia, she says. They are also the likely ancestors of some of Africa’s most iconic animals such as the zebra, the rhinoceros, the gazelle, and the giraffe.

—Cheryl Walker, Wake Forest News Service

Faculty promotions announced

S I XTEEN FACULTY MEMBERS ON THE REYNOLDS CAMPUS HAVE RECEIVED PROMOTIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1.

The following tenured associate professors were promoted to professor:

Jennifer Burg, computer science
David John, computer science
William Fleeson, psychology
Simeon Ilesanmi (JD ’05), religion
Allan Louden, communication
Chet Miller, Babcock Graduate School of Management
Michelle Roehm, Babcock Graduate School of Management
James Schirillo, psychology
Helga Welsh, political science

Associate professor Jennifer Collins, School of Law, was promoted to professor and granted tenure.

The following assistant professors were promoted to associate professor with tenure:

Christian Miller, philosophy
Akbar Salam, chemistry
Paul Thacker, anthropology

The following assistant professors were promoted to associate professor:

Kami Simmons, School of Law
Omari Simmons (‘96), School of Law

Associate professor Pat Dickson, Calloway School of Business and Accountancy, was granted tenure.
A new beginning?
Professor of Political Science Peter Siavelis on President Obama’s new approach to Cuba

President Obama has called for a “new beginning” with Cuba. Is it time?

Absolutely. We are entering a new period in foreign policy. We need to lift the embargo, not without conditions, but in a very careful way that says what we expect in terms of change. We should pursue change by more open means and negotiation. I don’t see a rationale for the embargo anymore. It is counterproductive in the context of the economic, political, and cultural changes that have taken place in Cuba and in the world. If we want movement towards more freedom for Cubans and economic openness, lifting the embargo will do that, because once these processes are unleashed they are difficult to control.

What has the embargo accomplished?

Fidel outlasted ten U.S. presidents before stepping into the shadows. The embargo has succeeded in reinforcing his power and the Communist Party. And it has impoverished the island, which is unfortunate. The last time I was there—five years ago with one of the last American educational groups allowed to go— I had people there ask me, “Is your government going to invade Cuba? If so, we are ready.” So Castro has used the embargo to re-enforce that the U.S. was a threat to Cuba.

Why has our policy toward Cuba been so entrenched?

It’s an anachronism of the Cold War. It was put it place (in 1962) to force a change in human rights, freedom of speech and religion, and democracy. But other countries have a record on those issues just as bad, but we have radically different policies toward those countries. China is the best example. Much of the rationale for the embargo is tied to U.S. domestic policies, rather than foreign policy issues. If the large Cuban-American population in the U.S. was in any other state besides Florida, we would have ended the embargo a long time ago. I’ve seen statistics projecting that in the next fifteen years the percentage of Cuban Americans who support the embargo will go from overwhelmingly supportive to overwhelmingly against it. The Cold War politics are a distant memory to those under thirty.

Can you make the argument that if we had allowed more trade, travel, and communications with Cuba, that would actually have done more than the embargo?

Absolutely. Cuba is 90 miles away and Havana is a short hop of a flight. Imagine the number of Americans going back and forth. Imagine how ending the embargo would transform everyday life on the island and lead people to demand more political change. How long would it take for this interaction and influx of money to transform things? We’ve seen that happen all over the world.

You’ve made the point before that Cuba overshadows all else in Latin America.

We elevate Cuba to make it our most important foreign policy issue in the Americas. Other countries in Latin America dwarf Cuba in population and economic importance. Cuba has 11 million people; Brazil has 192 million people and is the ninth largest economy in the world. Which country is more important to U.S. interests, both economic and political? Yet, our Cuba policy damages relations with Brazil and other large and influential Latin American political and economic powers.

What do you think will happen next?

I think Obama is going to move even more toward gradually loosening restrictions on travel for everyday Americans and increasing trade, and see how Cuba responds, especially in terms of religious and political freedoms. My sense is that the ability of the hardliners (in Cuba) to maintain control diminishes every single day.

For the full interview with Peter Siavelis, see www.wfu.edu/wowf/2008/faculty qa.html

—Kerry M. King (’85)
The new Web

Wake Forest has begun a redesign of its Web site with the launch of a new home page and about a dozen other pages. Read more about it, and give us your opinion, in our blog, "Refresh." [http://website.blogs.wfu.edu](http://website.blogs.wfu.edu)

Studying genocide

Students in professor Trevor Dodman’s freshman writing seminar tackled an emotional topic this spring: genocide—from the Holocaust to present-day Sudan—and interviewed survivors of Hitler’s death camps. [www.wfu.edu/wowf/faculty](http://www.wfu.edu/wowf/faculty)

The Class of 2009

About 940 undergraduates received their diplomas in May. From two debate champions to two students recognized by USA Today; from a Carnegie Foundation Fellow to the winner of a theatre competition, it was an extraordinary class. Meet several of them in Senior Profiles. [www.wfu.edu/apply/profiles](http://www.wfu.edu/apply/profiles)

Faculty Q&As

The financial meltdown, the global food crisis, bioethics, the tax code, and the Cuban embargo: Wake Forest’s faculty experts address pressing topics in weekly Q&As. [www.wfu.edu/wowf/faculty](http://www.wfu.edu/wowf/faculty)

‘Seven Things You Probably Didn’t Know About Your Mother (So Dear)’

Jenny Puckett (’71, P ’00) takes students and alumni on a “tour” of the history of Wake Forest in her “Last Lecture,” and introduces the characters—from Harold Tribble to Shorty Joyner, to Archie Bunker to the Demon Deacon—who shaped the University over the last 60 years. [www.wfu.edu/wowf/2009/20090409.seventhings.html](http://www.wfu.edu/wowf/2009/20090409.seventhings.html)

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Class of the Finest

Farewell to the two longest serving faculty members on the Reynolda Campus, and five others who dedicated their lives to Wake Forest.

ROBERT C. BECK, PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY: THE LAST REMAINING FACULTY MEMBER HIRED IN THE FIFTIES RETIRES AFTER A HALF CENTURY OF SERVICE.

There are many ways to mark the milestones in a person’s life, and at seventy-seven, Robert C. Beck has more than most.

For example, when he first arrived on the Wake Forest campus fresh from a postdoctoral fellowship as the second member (by two months) of its nascent psychology department, John F. Kennedy was a U.S. Senator with a one-year-old daughter and still precisely four months from announcing his candidacy for president.

When Beck left campus following this spring’s Commencement ceremony, at which his retirement was recognized, that Kennedy toddler, Caroline—now a fifty-one-year-old celebrity writer, attorney, and spokeswoman for her famous family—was precisely four months past announcing that she would not accept appointment to New York’s vacant U.S. Senate seat.

Here are two more Beck milestones: precisely fifty years as a member of the College faculty, and precisely the last active professor hired in the nineteen fifties. In that respect, his retirement stands as an institutional milestone as well.

Things do have a way of coming full circle. Beck rode into Wake Forest on the crest of a hiring wave that more than doubled the size of the College faculty in the decade following its relocation to Winston-Salem in 1956. He rides out on the tail of a similar decade-long surge of faculty expansion and replacement of numerous retiring senior professors—Beck’s contemporaries—who had been hired in that earlier wave.

Still, there is something atypical—even anachronistic—about Beck’s career. In this era of a more peripatetic professoriate and of sea change in the hiring and tenure policies of colleges and universities and the technological innovations in teaching delivery being developed and adopted, the likes of professors who spend fifty years at one institution could be increasingly rare moving forward.

It was sea change that brought Beck to Wake Forest to begin with. Throughout its history on the Old Campus, the College had no independent department of psychology. In a tradition that restricted psychology to the study of the mind, it was taught under the auspices of a joint philosophy-psychology department by professors, such as the venerable A.C. Reid, who specialized in philosophy.

With the move to Reynolda and a growing recognition that psychology had long since outgrown its position as stepchild to philosophy, the department was split and its faculty members were
allowed to choose their affiliation. All of them opted for philosophy, which meant that psychology would have to be built from the ground up. To accomplish that task, in 1958 the College appointed J.F. Dashiell as consultant and interim chair.

Dashiell, who had just retired after a distinguished career at UNC-Chapel Hill, championed psychology as a “biosocial science” and consequently succeeded in securing space for the department in the new science building—Winston Hall—then in its planning stage. He then set about building a faculty. His first hire, in early 1959 for arrival that summer, was John Williams, who would go on to a legendary career as the father of psychology at Wake Forest and departmental chair for thirty-four years. Together, they continued the hunt for a second hire.

Beck, a native of the Mississippi River town of Quincy, Illinois, was in the second year of a postdoctoral research fellowship at his undergraduate and graduate alma mater, the University of Illinois, in December 1958 when he learned of the Wake Forest position from a professor in his department. “I applied and there was initial interest, but then I heard nothing for months,” Beck recalls. “It was getting to the point where I needed to find a job for the following year. Finally, John Williams called in May and said Dashiell had simply forgotten about the hiring.”

Beck flew on short notice to Winston-Salem for interviews with Dashiell, Williams, then-acting Dean of the College Edwin G. Wilson, Jr., and College President Harold Tribble. “I was asked by Dr. Tribble what I thought it would be like to move from a large state university to a small Baptist college,” Beck says. “I told him in essence that I wouldn’t bother the Baptists if they wouldn’t bother me.” He was hired.

One of Beck’s first accomplishments after his arrival on campus in September 1959 was construction of an animal lab, along with supporting electronics and woodworking shops and animal colony, in the basement of Kitchin Hall. “By the end of that first semester,” recalls Beck, whose specialty is motivation, “we were conducting animal research in the new space.” Over the years he reckons he has supervised more than forty master’s theses within the department’s focus on general experimental psychology as a training ground for potential Ph.Ds.

Beck met his wife of fifty-seven years, Bettianne, while working as a drug-store soda jerk in high school. They have five adult children. “I always thought that whenever I outgrew the institution, I’d look for another job,” he says. “I never outgrew it. The psychology department grew at a good pace, Wake Forest grew from being a small regional college to a highly ranked national university, and we’ve always had great students. What could be better?”

Although he won’t teach, Beck will retain the use of his office for another year and plans to work on a myriad of unfinished writing projects. “I don’t have as much energy as I used to have,” he says with a smile in explaining the timing of his retirement, “and fifty years is a nice round number.”

—By David Fyten
J. EDWIN HENDRICKS, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY: A FOCUS FOR ALL THINGS SOUTHERN—ESPECIALLY NORTH CAROLINA AND WAKE FOREST.

Most of what is essential about J. Edwin Hendricks, historian, can be gleaned from the last four digits of his home telephone number: 1834. Recognize those four digits? That's right: the year Wake Forest was founded.

Although Hendricks says he chose the number only so he could remember it after moving from his residence of three decades eleven years ago, his friends and colleagues know better. The South, and North Carolina and Wake Forest in particular, are where he lives—intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually, as well as physically.

Regional histories—of people like Joseph Winston, whose name was chosen in 1851 for the seat of the newly created Forsyth County; sites such as Historic Bethabara, Old Salem, and the Reynolda estate; and events like the American Revolution in North Carolina—have been his focus, with idiosyncratic topics like fifties fallout shelters folded in for flavor.

And despite the fact that he retired from full-time status this spring with the second-longest tenure on the faculty behind Robert C. Beck, who also retired (see profile on page 15), Hendricks will continue to be very much a part of the University and the historic sites and preservation organizations he serves as chronicler and steward of their heritages.

Raised in the Upcountry town of Pickens in the far northwest corner of South Carolina, Hendricks attended Furman University in Greenville, where he met Sue, his wife of more than fifty years. After completing an Army hitch and his master’s and doctoral degrees at the University of Virginia as a “Sputnik Ph.D” (referencing the speed with which he finished his graduate work thanks to the vast amounts of grant money the government invested in graduate education after the Soviet Union’s pioneering space satellite launch in 1957), he accepted his first and only faculty appointment as an early American specialist at Wake Forest College.

Given his specialty, perhaps it was inevitable that, sooner or later, he would focus on historic sites and their preservation. As it turned out, it was sooner. “In the fall of 1962 we had just completed building our first house on Macon Drive,” Hendricks recalls. “I was working on a book on liquor legislation in Virginia at the time, and for a change of pace I would take the boys [sons Jim and Chris—two of the three Hendricks children, along with daughter Lee] to Historic Bethabara, where archeologists had just begun preliminary work. We would go over to Bethabara and ‘investigate’ the ruins. It’s fair to say that my interest was aroused.”

The rest, as they say, is history: Hendricks would go on to serve on the board of Historic Bethabara for twenty years and as consultant to other preservation organizations and historical societies locally and as far north as Pennsylvania. He was a member and chair of the Historic Districts Commission and worked with the early development of Reynolda House and the growth of Old Salem, Inc., along with serving in a host of other civic, college, and church capacities.

But one can never tell when their interest will be piqued in unexpected ways. After moving in 1998 from their longtime home on North Stratford Road to a house on Faculty Drive that had been built in the fifties by College registrar Grady Patterson, the Hendrickses discovered in their backyard one of the few freestanding fallout shelters in Winston-Salem, built at the zenith of nuclear war hysteria in America. Predictably, Hendricks began to research the subject, eventually teaching several first-year seminars that encompassed analyses of the political, cultural, and military climate of the time and included a visit to the shelter.

Hendricks traces his abiding appreciation for Wake Forest culture and history to a daily ritual in which he participated as a fledgling faculty member. “Every morning at ten, Forest Clonts, our venerable department chair, shepherded us from our desks where the circulation area in the library is now located over to the College cafeteria in Reynolda Hall for coffee,” he recalls. “There we would be joined by many of the other faculty and administrative legends of the time for conversation. I really came to appreciate the profound value that is placed on personal relationships here.”

Over the years, he has assembled three filing cabinets full of documents related to Wake Forest’s history and plans to write a concise, illustrated, and readable institutional history in retirement. “As we have changed and diversified over the decades, it has become harder for us to fully understand and appreciate our heritage,” notes Hendricks, who wrote a similar history of the School of Law for its centennial celebration in 1994.

