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Leadership and innovation are Wake Forest traditions. The focus of that innovation is not dictated from the world around us, but rather by our history and mission. The grandest of those traditions is our commitment to Pro Humanitate. That commitment would be quaint, except that we get to see each day how powerful it can be. Every Wake Forest student or alumnus has a story of how a professor, or a class, or a group of friends here changed the course of their life. They tell me about the humbling opportunity to come to Wake Forest for college and about the ways their experiences on this campus or in the town of Wake Forest have shaped the good work that they do today.

Our society is hungry for this kind of education: more student-focused, more interested in educating the whole person, more publicly engaged, springing from a spirit of Pro Humanitate. On an individual level, graduates will face more acute levels of competition than any generation before when they enter the workplace. Wake Forest students will be able to engage that competition knowing what drives them to the highest levels of success and knowing how to maintain their integrity.

Like our commitment to opportunity and our focus on engagement between our teacher-scholars and bright students, Pro Humanitate is a classical value that is contemporary in the hearts and minds of the Wake Forest community and as important as ever for our modern society.

Nathan O. Hatch
President
National award honors student volunteerism

The high level of volunteerism by students has helped Wake Forest win national recognition for community service. Nearly 60 percent of the University’s students, including undergraduate, graduate and professional students, contributed nearly 100,000 hours of service last year.

That was among the factors that helped Wake Forest earn a place on The President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for 2009.

The honor roll gives federal recognition to universities and colleges for their commitment to volunteering and community service.

On the court: Bzdelik takes over as men’s basketball coach

Jeff Bzdelik, formerly the head coach at the University of Colorado, was named men’s head basketball coach in April. He replaced Dino Gaudio, who was released from his contract after three seasons as head coach.

Bzdelik (buzz-DELL-ick) spent the last three seasons at Colorado after having led the Air Force Academy to its most successful run in school history. He has also coached at Maryland-Baltimore County and was an assistant coach at Davidson and Northwestern. He is also a former head coach of the Denver Nuggets and has been a scout, scouting director and assistant coach with the Washington Bullets, Miami Heat, Denver Nuggets and New York Knicks.

“Our goals are simple,” said Bzdelik, a 1976 graduate of the University of Illinois-Chicago. “We want to win games, get to the postseason, advance in the postseason and win championships without compromising the moral and academic integrity of this great university.”

Assistant Coaches Jeff Battle and Rusty LaRue (‘96) and Director of Basketball Operations Walt Corbean will remain on the staff. Former NBA player Mark Pope, formerly operations coordinator at the University of Georgia, joined the staff in April.

Pokeberry Power

Purple plant could revolutionize solar energy technology

For researchers at Wake Forest’s Center for Nanotechnology and Molecular Materials, going green means seeing purple.

The Nanotech Center, which has secured the first patent in the world for a new solar cell technology based on miniscule fibers, is using purple dye made from the pokeberry plant to help the cells absorb more sunlight.

“It’s a low-cost solar cell that can be made to work with local, low-cost agricultural crops like pokeberries,” said David Carroll, the center’s director. He is also a professor of physics and an adjunct professor of both biomedical engineering and cancer biology.

The fiber solar cells are revolutionary in their own right: composed of millions of tiny, plastic tubes stamped onto flexible plastic sheets, the cells create more surface area to collect light from sunrise till sunset. Traditional flat cells can collect light efficiently only when the sun is directly above.

But the dye from pokeberries—those little purple fruits you might have squashed as a child to stain your cheeks and fingers—could hold the key to spreading solar power across the globe, Carroll said.

His group predicts that such devices could double organic solar cell performance, “a class of ultra-cheap, plastic solar cells meant to be integrated directly into building exteriors,” he said.

The University’s patent on the fiber cells was granted by the European Patent Office. A similar patent is pending with the U.S. Patent Office. Fiber-Cell Inc., a University spinoff company, has the license to manufacture the cell and is investigating a means of mass production.
**Divinity Dean**

Biblical Scholar Gail O’Day will lead Divinity School

**G**ail R. O’Day, a respected New Testament scholar and currently senior associate dean at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, was named dean of the Wake Forest School of Divinity in April. She will become dean and professor of New Testament and Preaching on Aug. 1, succeeding Bill J. Leonard, who is retiring as dean.

O’Day joined the Candler School faculty as an assistant professor of biblical preaching in 1987. She was the senior associate dean of faculty and academic affairs and the A.H. Statford Professor of New Testament and Preaching.

Leonard joined the Wake Forest faculty in 1996 to plan for the opening of the divinity school. The school opened in 1999 with 24 students in the first class. Leonard will remain on the faculty as chair of church history in the divinity school and the religion department.

“The School of Divinity has had an impressive record of achievement in its first decade under the founding leadership of Bill Leonard,” O’Day said. “The divinity school’s combination of ecumenical openness and Baptist heritage, together with the University’s values of academic excellence, moral formation and service, positions the school to continue to move from strength to strength in making a unique contribution to theological education.”

The divinity school had 101 students enrolled this past academic year. The school is known for its interdisciplinary approach, and describes itself as “Christian by tradition, ecumenical in outlook, and Baptist in heritage.”

**Griggs named first Muslim chaplain**

Khalid Griggs, imam of the Community Mosque of Winston-Salem, has been named Wake Forest’s first Muslim chaplain. Griggs will serve as a part-time associate chaplain to provide religious leadership for the University’s growing Muslim community.

Chaplain Tim Auman said the position is important to ensure that the University is meeting the spiritual needs of all students. “We want to provide pastoral leadership to our Muslim students and to make connections with the Muslim community off campus,” he said. “And this will offer non-Muslim students an opportunity to learn about Islamic traditions.”

A part-time associate chaplain for Jewish life will be hired in the future. The Chaplain’s staff currently includes a full-time associate chaplain who also serves as Baptist campus minister and another part-time associate chaplain who is Catholic. A number of campus ministers, some of whom also serve Winston-Salem churches, provide support to students from a variety of faith traditions and advise a number of student religious groups.
THE SURPRISINGLY TRADITIONAL
MICHELLE OBAMA

Michelle Obama may be the first African-American first lady, but in other respects she’s not that different from her predecessors, says Professor of Political Science Kathy Smith (P ’06), who studies first ladies. “Michelle Obama offers continuity to the past with her traditional interpretation of the first lady role,” says Smith, the author of a chapter on Rosalynn Carter in the book “American First Ladies” and co-author of two books on the American presidency. While Obama is most often compared to Jacqueline Kennedy, Smith compares her to a more recent first lady, Laura Bush.

www.wfu.edu/wowf/2010/20100121.firstladies.php

QUARTET ‘IMAGINES’ HOLOCAUST

The horrors of the Holocaust are usually told through stories and photographs, but the Wake Forest Clarinet Quartet told the story through music when it presented the American premiere of “Immagini da Auschwitz.” The piece was composed in memory of Holocaust victims by Italian musician Guido Arbonelli. “I found the piece a unique depiction of the Holocaust,” said sophomore Matthew Simari, one of the members of the quartet. Listen to a selection from the composition.

www.wfu.edu/wowf/2010/20100412.clarinet.php

THE NEXT GREAT REVOLUTION

Best-selling author and The New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman told a packed audience in Wait Chapel that the time is now for a Green Revolution to solve the world’s energy problems. “The stakes can’t be higher, and the payoff could not be greater, and we have exactly enough time, starting now,” he said. His speech was part of the University’s Voices of Our Time lecture series and the keynote address of the University’s two-day conference on energy.

www.wfu.edu/wowf/2010/20100210.friedman.php

REMEMBERING THE HISTORIC SIT-IN

On Feb. 23, 1960, a group of Wake Forest students walked into the Woolworth’s in downtown Winston-Salem and joined students from Winston-Salem State Teachers College to protest segregated lunch counters. Fifty years later to the day, some of those participants, community members and others gathered in Wait Chapel to remember that historic event. Watch videos of some of the participants recalling that day.

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**Students in the News**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**KPMG Global Case Competition World Champions**

**Wake Forest University**

Louis Brotherton (left to right), Zach Zimble, Andrea Kensey and Swayze Smartt celebrate their world championship.

and Zachary Zimble of Allenwood, N.J.; and sophomore Louis Brotherton of Seattle, Wash.

They qualified for the international competition by winning the national round of the KPMG Global Case Competition in January. Eleven teams competed in the global competition, including teams from Russia, the United Kingdom, Norway, Canada, Spain, Luxembourg and the Czech Republic.

**A team of four undergraduate business students won the KPMG Global Case Competition in Athens, Greece, in April, defeating teams from France, Sweden and Germany.**

The team members were senior Andrea Kensey of Upper Holland, Pa.; juniors Swayze Smartt of Dallas and Zachary Zimble of Allenwood, N.J.; and sophomore Louis Brotherton of Seattle, Wash.

**For the fifth consecutive year, graduates of the schools of business and accountancy program have achieved the highest passing rates in the nation on the Certified Public Accountant exam. Since the school began offering a master’s degree in accounting in 1997, its graduates have achieved the top national ranking eight times and placed second in the nation three times for candidates passing all four sections of the test on their first attempt.**

**Seniors Will Sears and Sam Crichton reached the “Final Four” in the National Debate Tournament in March before losing in the semifinals. Sears was named the sixth top individual speaker in the tournament.**

Two other members of the Wake Forest debate team, senior Carlos Maza and sophomore Michael Carlotti, reached the “Elite Eight.” It was the first time that two Wake Forest teams have finished among the top eight teams at the tournament in the same year.

Sears, an English major from Lexington, Mass., and Crichton, a history major from Shreveport, La., were featured in an article in *The New York Times* on the trend among debate teams to go “paperless,” relying on computerized files to help mold their arguments, rather than the time-tested paper files. Wake Forest plans to go paperless next fall.


**The Wake Forest debaters (left to right) Carlos Maza, Michael Carlotti, Will Sears and Sam Crichton.**

**Students brew a successful coffee business**

College students and coffee are a quintessential combination. But how many have made a great cup of java by self-roasting coffee beans in a hot-air popcorn popper? JT Peifer has.

Peifer tasted his first cup of coffee at the age of 10, owned his first espresso machine by the 7th grade, and ran a small coffee stand at his high school. He developed a taste for high-quality coffee and began sampling coffee beans from all over the world.

Now, through his new business, Feisty Goat Coffee Roasters, he is introducing other coffee lovers to exotic coffees from Ethiopia, Costa Rica and Panama, among other countries. His business partner, Kari Heuer, handles the sales, financial operations and customer service side of the business.

Customers place their orders online (through Feisty Goat’s Facebook page), choosing from what Peifer has available at the time, such as Ethiopian Yirgacheffe or Costa Rican Terrazu. He roasts and grinds the coffee beans and then bags the coffee grinds for delivery.

“The best cup of coffee uses high-quality, freshly roasted beans. The proximity of the grind to the person drinking the coffee is critical,” says Peifer, an English major and entrepreneurship and social enterprise minor who spent his formative years in Kijabe, Kenya.

Peifer and Heuer invested personal funds to launch the business and then received support from the University’s Center for Entrepreneurship. "Entrepreneurship is often about developing successful ventures from personal passions," says John Geneviva, entrepreneur-in-residence at the Center for Entrepreneurship, who assisted in securing funding for Feisty Goat. “We were most impressed with JT’s passion for his product, but he has also tapped into a trend in coffee for super-premium quality.”

Peifer has been awarded a Richter scholarship to travel to Kona, Hawaii, this summer to study the specialty coffee industry. “Ever since my first cup in fifth grade, coffee has been a passion of mine,” says Peifer. “The entire enterprise of coffee fascinates me.”

**JT Peifer and Kari Heuer**
What’s so funny?

Theatre's Cindy Gendrich studies the serious side of humor with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Cindy Gendrich

Cindy Gendrich is one of those people who can’t stop herself from laughing, sometimes too loudly and at inappropriate times.

“I adore it when people tell funny stories at funerals, for instance, since it seems to me to be a way of celebrating the dead person’s life,” she says. “I laugh at inappropriate things at times, and I’m pretty interested in why that makes some people incredibly uncomfortable, and what is it about me and people like me who are looking for humor as sort of a release.”

A professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance, Gendrich has received a $24,800 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities for her proposal, “Why Do People Laugh?,” to study the complexities of humor and to develop a first-year seminar.

Gendrich has been teaching acting and theatre classes at Wake Forest for 13 years. She grew up in Chicago and earned a bachelor of fine arts from Illinois Wesleyan University and a doctorate in theatre from the University of Missouri. She also worked as a professional actress in Chicago.

The idea of teaching a class on humor stems from her doctoral dissertation on comedy and 19th century actresses, but her interest is also personal. She was treated for Hodgkin’s disease in her late teens, and she found that something as simple as telling a bad joke helped her cope with her illness. “I’d do little things like answer the phone saying, ‘Batcave, Robin speaking.’ Laughing put other people at ease and allowed me to find a release.”

The grant Gendrich received is from the Enduring Questions funding program through the NEH, which is an independent federal agency that funds research and education. The Enduring Questions program is aimed at creating programs that address some of the age-old questions of humanity, such as what comprises beauty or what is happiness.

She will use the money from the NEH to spend the summer and part of the fall doing research and compiling resources for the seminar. The seminar will delve into the psychology of laughter and why it’s good for the body, as well as exploring the social and cultural aspects of humor. “It’s going to force them (first-year students) to begin their college careers thinking about the ways things intersect, how this seemingly small topic has little tentacles that reach into everything,” she says.

The subject matter will be broad and could include everything from Greek plays to “South Park,” she says. It will also address cultural differences that make some jokes funny in one place, while being offensive in others.

“A first-year seminar is a funny place to put this, but in some ways it’s the right way to teach them that they’re not in search of the right answer but in search of the process. It should get them thinking about their life as a chance to engage with these big, enduring questions.”

—Andy Morrissey

NEH grant recipients

Five Wake Forest professors have received grants this year from the National Endowment for the Humanities:

Michaelle Browers
Associate Professor of Political Science
“Arab Shi’i Political Thought Since 1958: A Generation’s Politicization”

Cindy Gendrich
Professor of Theatre
“Why Do People Laugh?”

Claudia Kairoff
Professor and Chair of English
“The Works of Anne Finch, Countess of Winchilsea”

Kendall Tarte
Associate Professor of Romance Languages
“France on the Page: Portraying the Wars of Religion”

Emily Wakild
Assistant Professor of History
“Revolutionary Nature Conservation in 1930s Mexico”
ANNE FINCH IS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT WOMAN POET OF THE EARLY 18TH CENTURY. Her work, however, has never received its full critical due, largely because of the lack of a comprehensive scholarly study, says Claudia Kairoff, professor and chair of English.

Kairoff is engaged in a research project that will change all that. She and Jennifer Keith of the English department at UNC-Greensboro are working with Cambridge University Press to co-edit "The Works of Anne Finch, Countess of Winchilsea," scheduled for publication in 2013. That year marks the 300th anniversary of the only volume of her works that Finch published during her lifetime (1661-1720).

Kairoff and Keith were awarded a long-term fellowship by the National Endowment for the Humanities. They will complete work on an important folio manuscript of Finch's verse that is part of the collection at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C. Their two-volume edition will be the first complete, standard critical edition of Finch's writings.