Hendricks, who recently finished a term as president of the Historical Society of North Carolina, looks forward to resuming work on his many unfinished research and writing projects. But like a good historian, he looks back as well. “Over the years, I was frequently asked what I teach at Wake Forest,” he says. “I regret that I resisted the temptation to respond, ‘Why, I teach Wake Forest students.’ They were always what the process was all about.”

—By David Fyten

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REDRIC T. HOWARD—PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS: UNFLAGGING IN HIS DEDICATION TO TEACHING AND RESEARCH

Ask Fred Howard most any historical baseball statistic, no matter how obscure, and he’s quick with the answer. What major league pinch hitter ended up in the Baseball Hall of Fame despite a career batting average of .000? That would be Walter Alston, who played in exactly one game with the St. Louis Cardinals, but who then went on to a successful career as manager of the Brooklyn/Los Angeles Dodgers for twenty years, which earned him entry into the Hall of Fame.

Howard, who turned 70 the day before Wake Forest’s commencement exercises on May 18, is retiring as professor of mathematics after what surely ranks as a Hall of Fame-worthy career: forty-three years teaching, all at Wake Forest. “I was a child prodigy,” he quips about his longevity. “The legendary (baseball player) Casey Stengel lamented growing old. He once said: ‘I will never make the mistake of being 70 again.’ We can all understand that sentiment.”

Howard’s love of baseball started when he was growing up in Texas—his family lived in Fort Worth, El Paso, and Abilene—and continued into adulthood, when he began collecting books on the history of baseball, mostly pre-1970.

His family—his father was a chemical engineer, his mother a Latin teacher and homemaker—moved to Cullman, Alabama, when he was in high school. He went to college at Vanderbilt, intending to major in English or history, but changed to mathematics after making a 100 on his math final exam his freshman year.

He went on to earn a master’s in mathematics from Vanderbilt and then, in 1966, his Ph.D. from Duke, where he met his future wife, Gail, who was a graduate student in English. He began teaching at Wake Forest the same year and figured that he would stay about ten years and move on. “But I liked it so much and fit in so well that I decided to stay,” he says. The only place he moved was closer to campus, to a home on Faculty Drive, about twenty-five years ago.

He joined a department that was finishing a transition from Old Campus stalwarts—Hubert Jones, “Pop” Carroll, Kenneth Raynor, and Roland Gay—to the next generation. Under the leadership of Ivey Gentry, a host of newcomers joined the department in the early to mid-1960s who, like Howard, would go on to have long careers at Wake Forest: Ben Seelbinder, Marcellus Waddill, and Gaylord and Graham May. Howard’s retirement leaves only Gaylord May still teaching from that group.

“It was a small enough department that we all knew each other as friends and colleagues and got along and worked well together toward the same goal, to make the department as good as it could be,” he says. He still plays tennis and bridge with colleagues in math and from other departments; friends say he’s a fierce competitor on the tennis court and around the bridge table.

Professor Emeritus of Mathematics John Baxley joined the faculty two years after Howard, and the two shared an office in Reynolda Hall before the math department moved to what is now Manchester Hall in 1969. “Fred has always been a constant source of
and caring teacher, who knew his stuff and knew how to convey understanding of each concept to his students,” says Mason, who is now an instructional technology specialist with the Lynchburg City Schools in Lynchburg, Virginia. “I would often go talk with him about my classes or other issues, and he would always listen with great care and provide meaningful feedback.”

Mark Ginn (’88, MA ’90), chair and associate professor of mathematics at Appalachian State University, had Howard for several classes as an undergraduate and a graduate student. “I was heavily influenced by him,” Ginn says. “He was a definite role model in his professionalism. He had a real knack of giving students just enough help, but not too much, so that you could learn to solve problems on your own.”

Howard’s soft-spoken, mild-mannered, professorial nature belies a dry sense of humor, often played out anonymously over the years in the math department offices. There was the time in the early ’90s during an arduous search for a new faculty member when the search committee received a phenomenal application from one “I.M.A. Plushbottom” who held the BA, BS, MA, MS, MBA, MD, and Ph.D. from “PU.” It was accompanied by a recommendation letter from his thesis adviser, who allowed that Plushbottom was a terrible teacher—who would fit in perfectly at Wake Forest. The letters—and a photograph of Plushbottom that bore an uncanny resemblance to Howard—broke the tension of the search.

Then there was the time in the early 1980s when esteemed biology professor Charles Allen (’39, MA ’41), heading up a committee on space allocations, recommended that the math department move to Wingate Hall, because its space requirements were “Spartan.” Soon a sign appeared in the math department office welcoming visitors to “Sparta.” The sign also had arrows pointing toward Tribble Hall—“Athens, x meters”; Wait Chapel—“Jerusalem, y meters”; and down to the lower floors where the Babcock Graduate School of Management then had its offices—“Hades, z meters.” Howard never admitted responsibility, but it bore all the traits of his calm demeanor and sense of humor.

Howard was the graduate student advisor for thirty years and oversaw the thesis research of more than twenty graduate students. His own research interests lie in number theory, combinatorial analysis, and Fibonacci numbers. He is a past president of the Fibonacci Association, an international mathematics organization devoted to the study of special number sequences. As a sign of the esteem in which he’s held in the international mathematics community, Karl Dilcher, a current board member of the Fibonacci Association, traveled from Nova Scotia to Howard’s retirement dinner in April to praise his influence on him personally and for his contributions to the Fibonacci Association.

“I will miss interacting with students,” says Howard, who will still teach one course next fall. “I’ve enjoyed helping students, being a friend and mentor, as well as their teacher. And I’ve enjoyed being an integral part of the math department.”

—By Kerry M. King (’85)
‘One would be tempted to say Pete Weigl is being put out to pasture if only he hadn’t spent so much time out in pastures already. Besides, it is impossible to imagine a guy as active and catholic in his interests as Weigl standing around like a ruminant in some sylvan setting.

No, there is research yet to complete and writing to be done—not to mention classical music to be sung, a fruit-and-nut orchard to be tended, ecotours to be led, and books to be read to gratify his self-acknowledged literary addiction. He might be outstanding in his field, but out standing in his field? Never.

Weigl, for four decades a member of Wake Forest’s biology faculty, will retire from teaching this summer. Biology is a department known for the longevity of its faculty and he is the first of its members to retire since the late esteemed Charles M. Allen in 1989. He leaves behind on formal faculty status a triad of venerable colleagues—Jerry Esch, Ray Kuhn, and Ron Dimock—all of whom came to Wake Forest about the same time he did and who are all in their late sixties or seventies today.

As an ecologist, Weigl has conducted research at and taken student and travel study groups to remote locations on five continents. The Amazon, the Andes, Africa, Asia...he’s explored it all—and that’s just the first letter of the alphabet. A passionate and politically active conservationist, he has been instrumental in the protection of North Carolina’s wilderness areas, from the longleaf pine forests of the coastal plains to the “grassy balds” of the southern Appalachians.

During his career Weigl trained twenty-seven masters and doctoral students. Most of his research has been externally supported, and in retirement he will continue to work on a government-funded study of an
endangered mountain animal. In a time of hyper-specialization in academia, his pursuits in ecology, comparative physiology, animal behavior and biomechanics, and other fields have been extraordinarily eclectic. “That is thought to be inefficient,” says the perceptive and always direct Weigl. “But you only get one life to try things so you might as well do what you enjoy.”

Weigl is something of a Renaissance man. Possessing a rich and resonant bass voice and command of the classical choral repertory, he has sung with several local choral groups, among them, the Wake Forest Chorale in its performance of Mendelssohn’s oratorio Elijah in May. He tends a thirty-eight-acre wood lot and fruit and nut orchard and reads fiction voraciously; he completed most of the requirements for an English major at Williams College before earning his doctoral degree in biology at Duke and coming to Wake Forest in 1968.

Over the course of his career, Weigl has received four of Wake Forest’s five major faculty awards: the Reid-Doyle Prize (1972) and Jon Reinhardt Award (2003), both for excellence in teaching; the Award for Excellence in Advising (1992); and the Donald Schoonmaker Faculty Award for Community Service (1999). One of his proudest recognitions came in June 2007 when he received the Joseph Grinnell Award from the American Society of Mammalogists for excellence in training student researchers.

Weigl will stay on in the biology department for the next two years as one of only three formally designated Research Professors on the Reynolda Campus. And he’ll continue to make time for student advising, if only on an informal basis. He will miss the teaching but knew it was time to let it go. “I wanted to retire while I was still doing it well instead of just fading away,” he says. “I’ve been fortunate to have had the opportunity to teach a broad range of subjects and people, and it is the students I will miss the most. The research has been good, but it has a shelf life. What lasts are the people you have worked with; whose lives you have touched. I got to do a lot of things at the right time and with some good folks so Wake Forest has been a good place to be.”

—By David Fyten

STEVE EWING, PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS, AND DON ROBIN, J. TYLEE WILSON CHAIR OF BUSINESS ETHICS: TWO FAITHFUL SERVANTS RETIRE FROM CALLOWAY SCHOOL

Two long-time professors at the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy are retiring after more than fifty years of combined experience at the school. Steve Ewing is retiring after thirty-eight years, Don Robin after twelve.

“It’s been very exciting to work at an institution that offered a strong undergraduate business and accountancy program built upon an extensive liberal arts curriculum”, said Ewing, who joined the faculty in 1971. “I enjoyed a tremendously satisfying career coordinating programs with my colleagues in both the undergraduate business courses and the liberal arts departments across the campus.

“I will miss working with the young men and women who take my classes, helping them to learn ‘how to learn,’ how to think critically, watching the enthusiasm on their faces when they begin to understand a concept, and challenging them to give their best effort in everything they do.”

Ewing earned an MBA from Baylor University and his Ph.D. from Texas Tech University. He plans to remain in Winston-Salem and pursue interests he wasn’t able to focus on while working.

“My wife and I have traveled all over the world, and we both believe that Winston-Salem is the city of our dreams,” he said. “I hope to read more widely for pleasure, to update my stamp and coin collections, continue my volunteer work for Crisis Control, and expand my volunteerism into other areas. I plan to continue my activities in line dancing and ballroom dancing, and to take dance lessons so I can enjoy these activities even more.”

Tom Taylor, professor emeritus of accounting and dean emeritus of the Calloway School, has worked closely with Ewing since
they both arrived at Wake Forest in 1971. “His collegiality and commitment to his work have been extraordinary throughout his career here. His primary concern as a teacher has always been that his students think clearly about the concepts that he teaches. This concern has been reflected both in the classroom and in his open-door policy outside class.”

Robin joined the Calloway faculty in 1997 after teaching at the University of Southern Mississippi for twelve years. He had also taught previously at Louisiana Tech University, Mississippi State University, and the University of Georgia.

“It’s been a great twelve years here,” said Robin, who will turn seventy this year. “I’ll miss my students. I’ve taught at a lot of other institutions, and I love the students here. You can load them up and they can handle it. It’s been a delight—the best job I’ve had in forty years teaching.”

Robin earned his undergraduate degree, MBA, and doctoral degrees from Louisiana State University. He has written five books and dozens of academic articles. A native of New Orleans, he is moving to Punta Gorda, Florida, where he plans to golf more with his wife, Sarah, do some fishing, and maybe write a novel.

Umit Akinc has known him since he joined the Calloway faculty. “Don has been a terrific colleague and scholar and a model leader in business education,” he said. “Wake Forest, and particularly the Calloway School, has greatly benefited from his wisdom, his selfless dedication to his students and to his friends at the school. He has made significant contributions to the careers of several young scholars by being a trusted friend and a mentor.”

—By John Trump
DAVID SHORES, PROFESSOR OF LAW: ‘I TRIED TO BE AS PREPARED FOR GOING INTO THE CLASSROOM AS I WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR GOING INTO COURT.’

Fayetteville, North Carolina, home to the Army’s Fort Bragg, and Winston-Salem are separated by a short two-hour drive. For David Shores, that trip—which took him to Washington, D.C., and the University of Iowa—lasted several years. But when Shores, who was stationed at Fort Bragg in the early 1960s, returned to North Carolina in 1972 to teach at Wake Forest’s School of Law, he found a home.

“It’s been a wonderful place to work,” said Shores, a specialist in taxation and anti-trust law. “I’ve pretty much been able to teach what I wanted to teach; I found a niche. It’s been a really good career.”

Shores grew up on a farm in Northeast Iowa and earned his bachelor’s degree and J.D. from the University of Iowa in Iowa City. He worked on the legal staff of the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D.C., and, after earning a LL.M. in taxation from Georgetown University, joined the law firm of Porter, Stanley, Treffinger & Platt (now Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur) in Columbus, Ohio. He has been a visiting professor at the University of Missouri School of Law and a distinguished visiting professor at William Mitchell School of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Professor of Law Joel Newman began teaching at Wake Forest several years after Shores. “It was a comfort and a privilege to come to Wake Forest to begin my teaching career, knowing that David Shores was already here,” Newman said. “David has been a wonderful mentor and colleague. His calm good sense and quiet good humor were always appreciated by everyone.”

Shores has always stressed the importance of living up to the standards and expectations inherent in the law profession. “My professional life, the main focus has been on being a well-respected teacher, and I feel that I’ve basically achieved that over the years,” Shores said. “It’s probably the one thing I’m most proud of working for the law school.”

—By John Trump
People of kinds

For some students with idiosyncratic interests and ambitions, one major isn’t enough. Meet eight with especially creative combinations.

By David Fyten
I f there really are two kinds of people in the world (beyond the two kinds we all acknowledge: those who think there are two kinds of people in the world and those who don’t), then, among college students, there are those who take the bull by the horns and those who are taken by the bull’s horns on the path the bull has been conditioned to follow.

The latter kind seems more inclined to pursue familiar career destinations by following the well-traveled road of single major and minor. The former kind seems more prone to bushwhacking trails to uncharted objectives by wielding multiple cross-disciplinary majors or minors as their machetes.

Following are brief profiles of eight of those intrepid students. They may not always be clear about where they started, have been, will go, or even wind up as they proceed along their unorthodox and sometimes circuitous routes But then, we all know there really are just two kinds of people in the world: those who think it’s the journey and not the destination that counts and those who don’t.
There is nothing particularly unconventional about combining business and entrepreneurship, or philosophy, English, and French, as one’s concentration. It is the neuroscience, and their radically different reasons for studying it, that is the unusual part of Afton Vechery’s and Carleigh Morgan’s academic programs.

Technically, with one major and a double minor, Afton shouldn’t qualify for this story. But her scholastic program is so distinctive, eclectic, and carefully crafted for her career objective that we’ve made an exception.

For a science fair as a high school freshman, Afton conducted a study that she says exposed health hazards in residential well water. “But instead of working to inform the community and resolve the problem, [officials] tried to stop my work,” says the Presidential Scholar in entrepreneurship. “So I decided to take matters into my own hands and start a community-oriented water testing and education company. I raised a staff of more than thirty volunteers and helped resolve this issue through our testing and education services.”

Ultimately she envisions herself running a company that converts scientific discoveries to marketplace products. She values her neuroscience minor for providing valuable knowledge in a promising field, and she was thankful for the opportunity to work this spring in a Wake Forest lab on a study of alcohol and monkeys. “Having partaken in this level of research,” she says, “will give me added credibility in the scientific business world.”

By her own admission, Carleigh has always held “seemingly contradictory or unusual interests.” She entered Wake Forest with medical school as her goal, but what she calls an “existential crisis” redirected her interest to philosophy and English. She briefly “flirted” with minoring in Medieval Studies, but the study of French as preparation for a semester’s study in Dijon has superseded that. “I’ve been motivated to pursue neuroscience for a large chunk of time,” she says, “because it embodies two enthralling characteristics: the
pinnacle of human anatomy, and the unsolvable enigma of consciousness.” Her “ardent wish” is to “scour the globe, writing, publishing, drawing, and painting while living a gloriously nomadic lifestyle.” Eventually she plans to attend graduate school in Europe and earn a doctoral degree in English, focusing on medieval manuscripts.

It’s often assumed that students with double majors pursue one of them to earn a living with and the other to satisfy a personal interest. And that’s the case with Dan Applegate, although with a twist of conventional expectation. He plans to pursue a professional acting career and studies computer science because he enjoys it and is good at it. Sort of akin to a man biting a dog: not what you would expect from the elements involved.

“Different things amaze me,” says Dan, whose impressive acting career at the University as a Presidential Scholar in theatre culminated in the role of Edgar in this spring’s production of King Lear. “What excites me about theatre is the depth of humanity in the words and stories it deals with. I love getting caught up in the moment, feeling out these people I’m portraying, and in the process widening my own experience. With computer science, I am constantly struck by the elegance of an algorithm used to solve a tough problem. It’s almost like childish wonderment at how simple and beautiful a solution can be.”

Dan graduated in May and is acting this summer in The Lost Colony outdoor drama on Roanoke Island while continuing to pursue internships and acting jobs for the coming year and beyond. Acting is a competitive career, no doubt about it. But just in case Dan’s night-job aspirations don’t pan out, some nice day job should be waiting for him somewhere.
In art, there is style and there is content, and it is content that distinguishes the truly great artists from the merely great stylists. Already well on her way to becoming the latter, printmaker Antonina Whaples aspires to become the former and has tailored her scholastic program accordingly.

“I finished my studio art major rather quickly so I was on the lookout for a second major,” says Antonina, a Presidential Scholar in art and the daughter of Professor of Economics Robert Whaples. “I happened to be lucky enough to take Introduction to Philosophy the summer before my sophomore year and something really clicked for me. I realized that if I really wanted to push my own art I would need to expand my mind and learn good arguments and how to think abstractly but critically.”

It is the simplest and most abstract philosophical concepts that have helped to develop her art the most, she says. “Logic has certainly helped me to perceive the underlying structures of an argument,” she notes. “And being able to find flaws in arguments and soundness in structure has helped me in the cerebral processing of the intentions and executions of my [art] work. Philosophy also helps me to think very critically—to look at what an artist is doing (especially myself) and see if it matches up with what he/she is saying. When art is well executed, the dialogue between its formal qualities and its content establishes a cohesive argument that plays out on the picture-plane.”

Her professional goal is to become a master printmaker and she is strongly considering pursuing bachelors and masters of fine arts degrees to that end after graduation next year. But she is sufficiently pragmatic to appreciate the prudence of having a second career, perhaps in library science. “I live in the library [where she is compiling a database of the University’s contemporary art collection],” she notes. “I just think the [library] culture fosters a positive intellectual environment.”
The world’s urban areas are running low on most everything except people, and at or near the top of the list of scarcities is undeveloped—what some call “greenfield”—land. Given that fact, it doesn’t take an urban expert to foresee the extinction, and probably sooner rather than later, of growth as we know it. Fortunately, one resource Earth’s megalopolises possess in great abundance is environmentally degraded—so-called “brownfield”—land.

John Clayton graduated in May with academic credentials that would impress a Brookings Institution fellow. Besides majors in economics and Chinese, he compiled enough credits to qualify for minors in international studies and Italian and to receive the French Business Certificate. His career ambition is to promote sustainable development around the globe, especially in China. So if the use of “fortunately” in the above paragraph seemed strange, he can clarify.

“"I was first exposed to sustainable development while serving as an intern at Cherokee Investment Partners, a private equity fund that’s the world’s largest brownfield redeveloper,” he explains. “Its specialty is to buy environmentally damaged pieces of property, remediate them, and redevelop them into smart-growth projects such as transit centers, office buildings, and mixed [residential and commercial] developments. I was fascinated by their ability to not only do good for the environment but also to make smart and profitable investments. For a long time I had thought the two goals were incompatible.”

For the short term, (“unless the economy dictates otherwise”), John will work for a boutique management consultancy in Washington, D.C. In five years, he hopes to be living in Shanghai and working for a real estate investment fund or development group.

“I think China, over the next ten to thirty years, will be poised for growth in the sustainable development sector,
especially on its eastern coast,” he states. “The rapid growth of its cities has created a wealth of economic opportunities but also a rash of environmentally damaged properties. China’s government is beginning to push for cleanups and tougher regulatory standards. Once the real estate markets and urban land prices mature to where [remediation and] redevelopment becomes an economically feasible option, I think we will see a big swing toward these types of projects.”

“Less traveled” would be understating the solitary road toward double majors in English and biochemistry on which Nitya Anand and Leigh McDonald are companions. Their unconventional path will diverge next spring, when they mount the Commencement stage on Hearn Plaza to collect their degrees. But their new roads will be equally purposeful—and still a bit undertraveled.

Nitya has ambitions to become a patent attorney and will enroll in law school after graduation. “A science degree is required to qualify to take the patent bar exam, so with my majors, I will be able to combine my interest in the sciences with the writing, communication, and debate skills I have learned to love [by] studying English,” she explains. “I would like to think that this will allow me to be an especially effective lawyer. Since I will have had a significant amount of theoretical and practical experience in the subject of biochemistry, I will be able to understand the technical jargon used [by scientists] and translate it in a clear, concise, and understandable manner.”

Leigh’s career goal is medical research, and she considers her study of English to be as relevant to it as the training she will receive in medical school. “The study of literature inspires a sense of empathetic creativity that I believe will be beneficial in my chosen career,” she says. “Such work
As medical research has little meaning outside its connection to people and the human condition. Literature provides unique and varying perspectives on the interactions and relationships between people, the roles of logic and emotion in how they live their lives, and the ways in which they interact with the world around them.

John Galt, the existential hero of Ayn Rand’s magnum opus Atlas Shrugged, double majored in physics and philosophy, just like Wake Forest senior-to-be Adam Edwards. One of his friends has pointed this out to him, and although he appreciates the comparison, “I don’t intend on ‘stopping the motor of the world’ [as Galt did].”

Still, Adam detects an intrinsic, complementary relationship between the two ostensibly dissimilar disciplines and hopes to parlay that combination into an academic career, in effect stopping the motor of the extremely competitive job market in higher education today.

“Ever since I was a young boy claiming I would be a world-famous geologist, I’ve always wanted to study science in some fashion,” he says. “Once I started reading physics texts in my early teens, I found that [also reading] philosophy was an excellent way to maintain intellectual balance.”

Adam is especially interested in axiology (the study of value) and the modern scientific establishment’s treatment, “and largely its dismissal,” of it. He hopes one day to teach the philosophy of science at the college level, but even if that does not come to fruition, he’s been enriched by the symbiosis. “By embracing both,” he says, “I find that I have a far fuller understanding of the world than either alone can give and am much happier for it.”
Dear Wake Foresters:

With each season, Wake Forest hosts many exciting events. This spring has been busy with countless tours of high school students, (applications are up 50% over the past two years!) and Campus Day for newly admitted students. For students, this season is a time of transition where we say goodbye to the Class of 2009 and welcome the incoming Class of 2013.

This spring and summer is also a period of transition for the Alumni Council. We are examining how best to serve and engage alumni, support the University, and impact the next generation of Wake Forest students. As a result, you will hear more in the coming months about the new Alumni Council strategic plan that is currently being developed. We welcome your suggestions and feedback about how to make the Alumni Council more meaningful and impactful for you, our alumni. You may contact me at kbshirley@nc.rr.com, or contact the alumni services staff at alumni@wfu.edu. The Alumni Services Office is always looking for ways they can involve you in volunteer activities, so please let them know of your interest.

I would also like to encourage you to make a gift, regardless of size, in support of The Wake Forest Fund. We are all aware of the current economic climate, so anything you can do is much appreciated. When the economy is suffering, the need for financial aid support for our students increases, and Wake Forest would greatly benefit from your generosity. The University is committed to supporting our students and maintaining our outstanding faculty, and all alumni can play a role to help. Gifts can be made online at www.wfu.edu/giving or call 1.800.752.8568.

I hope to see many of you on campus during Homecoming Weekend, which will take place October 9-10, 2009. The Alumni Services Office is busy planning wonderful events that appeal to all ages – even the littlest Deacons! More information can be found at www.wfu.edu/homecoming. During this weekend, we will also welcome back those alumni who graduated in years ending in ’4 or ’9 for reunion activities. It promises to be a wonderful Wake Forest weekend.

Thank you for all you do for our alma mater and have a wonderful summer.

Kim Shirley (’85)
Alumni Association President
1930s
Charles R. Jervis ('37) retired as manager of employee relations after 32 years with a major Florida phosphate company.

1940s

Herbert Thomas Appenzeller ('48, MA '51) received a third Presidential Award from the Sport and Recreation Law Association and was inducted into the Guilford County Sports Hall of Fame. He has published two books, "Cheerleading and the Law" (Carolina Academic Press, 1999) and the third edition of "Successful Sport Management" (CAP, 2009). He has been contracted by CAP to write his 21st book, "Ethical Behavior in Sport."

1950s
Ralph Brown ('53) coached football 10 years at Battle Ground Academy in Franklin, TN, and coached at Vanderbilt University. He received the Roy Kramer Contribution to Football Award from the National Football Foundation and the College Hall of Fame, Middle Tennessee Chapter, Nashville, TN.

N.W. "Red" Pope ('53) published his second book, "The Dance Band from Deacontown" (Five Points Publishing), about the adventures of The Southerners, a college dance band based at Wake Forest in the 1950s of which he was a founding member and drummer. He retired after 52 years in advertising, public relations and marketing, and lives with his wife, Linda, in Scottsdale, AZ. (www.DeaconTownDanceBand.com)

Hunter James ('54) spends most of his time doing freelance work and writing novels and short stories. He recently completed his 11th book and third work of fiction, "The Return of Lilith" (CreateSpace, 2009).

Bob Johnson ('54, P '87, P '89) and 20 classmates and spouses had their third consecutive annual March "Spring Fling" at the Shell Island Resort in Wrightsville Beach, NC. The next gathering will be their 55th reunion during Homecoming 2009.

Robert G. Townsend Jr. ('57) completed his MD in 1961 from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He is a retired family practitioner with the Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Raeford, NC.

Ralph A. Walker ('58, JD '63) retired as director from the N.C. Administrative Office of the Courts in Raleigh, NC. He previously served 20 years as a trial and appellate judge.

Harold O. Wilson ('58) retired from the community development field in Washington, D.C., in 2003 and began writing fiction and poetry. His poem, "Soldier Home," has been accepted for publication in the 2009 Delmarva Review, and he has published a novella, "The Night Blooming Cereus and Other Stories." He and his wife, Marilyn, live in Chester, MD. (www.haroldowilson.com)

Jane Freeman Crosthwaite ('59) is a professor of religion and chair of the religion department at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA. She received the 2009 Mount Holyoke College Faculty Award for Teaching. She was a presenter at the seventh annual Phyllis Tribble Lecture Series held at Wake Forest in March. She has co-edited a book of early Shaker hymns, "Millennial Praises," (UMASS Press, Spring 2009).

Palmer Eugene Huffstetler Sr. ('59, JD '61, P '84) and his wife, Mary Ann, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

1960s
Larry B. Sitton ('61, JD '64, P '90) is with Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Charlotte, NC. He has been named Charlotte Best Lawyer's Bet-the-Company Litigator of the Year.

Robert R. Jewell ('62) is vice chair of the board of Alliance Mutual Insurance Co. in Greensboro, NC. He serves on the board of trustees for the Museum of Coastal Carolina & Ingram Planetarium in Ocean Isle Beach, NC.

Pat Williams ('62) is founder and senior vice president of the NBA's Orlando Magic. He has authored 53 books and is co-author of "Chicken Soup for the Soul: Inside Basketball: 101 Great Hoop Stories from Players, Coaches and Fans" (Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing LLC, February 2009). (www.patwilliamsmotivate.com)

Daniel V. Townsend ('66) retired from the Guilford County schools in High Point, NC, and published a book, "In Search of Thomas." He invites classmates to contact him at dvt60@vmconnect.com

Charles Benton Williams ('66) is co-authoring a book about the journals and travels of the French botanist, André Michaux. He played Michaux in a one-person play to raise funds for the publication of papers from the 2002 Michaux Symposium. He received the 2009 Bartholomew Award from the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society.
Stancil Campbell (’69, MA ’74), after recovering from brain surgery, received a master’s in political science from the American University Cairo and gave a speech to the graduating class.