"Aside from incomplete editions, her work has never received the full critical attention necessary to establish the definitive texts, with thorough introductions, annotations and appendices, of her poems and plays," says Kairoff, who joined the Wake Forest faculty in 1986. "Standard critical editions are the first places to which scholars turn when researching and writing about important literary figures, so our Finch edition will provide a resource that 18th-century scholars, poetry scholars, feminists and many others have long wished for."

The Folger fellowship is for five to six months next spring, but Kairoff and Keith will also travel to other libraries and rare book depositories in the United States and United Kingdom.

"I hope that being associated with this work will be beneficial to my colleagues and students, and to the University," says Kairoff, who teaches Restoration and 18th-century poetry, theatre and non-fiction prose. "I especially love teaching women's poetry because it is still a wide-open field for original research, theorizing and interpretation."

Kairoff hopes that as the project progresses she will have new information to share about a body of work that has been neglected until recently. "I like to tell students there is plenty of scope for their scholarly aspirations, since many early modern writers are still being discovered and studied," she says. "Anne Finch has always been known, if not given her critical due, but there are plenty of obscure but worthy poets waiting to be recovered."

Most standard critical editions are produced by teams of scholars and Ph.D. students at major research universities, so she and Keith are proud to identify themselves as two professors working with master's degree graduate assistants, she adds. "Not only will we have produced this important edition, but scholars will know that our respective institutions are capable of supporting a research tool of considerable magnitude and complexity."

—Cherin C. Poovey (P '08)
About LIFE

Study will examine ways to prevent mobility disability in elderly

Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center and the Department of Health and Exercise Science will play a key role in a study to determine whether a program of structured physical activity can prevent or delay major mobility disabilities in older adults.

The six-year study, called the Lifestyle Interventions and Independence for Elders, or LIFE, will be the largest to date that investigates ways to prevent mobility disability in seniors. When completed, funding for the project is expected to total more than $60 million from the National Institute on Aging, including $29.5 million in federal stimulus funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

“This study represents an important milestone in aging research,” said Stephen B. Kritchevsky, director of the Medical Center’s J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging. “In many ways the LIFE study is the capstone of 20 years of our program’s exercise-related research.”

Health and exercise science professors Tony Marsh, Jack Rejeski, Peter Brubaker (MA ’86), Shannon Mihalko (’92) and Jeff Katula, and Associate Professor of Psychology Janine Jennings will be working on the LIFE study.

Many studies have shown that regular exercise improves physical performance. Still, little is known about whether exercise can actually help prevent major mobility disability, defined as the inability to walk a quarter of a mile, or four blocks. For older adults, staving off disability could help them maintain their physical independence and enhance the quality of their later years.

“Older adults value their independence as much as any aspect of their lives and mobility is absolutely central to the preservation of independence,” said Marsh, associate professor of health and exercise science. “This study is important because it will determine whether the loss of mobility we typically observe in older adults can be prevented.”

The randomized controlled trial will follow 1,600 sedentary adults ages 70 to 89 and at risk of mobility disability at eight institutions around the country. The Medical Center, with researchers from the Sticht Center and the Department of Health and Exercise Science, will have a study field site headed by Kritchevsky and Marsh. The Medical Center’s Department of Biostatistical Sciences will serve as the study’s overall data management and analysis center.

Participants will be assigned either to take part in a moderate-intensity physical activity or a health education program on successful aging. Individuals will be followed for up to three-and-a-half years. Primarily, the study seeks to gauge whether there are long-term effects of physical activity interventions on major mobility disability.

“As people age, it is particularly critical that they take an active, personal role in their health care,” said Rejeski, Thurman D. Kitchin Professor of Health and Exercise Science. “The LIFE study is the largest effort to date to promote this philosophy and to teach people how they can improve the quality of their lives.”

In addition to Wake Forest, seven other institutions will also serve as study field sites, including the University of Florida, Northwestern University, Pennington Biomedical Research Center (Louisiana State University system), Stanford University, Tufts University, the University of Pittsburgh and Yale University.
Natural enemies

Citing pollution threat, biologist Dennis Lemly makes the case for banning mountaintop mining.

Quality and with U.S. senators. Lemly’s research findings were included in a recent Time magazine article on the topic.

High levels of selenium threaten fish survival and reproduction. If they do reproduce, contaminated fish have offspring with serious birth defects. Lemly has found that newly hatched fish have crooked spines and deformed heads due to high levels of selenium. They cannot survive and reproduction will fail, he says. He warns the fish population could be wiped out. “Once in the aquatic environment, waterborne selenium can enter the food chain and reach levels that are toxic to fish and wildlife,” Lemly says.

He has studied West Virginia’s Mud River Reservoir, which was polluted with selenium released from a mountaintop removal coal mining operation. Fifty to 60 percent of young fish were deformed because of high concentrations of selenium. Selenium levels in fish caught in some of West Virginia’s rivers are more than twice what is considered safe for human consumption. Humans need to absorb certain amounts of selenium daily, but extremely high concentrations of selenium can cause reproductive failure and birth defects.

“I specialize in fish, but that is only one part of the overall picture,” Lemly says, “Public health is also an issue with mountaintop removal mining.”

Lemly’s interest in selenium began when he was a graduate student at Wake Forest working with Professor of Biology Gerald Esch (P ’84) in the late 1970s and early ’80s. Lemly was researching fish parasites. But, when he went to the University’s field research station at Belews Lake, he couldn’t find the fish he planned to study. He discovered what was happening to fish was connected to selenium and a new power plant that had been built on the lake. That discovery set the stage for his entire career as he became the country’s leading expert on selenium contamination.

— Cheryl Walker (’88)
Teacher-Scholars in the spotlight

Annalaisa Johnson ('12) and math professor Jason Parsley

Assistant Professor of Mathematics Jason Parsley has received an award for distinguished teaching by a faculty member in the early stage of his or her career. Parsley, who joined the faculty in 2006, received the Southeastern Section Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Beginning College or University Mathematics Faculty Member from the Mathematical Association of America. “Jason demands a lot of work from his students, but he gets them to buy into it because his assignments ask them to step outside of their usual mathematical experience to do activities that are both creative and substantive,” said Professor and Chair of Mathematics Stephen Robinson (P ’13).

Michele Gillespie, associate provost for Academic Initiatives and Kahle Family Professor of History, has been honored with a state award for contributions to service learning. Gillespie, who joined the faculty in 1999, received the 2010 Robert L. Sigmon Service-Learning Award from the North Carolina Campus Compact. The award is presented to a Campus Compact institution faculty member and is named for a pioneer in the national service-learning field. Gillespie coordinates service-learning initiatives for students and last year helped launch the University’s Institute for Public Engagement.

Associate Professor of Economics Sylvain Boko (P ’09), an expert in economic development in Africa, worked with more than 20 other development experts for his newest book, “Back on Track: Sector-Led Growth in Africa and Implications for Development” (Africa World Press, 2009). The book advocates a new approach to fighting poverty in Africa from the inside out, rather than relying on outside financial assistance. Boko, a native of Benin, was a Fulbright Scholar in Uganda in 2008–2009. He has worked on development projects in Uganda, Tanzania, Ghana, Togo, Senegal and Rwanda and has taken Wake Forest students to Benin. He spent the spring semester working in Mali, western Africa.

Why write one book when you can write ten? When Professor and Chair of Communication Ananda Mitra (MA ’87) set out to write about how the Internet is changing everything from games to entertainment to communication, he knew he had taken on a big job. Six of the resulting 10 books in “The Digital World” series will be released this summer, with four more volumes to follow. Each book addresses a specific issue about digital technology and how it is changing the world.

Since the theory of quantum electrodynamics was founded in the late 1920s, only a handful of researchers in theoretical and computational chemistry have been working to determine how light interacts with electrons in atomic and molecular systems, those invisible bits of matter that make up everything. One of them is Associate Professor of Chemistry Akbar Salam, whose book, “Molecular Quantum Electrodynamics: Long-Range Intermolecular Interactions” (John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2010), offers new ideas for calculating forces between molecules. One of his former students, Bridget Alligood (’05), now a graduate student at the University of Chicago, worked with him on the illustrations for the book and provided comments on one chapter.
Headline News

Worrell Chair of Anglo-American Studies David Coates was interviewed by multiple media outlets about President Obama’s health-care legislation. “The reform the president is fighting for is far from perfect, but it is worth fighting for,” he said on “PBS News Hour.” “If we get it, it will change the architecture of health-care provision in the United States, and act as the launching pad for further health-care reform down the line.”

Ahmed Tahá
Journal. His research shows the SEC’s warning that “past performance does not guarantee future results” is ineffective, and he argues that it should be strengthened.

Diversity School Professor Melissa Rogers talked with the Religion News Service about a new statement of shared principles on religious expression in public life that legal experts from the left and right say they hope will lead to fewer church-state lawsuits. Rogers, whose Center for Religion and Public Affairs at the Wake Forest School of Divinity published the document after five years of work, says “there’s tremendous confusion about this area of the law. We hear broad inaccurate statements all the time: on the one hand that somehow religion has been kicked out of the public square; on the other hand that there are no limits when government deals with religion.” Rogers is a member of President Barack Obama’s Advisory Council on Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships.

Michael Berry
Health and Exercise Science Professor Michael Berry and other researchers were quoted in The New York Times as saying you don’t get the same benefits from training inside as you would outside during the cold winter months. Berry, a competitive cyclist and exercise physiologist, said he “finds himself reluctantly driven inside by the cold weather, consigned to ride his bike on a device that turns it into an indoor stationary machine.”

Ana Wahl
Did you return your census form? College students are notoriously difficult to count, Associate Professor of Sociology Ana Wahl told USA Today. “It is not necessarily widely recognized as something connected to any of the issues college students feel passionate about.” Yet for the communities in which they live, the student count can make a big difference, said Wahl, who studies patterns and racial integration in neighborhoods and uses census data in her research and teaching.

Samuel Gladding
Family feuds are painful, hurtful and destructive—emotionally and physically—to the parties involved as well as to other family members. In the Chicago Tribune, Professor and Chair of Counseling Samuel Gladding (’67, MAEd ’71, P ’09) shared advice for how to bring your family back together if they are fighting. Gladding said that family members who are not part of a feud—between, say, two siblings—should present a united front.

Oysters are excellent organisms to monitor levels of pollutants in an area. David Carroll, director of the Center for Nanotechnology, has partnered with an environmental toxicologist to study how nanoparticles affect oysters and what makes some of the particles more toxic than others. The research was featured in The (Raleigh, NC) News & Observer. “We’re trying to track what’s going to happen. One thing’s for sure: You really don’t want nanoparticles in your seawater.”

Mutual fund ads that trumpet high historical returns and past strong performance are misleading to consumers, says Professor of Law Ahmed Tahá, who wrote an editorial for Forbes.com and was interviewed by the Wall Street
I Knew I Had To Go Back

Story and Photos by Michael Metzmaker ('10)
I first traveled to Haiti in December of 2009 on a medical mission trip for a nonprofit called Forward in Health, with my mother who is a plastic surgeon. I hoped my health and exercise science major would be useful to the medical professionals and my social entrepreneurship experience might allow me to explore strategies to help on a larger scale. I also planned to develop my photography skills and visually catalog the trip. Little did I know the impact this experience would have on me.

We spent less than a week in the country but traveled most of the way west along the southern peninsula. We visited three hospitals and three orphanages, held clinics and treated dozens of Haitian adults and children, many of whom were orphans. We met Cuban doctors, Haitian nurses, various members of the church and many smiling children. We saw conditions that would be quickly resolved in the United States, including malnutrition, cleft palates, minor infections, and scabies. We sat up at night brainstorming ideas about how to bring more aid to the country.

It was during one of these conversations that my mother asked the founder of one of the orphanages an unexpected question. “Do you ever have earthquakes?”

The pastor flippantly replied, “Nope. Never.”

On January 12, a 7.1 magnitude earthquake struck the very place I had been just three weeks earlier. It unleashed twice the amount of energy released by the atom bomb dropped on Hiroshima—on a people already struggling to survive.

At Wake Forest I followed stories of the tragedy and heard the increasing death tolls. I knew I had to go back. I felt a connection to the people I had met, especially the orphans I had played with and photographed. I have never before felt so drawn to provide aid in the form of service and decided to return in March during spring break.

The trip back was an arduous one, but none of those difficulties compared to the emotional impact of seeing destroyed homes and massive encampments of battered and broken Haitians living in awful conditions. Men removed rubble and broke down damaged
Toys are scarce; a young girl treasures her doll.
structures by hand. Women cooked and cleaned and cared for children. It was clear that they were scared of another earthquake. A dump truck dropped off a load of large stones at a building site, creating a thunderous cascade of tumbling rock. Every Haitian working indoors within a hundred yards dropped everything and sprinted outside, panting, eyes wide with fear.

A Haitian man named Paper (PAH-pe) described the earthquake. “It was loud. Like a big truck driving by. Except if the truck was in my house… It was so strong; it knocked me down. I could not stand up. I could not crawl to go outside.”

I asked him what he was thinking at the time, and he said, “For the first half-minute or something, I didn’t know what it was. Then, when I heard buildings falling down, I was just scared, praying to God it would stop. After it finally stopped, I went outside. Everyone went outside. We stayed there. We didn’t want to be crushed by walls falling in or ceilings when more earthquakes came.”

When I returned in March, the Mission of Hope orphans I had visited earlier were as playful and happy as I remembered. Their dormitories had collapsed. Their tents easily surpassed 100°F in the heat of the day and hardly dipped below 80° at night. For three nights I stayed in one of those tents, falling asleep sweating and miserable. They were to live there for the next several months.

Despite unbearable conditions, the children still shoved their way forward to get picked up or twirled about, always with smiles on their faces. Upon seeing me with my camera, they still yelled, “You! You! You!” to get my attention, followed by “Photo! Photo!” pointing at their chests and striking a pose. They played, “Chequi, chequi, chequi,” a singing game reminiscent of “Ring around the Rosie,” and “Duck, Duck, Pig” instead of “Duck, Duck, Goose.”

Since toys are scarce, they created their own from empty water bottles or chunks of Styrofoam. One pair of boys fashioned a working kite out of scavenged fishing line, a few sticks, and a clear plastic bag.

Before the quake, the poverty in Haiti was striking. Piles of white sand lined streets in areas of development to dilute mortar, and cinderblocks were everywhere. Many buildings had little more than corrugated tin roofs; some had no roofs at all. Traffic rules were limited to a general guideline of “yield to the bigger vehicle,” and even this rule was often disobeyed by motorcyclists, pedestrians, and livestock. The people did their laundry and bathed in the same rivers (sometimes in the same locations) into which others relieved themselves.

In the aftermath, weaker structures had collapsed, and many people were left homeless. Those with any possessions quickly erected stick-frame huts covered in sheets, for shade. Wherever cinder-
block structures had stood before, only broken frames and crum pled cinderblocks remained. Few homes had running water, and there was simply not enough food to go around.

Haiti’s rainy season began in April and brought with it a massive burst of mosquitoes, breeding in standing pools. A significant increase in malaria cases accompanied the mosquitoes in a country with practically no healthcare. In addition, the severe storms brought wind to tear down wood frames covered with tarps.

The media focus has shifted now, but Haiti remains a country in dire need. Mission of Hope Haiti and Forward in Health will continue to offer support.

My experiences in Haiti have been life-changing, and my desire to serve the people there only grows stronger. I know I will return to photograph more images of hope.


Michael Metzmaker, left, of Worcester, Mass., graduated in May with a degree in health and exercise science. He received a Chambers Family Fund for Entrepreneurship grant to develop his photography skills and plans to build a website to raise funds for relief efforts in Haiti (www.imageofhope.org). Michael is participating in the Summer Management Program at the Wake Forest Schools of Business this summer.
In the spirit of Pro Humanitate

“I know that the spirit of Pro Humanitate will continue to guide and inspire our Wake Forest response to this disaster. I can think of no more generous place—in tradition, in spirit and in action—than Wake Forest, and I know that our collective response in the days, weeks, and months ahead will be generous and thoughtful.”

—President Nathan Hatch

From organizing concerts to providing emergency medical care, Wake Forest students, faculty and staff brought big hearts and a variety of skills to help Haiti after an earthquake devastated the tiny island nation on January 12. What follows is a sample of those relief efforts.

Currie McFayden (’13) of Fayetteville, N.C., set up a Facebook group asking people to show support for Haiti by wearing red shirts on January 19. He included links to the Red Cross and other relief agencies and encouraged donations. His Facebook group went viral and ended up with almost a million people. “If even half of those donated only one dollar, that is still an enormous amount of money,” McFayden said. “I just felt motivated to bring attention to the terrible tragedy that happened there.”

Elle Merrill (’11) and her sister Gabrielle of Greensboro, N.C., leveraged the power of sugar to help. They asked a local bakery to donate pastries, cakes and other sweet treats for a bake sale that raised more than $900 for the American Red Cross.

Terrol Graham (’11) of Auburndale, Fla., led students in the African and Caribbean Student Association (AFRICASA) in organizing a candlelight vigil in Wait Chapel to honor victims. Donations collected at the vigil, and by his theme house, Brothers Reaching Out, benefited World Relief and Partners in Health.

Sister Laretta Rivera Williams in the University Chaplain’s Office coordinated response to the three students with immediate family members in Haiti. Money raised through on-campus efforts was contributed to the Chaplain’s Emergency Fund. “We’ve also had individual students come in and give money,” she said.

Amy Bachman (’10) of Potomac, Md., was among more than 100 students who organized and performed in the Hope for Haiti concert. Bachman, Volunteer Service Corps president, enlisted the Lifting Banshees comedy troupe, a cappella singing groups Chi Rho, Minor Variation and Innundo, and bands Carolina Blend and John MacDonald. Two students emceed the event, presenting facts about Haiti and fundraising updates between acts. “The organizers did not have any personal connection to Haiti, but I think we all knew that something on a grand scale needed to be done, and we wanted to include as many student groups as possible,” Bachman said. The concert raised nearly $2,000 for Doctors Without Borders.

The Wake Forest University School of Law’s Black Law Student Association (BLSA) collected $400 to aid the Haiti relief effort. “We were so moved by everyone’s generosity,” said BLSA President Marche Robinson. “We saw dozens of acts of kindness. Professor Jennifer Collins’ children even emptied their piggy banks to donate to the relief effort.” All proceeds were donated to the group Yele Haiti, founded by Grammy award-winning artist Wyclef Jean.

Twenty students at the Wake Forest Schools of Business agreed to go to dinner or some other outing with the highest bidder during a Date Auction. The event raised $2,500 for the American Red Cross.

Allie Howell (’10) of Tampa, Fla., and Caroline Crosland (’10) of Montclair, N.J., volunteered with Hands on Disaster. From clearing rubble or helping build shelters in a temporary refugee camp to unloading trucks filled with supplies, they worked at several different sites. Allie recalled working alongside the owners of a house that had been demolished. “They’ve lost family and friends, so they were really thankful to have us helping... People there were so grateful. Every little bit helps. If people say ‘I can only help for a week, so it’s not worth it,’ nothing would ever get done.”

Lauren Martinez (’13) of Kill Devil Hills, N.C., was part of a medical team with Sodzo for Haiti. An emergency medical responder and ocean lifeguard, she worked at His Home for Children, an orphanage in Port Au Prince.
They took 12 backpacks filled with medical supplies with them and worked at a clinic set up in the classroom of a school. “One day a woman came to the clinic and said, ‘My husband was killed and I have five children. Can you help?’ and we could help her.”

Lauren, who created a photo album of her pictures (yesofmyheartphotography.com), said “It is very important for us to be conscious of what is going on in the world. We aren’t the majority. We’re the minority.”

Michael Lennox of Winston-Salem, N.C., was one of several Wake Forest law students who traveled to Miami over spring break and worked with Haitian immigrants seeking temporary protected status. If approved, those with temporary visas could stay longer in the United States and get jobs, enabling them to send money to relatives affected by the earthquake.

The University also developed a Haiti Outreach website to serve as a clearinghouse for information related to Haitian relief, and set up a payroll deduction option for faculty and staff donations to the American Red Cross. www.wfu.edu/outreach

The destruction—and the resilience of locals—after the earthquake could be seen everywhere. The shifting earth lowered some areas—as seen here along the coast; and (left, top and bottom) caused building foundations to crack and crumble, leaving residents to create makeshift shelters and living spaces.
The Lighting

Educating tomorrow's global leaders means challenging their
Editor’s note: This is the second in a four-part series describing key initiatives in Wake Forest’s strategic plan. In this issue, education of the whole person.

of a Fire

intellectual, cultural and spiritual boundaries

By Matthew O’Connell

For more than a century and a half, Wake Forest has been dedicated to the liberal arts. Its mission, to educate students in the fundamental fields of human knowledge and achievement, encourages them to ask “why” and evaluate evidence, to be open to new ideas, and to understand the perspectives of others as they pursue truth.

The demand for Wake Forest’s distinctive brand of education is now greater than ever. In an age of fragmentation and polarization—in which almost anything is possible and nothing certain—young people are often thrown back on themselves for direction and purpose. They are looking for integrity: how to bring together the often-incoherent facets of their lives as reflective persons, aspiring professionals, consumers, family members, sports fans, volunteers and citizens.

Wake Forest does not shy away from using any part of students’ experience as an opportunity for learning and growth. The University’s commitment to education of the whole person means nurturing graduates who are prepared with deep academic background and an active commitment to make a difference in the world.

“It’s a complex world in a very challenging time, and one of the most important duties of our university is to educate students to be able to understand the nature of that world,” says Simeon Ilesanmi (JD ’05), Washington M. Wingate Professor of Religion and Director of Graduate Studies. “Students should not leave here just as mere technicians. They must also be infused with the knowledge of their place in history, so as to understand where they stand in the stream of knowledge. In my mind we all have a responsibility to combine the knowledge of science, technology and business with the desire and quest to engage in the moral discourse required to give greater meaning to our collective life.”
Lesanmi already sees this initiative taking hold throughout the university. “As an institution devoted to cultivating the whole human mind, we recognize that matters of moral understanding elude disciplinary specialization. This work requires a collaboration of scholars from many intellectual disciplines. In this way, we are better positioned to cultivate in our students the critical intelligence necessary to understand the more general human implications of our deepening yet fragmenting knowledge. Simply put, what we are seeking to do is to teach ethics across the curriculum, to make every class and every subject a context for raising questions of values and questions of meaning.”

One of the main lessons to be learned in today’s global economy is that knowledge is no longer compartmentalized, and therefore Wake Forest’s approach needs to be supple and holistic, says Wanda Balzano, assistant professor and director of the Women’s and Gender Studies program. In order to go out into society as prepared citizens of the world, she says, our students must realize the importance of interconnectedness and interdisciplinarity.

“What is the difference between creating technicians and intellectuals? The first thing that comes to my mind is W.B. Yeats’s famous saying that ‘Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.’ The challenges and rewards at Wake Forest are centered around this fundamental concept and we, as educators, each in our own units, try to teach students in a learning environment what ‘lights that fire’ by integrating rigorous inquiry, creative imagination, reflective engagement with society, and a commitment to fashioning a more humane and just world.” Balzano says this approach produces a diverse and pluralistic learning community, and a genuine ongoing intercultural dialogue.

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He adds, “Our students will go out from here, and within a relatively short space of time occupy crucial intermediate — and eventually leadership — positions in major American institutions. These are the people who will oversee the repositioning of the United States globally in the new 21st century,” he says. “I think America is at a crossroads, at a moment at which our ability to play a progressive global role is seriously under challenge. It’s going to fall to this

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generation to be particularly aware of where the U.S. sits historically as well as contemporarily.”

A theme that seems consistent across all disciplines is a desire and need to push students outside of their comfort zones. Melissa Rogers, the director of the School of Divinity Center for Religion and Public Affairs, points out how important this is in her department.

“Contemporary religious leaders need to be prepared for constructive engagement with those outside the church house doors. They need to wrestle, for example, with competing ideas about religion’s role in our increasingly pluralistic society and confront contrasting perspectives about the moral and ethical dimensions of public affairs. If we don’t help divinity students prepare for this kind of engagement, we are not equipping them for religious leadership in the 21st century.”

How do she and her colleagues accomplish this? “Many of the classes I co-teach have a component in which the students travel to Washington, D.C., and meet with a diverse set of religious and civil liberties leaders, governmental officials, think tank scholars, journalists, and others who shape national conversations about the moral and ethical aspects of public policy as well as religion’s role in public life. Thus, these trips help expose students to the rich debate on these subjects and spur them to develop their own framework for thinking about these issues. We believe these experiences and their reflection on them will make them better leaders, whether they ultimately become pastors, chaplains, or community organizers and activists.”

In some cases, educating the whole person means taking a class far beyond its normal subject matter—not only pushing students outside of their comfort zones but also forcing them to look inside at their values. Dan Hammond (’72, P ’08), Hultquist Family Professor in the Department of Economics, does just that in his natural resources class. While the syllabus might focus on environmental economics, the class quickly learns they are also getting some other lessons.

“From the very first day, I invite and prompt my students to think about fundamental questions like who they are, why they’re here, and what they’re supposed to do with their lives. Economics, strictly speaking, doesn’t get you to those questions. Science doesn’t get you to those questions. So the only way to get to those questions is to ask them.”

Hammond also believes it is critical to get students to break down the walls between the different courses they’re taking. Otherwise, they quickly get in the habit of compartmentalizing, separating what they’re learning in different classes. “They go to my class and they’re focused on economics. Then they go to another class that contradicts what I’ve just taught them. And instead of challenging, or questioning the different viewpoints, they accept both as fact because they just want to succeed in each individual class. They don’t see the big picture, where they are headed, how it all works together.” Which, he says, makes it almost impossible to graduate the kinds of leaders this world needs.

“Leadership isn’t about skills. It’s about understanding a mission, understanding the goal. It’s the leader’s job to get the company, city, or even the country to be successful. But the move away from the more intellectual part of education to the technical part means we are training leaders who aren’t equipped to ask what that mission should be.”

While Jack Wilkerson, professor of accountancy and former dean of the Calloway School, is focused on what educating the

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Wanda Balzano: In today’s global economy, knowledge is no longer compartmentalized.
whole person means for business students, he also has a much broader view of the issue.

“When you’re talking about educating 18 to 22 year-olds, you’re by default doing something formative. A psychologist would tell you there’s a lot of intellectual formation and development, moral development, that’s going on at this age. So my question is, if this is truly a formative period, then why not be purposeful and have a positive impact on that formation? Why not guide it rather than just let it happen?”

In the fall of 2008, Wilkerson began a sabbatical at a think tank—The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching—focused on teaching and learning. There, he joined a team of scholars working on a project entitled “The Preparation for Professions Program.” “Their argument was that the distinguishing characteristic of a profession (like medicine or accountancy) is that there is a social contract, a public trust, intrinsic to the career.” Therefore, logic follows, the University has a responsibility to make students who are aspiring to a professional career aware of—and committed to—maintaining that trust.

“These scholars assert that there are three critical components to education for professional practice: technical knowledge, practice skills, and a third called normative purpose and professional identity,” says Wilkerson. It’s this third component that is so often lacking in professional education.

From all angles

Wake Forest’s multidirectional advising system sees the whole person.

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—Dan Hammond, Hultquist Family Professor of Economics

3-D may be the Big Thing at the movies this summer, but at Wake Forest, it’s the longstanding way of viewing students. With the institution’s traditional emphasis on educating the whole person, faculty members and the staffs of the Dean’s Office, Student Life, Residence Life and Housing, University Counseling, Student Health, the Chaplain’s Office, Career Services, the Learning Assistance Center, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, and many others observe the student from their distinctive perspectives, collectively rendering an all-around image of each student’s personal, social, and scholastic standing.

Functioning as a form of projection booth for this holographic image-making is the Office of Academic Advising. Created as a separate office last fall to further underscore the emphasis Wake Forest has always placed on advising, the OAA coordinates the lower division adviser program; maintains its own staff of four academic counselors who provide services ranging from registration assistance to specialized advising referrals; and communicates and cooperates closely with other offices so that all students have an opportunity to obtain the guidance—and, when necessary, intervention—to succeed scholastically and achieve their personal potential and professional ambitions.

“Recognizing that our graduates often will face multiple job transitions and a host of personal challenges over their lives, Wake Forest has long believed that education has to be about more than training for the first job beyond college,” says Perry Patterson, professor of economics and associate dean for academic advising. “This belief is reflected in a curriculum that is exceptionally broad and requires that all students receive exposure to multiple disciplines early in their college years.” The curriculum, in turn, is reflected in an advising system that ensures that most new students are first introduced to faculty advisers who are not from the student’s projected major, says Patterson. This is to ensure that students open their minds to a broader range of possibilities than they might otherwise. “At the same time, for students who are ready to discuss a potential major, we provide initial meetings with relevant departmental representatives and encourage the formation of good relations with faculty in the major discipline before a formal declaration of major is permitted during the second semester of the sophomore year.”

The advising process begins with the assignment to each first-year and transfer student a lower division adviser as they arrive on campus. The adviser serves as an active—and required—participant in student preparation for course planning and registration through the first two years on campus. More than 85 percent of the roughly 135 lower division advisers are faculty members, and Karen Bennett (MALS ’98), director of academic advising, says recruiting them is no problem. “The advising system is valued at Wake Forest,” Bennett notes, “and the faculty views it as an important job.”

In addition to their lower division adviser, each student is assigned to one of the four academic counselors in the OAA who is available to the student throughout their undergraduate career. “Our goal in creating this dual system—by which all students have both an adviser and a counselor—is to ensure that no student who seeks advice can possibly fall through the cracks, and also to increase the chance that students will find someone with whom they can develop a longer-term mentoring relationship,” Patterson says.

Once a student declares a major, he or she is assigned a major, or upper division, adviser within their major department. Students with
“As an accountancy professor, I might be very comfortable delivering technical knowledge. But I might not be as comfortable asking students to think about the normative issues of life beyond WFU. Yet it behooves us as higher educators to challenge our students in those ways, to have them reflect on the broad purposes they are pursuing or should be asking questions about. In a very real sense, we must ask students to internalize the broad societal purposes of their chosen profession.”

This is particularly important in the context of today’s financial markets. “Because of the erosion of the social trust between the business world and the general public,” says Wilkerson, “it’s more important than ever to challenge our students beyond technical knowledge and skills. It is they who are going to have to work at rebuilding that trust, re-establishing the social contract.”

Regardless of the academic specialty, or the chosen profession, it’s clear that educating the whole person is a critical goal for Wake Forest—especially in today’s global economy.

“We are increasingly becoming an interdependent world, so the national context is no longer the boundary of our moral obligation,” says Ilesanmi. “The new boundary of our moral obligation is the entire world. So, as we are educating the whole person, we are educating them not just for service in the American context but also in the rest of the world. It is that kind of global consciousness that we want to infuse in the minds of our students.”