Jay DeVaney (’69, JD ’71, P ’93) practices commercial real estate, land use litigation and legal malpractice defense with Nexsen Pruet LLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer.

Jeff Mackie (’69) is a partner with Sigmoid Clark Mackie Hutton Harvey & Ferrell PA in Hickory, NC. He has been named one of Law & Politics’ Super Lawyers in personal injury, workers compensation and alternative dispute resolution. He and his wife, Florence, have two children and two grandchildren.

Edgar M. “Ed” Roach Jr. (’69) is a partner with McGuire Woods LLP in Raleigh, NC, on the energy and climate change team.

1970s

Carl F. Keller (’70) and his wife, Nancy, are enjoying retirement. They sailed their sloop, “Ariel,” to a first-place finish in the Wrightsville Beach (NC) Ocean Racing Association Fall Regatta. He is captain of his men’s and mixed doubles tennis teams that were invited to the N.C. State Championships.

Suzanne Meisburg Radermacher (’71) is guidance director at Frank W. Cox High School in Virginia Beach, VA. She was named Secondary Educator of the Year by the University of Virginia’s Curry School of Education Foundation. She lives in Virginia Beach with her husband and three daughters.

Paul S. Trivette (’71, MAEd ’74) was named the Fulton Family YMCA’s (Winston-Salem, NC) 2008 Volunteer of the Year and received the Strong Award. He is a volunteer coach for the developmental swim team, the Fulton Flippers.

Catharine Biggs Arrowood (’73, JD ’76, P ’05) is with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein in Raleigh, NC. She has been named Raleigh Best Lawyer’s Bet-the-Company Litigator of the Year. The American Arbitration Association’s International Centre for Dispute Resolution has named her to the International Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators.

William “Bill” Croom (’73) has been a high school football official in North Carolina for 35 years. He was a referee in one of the 2008 State 4-A Championship games.

Lawrence N. “Chip” Holden (’73, P ’99) is with Holden Mickey & Mickey in Winston-Salem, NC. He was recognized as the 2008 production leader by MassMutual.

Walton C. Jennette (JD ’73) has started First Colony Asset Management LLC, an independent investment advisor firm, in Raleigh, NC. He said that “without the legal background I developed at Wake [Forest], it would be very difficult to navigate these increasingly complex financial markets.” He and his wife, Pat, spend their free time golfing, gardening and boating.

David F. Allen (’74) retired as a colonel from the U.S. Army Reserves after four deployments and 31 years of service. He is associate vice chancellor of military education at Fayetteville State University. He and his wife, Joan Nelson Allen (’70), and daughter, Melissa, live in Fayetteville, NC.

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Sallie Martin Cross (’74) graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University School of Nursing. She is a registered nurse in internal medicine at VCU Medical Center in Richmond, VA.

Rick Karlsruher (’74) published an eBook, “A Story Almost Told,” about his stranger-than-fiction true-life experiences after graduation. (www.jordisbooks.com)

Jeffrey E. Schanz (’74) has been appointed inspector general of the Legal Services Corp. in Washington, D.C.

Dennis “Minnesota” Bengston (JD ’75) is senior judge of the Navy-Marine Corps Trial Judiciary, Western Pacific Circuit, Yokosuka, Japan. He plans to retire this year, after 30 years of service, and move to Cornelius, NC.

Harvey L. Cosper Jr. (JD ’75) is with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He has been named Charlotte Best Lawyer’s Personal Injury Litigator of the Year.

Clare Shore (’76) had her work, “Queen Esther” for clarinet, narrator and dancer, performed at Calvary United Methodist Church in Lake Worth, FL. (www.clareshore.com)

Steve Coles (77, JD ‘80, P ‘09) practices business and commercial litigation with Nexsen Pruet LLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been appointed co-chair of the N.C. Bar Association Tort Issues Task Force. He has been named one of Law & Politics’ Super Lawyers, one of the Best Lawyers in America for civil litigation and one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite.

James M. Dubinsky (’77) is the inaugural director of the Center for Student Engagement & Community Partnerships at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA. He received the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award.

Kurt Pugh (MBA ’77) is owner of Master Golf Enterprises LLC in Kalamazoo, MI. He published a book, “Master Golf...and You Master Life Itself: (or How I Cured my Yips...Yeah, You Heard Me)” (Author House, 2008).

J. Tyler Cox (’78) is manager of community relations and volunteers at Old Salem Museums & Gardens in Winston-Salem, NC.

Susanna Knutson Gibbons (’78, JD ‘81) is a partner with Poyner Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC. She has been named one of Law and Politics’ Super Lawyers in labor and employment and one of the top 50 women.

Robert W. “Bob” Moore Jr. (’79) is a golf course architect with JMP Golf Design in Chapel Hill, NC. He received Golf Inc.’s 2008 International Golf Renovation Award for his renovation of the Manila Golf and Country Club in the Philippines. (www.jmpgolfdesign.com)
Christy Myatt (’79, JD ’82) represents a wide variety of banking and financial institutions with Nexsen Pruet LLC in Greensboro, NC. She has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer.

1980s

Howard L. Borum (JD ’80, P ’88) is with Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of The Best Lawyers in America, one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite, and one of Law & Politics’ Super Lawyers in real estate law.

Todd Brown (’80, MBA ’86) is the Winston-Salem, NC, branch sales manager for Sharp Business Systems of the Carolinas.

John J. “Jody” Carpenter (’80, JD’84, P ’11) is a managing partner of Culp Elliott & Carpenter PLLC in Charlotte, NC. He has been named a Super Lawyer and one of The Best Lawyers in America in tax law.

David L. Terry (’80, JD ’83) is with Poyner Spruell LLP in Charlotte, NC. He has been named a Super Lawyer and one of The Best Lawyers in America in labor and employment law.

Vincent Steven Alig (’81) pastors a church in Marietta, GA. He published a book, “All the Paths of the Lord” (HighWay, 2009), giving a realistic glimpse of the day-to-day life of a missionary family to Australia and the timeless truths of God’s love for human beings.

David Senter Sr. (’81, JD ’84, P ’07) practices construction and surety, commercial litigation and commercial collections with Nexsen Pruet LLC in Greensboro, NC. He has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer.

David M. Warren (’81, JD ’84) is a partner with Poyner Spruell LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer in bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights.

Robert L. Wilson Jr. (JD ’81) is with Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was one of 10 attorneys recognized and the only attorney from North Carolina to be named a Nightingale’s Healthcare News’ Outstanding Physician Practice Lawyer.

Jennifer Early Calvert (’82) is a counselor and coordinator of character education for Cannon’s Lower School in Concord, NC. She writes a biannual column for sports moms for Sports Spectrum. She wrote “A Healthy Balance: 4 Views for Parenting Young Athletes” in the spring edition. (www.sportsspectrum.com)

Lynette Cardwell (’82) is the Southeast business development manager for corporate accident and health with Zurich Financial Services of Zurich, Switzerland. She lives in Atlanta.

D. Anderson Carmen (JD ’82, P ’09) is an attorney and director of Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem, NC. He has been appointed to the Dispute Resolution Section Council of the N.C. Bar Association.

Gary Joyner (JD ’82) is a managing partner practicing commercial real estate and commercial lending law with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been elected to the firm’s executive committee.

Robert Higdon (JD ’85, JD ’89) is chief of the criminal division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in the Eastern district of North Carolina. He and Frank Bradsher (’82) train judges, prosecutors and investigators in Kosovo.

Lorrie K. Ridder (JD ’82) has been appointed to the Tennessee Circuit Court for the 30th Judicial District.

Margaret Brandt Surratt (’82, MAEd ’85) received her PhD in counseling from UNC-Charlotte. She and her husband, Ray, live in Arcadia, NC.

Margaret Burnham (JD ’83) practices commercial real estate transactions and litigation with Nexsen Pruet LLC in Greensboro, NC. She has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer.

J. Stanley Atwell (JD ’84) is with Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of The Best Lawyers in America and one of Law & Politics’ Super Lawyers in real estate law.

J. Nicholas Ellis (JD ’86) is a partner with Poyner Spruell LLP in Rocky Mount, NC. He has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer in business litigation.

David Robert Fricke (JD ’86) is a partner with Poyner Spruell LLP in Raleigh, NC.

Rogan Kersh (’86) is a professor and associate dean at New York University’s Wagner School of Public Service. He appeared on UNC-TV during the PBS News Hour with Jim Lehrer, to discuss President Obama’s economic stimulus plan.

Michael D. McNeil (’86) is a partner with Drew & Ward in Cincinnati. He has been named a 2009 Ohio Super Lawyer.

James M. Ivory (’85) has been named interim chair of the English department at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC.

Virginia “Ginny” Holshouser Mills (’85, MAEd ’96) founded Full Life Counseling, a practice in Winston-Salem, NC, supporting individuals and families affected by alcohol, medications and drugs. (www.full-life-counseling.com)

Mark A. Phillips (MA ’85) is a psychologist in Nashville, TN. He has been elected president of the Tennessee Psychological Association.

John Babcock (JD ’86) is a partner with Wall Esleeck Babcock LLP in Winston-Salem, NC, and a Wake Forest adjunct professor of law. He has been named one of Law & Politics’ Super Lawyers.

William R. Bird Jr. (JD ’86) is with Lowndes Drosdick Doster Kantor & Reed PA in Orlando, FL. He has been named one of The Best Lawyers in America in real estate law.

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Erika Friedel (’87) is a major gifts officer at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, NC.

Andrew Hart (’88) is an officer in the Coast Guard Auxiliary and senior pastor of Old First Church in Huntington, NY.

Greg W. Roberts (’88, MAEd ’90) has been named dean of admission at the University of Virginia. He and his wife, Mary, and son, Luke (5), live in Charlottesville.

Chris Buckholz (’89) is an assistant professor of trombone at Northern Iowa University. He was featured with the Wake Forest Wind Ensemble during the performance of “Colloquy” by William Goldstein.

Arnie Jones (JD ’89) was elected a senior resident superior court judge for District 8B in North Carolina.

1990

G. Bryan Adams III (JD) is a partner with Van Hoy Reutlinger Adams & Dunn PLLC in Charlotte, NC. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in employment law.

Joseph B. Dempster Jr. (JD) is a managing partner with Poyner Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a Law & Politics’ Super Lawyer in real estate law.

Larry S. Mull (MBA) was named the YMCA Camp Hanes’ (Winston-Salem, NC) 2008 Volunteer of the Year and received the Strong Award. He serves on the board of managers and is leader of the newly formed Camp Hanes Alumni Association.

Lynn Tutterow is associate publisher of Our State magazine, a North Carolina travel, history and culture publication out of Greensboro, NC.

1991

Paula L. Durst (JD) is with Spilman Thomas & Battle PLLC in Charleston, WV. She has been ranked by Chambers USA for 2009 in litigation.

Reed Lock Russell is a partner with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP in Washington, D.C., in the labor and employment practice group.

1992

Charlie D. Brown (JD/MBA ’97) is with Wishart Norris Henninger & Pittman PA in Burlington, NC. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in tax and estate planning.

Kevin Connor is senior environmental manager at H.S. Lochner Inc. in Clearwater, FL.

Michelle L. Frazier is a government relations attorney with Manning Fulton & Skinner PA in Raleigh, NC. She has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in the Young Guns category and listed as a N.C. Super Lawyer Rising Star.

Greg Galaida is the human resources manager with Library Associates Companies in Rockville, MD.

1993

Lisa Marie Angel (JD) is with Rosen Law Firm in Raleigh, NC. She has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in family law.

Elizabeth Harris Galaida started a consulting company, Galaida Creative Services, providing grant writing, fundraising, strategic planning and consulting for nonprofits. She and her husband, Steve (’92), have two children, Stephen (5) and Miles (2).

1995

Steve Bumgarner (MBA ’02) is co-founder and co-owner of Capture Public Relations & Marketing in Winston-Salem, NC. He has been named one of The Business Journal’s 40 Leaders Under Forty.

Sarah Hunt Foster is with the Defense Intelligence Agency and lives in Arlington, VA.

Raymond R. Hutchins III is senior financial reporting analyst with Remington Arms Co. in Madison, NC.
L. Kathleen Jaske is a teacher at Green Valley High School in Henderson, NV. She has published her fourth novel, “Out of Phase: A Time Traveler’s Chronicle.” (www.forhonor.com)

1996

W. Ross Forbes Jr. (JD) practices litigating business disputes with Jackson Walker LLP in Dallas. He has been named one of Texas Monthly’s Rising Stars.

Jonathan Gann Odom (JD) is deputy staff judge advocate to the commander, U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Navy, in Hawaii.

David Wayne Willis is a partner with David & Rosetti LLP in Atlanta, representing employers and insurance carriers in workers’ compensation claims.

1997

J. Wellington Adams (MD) opened Carolinas Coastal Health PC, a family medical practice in Leland, NC.

Leah Durner (JD) has been named a partner with KPMG LLP, a U.S. audit, tax and advisory firm in Washington, D.C.

John Wood Frehse is managing partner of Core Practice LLC, based in Lisle, IL, and New York.

Melissa Minot Hawks is owner of The Well Appointed House LLC, an online purveyor of home luxuries. She and her family live in the New York City suburb of Purchase, NY. (www.wellappointedhouse.com)

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Laura B. Farren (MSA ’08) is an associate accountant with Butler & Burke LLP in Winston-Salem, NC.

Steven K. McCallister (JD) practices business and plaintiff’s litigation with Shanahan Law Group PLLC in Raleigh, NC. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in the Young Guns category.

W. Kevin McLaughlin Jr. (JD) is chief operating officer and general counsel for the N.C. Department of Administration in Raleigh, NC.

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David L. Holden is with Holden Mickey & Mickey in Winston-Salem, NC. He earned the chartered financial consultant designation.

Andrew Lampros (JD) is with Cook Hall & Lampros LLP in Atlanta. He has been named a Georgia Rising Star by Georgia Super Lawyers magazine.

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Norman Klick Jr. (JD) is with Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro, NC. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite, one of the Best Attorneys Under 40, and one of Law & Politics’ N.C. Rising Stars in personal injury defense medical malpractice law.