Aldis Balzano, “Whether our students are exposed to a healthy dosage of foreign languages and cultures, or experiential development, political thought, voluntary service, sports, environmental awareness and arts, they recognize the importance to be fully engaged, mind and body, in the enduring project of their education. “Through imagination, truth and responsibility, more and more they are conscious to be making an investment for their jobs and their own future lives.”

David Coates: Students must be well-rounded intellectually.

multiple majors work with more than one adviser and additional advisers are available for students working toward minors or eventual careers in the legal or health-related professions. “We want our students to get advice from as many different people as possible,” says Bennett: “so that when they come to a crossroads—for instance, in choosing their major and career path—the chances that they’ll take the right fork in the road are greatly enhanced.”

One change Bennett has observed in students over the course of her 25 years at Wake Forest is the certainty with which they enter college regarding their major and career intentions. “Today’s student is very focused—very career- and goal-oriented,” she notes. “What we hope to do is cultivate the kinds of relationships and trust levels that can open them to other possibilities.

“All the time, we hear from former students who had fixed ideas about what they wanted to do with their lives and who changed their plans based on the advice they received,” she adds. “Invariably, they express gratitude.”

“For me, the academic advising program has been one of my most helpful and useful resources,” says Christopher Sizemore (12) of Advance, N.C. “Having someone there, every step of the way, to help pick the best classes and schedule has been great. My adviser not only knew which classes would work best for me, but also had information about the professors teaching those classes. That is helpful.

“I have always felt comfortable coming to my adviser for help and, well, advice in tough times,” he says. “With all that I have had going on at home, she has been there to talk and find ways to make things work and help me keep things in perspective. It’s just nice to have someone helping you who has been there—especially when that ‘someone’ wants to help make your ‘being there’ as great, and successful, an experience as possible.”

Entering her freshman year, Kaitlyn Moore (12) of Owensboro, Ky., was certain she wanted to major in pre-med. “However, midway through fall semester of this past year, I decided that I was no longer interested in pre-med,” she says.

Perry Patterson, professor of economics and associate dean for academic advising, with economics major Colin Heysen (10).

“Feeling lost about what I wanted to major in, and concerned that I would fall behind in my academic progress, I went to my adviser, who referred me to [the OAA]. Karen was very patient with me as we discussed my interests, and through our many conversations, she helped me to recognize that what I was really interested in was business. She went with me to the registrar’s office to change my classes for spring semester, and when mid-term grades were issued this spring, she sent me an e-mail message congratulating me and asking me if I had any questions or concerns. Her follow-up has been amazing.” Kaitlyn’s positive experience has inspired her to apply for the student orientation adviser program, whereby all new students are assigned upperclass students who greet them when they arrive on campus, help guide them through Orientation, and generally assist in their transition to college life.

So like the images that’ll pop out at you through those glasses you’ll be wearing at your local theater this summer, Wake Forest has the student covered from all angles. “In the end,” says Patterson, “our advising system is one of the strongest I can point to in all of American higher education.”

—David Fyten
Captial Connection
Divinity School’s Melissa Rogers advises President Obama on faith-based issues

This has been an extraordinary year for Melissa Rogers, director of the Wake Forest School of Divinity Center for Religion and Public Affairs. In January, she received a high-profile appointment to chair the President’s Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. That same month, she spearheaded the publication of a landmark joint statement on the role of religion in public life. The national spotlight has been so bright that she has even been called a member of President Barack Obama’s “spiritual cabinet,” but that’s a label she politely declines.

“I’m not a personal spiritual adviser to President Obama, but I can say that the president appreciates religious freedom not only as a constitutional concept but also as something that enriches his own experience as a person of faith,” Rogers said. “President Obama knows that, for faith to be vital and have integrity, the government must respect both sides of the First Amendment’s religious liberty coin—the prohibition against
governmental establishment of religion and the protections for the free exercise of faith.”

Religious liberty is an issue that Rogers knows well. In her role at the divinity school, she has examined the contributions religious and secular communities make to the common good and the need for religious liberty for people of all faiths and none. For much of the last year, she has focused on developing recommendations for the president on strengthening governmental partnerships with nonprofits, both religious and secular, to serve people in need.

“I had the great honor of chairing this extraordinary advisory council, helping us work toward the completion of our final report, which we delivered to President Obama on March 9, 2010,” Rogers said. “There are over sixty recommendations in the report that would bring about meaningful change in the lives of people who are struggling, both at home and abroad.”

The report covers issues ranging from domestic and global poverty to climate change. Rogers says the wide range of topics helped her develop a new appreciation for the great variety of partnerships. “Whether it is Benefit Banks helping to ensure that people receive all the benefits to which they are entitled, or Fathering Courts assisting dads as they seek to create pathways to better relationships and support of their children, there are many effective and innovative models that deserve more attention and support,” she said.

In addition to chairing the council, Rogers was charged with studying how the Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships could strengthen its partnerships with secular and religious nonprofits. “At times it was challenging to identify and craft recommendations that all council members could embrace in this area,” Rogers recalled. “Nevertheless, through extended deliberation, we were able to unite around a long list of recommendations that we believe would bring about important reforms of the existing system.”

Rogers already had plenty of experience bringing diverse groups together in finding common ground. For the last several years, she had been working with religious and secular leaders in drafting the most comprehensive joint statement to date of current law on issues dividing church and state.

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The culmination of their work came in January when Muslim, Jewish, Sikh and Christian leaders from the evangelical, mainline and Catholic traditions joined with civil liberties leaders to issue “Religious Expression in American Public Life: A Joint Statement of Current Law,” published by the Wake Forest School of Divinity.

Members of the drafting committee included those associated with faith-based groups as diverse as the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, the Islamic Networks Group, the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty, and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Former staff members of the ACLU and People for the American Way also served on the committee.

“Some of these groups are often on opposite sides of church-state litigation,” Rogers said. “But while the drafters of this document may disagree about how the legal line should be drawn between church and state, we have been able to come together and agree in many cases on what the law is today.”

Rogers says her experiences over the last year have fueled new ideas for research and also inspired plans to bring much of what she has learned back to the classroom. She also aspires to bring together diverse groups within the Wake Forest community to engage in interdisciplinary work in the area of social service partnerships between the government and secular and religious groups.

“Wake Forest experts in social science, political science, law, divinity and religious studies have insights and contributions to make, and bringing them together for common conversation will help us to understand this field better, including the possibilities and tensions associated with various sorts of partnerships,” she said.

So while her year has been extraordinary in many respects, Rogers continues to find opportunities in the ordinary course of her work to support the University’s motto, Pro Humanitate, service to humanity.

“Given Wake Forest’s longstanding commitment to service and community-building, its nationally recognized leaders in all relevant disciplines and its faith heritage, the University is positioned to play a powerful role in convening stakeholders for discussions that will benefit the common good,” she said.

—Carol Cirilli Lanham

Carol Cirilli Lanham is a writer based in Dallas, Texas.
The odds finally caught up with Wake Forest’s Commencement ceremony. For the first time since 1991, rain moved the May 17 event from Hearn Plaza to Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

“T’s a little bittersweet,” said Christina Skoglund, a communication major from Scottsdale, Ariz., who plans to attend graduate school. “I’m very excited, but a little nervous and sad to be leaving. It’s been a great place to study, and I’ve loved every minute of it.”

In his Commencement address, “Opportunity and Obligation,” American Express Chairman and CEO Kenneth I. Chenault urged graduates to live their lives according to Pro Humanitate.

“You leave this campus with more than memories,” Chenault said. “You leave with a mission to take what you’ve learned and apply it. It’s not just an opportunity. It’s an obligation to serve and to lead; an obligation to be leaders and to help shape society and the future by serving it.”

Steve and Meritt Sawyer traveled from Menlo Park, Calif., to watch their daughter, Kendra, receive her degree in psychology. “We’re incredibly proud and gratified for the experience that she’s had here,” Steve Sawyer said. “We’ve had wonderful visits here, and Wake captures the campus community that we’d hoped she’d have in college.”

In his remarks President Nathan Hatch talked to graduates about the “virtue and vice” of ambition and urged them to “link (their) hopes and dreams to a larger purpose.”

“How do you relate the drive for achievement, to make a name for yourself, with the commitment to live for the common good, Wake Forest’s motto Pro Humanitate?” Hatch asked graduates. “As you leave Wake Forest today, I call upon you to unleash all of your energy and ingenuity upon the challenges of our time. Find your passions and fix them upon large and important purposes.”

Also during the ceremony, seven students were commissioned second lieutenants in the U.S. Army—standing on the stage underneath an American flag and Wake Forest’s ACC basketball championship banners—and received a standing ovation from the audience.

As the Commencement ceremony ended and the faculty processed off the coliseum floor, one student broke the solemnity with a cheer and tossed his mortarboard in the air, unleashing more cheers and tossed mortarboards by his classmates in the Class of 2010.

—Kerry M. King (’85)

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www.wfu.edu/commencement/

Heavy rain forced the Commencement ceremony to be held in Joel Coliseum for the first time since 1991.
Retiring Faculty

Eight Retiring Faculty members were recognized during the Commencement program.

From the Bowman Gray Campus:

Michael R. Adams, D.V.M.
Professor of Pathology

Lewis H. Nelson III, M.D.
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology

James F. Toole, M.D.
Professor of Neurology

Lawrence X. Webb, M.D.
Professor of Surgical Sciences

From the Reynolds Campus:

J. Gaylord May, Ph.D.
Professor of Mathematics

Patricia J. Roberts, J.D.
Professor of Law

Thomas E. Roberts, J.D.
Professor of Law

Larry E. West, Ph.D.
Professor of German

Graduates of the School of Divinity enjoy the Commencement festivities.

Graduate Lauren Wright of Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., with her family (left to right): sister, Stephanie ('12); mother, Kathy (a Wake Forest trustee); and father, Dickerson.

The Bittoe family of Toronto, Canada, celebrates Commencement (left to right): Brett ('12); Randi, '11; Blair, and John, a Wake Forest trustee.

Honorary Degree Recipients

Kenneth I. Chenault, chairman and CEO of American Express Company, Doctor of Laws

Jeannette Wallace Hyde ('60), University trustee and former U.S. ambassador to Barbados and Grenada, Doctor of Laws

Thomas Spencer Inui, president and CEO of Regenstrief Institute, Inc., the Sam Regenstrief Professor of health services research, and the associate dean for health care research at the Indiana University School of Medicine, Doctor of Science

Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers, president of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Doctor of Laws
Professor of Law
Tom Roberts

After 33 years, Professor of Law Tom Roberts retired at the close of the spring semester. A teacher of property law and property-related courses since 1977, his area of expertise is land use law. A nationally recognized authority, Roberts possesses a particular expertise in constitutional property rights litigation. He is co-author of the leading case book on land use law, used in more than 100 law schools across the country, as well as a treatise on the same subject.

While Roberts will say goodbye to the law school in June, he probably won’t be saying hello to an unusual vacation anytime soon. He’ll be sticking closer to home. Before law school Roberts served in the Peace Corps in Ecuador, which led to several more trips to the region in recent years. On several occasions he has spent time in the Amazon jungle.

A recent trip to Asia, however, didn’t go well. “Three years ago, while hiking in Bhutan, I became quite ill and had to be evacuated by helicopter from a mountain top,” he said. “That has, temporarily at least, caused my interest in exotic hikes and vacations to wane.”

Roberts’ appreciation and admiration for Wake Forest are strong. During his tenure here, he says, the school has only gotten stronger. “When Tom Hearn became president (of Wake Forest) in the early 1980s, he invested a great deal of time and money in the law school, enabling us to lower our class sizes and to hire new faculty, dramatically improving our student/teacher ratio,” Roberts recalled.

“The school prospered greatly under Dean Bob Walsh from the mid-’80s until 2008. He was a great leader and very capable administrator. Under Dean Blake Morant, we continue to do well, and I have no doubt the students in the years ahead will receive a superior education and have more resources and choices available to them.”

Roberts says students have changed little over the past three decades. “They’re still 22 years old and highly qualified,” he said. “The objective credentials of the students are likely higher now (I haven’t charted the changes), but they were good when I came. And, if I think about students in terms of subjective traits like caliber, quality, and enthusiasm, the students I taught early on were the equal of those I teach today.”

Roberts has served in leadership positions in the Section of State and Local Government Law of the American Bar Association including chair of the section. Prior to coming to Wake Forest, he was assistant dean and supervising attorney of clinical programs at the Ohio State University College of Law. Prior to that he was in private practice with Porter, Stanley, Platt & Arthur, of Columbus, Ohio.

—Lisa Snedeker
A gauntlet thrown launched Larry West on his Germanic adventure, a phase of which has come to an end.

The West Is History

Larry West plans to spend more time with his grandchildren.

BOYS BEING BOYS, they’ll dare each other on a whim to do wild and crazy stuff. Which explains why Larry West has enjoyed a long and venerable career as a college German professor.

That career, spent almost entirely at Wake Forest, drew to a close this spring with his retirement from the Department of German and Russian. Behind him, the 68-year-old West leaves a redoubtable legacy as a teacher, scholar, and study-abroad administrator, along with a cadre of devoted colleagues and former students who have been inspired by his dedication and regaled by his wit.

“He is the professor and mentor who characterizes my Wake Forest experience, and why I am grateful for and proud of my degree,” says Bruce Burroughs (‘86), who still uses his German daily in his capacity as business development manager in the Wilmington, N.C., office of Wieland Electric, a German electrical component manufacturer. “He taught me the importance of listening and getting the details right. He motivated me to do my best, and if my effort were less than what I was taught me the importance of listening and getting the details right. He motivated me to do my best, and if my effort were less than what I was capable of, he would call me out.”

“How does a class whose topic is a language that’s rarely spoken outside of three countries in the world change the lives of its students?” asks Brian Walls (‘99), co-owner, with his spouse, of a physical therapy and sports fitness company based in Philadelphia. “The class doesn’t; the professor does. Dr. West has an innate ability to see each student for the person they are and will become. He loves to teach not just the German language, but also an appreciation for the special gifts inherent in each of us.”

West grew up in the tiny town of Canada (population 400) in eastern Kentucky. After elementary school (which included four years in a two-room schoolhouse), he attended a countywide high school, where he hung out with “the nerds who took all the hard courses.”

The school started offering German his senior year, and a friend and fellow nerd issued a dare—he would take a German course if West did. “Of course I couldn’t resist,” West recalls. “Turns out I fell in love with the language.”

His choice of college, nearby Berea, didn’t offer a German major, however, so he bounced around from subject to subject, never settling on one in which to major. “I finally woke up to the fact that I loved German, so about fifteen of us lobbied [the academic policy council] to circumvent the objections of the dean, who was biased against the language based on his hostility toward Nazi Germany,” West says. “We were successful, but I didn’t have much time left to complete a major, so between my junior and senior year, I rode for seventeen hours on a bus—the first time I’d been out of Kentucky—to study at Colby College in Maine with top students from elite colleges.” He would become the first German major in Berea College history, but also had become motivated to pursue an academic career in the language.