2001

Megan Lulich Zerega (JD) is a partner in the transportation group of Burns White & Hickton LLC in Pittsburgh. She and her husband, Todd Zerega (JD), have a daughter, Madeline, and a son, Connor.

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Audrey Allen has opened an immigration law practice in the Philadelphia area.

Katie Griesbeck and Kristen Stutz (’03) were two of the six members of the winning team from the University of Virginia’s Darden Graduate School of Business Administration at Wake Forest’s 19th annual Marketing Summit.

Donald Rattan Lee (JD) is a partner with Ford & Harrison LLP in Atlanta, GA. He represents management in labor law matters.

Jennifer Rattan (MSA ’08) cleared her MBA from the University of Texas’ McCombs School of Business.

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Gavin B. Parsons (JD) is an associate in the complex litigation group with Troutman Sanders LLP in Raleigh, NC. He was named a Law & Politics’ and Charlotte Magazine Super Lawyer Rising Star for business litigation.

Bob Numbers is in the business litigation group with Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice PLLC in Winston-Salem, NC. His wife, Caroline Beavers Numbers, is a stay-at-home mom and community volunteer.

Jonathan “Jay” Parker received his MBA in marketing from Texas Christian University. He is with an advertising agency in Austin, TX.

Anita Woolley received her MBA from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She is a director with Tishman Construction for the MGM Mirage CityCenter Project.

Stephanie Wyatt (MDiv) is pursuing a PhD in biblical interpretation at Texas Christian University’s Brite Divinity School in Fort Worth, TX. She was ordained by her home congregation, Central Baptist Church of Fountain City in Knoxville, TN.

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2004

John D. Cattano (MBA) is managing partner of CC Development Group LLC in Columbia, SC, developers of the Value Place extended stay motels. The Greenville-Spartanburg Business Journal wrote an article about him and the opening of their seventh location near the BMW Manufacturing Co.

Scott Mickle (MBA) is director of business development for LandDesign in Charlotte, NC. He and his wife, Shannon, have one son, Corbin.

Rosita Najmi earned a 2007 Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship and attended Harvard Business School, graduating as one of two Forté Foundation Scholars. She will complete a Harvard Business School Leadership Fellowship at Mercy Corps as a financial services strategy advisor based out of Washington, D.C.

Anthony Pecorella (MA ’06) was one of 19 winners of the 2009 Digital Media and Learning Competition to explore digital media’s ability to help people learn. He received funding from the MacArthur Foundation for his project, “Molecular Spore: Exploring the Cell Through Computer Games,” to engage kids in ways that make biological principles meaningful.

Anna Groos Saunders received her master’s from the University of South Carolina’s School of Journalism and Mass Communications. While there she received the Van T. Newman Fellowship. She is the volunteer and event coordinator for Palmetto Health Foundation in Columbia, SC.

Eric F. Werrennath is an attorney with Shuffield Lowman Real Estate in Orlando, FL. He was featured in the Orlando Sentinel’s Ask a Lawyer section, “Divorce Decree on House Might Require Legal Help.”

2005

Tiffany Callaway received her MD from Harvard Medical School. Her residency is in internal medicine at Duke University Hospital in Durham, NC.

John J. Engel received his JD from the University of Virginia School of Law and has been admitted to the Delaware Bar. He is an associate in the business department of Richards Layton & Finger PA in Wilmington, DE.

Brian Hall is a media planner/buyer for Harmelin Media in Philadelphia.

Kristen Hall opened a daycare and luxury boarding facility for dogs, Puptown Charlotte, in Charlotte, NC. She is training her black Lab for agility shows, and she volunteers with her Golden Retriever, a certified therapy dog. (www.puptowncharlotte.com)

Alexandra Kejner graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School. She is in the University of Alabama Birmingham’s Otolaryngology Residency Program.

Kezia McKeague received her master’s in international studies from the Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Sciences Po in Paris. She works for the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations in Washington, D.C.

Ernest Warren Pierce III has been commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. He continues training in Quantico, VA, and is engaged to Lydia Dorsey (’08).

2008

Stanley Arnoux was selected by the New Orleans Saints in the fourth round of the NFL Draft.

Aaron Curry was selected by the Seattle Seahawks with the fourth pick of the first round in the NFL Draft, the highest a Wake Forest player has been drafted since 1981. He won the Butkus Award as the nation’s best linebacker in 2008 and was a finalist for the Lott Trophy.

Kelsey N.H. Mayo (JD) is an associate in the employee benefits group of Poyner Spruill LLP in Charlotte, NC.

Natalie Mullikin has been named the 2008 ACC Volleyball Scholar Athlete of the Year and Wake Forest’s MVP.

Alphonso Smith was selected by the Denver Broncos in the second round of the NFL Draft.

Sam Swank has signed as a free agent with the Philadelphia Eagles in the NFL.

Chip Vaughn was selected by the New Orleans Saints in the fourth round of the NFL Draft.

2006

Sam Marrero is pursuing a master’s in international trade policy at Middlebury College’s Monterey Institute of International Studies. He received support from the U.S. Department of State to study Arabic in Cairo, Egypt.

2007

Chris Fugaro (MBA) is an investment banker in the Philadelphia area.

Marriages

Alexandra Rooks (’90) and Michael Hughes. 10/18/08 in Atlanta. They live in Tucker, GA.

Sarah Ross Hunt (’95) and Robert Blondeau. 12/1/07 in Atlanta. The wedding party included Corinne Zadik (’01).

Kirsten Lynne Nantz (’01) and Robert Blondeau. 12/1/07 in Atlanta. The wedding party included Corinne Zadik (’01).

Marcia Allen Stafford (’01) and Jonathan Manz. 10/4/08 near Winter Park, CO. The wedding party included Courtney Gerenser (’01), Sarah Lucas Hartley (’01) and Ellen Burger Riley (’01).

Nicole Alyse Berry (’03) and Christopher Knowles Gottfried (’04). 3/14/09 in Winston-Salem, NC. The mother of the bride is Lynn Berry (’80). The wedding party included Miki Farmer (’04), Angela Meyer (’03) and Nick Nicholson (’04).
The incomparable
Jesse Haddock

Legendary golf coach created a Wake Forest dynasty

By Bill F. Hensley ('50)

Jesse Haddock never dreamed he would become a coach when he enrolled at Wake Forest in 1944. The freshman from rural Winterville, N.C., had lofty thoughts of becoming a country doctor until he tackled a science course and didn't fare too well. “I knew then,” he said, “that I better focus on something in business or athletics.”

Haddock ('52) went on to become the most successful coach in Wake Forest history. In a sensational 30-year career from 1962 to 1992, he led the golf team to three national championships (1974, 1975 and 1986) and 15 Atlantic Coast Conference titles. The Deacons won 10 conference crowns in a row from 1967 to 1976, and finished second in the NCAA tourney three times. His 1975 squad, which won the NCAA crown by 33 strokes, the largest margin in NCAA history, has been called the “best college golf team ever” by Golf World magazine.

A number of his stars went on to outstanding careers on the PGA tour, including Curtis Strange ('77), Lanny Wadkins ('72, P '96, P '10), Jay Haas ('76, P '04, P '10), Jerry Haas ('85), Scott Hoch ('78), Gary Hallberg ('80), Jay Sigel ('67, P '95, P '99), Billy Andrade ('87), Jim Simons ('72, P '99), and Len Mattiace ('90). Sixty-three Deacons made All-America during his tenure.

Haddock first enrolled at Wake Forest in 1944 but was drafted by the U.S. Army after a year. He returned in 1947 and received a degree in business in 1952. As a student, he performed a variety of chores in the athletic department and quickly caught the eye of Athletic Director James H. Weaver. He became Weaver's assistant following his graduation.

When alumnus Bill Gibson ('29, MA '42) became AD in the early '60s, he asked Haddock to take over as golf coach, thus creating the beginning of a dynasty that ranks with the most successful in college athletics. He won his first ACC championship a year later.

He made recruiting his main priority and sought only the nation's best, sometimes disregarding the recommendations of an avid alumnus or two pushing a hometown kid. And he concentrated on establishing a program that would help even the best players further develop their skills. He demanded that classwork — and teamwork — come first, and he politely showed the door to any player that didn't conform, including observing his strong disciplinary policy.

“I was honest with my players,” Haddock said, “and I expected them to be honest with me. Anything else was not acceptable. As a student, I had learned a lot working with coaches Peahead Walker and Murray Greason, and I wanted to adopt some of their philosophies.”

Tim Straub ('89), a former Deacon All-America and star of the last national championship team, is the golf coach at Davidson College. “Coach was a sports psychologist before that term was popular,” he remarked. “He knew which players responded to a pat on the back and the ones who needed a kick in the rear. We always knew where we stood with him and what he expected of us.”

Bill Stines ('84) was a walk-on to the golf team and is now golf director at the famed Scioto Country Club in Columbus, Ohio. “Coach Haddock understood golf, psychology, motivation and communication. He was ahead of his time in understanding the mental side of the game, and he pushed players to accomplishments they may never have been able to obtain otherwise.”

Haddock and his wife, Kay, split their time between Winston-Salem and Linville, N.C. He still follows Wake Forest athletics, but does he miss coaching? “I don’t miss the day-to-day grind, but I do miss the close association with the players. It was heartwarming to see them improve and become tough competitors, because I knew they would also do that in life.”

Bill Hensley ('50) is a retired sports writer and a former director of sports information at Wake Forest.
John Albert Bruns III ('03) and Kelly Ann Fields. 4/17/09 in Ellicott City, MD. They live in Baltimore. The wedding party included Matthew G. Webb ('03).

Nicole Murphey ('03) and Danette Mays Dickey. 11/1/08 in Cornelius, NC. The wedding party included Cyndi Szejner Gross ('03).

Bradley James Roberts ('04, MSA '05) and Shelby Lowe Strayer ('04). 8/2/08 in Fairview, PA. They live in New York City. The wedding party included Pam Bardong ('04), Bryan Blexley ('04), Meghan Claffey Cline ('04), Jon McHugh ('04), Sayer Nixon ('04) and Jeff Wilson ('04, MSA '05).

Emily Collier Childs ('05) and James Paul Brinkley. 1/2/09 in Seaside, FL. They live in Atlanta. The wedding party included Christina Beckett ('05), Christy Crais ('05), Andrea Gormley ('05), Anna Price Hoyer ('05) and Rebecca Rhodes ('05).

J. Lee Hill Jr. (MDiv '05) and Christie Nicole Love. 2/15/09 in New York City. Brad Braxton officiated. The wedding party included Marcus Ingram (MDiv '06).

Kathryn Rachel Moynahan ('05) and Evan Kirk Hall. 3/28/09 in Austin, TX. They live in Dallas. The wedding party included Sally Inman ('05), Jacquelyn Jetton ('05), Amanda Jones ('05), Lyndsey Miller ('05, MA '07) and Erin Talabay ('05).

Edward C. Kuehnle III ('06) and Juliet M. Lam ('06). 4/5/08 in Pinehurst, NC. They live in Winston-Salem, NC. The wedding party included Naequan Jones ('06), Amber Lenstrom ('06), Chris Lough ('06), Josh Portnoy ('06), Madeline Rock ('06), Peter Tillman ('06) and Mary-Hollis Williams ('09).

Kristen Leigh Raliski ('07, MSA '08) and Theodore Charles Fyock Jr. 4/11/09 in Winston-Salem, NC. They live in Georgia. The bride is the daughter of Edward Stephen ('80) and Karen Beasley ('80) Raliski. The wedding party included Jessica Wiseman ('07).

James Seabrook Sosnowski ('07) and Mary Gretchen Kromke. 10/25/08 in Charleston, SC. The wedding party included Andrew Flavin ('07), Taylor Forry ('07), James Norris ('06), Logan Roach ('07), James Smith ('09) and Trevor Taylor ('09).

Victor Luis Velazquez (MBA '07) and Victoria “Tori” Rose Johnson (MBA '07). 2/14/09 in Vieques, Puerto Rico. They live in Chapel Hill, NC. The wedding party included Julie Hinkle (MBA '07).

Ryan David Urban (MBA '08) and Kristen Ray Gosney. 10/6/07 in Sunset Beach, NC.

Births/Adoptions

Julia Sizemore Nesbit ('89) and Robert David Nesbit ('91). Williston, VT: a son, David Oliver. 12/19/08. He joins his brother, Robert Thomas (2 1/2). His grandparents are Mary Gail Koontz ('61) and Robert Nesbit. His aunts and uncles are Doug ('92) and Amy Nesbit and Scott ('94) and Elizabeth Granger ('94) Nesbit.

Amy Kattwinkel Nordstrom ('89) and Pete Nordstrom, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Elizabeth Ann. 3/2/08

Anne Schiller Flynn ('90, MD '94) and Patrick Flynn, Charleston, SC: a son, Andrew Patrick. 2/11/09. He joins his brother, Robert.

Patrick Michael Lemons ('90) and Allie Lemons, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Annie Grace. 1/13/09. She joins her sister, Caroline (2).

Judy C. Chen ('91) and Michael V. Gamboa, San Francisco: a son, Noah Michael. 9/6/08. He joins his brother, Jake (4).

Bill Horton ('91) and Charissa Wong Horton ('92). Basking Ridge, NJ: a daughter, Suzanne Song Yi. 3/12/09. She joins her brother, Peter, and sister, Kate.

Amy House ('91) and Ralph Gillies, Augusta, GA: a daughter, Naomi Susan. 5/3/08. She joins her brother, Owen (3).

James Alexander Bass III (JD '92) and Misti Bass, Rutherfordton, NC: a son, Nathan Alexander. 3/13/09. He joins his brother, Brandon (5).

Tim Girgenti ('92) and Kim Girgenti, Cypress, TX: a son, David Kristiansen. 3/12/09. He joins his brothers, Thomas (12) and Peter (9), and sisters, Grace (7) and Emmy (3).

Phillip A.B. Leonard ('92) and Vicky Tsitseras Leonard ('94), High Point, NC: a daughter, Emma Constance. 10/23/08. She joins her sister, Katherine Francis (5). Her paternal grandparents are Charles H.B. ('63) and Barbara Bennett ('65) Leonard.