For his doctoral studies, West enrolled at Vanderbilt University in the fall of 1964, eventually choosing as his dissertation topic the scholarly specialty of his adviser: the medieval German passion play. The genre, which portrays in elaborate detail the passion, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus, survives in the renowned, once-every-decade production at Oberammergau in heavily Catholic southern Bavaria. But centuries before the Oberammergau pageant began in 1634 as a demonstration of the town’s gratitude to God for its salvation from the Plague, dozens of passion plays were staged throughout what are now northern Italy, Austria, and southern Germany. If you think the Oberammergau production’s running time of six hours would be an ordeal to endure, consider that some of the earlier passion plays ran as long as six days, with virtually no break. West has translated two of them into English. “As far as I know,” he says, “I am the only English translator of medieval German passion plays in the world.”

After completing his doctorate in 1967, West spent two years on the faculty of a small college in Georgia before coming to Wake Forest in 1969. Surprisingly, he had never been to Germany before his first trip in the early seventies. Since then, he reckons he’s taken seventeen or eighteen student or alumni groups there. For the past quarter of a century, he has overseen the study of Wake Forest students in Germany and Austria, including, since its launching in 1999, the University’s own residential study program at its Flow House in Vienna. Professor of Music and Beethoven scholar David Levy will succeed him as Flow House director.

This is the year for the Oberammergau production and it is being staged virtually every day from Holy Week through early fall before sellout audiences of 5,000 or more in an outdoor theatre with spectacular views of the Alps in the background. West, who has befriended the father of the production’s renowned director of the past twenty years, Christian Stückl, will be taking a group to Oberammergau this summer and hopes to interview Stückl for an article he’s writing. Beyond that, he isn’t sure; certainly, there will be more time to spend with his wife, Suzanne, their two grown daughters, and their grandchildren.

“Wake Forest has been a great situation,” says West, whose only temptation over the decades to leave the University—and a mild one at that—was a brief flirtation with his beloved Berea College. “I’ve had wonderful colleagues and we’ve always had a terrific department.”

Alles Gute, Herr Doktor West.

—David Fyten
Pat Roberts, who has been teaching at the School of Law since 1979, retired at the end of this academic year. She is a well-respected teacher and scholar in the subjects of property, decedents’ estates and trusts, and donative transfers.

An Ohio native, Roberts moved to Winston-Salem in 1977 from Columbus, Ohio, with her then-husband Tom Roberts, who was hired to teach at Wake Forest law school and is also retiring this summer. The Robertses were close friends with the now-retired David Shores and his wife; David and Tom worked together at the same law firm in Ohio.

“My parents had moved from Ohio to Raleigh and we would stop and stay in Winston-Salem with the Shores when we went to visit my parents,” Roberts explained.

Hired initially as an adjunct when her children were small, Roberts soon became a part-time and later a tenured professor. She is a co-author of a casebook on decedents estates and trusts, which is in its seventh edition, and author of law review articles and continuing legal materials for practicing lawyers. Her most recent scholarship was preparation of a softbound book for students who took her donative transfers course.

Roberts is a longtime member of the law school’s admissions committee and has been involved in preparing students for the bar examination. She has been active with the Legislative Committee of the Estate Planning and Fiduciary Law Section of the North Carolina Bar Association and spearheaded the effort to rid North Carolina of the antiquated “Rule in Shelley’s Case” in 1986. She also has worked on efforts to reform the North Carolina statute that protects the surviving spouse from disinheretance. She also drafted North Carolina’s anti-lapse statute.

She has been active with the Association of American Law Schools, serving as a member of the Executive Board and as Chair of the Donative Transfers, Fiduciaries and Estate Planning Section in 1996. In 2000, she was elected to become a member of the American College of Trusts and Estates Counsel. She has received the Joseph Branch Excellence in Teaching Award as well as the Wake Forest Jurist Excellence in Teaching Award.

While she still gets a lot of positive feedback from her students for her teaching, those who know her know that her heart belongs to physical fitness.

“I was totally sedentary until I was in my early 30s,” she said. “Then my former colleague, Butch Covington, and his wife, Marie, talked me into running.”

In 1987 she set the North Carolina State record for masters in the 10-miler and was voted N.C. Female Masters Runner of the Year by the N.C. Road Runners Association.

Many of her training partners were students. Later she became a cyclist and, again, she has enjoyed many bike rides with students. She is a 10-time national champion in her age division and she finished third in her age division at the World’s Masters Race in Austria in 2002.

Despite numerous run-ins with motor vehicles, literally, or perhaps because of them, Roberts may be trading her road bike for a mountain bike and heading to the wilds and slick rock of Southern Utah to explore the sandstone and red rock desert where her daughter gives guided mountain bike tours.

In addition to being a mother and educating hundreds of young legal minds over the years, Roberts also set records in raising money for the YMCA’s Partnership with Youth Campaign.

“I will miss my students,” she said. “The feeling that I have successfully explained a difficult concept is extremely rewarding. I think the most important skill that I taught was the ability to recognize and avoid drafting ambiguous language. Often language seems unambiguous, but when applied to particular facts, usually involving an unexpected order of deaths, the drafting gives rise to litigation because of the ambiguity. The end result can leave an otherwise harmonious family torn apart. This is one of the worst things a lawyer can do.”

―Lisa Snedeker
It’s time to add green to the palette of official Wake Forest colors, says Dedee DeLongpré Johnston. Should sustainability be its own academic discipline? Should sustainability be infused into courses across the curriculum? Yes and yes, says the director of sustainability, adding that as Wake Forest prepares students to lead the green jobs revolution, the institution is taking a variety of approaches to integrating sustainability into academics.

The green movement is about a change in the way the campus community views sustainability, and about creating a new mindset, especially among students, to look for creative ways to use the earth’s resources more efficiently, says DeLongpré Johnston. “It’s a way of thinking that will give Wake Forest graduates a competitive advantage in the marketplace,” she says, “College graduates entering the job market definitely have an edge if they have developed sustainability-related skill sets. A green job isn’t just a job with ‘sustainability’ or ‘environment’ in the title. From marketing to publishing to accounting to finance, sustainability is a way of thinking that has value across the job market.”
AN ECO-FRIENDLY FASHION SHOW
featured sustainable clothing, accessories and beauty products modeled by students.

**IMPACT:** Raised consumer awareness. “People get up and get dressed every day,” says DeLongpré Johnston, “The event gave people an opportunity to take a seemingly ordinary activity and see it in a new way. To be conscious consumers we need to focus on things other than price as a value.”

**TWO CONFERENCES,** “Energizing the Future” and “Taking it to the Next Level: Strategies for Adaption across the Sustainability Curriculum,” drew business and higher education leaders from across the country.

**IMPACT:** Reflects the university’s commitment to sustainable teaching, research and innovation.

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**Erase the Waste**

**Ever wondered what happens to plastic bottles collected for recycling?** Some 48,000 of them were worn at Commencement on May 17 as the university offered earth-friendly graduation robes. Made from fabric spun from molten plastic pellets, each robe saved about 23 bottles from the landfill. Robes returned to the company were made into carpet fiber.

**IMPACT:** Increased awareness of sustainable design, and funding to support the campus sustainability program. For each gown reclaimed and repurposed, the vendor made a donation.

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**A SOLAR- ELECTRIC HYBRID SHUTTLE** carries up to 14 passengers to locations around the Reynolda Campus. “Wake Forest offers a very walkable campus core. For those students, faculty and staff needing a lift to or from the outer edges of campus, the shuttle offers an alternative to driving and parking,” says DeLongpré Johnston.

**IMPACT:** Fewer vehicles running through campus, improved air quality.

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**GASOLINE-POWERED SHUTTLES** carry riders to and from Deacon Boulevard, the University Corporate Center, Bridger Field House and selected off-campus parking lots and apartment complexes.

**IMPACT:** Reduced number of vehicles on campus, less gasoline used, and improved air quality. Shuttle service is far more cost-effective than building additional parking lots.

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**THE ZIPCAR CAR-SHARING PLAN,** begun in January, offers vehicles for use by students, faculty and staff, on an hourly or daily basis for a small fee.

**IMPACT:** Reduced number of vehicles on campus, improved air quality and a safer landscape for cyclists and walkers.
**REUSABLE TO-GO BOXES** offer a sustainable carryout alternative to Styrofoam in the Pit and Magnolia Room. Containers are washed, sanitized and reused. Sustainable practices in dining areas include bulk condiment dispensers and trayless dining.

**IMPACT:** Reusable condiment bottles kept 20,000 bottles out of the landfill during the 2009–10 academic year; reusable to-go boxes decreased Styrofoam box use by 58 percent, or 32,700 boxes. Trayless dining reduced water consumption by 900 gallons per day.

**A MEDITATION GARDEN** has been created in what was once just a stormwater run-off area at the corner of Faculty and Wingate Drives.

**IMPACT:** Walking paths and benches create an ideal space for reflection, meditation and restoration, and indigenous plants are being re-introduced to this already biologically diverse area.

**sustainability.wfu.edu**

**DURING EARTH HOUR** Wake Forest joined over 120 countries and more than a billion people around the globe in promoting energy reduction actions by symbolically “flipping the switch” on Wait Chapel’s spotlights.

**IMPACT:** Raised awareness about energy consumption. Students, faculty and staff signed pledges to reduce consumption beyond just the hour by unplugging unused chargers and turning off unnecessary lighting.

**WAKE UP TO FOOD WEEK** was sponsored by Campus Kitchen to promote local and sustainable eating. The event launched the planting season for the Campus-Raised Organic Produce (CROP) program. CROP, a student-managed garden off Polo Road, provides Campus Kitchen with fresh, organic produce. The garden also serves as an outdoor research lab and classroom for faculty.

**IMPACT:** Increased awareness of sustainable food systems.
This is a special time for the Wake Forest community. It is a time to welcome the most recent members of the Wake Forest family, the newly admitted students who will join the Class of 2014. I hope you will reach out to all incoming students and their families and share their excitement about becoming a part of Wake Forest.

We are equally proud to celebrate and welcome our recent graduates, the Class of 2010, into the Alumni Association. I hope you will join me in encouraging new alumni to maintain their ties with the University and their friends, and to become involved in their local Wake Forest Club. One way we can be effective as an alumni body is if we consider hiring our students and graduates. I encourage you to contact the Alumni Services Office or Office of Career Services if you are interested in hiring, or helping our students and graduates network, as they enter the workforce in challenging times.

This past year, the Alumni Association has focused on strengthening communication between the University and National Clubs. The Clubs serve as a meaningful way to stay in touch with the University, and they provide wonderful opportunities to meet others in your local Wake Forest community. The Clubs website, alumni.wfu.edu/clubs, is continually updated with events in your area and is a great resource to stay connected with what is going on. The Alumni Office wants to involve you as a volunteer, so please let them know of your interest through the website.

Currently, the Alumni Association is developing its strategic plan. Over the coming months, the plan will be refined and shared with you. The Alumni Association strives to involve all alumni through the Clubs and through improved communication with alumni in areas without Clubs. We are working with the University to foster and promote lifelong intellectual, professional, and personal growth through Wake Forest-sponsored programs, to help identify future leaders for the Clubs and volunteer boards, and to serve as your liaison to Wake Forest. As an Alumni Association, and as a University, we want to celebrate alumni accomplishments, so I encourage you to help us identify alumni who have been leaders in your community and embody the Pro Humanitate spirit. A list of the current Council members is on the website; please let us know your thoughts and give us feedback.

June 30 concludes Wake Forest’s fiscal year, so I encourage you to make a gift, regardless of size, in support of The Wake Forest Fund. The University is committed to supporting our students and maintaining our outstanding faculty, and all alumni play an important part in sustaining our University. Gifts can be made online at wfu.edu/giving or by calling 800.752.8568.


As I conclude my tenure later this summer, it is my pleasure to introduce the incoming President of the Alumni Association, Arthur Orr (’86) of Decatur, Ala. I know that he will bring strong leadership, vision and energy to the Alumni Association.

As this will be my last letter, I would like to take this opportunity to express what a great honor it has been to serve as President. I am continuously touched and inspired by all the ways you support Wake Forest. You enhance the University community through your participation in campus and regional events, your volunteer service, your financial support and in numerous other ways, too many to list. Wake Forest truly is enriched by all of you and you help make it an institution unlike any other.

Thank you for all you do for our University.

With best wishes and gratitude,
Kim Boatwright Shirley (’85, P ’13)
Alumni Association President
alumni@wfu.edu
Get Back Together! 2010 Class Reunions

Classes ending in 0 or 5 (1960-2005) will celebrate a reunion during Homecoming and Reunion Weekend, October 8-10! We are looking forward to a fantastic weekend where classmates can share favorite college memories and create new ones.

A Wake Forest golf tournament, Yadkin Valley Wine Tour, Friday night class parties, Festival on the Quad, Alumni Tailgate, Wake Forest vs. Navy football game, and Sunday Pit Breakfast are a few of the weekend’s events that you won’t want to miss. We look forward to seeing you in October!

Make sure you don’t miss anything by updating your information at alumni.wfu.edu/update

To find the latest news about weekend events and reunion campaign information, visit wfu.edu/homecoming

If you still need to make your class reunion gift to The Wake Forest Fund, please do so by June 30: wfu.edu/giving

Reunion Committee Chairs for 2010

1960 – 50th Reunion
Doug Bailey
Jean Hobby Ladd
Sara Hauser Johnson
Russ Stephenson

1965 – 45th Reunion
Lou Bissette
Caroline Spratt Young
Kyle Young

1970 – 40th Reunion
Bek Howell Blake
John Danforth

1975 – 35th Reunion
Carol Banister Adams
Vickie Cheek Dorsey
Norma Pepe Goelst

1980 – 30th Reunion
Tom Pfitzer
Lisa Talley

1985 - 25th Reunion
Jeff Covington
Nancy McKinney Henry

1990 – 20th Reunion
Drew Dixon
Cabell Lowe Edmundson

1995 – 15th Reunion
Ashley Armstrong Koontz
Lisa Snodgrass

2000 – 10th Reunion
Allison Bates
Suzanne Davis Campbell
Taylor Campbell
Shelley Slaughter Holden

2005 – 5th Reunion
Christina Beckett
Scott Glass
Josh Holden
Anna Stiegel

For questions regarding your class reunion or class campaign, please contact Emily Cockerham (‘90), director of reunion programs, at cockeres@wfu.edu or 800.752.8568.
1940s
Victor Michael Creszenzo Sr. ('40, MD '43) was in the first graduating class of the medical school on the Old Campus and still remembers what an honor it was to study under Dr. Tinsley Harrison and his fellow professors. He and his wife of 66 years, Frances, live in Reidsville, NC. They raised four sons: Victor Jr. ('47), a retired dentist; his twin, William Sr. ('67), a certified public accountant in Rural Hall, NC; John Randolph ('76), a lawyer in Eden, NC; and Mark (MD '81), a doctor in Reidsville.

Marjorie P. Clarke ('48) lives in Midlothian, VA. She recalls that before her husband, William Clarke Sr. ('49), passed away in 2007 after their 60th wedding anniversary, that they visited campus and he marched in with his cap and gown.

Betty Duncan Crawford Hoskins Hall ('48) was a medical technologist at Virginia Beach Hospital after graduation. She married and had three children: Scott, Melissa and Todd Crawford. Her second husband, Dr. Hoskins, died with Alzheimer's. She and her husband, Robert Hall, live in a retirement community in Asheville, NC.

William A. Sherwood ('49) reports that his wife, Barbara, passed away in January.

1950s
Stan J. Najeway ('51) is the retired vice president of Link Transportation. He celebrated his 84th birthday with his oldest daughter and youngest son by taking a Goodyear Blimp ride over Northeastern Ohio.

Russell E. Twiford (JD '52) is a retired attorney in Elizabeth City, NC. He received the N.C. Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the state's highest civilian honor.

J. Robert Johnson ('54, P '87, P '89) and his wife, Margaret, organized and attended another Class of 1954 March “Spring Fling” reunion in Wrightsville Beach, NC. Attending this year were Ray Cowan ('54, MD '59) and his wife, Jane; Gene ('54, JD '56) and Pat ('54) Boyce; Charlie Buchanan ('54) and his wife, Faye; Larry Harrill ('54) and his wife, Diana; Wes ('54 and Daphne ('54) Ledford; Jack ('53 and Lou ('53) Overman; Jackie Sessions ('54); and Angie Yarbrough ('54). The event carried a somber note with the death of classmate Howard Twigg ('54, JD '57) who had planned to attend.

Buck Rish ('55, MD '58) is a retired U.S. Navy captain and professor of neurosurgery from Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, VA. He lives in Washington, NC, near his son and three grandchildren. He published his fifth novel, "The Hatteras Caper."

Grady Barnhill Jr. (JD '58) received the Litigation Section Advocate's Award from the N.C. Bar Association. This award is the highest honor a litigation attorney in North Carolina can receive. He is a lifetime member of the Wake Forest University Law Board of Visitors and has led the Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice litigation practice for many years.

W. Herbert Brown Jr. ('59, JD '62) retired in 2003 after practicing law for 40 years. He finished the Ironman Arizona in 2008 and the Ironman Lake Placid in the Adirondack Mountains in 2009. He finished second both times for his age group of 70-74. He and his wife, Keris, live in Charlotte, NC.

1960s
Fred S. Black ('60, JD '62, P '83) has practiced law in South Boston and Halifax County, VA, since 1962. He was a member of the Wake Forest University Law Board of Visitors under Dean Scarlett.

Black ('60, JD '62) and Morrison (JD '63)

Anne Whicker Patterson ('60) and her husband, Larry, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 25.


William Robert Gooden ('63, MBA '76, P '06) retired as senior vice president and controller after 31 years with CommScope, a NYSE company based in Hickory, NC. He and his wife, Carolyn Shaw Gooden ('67), live on Lake Norman in North Carolina and have two sons, Robert and Thomas ('06). They enjoy boating, traveling and Wake Forest sports.

Fred Gilbert Morrison Jr. (JD '63) is a senior administrative law judge with the N.C. Office of Administrative Hearings. He received a lapel pin/tie tack for his 40 years of service from the governor of North Carolina. He and his wife, Carolyn, live in Raleigh, NC.

Josh Morton Jr. ('63, JD '66) opened a law firm in Albemarle, NC, 40 years ago. He moved the firm to Locust, NC, in 2006. He is a candidate for Stanly County commissioner.
David “Mac” Alexander (’64) retired as senior vice president of CB Richard Ellis after 30 years of service. He and his wife, Jo, live in Charlotte, NC. Their son, David (’96), and his wife and two sons live in Mt. Pleasant, SC. Their daughter, Kimberly Bogert (’99), and her husband and two sons live in Charlotte.

M. Charlene Ball (’64) retired after 12 years as an administrator and instructor in the Women’s Studies Institute at Georgia State University. She is writing a historical novel set in the time of Shakespeare.

David Zack (’64, JD ’67, P ’13) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Atlanta. He has been named a 2010 Georgia Super Lawyer in general litigation.

William B. Crews (JD ’65) of Southern Pines, NC, Philip O. Redwine (JD ’65) of Raleigh, NC, and James R. VanCamp (JD ’65) of Pinhurst, NC, joined Dean Blake Morant in attending the law school’s reception at the N.C. governor’s executive mansion.

William Kearns Davis (JD ’66) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America.

J.M. “Monty” Hogwood (’67, P ’90) is senior advancement officer at Samford University in Birmingham, AL. He received the 2009 Roth Outstanding Fundraising Executive Award at the National Philanthropy Day ceremonies of the Alabama Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Constantine “Costi” H. Kutteh II (’73) is a lawyer with Pope McMillan Kutteh Privette Edwards & Schieck in Statesville, NC. He has been re-elected for a second term as mayor for the City of Statesville. He received the 2010 Citizen of the Year Award from the Greater Statesville Chamber of Commerce.

Stephen D. Poe (’73) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named for the first time as one of the Best Lawyers in America in banking law.

William Dawkins (’74) is a veterinarian with Arcadia Veterinary Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Vic Mukai (MBA ’74) retired from the U.S. Army. He is an organizational management consultant to the federal government.

Patrick J. Murphy (’74) is general counsel for the Deerfield Beach Chamber of Commerce, the Century Village Condo Association of Deerfield Beach, and the City of Parkland Soccer League in Parkland, FL.

Mark Christie (’75) has been re-elected to a second six-year term on the Virginia State Corporation Commission by the Virginia General Assembly. He is an adjunct professor, teaching regulatory law, at the University of Virginia School of Law.

Connie Fox (’75) is the kinesiology professor and associate dean in the College of Education at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL. Her interest in higher education came from preparations at Wake Forest and a fascination in the work by her mentor, Dr. Harold Barrow.

James W. Narron (JD ’75) is with Narron O’Hale & Whittington PA in Smithfield, NC. He has been named board chairman of the N.C. Community Foundation.

William E. Wheeler (JD ’75) is a managing partner practicing business, trust and estate litigation with Wyatt Early Harris Wheeler LLP in High Point, NC. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer.

J. Anthony Penry (’76, JD ’79) is a partner with Penny Riemann PLLC in Raleigh, NC. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite in construction law.

Dan Taylor (JD ’75, P ’12) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in business litigation. He and David Smith (’81, JD ’84) played key roles in the 13-year case representing Cobell/plaintiffs in one of the largest class-action victories in U.S. history.

Lucien “Ship” Capone III (JD ’77) has been the university counsel at UNC-Greensboro since 1991. He has been named university counsel at UNC-Asheville.

Joslin Davis (JD ’77) is with Davis & Harwell PA in Winston-Salem. She has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer, one of the Top 100 Lawyers and one of the Top 50 Women Lawyers in North Carolina for the past five years. She was named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite and one of the Best Lawyers in America for the 16th consecutive year.

Michael Pryce (MD ’77) is an orthopedic surgeon in Kent, OH. He announced his candidacy as an Independent for the U.S. Senate seat from Ohio. He co-authored a book, “Anathema! America’s War on Medicine: A Veteran Doctor Offers a Cure for What Ails America’s Health Care System” (Trafford Publishing).

Paula Bokesch (MD ’78) and her colleagues were named Team of the Year by Cubist Pharmaceuticals of Lexington, MA. The team handled clinical trials exploring the use of ecallantide for the reduction of blood loss during cardiothoracic surgery.
CONVERSATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY

President Nathan O. Hatch discussed the challenges and opportunities of leading the premier collegiate university in a time of constraint during recent visits to five cities. He fielded questions from alumni, parents and friends in Atlanta, GA, Washington, D.C., and New York this spring, and in Raleigh and Charlotte last fall.

Marianne and Doug McGraw (P ’13), along with others in the Atlanta audience, listen to Dr. Hatch’s vision for Wake Forest.

In Atlanta, classmates Alexandria Reyes (’06, JD ’09) and Casey Mull (’06) reconnect.

Washington area alumni, parents and friends gather at the Decatur House to learn more about the future direction of Wake Forest from President Nathan O. Hatch.

Glenn Cook (’77), his son Sam, and Patti Willis enjoy a beautiful spring evening at Piedmont Park in Atlanta.

Elizabeth and Paul (’85) Fields visit with Atlanta area alumni, parents and friends.

Chris King (’92), left, enjoys the Capital City event with Reba (’66, P ’97) and Mike (’67, P ’97) Andrew.
Suzanne and Joseph O’Malley (P ’14) with their daughter, Korrigan O’Malley (’14), are excited to join the local D.C. Wake Forest community.

Elliott (MBA ’90) and Maia Estes with Wendell Taylor (’95), catch up with fellow D.C. alumni.

The D.C. event provides time for alumni to mingle. Here, Catharine McNally (’06) talks with Trustee Bobby Burchfield (’76).

Left to right: Dave Hanson (’05), Mike Piscitelli (’05), and NYC Club co-presidents Tom O’Shea (MBA ’91) and Sam Glassnapp (’00).

David Kilbride (’75, P ’12), Vicky Skouras (P ’10, ’11, ’12) and Joan Serenbetz (’76, P ’13) visit during the New York reception.

Left: Guests gather prior to the program at the Museum of Modern Art.

Right: President Nathan Hatch has a conversation with New York guests.

Left: Kathleen Kilbride (P ’12) and Spyros Skouras (P ’10, ’11, ’12) take time to chat at the New York event.
WF FACES Program Takes Learning on the Road

Did you know Wake Forest has a mobile classroom?

This academic year, the Office of Alumni Services launched Wake Forest FACES, Faculty and Alumni Connecting through Education and Scholarship. The program provides lifelong learning opportunities for alumni where they live and work.

Wake Forest faculty visited Clubs throughout the country and offered lectures in their disciplines, shared current research and writing, or spoke on topics of interest.

Katy Harriger, professor of politics and chair of the political science department, visited New York City and Greensboro to speak on “What’s Wrong With The Way We Talk About Politics?”

Paul D. Escott, Reynolds Professor, department of history, visited Washington, D.C., and Raleigh and lectured on “The Lincoln Icon: Thinking About Myth and Reality In Our History.”

Jill Tiefenthaler, provost and professor of economics, visited Charlotte and spoke on “Why Does A College Education Cost So Much?”

Ed Wilson (‘43), provost emeritus, visited Rocky Mount and spoke on his new book, a chronicle of the administration of James Ralph Scales, Wake Forest’s eleventh president, spanning the period of 1967-1983.

See the schedule at alumni.wfu.edu/programs/learning

Kay Hagan (JD ‘78) is a U.S. Senator from North Carolina. She delivered the 2010 commencement address for the second graduating class of the Elon University School of Law in Elon, NC.

Michael Speas (‘78, JD ‘81) launched a website to help job seekers with resume writing and job search services (www.alphadogresumes.com).


1980s

Clinton Forrest Faison III (‘80) is chief of Current and Future Operations for Navy Medicine with the U.S. Navy. His responsibilities include Navy hospitals, hospital ships and operational medical facilities worldwide.

Kevin McDougall (‘80, JD ‘82) is executive vice president and general counsel of Xerium Technologies in Raleigh, NC.

Stephen M. Russell Sr. (JD ‘80) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America.

Sharon Elizabeth Snow (‘80, MA ’97) is the hospice chaplain for Mountain Valley Hospice and Palliative Care of Mt. Airy, NC. She is also an on-call chaplain for Forsyth Medical Center in Winston-Salem and an adjunct professor in the Wake Forest School of Divinity.

Jeffrey A. Battis (‘81, JD ‘86) has been elected to serve a three-year term on the business law section council of the N.C. Bar Association and is chairman-elect of the Rocky Mount Area Chamber of Commerce. He practices law in Rocky Mount, NC, with five attorneys including his father, Jeff D. Battis (‘52, JD ‘57), his brother, Michael S. Battis (‘80, JD ‘87), and his brother-in-law, Joseph L. Bell Jr. (JD ‘91).

Steve Berlin (‘81, JD ‘84, P ‘07) is a managing partner with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He and his wife, Bonnie (‘88), were co-chairs for the 2009 Arts Council Campaign for Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in environmental law.

Peter J. Corrigan (‘81) retired after 20 years of managing business operations with Prestolite Electric in North and South America, Asia and Europe. He has entered the 2010 race for Ohio’s 10th Congressional District.

Bryan K. Hill (‘81, P ‘09) received his MS in human resources from Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, NC. He is an area human resources manager with Lowe’s Companies. He and his wife, Kathy, and son, Keith (’09), live in Myrtle Beach, SC.

David C. Smith (‘81, JD ‘84) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in business litigation. He and Dan Taylor (‘76) played key roles in the 13-year case representing Cobell/plaintiffs in one of the largest class-action victories in U.S. history.
Bettie Kelley Sousa (JD ‘81, P ’10) is a partner with Smith Debnam Narron Drake Saintsing & Myers LLP in Raleigh, NC. She is president-elect of the American Board of Certification, accredited by the American Bar Association.

D. Anderson Carmen (JD ’82, P ’09) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America in construction law.

Gary K. Joyner (JD ’82) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in real estate law.

John Mooseworthy (’82) is chief of staff at Frederick Memorial Hospital in Frederick, MD.

Karen M. Wilson (’82, JD ’85) is a partner with Wall Esleeck Babcock LLP in Winston-Salem. She has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America.


Warren Bishop (’83) completed the Ford Ironman Triathlon in Tempe, AZ, with a finishing time of 12 hours and 54 minutes.

John W. Stewart III (’83) is vice president for institutional advancement at Flagler College in St. Augustine, FL. He will become the 15th president of The University of Montevallo in Alabama in August.

Jill Crainshaw (’84) gave the vice presidential address, “Wording Wisdom: The Wise, Strange, and Holy Work of Worship,” for the North American Academy of Liturgy in Milwaukee. She serves as president for 2010. The School of Divinity art work, featuring the textile art of Karen Dresser (MDiv ’06), was part of the presentation.

David Graham Lerner (JD ’85, P ’13) is associate general counsel/litigation with Stock Building Supply in Raleigh, NC.

Toni Newman (’85) is finishing a book about the male/female transformation and nightlife of the transsexual, and has completed a pilot and screenplay about the 15-year journey, “The Ups and Down.” He is a writer for Spi Productions LLC in Los Angeles.

Randall D. Avram (JD ’86) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a N.C. Top 100 Super Lawyer in employment and labor law.

Stuart S. Berr (PhD ’86) is a professor of research in the departments of radiology and biomedical engineering at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.


D. Beth Langley (’86, JD ’92) is with Hagan Davis Mangum Barrett Langley & Hale PLLC in Greensboro, NC. She has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer and one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite.

Michael D. McNeil (’86) practices domestic relations, probate litigation and general civil litigation with The Drew Law Firm Co. LPA in Cincinnati. He has been named a Super Lawyer.

Gregg McDougal (JD ’87) is a partner with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named chairman of the board of directors of The First Tee of the Triangle. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in general litigation.

Ernest A. Osborn (’87) is senior vice president, financial advisor and senior investment management consultant in the wealth management office of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney in Winston-Salem. He has been named to the president’s club of financial advisors.

Susan Sparks (JD ’87) trained as a trial lawyer, was a stand-up comedian, and graduated from Union Theological Seminary in 2002. She is senior pastor of Madison Avenue Baptist Church in New York. She wrote a book, “Laugh Your Way to Grace: Reclaiming the Spiritual Power of Humor.” During April and the celebration of Easter, she was the first American Baptist pastor to preach on Day 1, a national weekly ecumenical radio program.

Michael A. Usan (JD ’87) has been appointed to the Circuit Court Bench for the 17th Judicial Circuit over a criminal division in Broward County, FL.

Carl Salisbury (JD ’88) leads the Insurance Recovery Practice Group at Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in New York. He and his wife, Casey, live in Westfield, NJ.

Robin Shea (JD ’88) is a partner with Constangy Brooks & Smith LLP in Winston-Salem. She has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer for employment and labor law.

Amy K. Smith (JD ’88) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America in trusts and estates law.