Jina Bowman Propst ('92) and Buck Propst, Raleigh, NC: a son, Benjamin Boylan. 5/21/08. He joins his brother, William Sims III (4), and sister, Lillian Bowman (5).

Christopher Patrick Taylor ('92, MBA '97) and Karen Maurer Taylor, Winston-Salem, NC: a son, Hayden Christopher. 2/4/09. He joins his sister, Grayson (3).

Laine Thomas Conway ('93) and Tim Conway, Gainesville, VA: a daughter, Miller Adelaide. 4/9/09

Charles Harris ('93) and Allison Martin Harris ('94), Southern Pines, NC: a daughter, Martha Anne. 12/18/08. She joins her sister, Stella (3).

Julie McConnell-Witter ('93) and Chris Witter, Chevy Chase, MD: twin daughters, Catherine Ainsley and Cordelia Elizabeth. 11/20/08

Sherri McDaniel Sealey ('93, MBA '01) and Danny B. Sealey, Advance, NC: a son, Brent Andrew. 2/27/09. He joins his brother, Justin David (1 1/2).

Lauren Martin Smith ('93) and James Matthew Smith, Denver, NC: a son, Matthew Hayden. 2/20/09. He joins his sisters, Sarah Kathryn (6) and Laura Elizabeth (3).

Joseph DeArmond Cantrell ('94) and Melissa Thomas Cantrell ('94), Williamsburg, VA: a son, Thomas Ward. 1/15/09. He joins his sister, Laura (6), and brother, Jake (3).

Morgan William Fayssoux Jr. ('94) and Sara Tamsley Slowik Feyssoux ('97), Greenville, SC: a daughter, Sara Ainsley. 5/8/08. She joins her brother, Morgan (3).

Kevin Taylor ('94) and Jenny Hinson ('95), Albemarle, NC: a son, Robert Hinson. 3/10/09. He joins his brother, Thomas Cameron (3).

Jennifer Middleton Zonts ('94) and Keith Zonts, Casselberry, FL: a daughter, Delaney Erin. 11/18/08. She joins her sisters: Caroline (10), Jillian (7) and Susannah (4).

David Scott Chapman ('95) and Peggy Chapman, Charlotte, NC: a son, John Anthony. 11/28/08. He joins his sister, Lauren, and brother, Matthew.

Jennifer Feore Cowley ('95) and Thomas Patrick Cowley, Arlington, VA: a son, Thomas Patrick Jr. 2/6/09. He joins his sister, Caroline Genevieve (2).
John A. MacDonald (’95) and Laurie Penhall MacDonald (’95, MD ’99), Oak Ridge, NC: a daughter, Lucy Emma. 1/17/09. She joins her sisters, Audrey (7), Sadie (5) and Nora (2).

Brian Christian Brady (’96) and Lisa Brady, Mooresboro, NC: a son, Gates Houston. 3/3/09. He joins his sister, Shelby Lorain (6).

S. Christopher Collier (’96) and Valary Collier, Atlanta: a daughter, Olivia Ann. 1/15/09

Kimberly Turner Helms (’96) and Josh Helms, West Point, NY: a daughter, Anna Juliet. 3/18/09. He joins his sister, Annelise (2 1/2).

Robert G. Schott (’96) and Layla Schott, West Caldwell, NJ: a daughter, Julia Jean. 2/21/09. She joins her brother, Ava (2).

Carly Bumgarner Trenchard (’96, MSA ’97) and Matthew Trenchard (’98), Clemons, NC: a son, Levi Tyler. 2/16/09. He joins his brother, Noah (2).

Jeff Wolford (’96) and Lisa Martin Wolford (’96), Arvada, CO: a daughter, Claire Morgan. 12/27/08. She joins her brother, Kai (3).

Robert Fatzinger (’97, MALS ’99) and Kirsten Patchel Fatzinger (’99), Falls Church, VA: a son, James Jude. 11/28/08

Melissa Minot Hawks (’97) and Carney Hawks, Purchase, NY: a son, William Carney. 10/8/08. He joins his sisters, Lauren (3) and Kate (2).

Todd Sninski (’97) and Dabney Maner Sninski (’97), Cary, NC: a daughter, Carter Elizabeth. 7/16/08. She joins her brother, Drew (3).

Meredith Miller Van Wyk (’97) and Andy Van Wyk, Littleton, CO: a son, Grant Andrew. 1/13/09. He joins his sister, Anna Elizabeth (4).

Alex D. Brown (’98) and Georgeeann Brown, Lexington, KY: a son, Hudson Alexander. 3/18/09. He joins his sister, Annelise (2 1/2).

Autumn Stokley Chandler (’98) and Robert M. Chandler (JD ’99), Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Mary Austin. 2/18/09. She joins her brother, Reagan Kincaid (2 1/2).

Carinne Keenan Hardin (’98) and Paul Simpson Hardin, Athens, GA: a daughter, Lane Chapman. 1/28/09. She joins her brother, Jack (2).

Keith Andrew Krut (’98) and Emilie Lapeyre Krut (’98), Kinston, MD: a daughter, Eva Therese. 3/17/09. She joins her brother, Thomas (2).

Todd Liu (’98) and Jeanne Liu, Wallingford, CT: a daughter, McKenna Kyle. 2/3/09. She joins her brothers, Kieran and Ronan.

Steven K. McCallister (JD ’98) and Amy McCallister, Raleigh, NC: a daughter, Beatrice Elise. 12/30/08

Jennifer Gough Sargent (’98) and Matthew Sargent, Boston: a son, Jude Parker. 1/3/09

LeeAnn Hodges Talbott (’98) and Scott Talbott, Bethesda, MD: a daughter, Lauren Dove. 1/3/09

Elizabeth Cook Dempsey (’99) and Ed Dempsey, Grand Rapids, MI: a daughter, Caroline Cora. 2/13/09. She joins her brother, James (2).

Leah Small Ewing (’99) and Philip Ewing, Dallas: a son, Clay McCauley. 3/7/09

James Haynes Gentry III (’99) and Holly Miller Gentry (’99), Atlanta: a daughter, Charlotte Miller. 11/5/08

Phillip Allan Hodes (’99) and Elizabeth Jessica Reilly-Hodes (’01), Mount Laurel, NJ: a son, Zachary Allan. 2/24/09

Dustin Lyman (’99) and Kelly Wolff Lyman (’99), Chicago: a son, Wyatt Sheehan. 12/23/08. He joins his sister, Olivia Elizabeth (2).

Kerri Leigh Smetzer Mast (’99) and Patrick Mast, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Margaret Louise. 9/22/08. She joins her brother, Jack (4).

Derrick L. McAteer (’99) and Megan McAteer, Brooksville, FL: a daughter, Kathryn Flynn. 4/9/09

Jennifer Steinberg Urbonas (’99) and James Urbonas, San Francisco: a son, Christian James. 2/9/09. He joins his sister, Molly (3).

Alecia Chandler Wilder (’99) and Matt Wilder, Ridgecrest, CA: a son, Jeremy Matthew. 8/1/08

Ben Wilson (’99) and Shelly Woodson Wilson (’99), Lexington, NC: a son, Evan Christopher. 1/9/09

Alys Embry Brown (’00, MSA ’01) and Trevor Brown, Dalton, GA: a daughter, Sydney Ava. 12/17/08

Alison Anibaldi Daeley (’00) and Scott Daeley (’02), Kent, OH: a daughter, Sloan Elise. 7/1/08

Julie Hiester Foster (’00) and Nathan Foster, Charleston, SC: a daughter, Joanna Kay. 2/10/09

Gregory Eric Frey (’00) and Zulema Zalazar, Annandale, VA: a daughter, Erin Alicia. 2/10/09

Jeni Sigmon Huffman (’00) and Jason Huffman, Winston-Salem, NC: a son, Dean Alexander. 2/6/09

John Knox “Jake” Larkins (’00) and Kerry O’Hagan Larkins (’00), Atlanta: a son, John Knox IV. 3/24/09

Warner May (’00) and Melissa May, Decatur, GA: a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth. 11/12/08

Amanda Epstein Musson (’00) and Stephen Musson, Marietta, GA: a son, Alex Parker. 3/2/09. He joins his brother, Nicholas (3).

Allison M. Doyle Roditi (’00) and Randy Roditi, Bayside, NY: a son, Connor Grayson. 11/30/08

Joseph Allen Wallace (’00, MSA ’00) and Brian Wieland, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Jane Paris. 11/6/08

Lynn Paris Wieland (MBA ’00) and Brian Wieland, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Jane Paris. 11/6/08

Keith Zanni (JD ’00) and Lisa Zanni (JD ’01), Chesapeake, VA: a daughter, Melissa Katherine. 9/17/08. She joins her brother, Drew (5), and sister, Megan (3).

Louis Miller Grumley (’01) and Laura B. Grumley, Paducah, KY: a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth. 1/27/09. She joins her brother, Max (2).

Matthew L. Jamison (’01) and Alyson B. Jamison, Atlanta: a son, Henry Michael. 2/17/09

Scott T. McKnight (’01) and Katherine K. McKnight, Birmingham, AL: a daughter, Madeline Claire. 4/6/09
Andrew Arndt ('04) and Megan Mason Arndt ('04), Berwyn, IL: a son, Joseph Andrew. 2/25/09. His aunt and uncles are: Jamie Lemke Arndt ('01), Stephen Arndt ('01), and Nicholas Mason ('04).

Steve LaFevre ('04) and Catherine Fortin LeFevre ('04), Ottawa, Ontario, Canada: a daughter, Sofia Catherine. 12/22/08

Kevin Cumbus (MBA '05) and Katie Cumbus (JD '06), Charlotte, NC: a son, Cooper Henry. 10/17/08

Andrew Foster (MBA '06) and Meg Foster, Richmond, VA: a son, William Ernest. 2/15/09

Eric B. Williams ('06) and Sertethea Williams, Clemmons, NC: a son, Travin Eric. 1/5/09

Deaths

Wade Edward Brown (JD '31), March 9, 2009, Boone, NC. He was 101. He was a prominent attorney and civic leader in Boone, NC. He served several terms on the Wake Forest Board of Trustees and was named a trustee emeritus in 1999. In 1993, he established the Wade E. Brown Scholarship at the School of Law. A native of Blowing Rock, NC, he attended Mars Hill Junior College before enrolling at Wake Forest. Except for a stint in the U.S. Navy during the 1940s, he practiced law in Boone for 60 years. He served in the N.C. Senate and House of Representatives, and was mayor of Boone from 1961 to 1967. He was inducted into the N.C. Bar Association Hall of Fame in 1992. He helped start the Boone Area Chamber of Commerce, the Boone Golf Course, Watauga Medical Center and the “Horn in the West” outdoor drama. He is survived by three children: Margaret Rose, Wade Edward Brown Jr. and Sarah B. Otey ('75); four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Wade E. Brown Scholarship at the Wake Forest School of Law, PO Box 7206, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

R.F. Hoke Pollock (JD '36), Feb. 9, 2009, Southern Pines, NC. He served in the U.S. Army from 1940 to 1946. He joined the Army Reserve and moved to Southern Pines and opened a law practice. He served in many civic areas and was judge of the Southern Pines Records Court. He served on the trustees of St. Mary’s College in Raleigh, NC, and was instrumental in the Moore County Educational Foundation.

John Welford Cantrell ('39), Feb. 3, 2009, Maryville, TN. He was a retired dentist. He served as a major in the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Baxter E. Kearns ('39), Feb. 10, 2009, Asheboro, NC. He was a medic in the U.S. Army during World War II and received the Bronze Star Medal. He was retired from Harrelson Rubber Co. and Kearns Furniture.

William G. Nagel ('39), March 30, 2009, Boulder, CO. He served in the U.S. Army and received a master’s in social work from the University of Pennsylvania. He served in the New Jersey National Guard, was a corrections reformer, government administrator and president of the American Foundation.

Stacy H. Peterson ('39), March 18, 2009, Clinton, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He taught school in Lenoir County and retired as a field auditor after 42 years with the Employment Security Commission. He was preceded in death by three brothers: Woodrow Sr. (JD '36), Alphonza and Matthew. His survivors include a nephew, Woodrow H. Peterson Jr. ('87).

James M. DeVane ('40), Feb, 11, 2009, Greenville, NC. He graduated from the V-7 Navy Officers training program and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was CEO of Sampson County Memorial Hospital in Clinton, NC, and later president and CEO of Robeson County Memorial Hospital (later Southeastern Regional Medical Center) in Lumberton, NC. He retired as president after 25 years.

George Powers Matthews ('40), March 31, 2009, Rose Hill, NC. He received his MD from Temple University School of Medicine. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps and practiced medicine for over 45 years in Rose Hill. He retired in 1991 and enjoyed traveling, reading and spending time with his family.

Jarvis Wilson Teague ('40), Feb. 14, 2009, Waynesville, NC. He graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and pastored churches in Indiana and Eastern and Western North Carolina. He taught school for 26 years, retiring from the Haywood County School System in 1986. Larry Ammons ('65, P '99, P '04) remembers his stories about chopping firewood for campus fireplaces and milking a faculty member’s cow to earn extra money.

Willard Cannon Wright ('40), Feb. 7, 2009, Tabor City, NC. He started Wright’s Gas Co. and retired in 1985, turning the business over to his son. He was a town commissioner in Tabor City for 35 years. He received the Man of the Year and Distinguished Service awards from the Tabor City Jaycees in 1955 and the Lifetime Deacon Award in 1985. He initiated the Tabor City Yam Festival Celebration, was recognized for his service to the Cape Fear Council of Government and received a Resolution of Appreciation from the Civitan Club. He was
preceeded in death by his wife, Alice. He is survived by three sons, Henry (‘64), Russell (‘71), and Alan; six grandchildren, including William Matthews Wright (‘11); and 11 great-grandchildren.

Victor Hugo Harrell Jr. (‘41), Feb. 13, 2009, Mooresville, NC. He served as a pilot in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was with TWA International Airlines and then general manager of Ethiopian Airlines in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. He then became general manager of Olympic Airlines in Athens, Greece.

William Joseph Miller (‘41), March 3, 2009, Ahoskie, NC. He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth, and two brothers, James (‘31, MA ‘46) and Abner. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was founder and co-owner of Ahoskie Meat and Provision Co. and was active in the community. He was past chairman of the Hertford County Board of Education. He is survived by three daughters, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

William Samuel Tarlton Sr. (‘42, MA ‘47), March 12, 2009, Raleigh, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy. He entered the field of historic site preservation and development and received the Cannon Cup for Historic Preservation in North Carolina. He spent 16 years in a partnership, Craig & Tarlton, in Raleigh, before opening Glenwood South Antiques. He received a Capital Area Preservation Anthemion Award for a house near downtown Raleigh. He is survived by two children, William Jr. and Meribeth McKenzie; three grandchildren, including Raymond Curtis Tarlton (‘04); and four great-grandchildren.

George Norman Boyer (‘44, MD ‘46), March 28, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. His residency was in psychiatry at the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine. He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Hector in Shanghai, China. He had a private practice in North Carolina, was a physician for the U.S. State Department’s Diplomatic Corps, worked for the N.C. Mental Health Department, and was a director of Broughton Hospital in Morganton, NC, where he retired in 1987. He founded the Medicine and Ministry Conference in Kanuga, near Hendersonville, NC; The Meeting Place Senior Center in Tryon, NC, and created the Norman Boyer Award for mental health volunteers.

Peter M. Geiser (MD ‘44), Feb. 6, 2009, Alexandria, MN. His internship and residency were at St. Mary’s Hospital in Minneapolis and he served in the U.S. Army as a captain in the Medical Corps. He was a family practitioner with the Alexandria Clinic for 37 years.

Ella Hessee Richardson (‘47), March 1, 2009, Kannapolis, NC. She was a retired secretary for Cannon Mills. She was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis Leroy Richardson (‘48).

Alice Johnson Sherrill (‘47), March 27, 2009, Eden, NC. She retired in 1992 as tax collector for the City of Eden. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Howard Sherrill (‘47, MD ‘51). She is survived by four children: Frank “Sonny” Sherrill, Jane Fisher (‘74), Susan Grant (‘74) and Nancy Wanrham; and five grandchildren.

Guy Hill Cox Jr. (JD ‘48), April 12, 2009, Charlotte, NC. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II. After graduation he joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and served in Los Angeles, Chicago and Boston before his assignment in Charlotte, NC. He retired from the FBI in 1977 and joined Duke Energy Corp., where he retired in 1988.

Hugh Donald Hipps (‘48), March 28, 2009, Charlotte, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy. He taught at Garinger High School and East Mecklenburg High School and coached wrestling and football.

William Clyde Haire (‘49, JD ‘51), Feb. 24, 2009, Belleair, FL. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and was an assistant district attorney in North Carolina. He was a contract administration lawyer for Pan Am, and was involved in NASA’s Gemini, Apollo and space shuttle programs.

LeRoy Brown Martin Jr. (‘49), Feb. 12, 2009, Raleigh, NC. He received a master’s from N.C. State University and a master’s and PhD from Harvard University. During his 47 years with N.C. State University he was a professor of computer science and mathematics, director of the computing center, liaison at the Triangle University Computing Center and assistant provost for university computing. He retired as professor emeritus in 1996, but continued to teach until 2006. He was honored with an endowed professorship by a former student and received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from the NCSU College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Charlotte; three sons: LeRoy III and his wife, Heather; Eric (‘86, MD ‘94) and his wife, Donna; and Christopher (‘90) and his wife, Margaret Robinson (‘92); six grandchildren; and relatives including a nephew, Eugene Langley III (‘92), and a niece, Susanna Langley Robinson (‘87).

James Rice Quisenberry (‘49), Jan. 21, 2009, Lexington, NC. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. After the war he earned his degree and in 1951 he returned to active duty with the Marines. He retired in 1976 as a colonel and director of the Intelligence Division in Quantico, VA. After retiring, he earned degrees from Northern Virginia Community College and Mary Washington College.

Casper Carl Warren Jr. (‘49), Jan. 21, 2009, Louisville, KY. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and returned to Wake Forest to complete his degree. He taught physics and math at Campbell College in Buies Creek, NC, and worked for DuPont Corp. He received his MD from UNC-Chapel Hill and practiced medicine in Wadesboro, NC, until 1964. He returned to school to specialize in anesthesiaology and practiced at Mercy Hospital until 1974. He was an anesthesiologist for 18 years with Presbyterian Anesthesia Associates PAC at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, NC. He received recognition from the N.C. Medical Association for 50 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Jeck Warren; five children: Bob, David, Mary Jo Breckenridge, Mark, and Cathy DuFault (‘90); 13 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Robert Wilson Borders (‘50), April 14, 2009, Shelby, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was an educator and administrator in the Cleveland County Schools for 30 years and retired in 1982 as associate superintendent. He was a farmer, community and civic leader, and a volunteer for Hospice. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Helen; his three children: Bob, Steve, and Nancy Paschall (‘82, JD ‘85); five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Bobbie Sessoms Chick (‘50), Jan. 16, 2009, Lumberton, NC, and Aiken, SC.

Betty Jo Ring Hamrick (‘52), March 25, 2009, Charlotte, NC. She taught English at Lexington High School and represented North Carolina in...
the 1954 Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City, NJ. She taught at Sedgefield Junior High School, was a member of the Mecklenburg County ABC Board, managed a congressional campaign in 1980, was a founding member of the Green Thumb Garden Club, and was co-founder of Wild Mint Ltd. She is survived by her husband, Spencer Dean Hamrick (’49), three children and five grandchildren.

Lynn Aaron Holcomb (’52), March 5, 2009, Thurmond, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty, and is survived by two daughters.

Marcus Frank Sohmer Jr. (MD ’52), March 30, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and practiced gastroenterology and internal medicine for 35 years in Winston-Salem. He was president of the Forsyth County Medical Society, the N.C. Medical Peer Review Foundation, the N.C. Medical Society, the Medical Alumni Association of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, and a delegate for N.C. to the American Medical Association. Memorials may be made to the Class of 1952 Scholarship Fund, Medical Alumni Association, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Medical Center Boulevard, Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

William Arthur Threatt (’53), March 12, 2009, Bennett, NC. He retired, at age 70, from the textile industry.

Burman Myatt Upchurch (’53), March 31, 2009, Raleigh, NC. He was with the U.S. Marshall’s Office, and was a farmer and a retired U.S. rural mail carrier.

Bobby Gene Pratt (’54), Feb. 19, 2009, Morven, NC. He received a BA, MDiv and PhD from the Southeastern Theological Seminary. He served several churches including 20 years at First Baptist Church of Randleman, NC, and retired after seven years at First Baptist Church of Mt. Gilead, NC. He and his wife, Janet, were active in missions, serving in New Mexico and Vermont, and teaching English in China.

Michael Vincent Gallagher Jr. (’55), March 6, 2009, Palm Beach Gardens, FL. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He was a life member of PGA of America, serving as PGA head golf professional at the Atlantis Golf Club, Everglades Club of Palm Beach and the Members Club at PGA National. He received the Metropolitan Golf Writers Association’s 2007 Golf Family of the Year Award. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Bette; three children; and two grandsons.

Hannah Lou Brown Hollifield (’55), Feb. 6, 2009, Lexington, NC. She was assistant treasurer at Converse College, a stenographer at Pope Air Force Base, worked in the bursar’s office at Wake Forest and worked in the treasurer’s office at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. She taught English and was a librarian at Central Davidson High School for 25 years. After retiring, she worked for 10 years at the furniture market in High Point. She is survived by her husband, Morris S. Hollifield (’55); a daughter, Jeanne Baucom; and a son, Jeffrey.

Wallace Douglas Vreeland Jr. (MD ’55), March 16, 2009, Farmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a family practice physician for over 35 years in Winston-Salem and served as the medical examiner for Forsyth County. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Joan; three children, Karen Kennedy, Van and Douglas (JD ’97); and six grandchildren.

James Leonidas Dunn (’56), Feb. 11, 2009, Scotland Neck, NC. He was a school teacher.

Jack Williamson Pitts (’56), March 25, 2009, San Antonio, TX. He was a native of Spring Hope, NC, and a member of the Deacon Club for 45 years. He served two years in the U.S. Army and was employed 37 years with the National Security Agency. Memorials may be made to the Deacon Club, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Paul Donald Tilley (’56, MD ’59), Feb. 16, 2009, Cary, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. He had a general medical practice in Hudson, NC, from 1963 until his retirement in 2005. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Phyllis; two daughters; a grandson; and a brother, Ray Lee Tilley (’55).

William Henry Watkins (’56), April 4, 2009, Fayetteville, GA. He was preceded in death by his parents, Maybelle and William Henry Watkins (’30), and his wife, Emma Ruth.

Franklin Levy Britt (’57), Feb. 10, 2009, Harrellsville, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force and began his career teaching science at Windsor High School in Bertie County. He served as principal of West Bertie Elementary, principal of Central School in Pasquotank County and superintendent of Pasquotank and Edenton-Chowan schools. He was director of the Northeast Regional Education Center in Williamston, NC, retiring after 16 years. He was preceded in death by a brother and a sister, Anne Britt Miller (’49). He is survived by his wife, Maxine; a son; a daughter; two grandchildren; and a sister.

Richard Dewitt Ogburn (’59), March 25, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and worked as a club golf pro until retiring in 1992 from Tanglewood Park.

William Fred Owens Jr. (’59), Feb. 13, 2009, Pisgah Forest, NC. He was a generous donor to the Wake Forest School of Divinity. He was director of tobacco industry research at Ecusta Paper Co. for 31 years before retiring in 1994. After retiring, he focused on the business he founded in 1961, Owens Orchids in Pisgah Forest. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; two daughters, Cathy Welder (’90) and her husband, Frank (PhD/MBA ’04); and Carol Brown (’95) and her husband, Ben; and five grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Wake Forest School of Divinity, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Martha Mason (’60), May 4, 2009, Lattimore, NC. Confined to an iron lung for most of her life, she still managed to graduate first in her class at Wake Forest, write a book and have a large circle of friends. She was thought to have lived in an iron lung longer than anyone else in the world. She contracted polio in 1948 (shortly after the disease killed her older brother) when she was 11, leaving her paralyzed from the neck down and confining her to the iron lung, which helped her breathe. As a student at Wake Forest, she lived in Faculty Apartments with her parents and listened to lectures through an intercom system, while her mother took notes. With a voice-activated computer, she wrote her memoir, “Breath: Life in the Rhythm of an Iron Lung,” published in 2003. She received Wake Forest’s Pro Humanitate award that same year. She was the subject of a 2005 documentary, “Martha in Lattimore,” produced by communication professor Mary Dalton (’83). She refused to be defined by her physical limitations, saying in 2003, “I’m what goes on inside my head.”
George Allen Parker ('60), Dec. 16, 2008, Rockville, MD. He graduated from the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1964 and had a career with the National Automobile Dealer’s Association.

Wayne Austin Gardner ('63), Feb. 23, 2009, Charlotte, NC. He was a national field representative for IBM. He began working for Duke Power in 1967 and retired from the Corporate Excellence Department in 1999.

Gary Lee Koontz ('63), March 26, 2009, Advance, NC. He retired in 1995 as vice president and treasurer of Integen Corp. He coached in the Southwest Forsyth Little League and was involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Forsyth County. He is survived by his wife, Jenny; a son, Chris ('86, MALS ’03) and his wife, Pat; a grandson, Alex; and a brother, Reginald ('60).

Mark Wilkes Harrold (MD ’64), April 3, 2009, Lansing, MI. He served in the U.S. Naval Reserve, did his residency at Akron City Hospital and joined Michigan Urology PC, a practice started by his father. He was named a fellow at the American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery centers.

Rebecca Ann Stallings (MA ’75), March 15, 2009, Asheville, NC. She worked for the N.C. Division of Services for the Blind for 31 years in various capacities. She was a social worker, vocational rehabilitation counselor, children’s program consultant and counselor-in-charge.

Anne-Marie Connors Tague (MAEd ’75), March 25, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. She served in the U.S. Marine Corps. She is remembered as a master automotive mechanic, storyteller, sports car racer and painter.

Robert David Bogaty ('78), March 7, 2009, Norwell, MA. He received his master’s from the University of Pittsburgh and was the director of development for Puma in Taiwan. He ran the Boston Marathon twice. He is survived by his wife, Jane; two children, Andrew and Martha; and two brothers, Raymond ('70) and Richard.

Gary Keith Bryson (MD ’79), March 25, 2009, Lexington, NC. His internship and residency was in obstetrics and gynecology at Erlanger Medical Center in Chattanooga, TN. He was a leader in the development of the surgical technique laparoscopic appendectomy and made presentations at the World Congress Meeting of the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists in Washington, D.C. He was a fellow of the American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery, served as a clinical instructor at Vanderbilt University, and was an adjunct professor at Western Kentucky University, was a clinical consultant for laser and surgical instrument manufacturers, and was a faculty and clinical advisor for hospital laser surgery centers.

Joseph Thornley West ('80), Feb. 26, 2009, North Myrtle Beach, SC, and Charlotte, NC. He was a national field representative for IBM. He began working for Duke Power in 1967 and retired from the Corporate Excellence Department in 1999.