Christina Ketchie Stearns (MBA ’88) is regional director of community outreach with Hospice & Palliative Care Center in Winston-Salem.

Wesley Casteen (’89) is serving a three-year term on the board of directors for the North Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants. He lives in Wilmington and maintains a law practice in and around New Hanover County.

C.M. “Mickey” Metcalf (JD ’89) is an associate professor of law and management at Gardner-Webb University’s Godbold School of Business in Boiling Springs, NC. He serves as director for the Forsyth Center of Gardner-Webb in Winston-Salem. He was inducted as an honorary member of Delta Mu Delta and was a visiting team member from an ACBSP accreditation visitation to the University of Puerto Rico–Utardo. He and his wife, Jan, live in High Point, NC.

Joseph Adam Saffron (’89) retired as a U.S. Army Reserves lieutenant colonel in a ceremony in New Cumberland, PA. He had 21 years of service that spanned four continents and three combat tours.
Beatrice Hair (’87) Builds a Business by Teaching One-on-One

As a fifth-grade teacher, Beatrice Dombrowski Hair (’87) wanted to succeed with every single child who walked into her classroom. But lunch duty, bus duty, lesson planning, and all the other daily demands placed on teachers made her wish for a way to focus one-on-one with each student.

She came up with a way to do that, and in 1996 turned the idea into a successful business, the Salisbury Tutoring Academy in Salisbury, N.C. This spring, she was named the 2010 North Carolina Small Business Person of the Year.

“I saw the need for individualized attention for students and for parent education,” Hair said.

Her “three-legged table” model partners students, teachers and parents, who each sign a contract and make a formal commitment. This approach helps each partner carry their own weight and not try to do the work of the other. She says she has to emphasize with parents their role is to support their child’s learning, not do the learning for them or take on the teacher’s role. Many of her students have made tremendous gains in math and reading achievement and successfully competed for college scholarships.

She wanted her tutoring academy to be accessible to all children who needed help, so she designed a program that was affordable and could fit into families’ schedules. She started with a few students, tutoring them out of her house. Then, she started hiring other teachers and moved to a space she rented from a church. Her business grew from there. She eventually saved enough money to buy a piece of land and build her own building with 19 small classrooms and a large waiting area.

Hair’s tutoring academy has 25 certified teachers. As an employer, she provides opportunities for retired teachers and teachers who may be staying home with their young children to continue to help kids learn by working in the evenings at the academy. She developed her own curriculum and training materials and has published DVDs and books. She has also sold two franchises.

With new businesses facing a 50-50 survival rate, Hair credits her long-term success to the passion she has for what she does. “The biggest challenge is overcoming the stigma that tutoring is for dummies,” she said. “All children benefit from working one-on-one to meet specific learning goals.”

Hair said she got practice identifying problems and creating solutions while a student at Wake Forest. She wanted to play soccer and the University didn’t have a women’s soccer team. Hair started posting fliers and talking to everyone she knew and soon she had 75 students trying out for a women’s club soccer team. “Wake Forest taught me to think outside the box,” she said.

—Cheryl Walker (’88)
Charlott F. Wood (JD ’89) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America in commercial litigation and workers’ compensation.

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.

Kenneth P. Carlson Jr. (JD) is a managing partner with ConnieG Brooks & Smith LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer.

Clark A. Cooper is a partner with Christian & Small LLP in Birmingham, AL. He has been invited to become a fellow of the American Bar Foundation and was reelected for a second term with the American Bar Association’s House of Delegates.

Jim Fagan is a Realtor with Cottingham Chalk Hayes in Charlotte, NC.

William Richard Hall Jr. received his PhD in education from Virginia Commonwealth University. He is a principal of R.C. Longan Elementary School in Henrico County, VA. He and his wife, Laurie, daughter, Berkley (13), and son, Patrick (9), live in Ashland, VA.

David Wayne Johnson Jr. (JD) teaches and tutors English and math in schools in the Phoenix area. He helped produce a music education documentary, “From the 50 Yard Line.”

1991

Joanne Swanson Henley (MDiv ’02) is an oncology chaplain at Forsyth Regional Cancer Center in Winston-Salem.

Thomas K. Houston II (MD ’95) has been appointed to the University of Massachusetts Medical School as a professor of quantitative health sciences and medicine, chief of the division of Health Informatics and Implementation Science, assistant dean for Medical Education Research/Continuing Medical Education, and scientist for the Center for Health Quality, Outcomes and Economic Research.


1992

Charlie D. Brown (JD/MBA ’97) is with Wishart Norris Henninger & Pittman in Burlington, NC. He won accreditation as a Veterans Affairs attorney. He serves on the Estate Planning and Probate Law Specialty Committee of the N.C. State Bar Board of Legal Specializing. He has been named one of Business North Carolina’s Legal Elite.

Debra Lynn Rafeid is a special education teacher in the Mine Hill School District in New Jersey. She lives in Rockaway, NJ, and is a proud “Auntie Dev” to two nieces.

Thomas R. Campbell (JD ’95) has been elected judge of the Adams County Court of Common Pleas in Pennsylvania. He lives in Gettysburg with his wife, Tammy Brush-Campbell (’94), and two sons, Collin (8) and Devin (4).

Beth Burkes Dollase is vice president for advancement at the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences in Missouri. She married David Dollase on 9/5/09 and has two stepsons, ages 9 and 7.

John T. Earwood (JD/MBA ’97) has been named chief of staff for the Office of the Chancellor at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC.

Richard Russell Foust (JD ’00) is a partner specializing in real estate law with Stamey & Foust LLP in Trinity, NC.

Steven H. Levin (JD) is a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves and a founding member of Levin & Gallagher LLC in Baltimore and Washington, DC. He has been selected by The Judge Advocate General to be a military judge in the First Judicial Circuit.

1993

Eric M. Braun (JD) taught planning and the law in the Master of Public Administration program at N.C. State University in the spring and will teach municipal law in the fall. He is a partner in the offices of K&L Gates LLP in Raleigh and Research Triangle Park, NC.

Donn Bullock is vice president of the Open Systems Solutions Group of Mainline Information Systems. He and his wife, Nikki, and their children, Alex (9), Josh (6) and Julia (3), live in Apex, NC.

Keith Burns (JD) is of counsel with Morris Manning & Martin LLP in Durham, NC. He has been named chair of the Durham district of Boy Scouts of America.

Jill T. Cox (JD) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. She has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in employment and labor law.

Andrea Rodgers is editor of AskMissA.com, a blog of advice and recommendations on anything from style to self-help. She started Socialite Marketing, a business providing social media, public relations, marketing and event planning services. This year a national e-magazine, based on the blog AskMissA.com, was launched.

Edwin G. Wilson Jr. (JD) is a superior court judge and chairman of the Rockingham County Education Foundation, formed to increase education levels.

1994

Benjamin Holland received a partial scholarship to pursue an MBA at Ohio State University’s Fisher College of Business in Columbus, OH.

Donny C. Lambeth (MBA) is president of the N.C. Baptist Hospital of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. He has been appointed to the N.C. Hospital Association board of trustees.
W. Christopher Matton (JD) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a N.C. Super Lawyer in business/corporate law.

Ronald J. Rennick graduated from Harvard Business School. He works in real estate, and he and his wife, Sandra, live in Vero Beach, FL.

1995

Daniel C. Bruton (JD) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named, for the first time, one of the Best Lawyers in America in bankruptcy and creditor-debtor rights law.

Kristan D. Bryant received his MDIV from Duke University and his JD from UNC-Chapel Hill School of Law. He is an associate attorney with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem, practicing corporate law.

Hillary Whitaker (JD) has been made a partner at Wishart Norris Henninger & Pittman PA in Burlington, NC.

1996

Andrea Sovich Hanlon achieved certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. She has been in education for 13 years and teaches at Southern Pines Elementary School in Southern Pines, NC.

Quentin T. McPhatter is the Kingsland Deputy City Manager. He received manager designation from the International City/County Management Association. He and his wife, Michele, and daughter, Kendall, live in Kingsland, GA.

Robyn C. Reed completed a residency in pathology and a fellowship in pediatric pathology at the University of Washington. She is a staff pathologist at Kosair Children’s Hospital. She and her husband, Christopher Layton (’93), and two sons, William (3) and Karl (1), live in Louisville, KY.

Thomas D. Ricks (JD ’02) has started a corporate transactional law practice at Alexander Ricks PLLC in Charlotte, NC.

Ford B. Robertson (JD) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a N.C. Rising Star in real estate law.

Sarah Sparboe Thornburg (JD) has been elected to the board of directors of McGuire Wood & Bissette PA in Asheville, NC.

Danielle Williams (JD/MBA) is a partner with Kilpatrick Stockton in Winston-Salem. She coached the law school’s National Trial Team, which won the regional tournament to advance to the National Trial Competition in Dallas.

Jason D. Zaks (MBA ’00) is a director and client adviser with Deutsche Bank Alex. Brown in Winston-Salem. He has been ranked as one of On Wall Street magazine’s Top 40 Advisors Under 40. He was No. 27.

1997

Aaron Guyer completed an orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Michigan and a surgery fellowship at the University of Tennessee Campbell Clinic in Memphis. He is an orthopedic surgeon in Tallahassee, FL, a partner at Tallahassee Orthopedic Clinic and a clinical assistant professor in surgery at the Florida State University College of Medicine. He is the team physician for the Florida State University track and field and cross-country teams, and the specialist in foot and ankle injuries for all FSU athletics. He and his wife, Hien, have three children.

Kathy Scott Rummage is executive director of communications in the Community Relations and Marketing Services Department of Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC.

1998

Griffin Bell and Lindsay Carrington (’01) have opened a full-service law firm, Bell Carrington LLC, in Greenville, SC.

Jay S. Blount captained a boat to a second-place finish in the blue marlin category, catching a marlin weighing over 530 pounds, in the 2009 White Marlin Open in Ocean City, MD. His first mate was Winslow Taylor, a Wake Forest law student.

Shannon Bothwell is with Greenberg Traurig LLP in West Palm Beach, FL. She has been appointed to the Wake Forest Alumni Council.

Douglas Crets is vice president at Vander Ark/ Ratcliffe, a consulting and communications firm serving education and nonprofit organizations. His geographic focus for VA/R is the East Coast of the U.S., China, part of Southeast Asia and the Middle East.

Matthew J. Gilley has been named a partner with Ford & Harrison LLP, a national labor and employment law firm in Spartanburg, SC.

Deborah Halvorsen (JD) is with Davis & Harvell PA in Winston-Salem. She specializes in family law and has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America for the first time.

Clyde Harris and Ashley Vermillion Harris (’99) celebrated five years of business in a women’s designer clothing boutique, Vermillion, in Raleigh, NC.

Lynsey Wood Jeffries is executive director of higher achievement, DC Metro, serving 500 middle school students. She received a national award from Michelle Obama for excellence in bringing art and humanities to disadvantaged students.

Kevin Alden Maxwell is senior counsel for Mueller Water Products. He and his wife, Whitney, have relocated to Atlanta.

W. Kevin McLaughlin Jr. (JD) has been named deputy chief of staff for N.C. Governor Bev Perdue.

Angela McElreth Ojibway has a solo cosmetic and implant dental practice, Family Dentistry of Marietta, in Marietta, GA.

Catherine McCandless Raue completed her PhD in German literature at the University of Pennsylvania. Her dissertation was “Healing the Rift: Music, Marriage and Therapy in Goethe’s Singspiele.”

Kevin G. Williams (JD) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been named, for the first time, one of the Best Lawyers in America in commercial litigation.
1999

Stephen C. Barsotti has been named firm director of Kegler Brown Hill & Ritter in Columbus, OH. He practices business, intellectual property and international business law. He has been listed as a Law and Politics’ Ohio Rising Star since 2005.

Christopher Campbell (MA) is a statistical analyst at the California Casualty Insurance Co. He and his wife, Kyoungmin Kim, married in 2007 and live in San Mateo, CA.

Erica Frontiero was recognized by Forbes Woman magazine (Winter 2009) in the “Power Woman, Success at Every Age” column for her career in finance and contributions to the community.

David L. Holden is an associate with Holden Mickey & Mickey in Winston-Salem. He has been recognized by MassMutual as a leader for in-force business persistency.

Melissa Johnson is executive director of the Neighborhood Funders Group in Washington, DC. She is the youngest leader of philanthropic affinity groups and is involved with efforts including the Black Philanthropic Alliance, Emerging Practitioners in Philanthropy and Resource Generation. She is a member of the Black Benefactors.

M. Tina Markanda (MBA) has been named a 2008 Hull Fellow of the Southeastern Council of Foundations.

Tripp Moore, with Two Men and a Truck of Charlotte, NC, received the 2009 Mover of the Year Award from the N.C. Movers Association. He and his wife, Christy Auburn (’98, MAEd ’00), have owned and operated the franchise since 2000.

Christopher J. Welch (JD) and Jason R. Harris (JD ’00) have formed Welch & Harris LLP in Jacksonville, NC. Their practice includes criminal defense and civil matters including maritime and admiralty law.

2001

Helen H. Davis (MA) received her PhD in literature from the City University of New York Graduate Center and is assistant professor of English at Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Her specialty is 19th-century British literature, narrative theory and gender studies. She and her husband, Shane, and daughter, Abigail, live in Mountain Top, PA.

Kestrin Pantera taught English and studied Chinese in Taipei for two years. She is a cellist in a band, his Orchestra, and has had roles in television commercials, music videos and independent films. She lives in Los Angeles.

Gavin Parsons (JD) is an associate in the complex litigation group of Troutman Sanders LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named a N.C. Rising Star in business litigation.

Emily Wade Adams and Chris Yorro (‘98) were in a rock musical production, “The Who’s Tommy,” produced by Ray of Light Theatre in San Francisco.

William P. Balistreri studied the art of traditional Swiss watchmaking at the Rolex-sponsored Lütz Watch Technicum in Lütz, PA.

Jonathan Claussen is an associate practicing business litigation and products liability defense with Buckingham Doolittle & Burroughs LLP in Boca Raton, FL.

Richard Haigler graduated from the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University. He has an orthopaedic surgery residency at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX.

Matthew Krause (JD) is a brigade judge advocate of the 7th Sustainment Brigade in the U.S. Army in Port au Prince, Haiti.

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Kevin L. Taylor (MD ’06) is a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

2002

Eric Bass (JD) has been named a partner with Wishart Norris Henninger & Pittman PA in Charlotte, NC. He and his wife, Jennifer, have one son.

Matt Bell (JD) is a member of Miller & Martin PLLC in Chattanooga, TN. He practices business law with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions and procurement.

Lauren Linfante DeAlexandris (MBA) is finance director of CSX Transportation in Jacksonville, FL.

Lauren R. Hamilton is vice president of business development for Gerson Lehrman Group in San Francisco.

Margaret Davis Hovda will complete her internal medicine residency at UNC-Chapel Hill in June. She is scheduled to begin a pulmonary/critical care fellowship at the University of Chicago in July.

Matthew E. Snyder is co-owner of Winestore Holdings LLC with two retail locations in Charlotte, NC.

Joyce A. Tipton (MBA) is chief pharmacy officer and interim director of quality and patient safety for the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. She has been appointed to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy.

Jason W. Wenzel (JD) is with Narron O’Hale & Whittington PA in Smithfield, NC. He has been named a N.C. Rising Star.

Laura Morgan is director of government relations at Van Scyoc Associates in Washington, DC.