Deborah Leonard Parker (JD ’83), April 24, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. She was formerly an associate dean at the Wake Forest School of Law. A native of Raleigh, NC, she received her undergraduate and master’s degrees from UNCGreensboro. She taught history at Dudley High School in Greensboro for five years before attending the Wake Forest School of Law. In 1984, she joined the law school faculty to teach Legal Research and Writing and later became the first director of legal research and writing. In 2000, she became the school’s first dean of students. She is survived by her husband, Professor of Law J. Wilson Parker; and three children, Laurel, Jeffrey and Adam, a rising senior at Wake Forest. Memorials may be made to the Deborah Leonard Parker Scholarship Fund, Wake Forest University School of Law, PO Box 7206, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Friends, Faculty, Staff, Students

Walter J. Bo, March 21, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He was an esteemed professor emeritus of neurobiology and anatomy who taught for nearly 50 years at the Wake Forest School of Medicine. A native of Minnesota, he received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Marquette University and his doctorate from the University of Cincinnati in 1953. He taught at the University of North Dakota-Grand Forks until 1960 when he joined the faculty at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. Over the next 47 years, he taught human anatomy to hundreds of medical students. In 1980, he collaborated on The Basic Atlas of Sectional Anatomy, a medical reference book. He received the Alpha Omega Alpha Robert J. Glater Distinguished Teaching Award in 2001 and numerous other teaching and distinguished faculty awards. A scholarship was established at the medical school in his name in 2000. When he was named professor emeritus in 2007, he was honored as “the quintessential educator, mentor and scholar” who had “an immeasurable impact on thousands of physicians and scientists.” He is survived by his wife, Jeanice; three daughters, Karen Eklund, Kathy Lane and Mary Chavis; and six grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Walter J. Bo Scholarship at the Wake Forest University School of Medicine or to St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Winston-Salem.

Regina M. Burt, Feb. 28, 2009, Charlotte, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard L. Burt, former chairman of obstetrics and gynecology at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, and a son, Jonathan. She is survived by three children: Duncan, Deborah King ('72), and Priscilla Coe; and a granddaughter.
Sylvia Blue Dunford, March 10, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. She was a former employee and volunteer at the Reynolda House Museum of American Art. She also volunteered at Crisis Control Ministry and Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She was preceded in death by her husband, Wellington Dunford (’36). She is survived by two daughters; two grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Howard W. Gray Sr., Feb. 19, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and worked as advertising manager and later marketing manager of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. He developed and managed the Hanover Arms apartment complex. He served as trustee of the Moravian College in Bethlehem, PA, and trustee of Old Salem, Inc. and Salem Academy and College in Winston-Salem. He is survived by a daughter, Greta Weibel; a son, Howard Gray Jr. (MBA ’88); and four grandchildren: Caroline Gray DenHerder (’01), Parker, Lindsay and Allen.

Elizabeth H. Harmon, March 23, 2009, New York City. After earning her PhD in 2005 from Arizona State University, she taught in the Wake Forest anthropology department in 2005-06. At the time of her death, she was teaching at Hunter College/City University of New York. She is survived by her parents and two brothers.

Sarah Jackson Howerton, March 29, 2009, Mount Airy, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard R. Howerton Jr. (’38). She taught elementary and high school math and was active in the community. She is survived by two daughters, Carol Harding (’71) and Sarah Hanson; a son, Richard T. Howerton III (’73); seven grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Jack Kemp, May 2, 2009, Bethesda, MD. The former football star for the Buffalo Bills had a long career in government and politics as a U.S. congressman, Cabinet secretary, presidential candidate and vice-presidential nominee. After retiring from the Bills, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from Buffalo in 1970. His advocacy for tax reform led to the 1981 Kemp-Roth bill which drastically reduced federal tax rates. In 1988, he ran for the Republican nomination for president, eventually won by George Bush. After Bush won the general election, he named Kemp secretary of Housing and Urban Development. He was Bob Dole’s running mate in the 1996 presidential campaign, won by Bill Clinton and Al Gore. He retired from politics and founded Kemp Partners, a lobbying and consulting firm in Washington. He received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Wake Forest in 1986 and spoke at Wake Forest’s commencement in 1994. He is survived by his wife, Joanne; two sons, Jeff and Jimmy (’93); two daughters, Jennifer and Judith; and 17 grandchildren.

Eric Joshua Marinoff, Feb. 25, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He was a sophomore from Southampton, PA. A memorial service was held in March in Wait Chapel.

John Ottina, Sept. 30, 2008, Marshall, VA. He was U.S. commissioner of education and later assistant secretary of administration in the former Department of Health, Education and Welfare during the Nixon administration. He left government service in 1977 and worked for American Management Systems in Northern Virginia until he retired in 1990. He is survived by his wife, Mollie Wiggins Ottina (’62), and three sons.

Beth Cummings Paschal, Feb. 8, 2009, Raleigh, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband, George Washington Paschal Jr. (BA ’27, BS ’28, MD ’29). She served three terms as president of the N.C. Art Society. In 1965, she and her husband were named the News & Observer’s Tar Heels of the Week. She compiled a cookbook, “A Celebration of Art and Cookery,” for the N.C. Museum of Art where she was a docent, board member, fundraiser and volunteer. In 2006 she received the museum’s Thomas S. Kenan III Leadership in the Arts Award. She served on the committee at Wake Forest to select an architect for the fine arts center in the 1970s. In 2007, she and her late husband were inducted into the Raleigh Hall of Fame. She is survived by her sons, George W. III (MD ’73) and Robert Cummings; her daughter, Laura Huston Paschal; and five grandchildren.

Charles D. Peebler Jr., April 18, 2009, Indian Wells, CA. He was a former chair of the Wake Forest Parents’ Council and a leader in the American advertising industry. A native of Waterloo, IA, he began his advertising career in 1958 with Bozell & Jacobs (later Bozell Jacobs Kenyon & Eckhardt) in Omaha, NE, and became the firm’s president in 1965; he served as CEO for more than 30 years. In 1997, BJK&E was acquired by True North Communications and he served as president of the merged company until 1999, when he became chairman emeritus. He was named to the Advertising Hall of Fame in 2001. After he was diagnosed with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, a rare and invariably fatal brain disorder, he founded and served as president of the Peebler PSP Research Foundation, which has funded $2 million of research in PSP. He is survived by his wife, Toni; sons Todd, David and Mark; and three grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Peebler PSP Research Foundation, 74-923 Highway 111, PMB #226, Indian Wells, CA 92210.

Louise Philpott, March 28, 2009, Lexington, NC. Survivors include a stepson, Frederick C. Philpott (’70) and his wife, Anne Bingham Philpott (’69, MA ’75), and step-grandchildren William McNair Tornow (’99) and Cameron Tornow Holcomb (’02).

William Neal Reynolds II, Feb. 18, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He was a son of the late Elizabeth and R.J. “Dick” Reynolds and grandson of Katharine and R.J. Reynolds, the founder of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. He was a generous donor to the Reynolda House Museum of American Art. He graduated from N.C. State University, served in the Coast Guard and helped found Forsyth Country Day School in Lewisville, NC. In the 1960s, he was co-owner of the Trophy Room, a pizza parlor in Winston-Salem that took its name from wildlife trophies he had collected. He was an enthusiastic naturalist who once owned a 115-acre island off the coast of New Zealand. He was best known for his conservation efforts in North Carolina, particularly the Mitchell River. He is survived by his wife, Sandra Reid Reynolds, and two children, Brook Elizabeth Reynolds and William Noah Reynolds (MBA ’07).

Richard Gray Speas, March 26, 2009, Tocobga, NC. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was retired from Wake Forest University. He started at Wake Forest as a carpenter, progressed to a building supervisor and finally operations manager in facilities. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Betty; a daughter, Lisa Kay Speas (’82); a son, Tracy Gray; two grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.
Dear Wake Forest Alumni and Friends:

As we conclude what has been a memorable academic year on campus and a momentous time for our nation, I would like to share with you, our alumni and friends, some perspectives about our approach to managing Wake Forest in these times of constraint. Let me first say with confidence that our University is in an excellent position to weather this downturn. We have strong fundamentals, a valued product and outstanding leadership in our board of trustees. In our most recent meeting of the board of trustees, the senior leadership team presented our strategy to move Wake Forest forward and establish our priorities for the year. I would like to share this presentation with you, who have invested so much in Wake Forest.

Each year the University sets the operating budget for the coming year, a process that involves many and affects everyone on campus. The budget reflects the priorities and commitments of the campus, and in no time in recent history has that statement been more important. Wake Forest, like many institutions across the country, is not immune to the powerful economic forces that are influencing all of our daily lives. We are, however, fortunate at Wake Forest to have had a long commitment to financial prudence and to have just recently completed a comprehensive strategic plan which defines our priorities with great clarity and conviction. At a time when everyone must adjust to new economic realities, we believe that careful analysis, open discussion and clear communication offer the best path to keeping Wake Forest strong and resourceful. With that in mind, and with our priorities clearly defined from last year’s excellent planning efforts, let me share with you our strategy for the coming year at Wake Forest.

FOCUSING ON THE FUNDAMENTALS

In preparing the budget for the coming fiscal year, our overall challenges were to reduce costs appropriately, reallocate funds strategically and focus continuously on the fact that investment in our people is central to our long-term success. To translate these ideas into action, we articulated three broad goals:

—Continue to recruit and retain excellent faculty, staff and administrators;
—Recruit students aggressively and provide sufficient financial aid to meet increased needs; and
—Build, renovate and enhance key facilities to meet the requirements of the University we are today.

Commitment to our People

In this challenging economic climate, when many of our peer institutions are freezing salaries and cutting positions, our first commitment remains to do all that we can to retain our current staff and faculty within the context of our stated goals above. However, in the coming fiscal year there will be only limited funds in each unit to continue our implementation of the University-wide goal of bringing faculty and staff to market compensation within a merit system. We are making strategic moves, through a combination of permanent cuts to administrative budgets and new dollars from incremental enrollment growth and tuition increases, to provide resources to make small investments where the need is greatest to close compensation gaps for meritorious faculty and staff. As a result, the majority of faculty and staff—including all of the cabinet and the deans—will receive no salary increase in FY10.

Commitment to our Students

In keeping with our focus on recruiting and retaining top faculty and staff, we must continue our efforts to attract outstanding students. The momentum we have at Wake Forest is extraordinary. In contrast to downward admission trends at many top-tier institutions, our undergraduate admissions numbers have increased by approximately 16 percent this year, a clear affirmation of our investment in the strength of our entering class—and of our policy to replace standardized testing with a more nuanced admission process. However, the availability of student financial aid to help families fulfill their commitment to their sons’ and daughters’ education at Wake Forest remains a daunting challenge.
We have been historically and are currently fully committed to our policy of need-blind admissions, accepting students regardless of their financial situation. Our first priority is to honor our commitment to students whose families earn less than $40,000, who we have guaranteed that their student loans will be capped at $4,000 per year over four years. Our next challenge is to meet the increasing needs of those families for whom the cost of higher education carries a far greater financial burden than it did prior to the recession. We will do what we can to help our current students by carefully managing our financial aid packages to minimize increases in loans. We are also allocating a small increase in funds to help incoming students for whom these economic conditions present a great obstacle to selecting Wake Forest. In total, we will make a modest increase in funding for financial aid, as that is all current economic conditions allow, but these funds will be allocated with great purpose, and I believe with great impact on our ability to sustain our considerable momentum, especially in improving socioeconomic diversity and enhancing opportunity.

LOOKING FORWARD

As the board considered our strategic priorities and investments, they were impressed that each administrative unit is looking ahead toward FY10-11, which may be an even more difficult year because of the way operating revenue is calculated from the endowment, by aggressively assessing programs, setting priorities in accordance with the strategic plan, and cutting non-essential expenses. The budget that was approved recognizes that the cuts made this fiscal year must be continued, and that we must generate new revenue to support our strategic plan. Therefore, the board of trustees approved a moderate investment in our Advancement Office in order to increase our capacity to raise private donations for key strategic priorities. Together with our commitment to the more stringent expenditures prescribed by the budget, an increase in fundraising will position us to meet the impending challenges that await us in FY10-11.

Although the reality of endowment decline will be felt more deeply next year, we hope to stave off its impact through the measures we are undertaking this year to control our costs and increase our revenue. In sum, we are determined to capitalize on this rare opportunity to increase our competitiveness nationally, while holding sacred our distinctiveness as the nation’s leading collegiate University.

It is my firm belief that these measures provide the best course for Wake Forest. The board of trustees is fully supportive of the direction we have taken. As always, I invite and look forward to your ideas, questions and advice. I will continue to keep you informed as we move forward implementing our plans. Let me also say that Wake Forest cannot live up to its vitally important mission without the ongoing support of its alumni and friends, like you. Your work on our behalf and your generous gifts breathe life into the plans we make today to live up to our motto, Pro Humanitate.

Thank you for all you do for our students, for each other, and for Wake Forest every day.

Maintaining our Physical Campus

Our future success relies upon an ongoing investment in our campus buildings and critical infrastructure. Therefore, we have made plans to continue to address capital projects that are central to our strategic plan.

Last spring we invested more than $3 million in capital improvements to academic units and more to student facilities. We sought and have received approval from the board of trustees to move forward with three capital projects: a new freshman residence hall to accommodate planned enrollment growth, a new admissions/welcome center to accommodate our growing number of visitors and our new applicant interview process, and a modest set of upgrades and repairs to athletics facilities. We also are pursuing plans to merge the faculty of the Calloway and Babcock Schools in a new business school that will rely on the renovation of the Information Systems building adjacent to the Worrell Center. These projects will be long-term financed following long-standing guidelines created by the board of trustees.
Welcome Home

Homecoming and Reunion Weekend 2009

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Wait Chapel. The Pit. Shorty’s. Reynolda Hall. Your dorm room.

Since 1834, Wake Forest has opened its doors to students, faculty and visitors from all walks of life. The students who enter the campus doors leave as believers in Wake Forest, filled with fond memories and well prepared to lead examined and purposeful lives.

You are invited to come back to campus during Homecoming and Reunion Weekend 2009, celebrating the 175th anniversary of Wake Forest. The doors of Wake Forest will be open October 9-10 and we look forward to hosting reunion classes (ending in 4s and 9s) and all Demon Deacon alumni for this memorable weekend.

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For Homecoming details and registration information, please visit www.wfu.edu/homecoming or call 336.758.4544. If you have questions about your reunion, please call 336.758.5819.
Never Too Late

The senior member of the Class of 2009 was Fred Hastings, who received his bachelor’s degree three days before his 77th birthday. Hastings was an ROTC student in his final semester in 1956 when he was commissioned by the U.S. Army and left college one course short of earning his degree. Last year, he completed the remaining accounting course at a college near his home in Orlando, Fla., and transferred the credit so he could finally earn his degree. His son, Victor, graduated in 1982. Read more coverage of Commencement in the ‘Around the Quad’ blog at www.wfu.edu/magazine.