Michael D. Phillips (JD) has been named a director at Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He practices civil litigation and has been with the firm since 2004.

Thomas S. Redick received his PhD in experimental psychology from Georgia Tech, where he is now a postdoctoral researcher.

Matthew Tilley (MBA) was ordained a Baptist minister in October 2009 at Freedom Baptist Church in Rural Hall, NC. He has accepted a call to pastor Crestview Baptist Church in Winston-Salem.

Jennifer Ward (MBA) is a sustainability engagement manager for Duke Energy in Charlotte, NC. She has been appointed to the N.C. Council for Women to advise the governor, principal state departments and legislature concerning the education and employment of women in North Carolina.

Ryan R. Whitley is the fourth rector of the Episcopal congregation of The Nevil Memorial Church of St. George. He and his wife, Elise, live in Ardmore, PA.

2003

Derek J. Gilliam practices in the labor and employment group of Quarles & Brady LLP in Milwaukee. He has been appointed to the board of directors of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Wisconsin.

Monica R. Guy (JD) has been named a director at Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She is a North Carolina family law specialist.

Benjamin D. Hill (MA) is completing a fellowship in clinical neuropsychology at Brown University’s Alpert Medical School. He will start a faculty position in the Department of Psychology at the University of South Alabama in the fall.

Nancy Melinda Ladson (JD) opened a law firm in Atlanta, Sykes & Ladson LLC, practicing criminal, employment, entertainment, family and immigration law.

Misty L. Metzgar (JD) clerked for two years after graduation and had a private practice in domestic and family law for four years. She was appointed by the circuit court judges in 2009 as a master for domestic relations and juvenile causes in the Circuit Court for Charles County, MD. She has two daughters, Alayne Morgan (5) and Alexis Paige (1), and a son, Aidan James (3).

2004

Benjamin Bradford received his JD from the University of Michigan Law School and took the California Bar Exam. He is pursuing a career in talent representation in the entertainment industry.

John Cattaneo (MBA) is managing partner of Congaree Capital Development LLC in Columbia, SC. He is treasurer of the South Carolina Republican Party.

Kelly Doton is a midfielder on the women’s national USA field hockey team.

Brian T. Grimberg (PhD) is an assistant professor of international health at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland. He teaches geographic medicine and epidemiology and will continue his research to identify effective treatments for malaria.

Bill Haas birdied the final two holes for his first PGA Tour victory at the Bob Hope Classic in LaQuinta, CA. He made his debut in the Masters.

Angela Massoni Kates (MA) is the first chief of staff at Aflac. She is the link between the president and CEO and the company’s agents and employees.

Matthew Morgan graduated from the nursing program at George Mason University. He is a nurse in the intensive care unit at Sibley Hospital in Washington, DC.

Scott S. Poelman (JD) is with Jones Waldo Holbrook & McDonough in Salt Lake City. He practices tax planning for businesses and taxable estates.

Wiggy Saunders (MD ’09) is a resident in family medicine at Moses Cone Health Systems in Greensboro, NC.

2005

Casey Beal received his MD from the University of Florida and is a medical intern at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. His residency is in ophthalmology at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Michael Donaldson (MDiv) is in the final project stage of pursuing a doctor of ministry at Fuller Theological Seminary in Stafford, VA.

Kelly Dostal is on the women’s national USA field hockey developmental team.

Matt Gallagher served in the U.S. Army from 2005 to 2009 and lives in New York. He wrote a book based on his blog while deployed in Iraq, “Kaboom.”
A Life-Changing Gift

Bradley Howard finds his home at Wake Forest thanks to the Manning Scholarship Fund.

“It pretty much blindsided me,” says sophomore Bradley Howard of his first visit to the Wake Forest campus. “Everyone smiled at you as you walked by. The school was small, personable, and I just fell in love with it.” It took him by such surprise because Bradley believed he was bound for a different university and never expected Wake Forest to be a part of his future.

He was being “put through the wringer” at other colleges while applying for aid and scholarships and could only envision more of the same travails at a prestigious institution like Wake Forest. He knew the financial burden on his family would be lighter if he chose a public school, but because of the exceptional impression Wake Forest left on him, the decision remained difficult. Bradley prayed for guidance, and after, he felt led to pursue an education at Wake Forest. He would let his faith affirm his choice.

“I was interviewing for a scholarship here,” Bradley recalls, “and the woman immediately knew my name. She knew what scholarship I was going for—knew everything about me.” The experience gave Bradley the sense he could find a home in the Wake Forest community and served as further affirmation of his decision. “It meant a lot to see people taking the initiative to get to know me. I mean, somebody I haven’t even met knows my name, and the assistant principal at my high school didn’t even know who I was.”

Even though the scholarship process went smoothly, the challenges were just beginning for the Howard family. Following Bradley’s decision to study at Wake Forest, but before he received his final financial aid package, Bradley’s father was laid-off from his job and the chance of attending Wake Forest once again became remote.

If not for a generous planned gift from the late Elton Manning ('37), Bradley’s dream may have ended there. A proud Wake Forest alumnus and native of Robersonville, N.C., Manning endowed the Elton Manning Scholarship Fund to help eastern North Carolina students, like Bradley of Lumberton, achieve what they never considered possible.

“Mr. Manning had a great love for his alma mater,” says Chip Patterson ('72, MALS '02), director of planned giving. “This was a way he could help the University and, at the same time, help deserving students have the same opportunity he had. Because of a well thought-out estate plan, he was able to make a larger gift to Wake Forest than he could have made otherwise.”

In the family’s toughest time, the University took the opportunity to show Bradley just how much they wanted him to enroll. “We called Wake Forest and said, ‘We don’t think we’re going to be able to afford too much.’ They took our circumstances into consideration and just were really great and understanding; they were able to make it work for my family.”

It was jarring to Bradley, Wake Forest’s compassion for a student who had not yet set foot in a classroom. Especially in comparison to the hurdles he faced at other schools, Bradley says, “I was simply floored. After going through the whole admission process and being here for a year now, you come to understand that they really do want you here and want you to experience Wake Forest.”

The best of that Wake Forest experience, Bradley believes, is how the administration and faculty are aimed at developing the whole person, not just a part of each student’s life. “I’ve grown in so many different aspects,” he says. “Academically, socially and spiritually—I’m so grateful. And my family is, too.”

For information on creating a gift that will make a lasting contribution, contact the Office of Planned Giving at 336.758.4974 or visit our website at wfu.plannedgifts.org.
Pamela Dow Gutman is with Loyola University in Baltimore.

William J. McMahon (JD) is an associate with Constaney Brooks & Smith LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named a N.C. Rising Star.

Nicki Noble received her master’s in economic development and tourism management from Boston University. She is group sales manager at the Omni Parker House Hotel in Boston.

Diana Santos received her JD from N.C. Central University School of Law. She is a staff attorney at Land Loss Prevention Project in Durham, NC.

Erin E. Smith (JD ’09) is a staff litigator with the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation in Springfield, VA.

Joshua Traeger is a judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force.

2007

Kyle A. Young has joined the labor and employment department of Miller & Martin PLLC in Nashville, TN.

Lauren Crandall is a defender on the women's national USA field hockey team.

Randi F. Frisby received her JD from the University of Kentucky College of Law.

Susan M. Huber (JD) has been named an associate attorney with Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson in Charlotte, NC.

Theodore Shih (JD) is a U.S. registered patent attorney in the intellectual property and technology group of Lowndes Drosdick Doster Kantor & Reed PA in Orlando, FL.

Kristian Tobias was crowned Miss North Carolina International and will represent North Carolina at the Miss International Pageant in Chicago in July. She will spend her year advocating for HIV/AIDS awareness and education. She is with United Rehab Specialists and is pursuing a master’s in healthcare administration at Winston-Salem State University.

2008

Christina Chauvenet is the international media department coordinator for Survival International, a non-governmental organization helping defend tribal peoples’ rights. She lives in London.

2009

J. David Freedman (JD) is an associate in the bankruptcy practice group of Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs LLP in Atlanta.

Shabab Gruberg (MBA) is chief technology officer of Gifts In Kind International in Alexandria, VA.

Michelle Kasold is a midfielder on the women’s national USA field hockey team.

Claire Laubach is a midfielder on the women’s national USA field hockey team.

Andrew T. Miller (JD) has been named an associate attorney with Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson in Charlotte, NC.

Marriages

Beth Hart (’90, PA ’98) and Matt Tisdale. 10/24/09 in Asheville, NC. The wedding party included Allison Bruce Anderson (PA ’98), Carrie Moyer (PA ’98), Heather Lifsey Pfliger (’90) and Stephanie Moore Riggs (’92).

Star Young (’91) and Darryl A. Hunter. 3/6/10 in Charleston, SC. They live in Charleston, SC.

Elaine Grace Khatod (’97, MD ’01) and Marious O. Chilom. 9/27/09 in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. They live in Mableton, GA.

Joe Burney (’00) and Jennifer Anderson. 11/7/09 in Atlanta where they live. The wedding party included Brett Dombrova (’99) and Mike Hostinsky (’00).

Steve Huntington (’00) and Jennifer Jane Gardner. 10/10/09 in Raleigh, NC.

Sarah Anne Nolan (’00) and Farbod Micha Atai. 6/20/09 in Pittsboro, NC. They live in Raleigh, NC. The wedding party included Kristen Yablonsky Atwater (’01), Brooke Michael Farmer (’00), Julia Catherine Gibbons (’00) and Mary Nance Klauder (’00, MSA ’01).

Lauren Reeder (’00) and Jason McClurg. 11/7/09 in Longboat Key, FL. They live in Washington, DC. The wedding party included Carla Gallelli (’98) and Courtney Brooks Garner (’00, MSA ’01).

Courtney Leigh Kuhl (’01) and Bradford Rose. 10/24/09 in Roanoke, VA. They live in Washington, DC. The wedding party included Kerry Church Dillon (’01), Ashley Horton Freedman (’01), Fairley Washington Mahlum (’01), Maureen Meyer (’01) and Kathryn Thompson (’01).

Keestrin Pantera (’01) and Jonathan Grubb. 4/2/10 in Pebble Beach, CA, with a celebration in San Francisco on 4/3/10. Their wedding was featured in the New York Times. Attending were Erin Butler (’01) and Joe Pfeister (’01). The bride’s parents are Dick (’69, MD ’73) and Jan Kiger (’69) Pantera.

Emory Perryman (’01) and Christopher Lydic. 10/10/09 in La Jolla, CA. They live in Raleigh, NC. The bride is the daughter of Richard and Stanley Webber, both retired from the Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

Aaron Bokros (’02) and Allison Delaney (’04). 10/24/09 in Setauket, Long Island, NY. The wedding party included Melissa Jones Briggs (’04), Kate Lawrence (’04), Ashley Messick (’04), Jacob Montgomery (’02) and Adam Wells (’01).

Meredith Bouts (’02) and John McCormick. 3/10/09 in St. Simons Island, GA. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Jamie Lemke Arndt (’01) and Sarah Boxley Beck (’02).
WF Clubs: Pro Humanitate in action

Many of the Wake Forest Clubs are continuing the tradition of Pro Humanitate by organizing service projects to give back to their local community.

- The Wake Forest Club of New York participated in the Susan G. Komen New York City Race for the Cure. Walkers raised money to support cancer research and joined more than 25,000 other participants. The club plans to participate in the September race.

- More than 25 Charlotte area alumni, parents, friends, and students spent a Saturday morning volunteering at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Metroolina. They assembled hundreds of cardboard boxes and filled them with an assortment of household staples for families in need.

- The Wake Forest Club of Richmond continues its tradition of supporting the Central Foodbank of Virginia.

- Atlanta alumni participated in Project Open Hand by preparing and delivering nutritious meals to homebound seniors, as well as low-income men, women and children who are dealing with a critical, chronic or terminal disease.

Please visit alumni.wfu.edu/clubs for additional club events and programs. Tell us how you serve your community in the spirit of Pro Humanitate. Send comments to alumni@wfu.edu.

Charlotte alumni, parents, friends and students at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Metroolina.

Lauren Mikan (’07, MSA ’08) and Jennifer Ko at the Susan G. Komen New York City Race for the Cure.
1834 Student Giving Campaign

To build upon the tradition of the Senior Class Campaign, the 1834 Student Giving Campaign began this year to provide students from all classes an opportunity to support the University.

Led by Wake Forest Fellow Lauren Hubbard (‘09), the campaign educates students about the importance of supporting the University while allowing them to participate in leadership-building, social activity and philanthropic initiatives together. “Get involved, get together and give back has been the motto of the campaign’s inaugural year,” says Hubbard. “I am so proud of what our students have accomplished. By working together and demonstrating a true Pro Humanitate spirit, our students have left a lasting impact on Wake Forest.”

Each class is led by a set of committee co-chairs and a team of peer committee members committed to sharing the importance of giving back to the University in time, talent and financial resources. Students learn how the support of alumni, parents and friends benefits them and are then able to give back to the school themselves by giving to any designation of The Wake Forest Fund. Seniors have made a special effort to donate to The Wake Forest Fund for Student Aid in order to pay down the debt of incoming members in the Class of 2014 through the newly established Senior Scholars Program.

“Learning about the importance of giving and being empowered to do so as a student has given me a new understanding of how important and fulfilling it is to be a part of the University’s support system,” says senior class co-chair Melissa Beckett (‘10). “I am excited to continue supporting the University as an alumna and to have a part in the development and growth of my alma mater and her students.”

This year more than 770 students from all classes raised over $30,408 for the University. A senior class challenge gift was provided by University Trustees Tom Bunn (‘75), Eric Eubank (‘86) and Board of Visitors member Mit Shah (‘91), and adds an additional $14,300 to the total raised by the graduating class.

Kara Michelle Fowler (‘09) and Matthew Yates, 1/3/09 in Greenville, NC. They live in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Amanda Eudy (‘08), Lindsay Stanford (‘07, MSA ‘08), Shelby Swinburne (‘08) and Heather Weygant (‘09).

Births/Adoptions

Joseph J. Steffen Jr. (‘79) and Janet Steffen, Savannah, GA: a son, Liam Emerson. He joins his sister, Amelie (4).

Greg A. Eller (‘83) and Melissa Eller, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Stacey Lee. 2/18/09. She joins her brothers, Grant (14) and Nicholas (12).

Scott Fitzgerald (‘83) and Pilar Fitzgerald, Weston, FL: a daughter, Anne Marie. 1/12/10.

Sarah Wolff (‘87) and Josh Rogers, New York: a son, Isaac Nathan. 1/5/10.


Christopher R. Ryan (‘88) and Francesca Ryan, Bethesda, MD: a daughter, Claire Frances. 12/7/09.

Walt Stone (‘88) and Lisa Stone, Chesterfield, VA: a son, Peyton Steven. 11/20/09. He joins his brother, Henry (3).

Pamela Muller Swartzberg (‘88) and Mark Swartzberg, Franklin Lakes, NJ: adopted a son, Joseph Henry Tao Feng (3 1/2) from China. He joins his sisters, Anna, Allyson and Mary, and brothers, Peter, Matthew and Joshua.

Mark Gessner (‘91) and Patricia Murren Gessner (‘96), Atlanta: a son, Brady. 2/24/09. He joins his brothers, Riley (13) and Jack (9).

Joanne Swanson Henley (‘91, MDiv ’02) and Thomas Henley, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Ashleigh Grace. 11/7/09.

Tracy Stickney (‘91) and partner Megan Stickney, Byfield, MA: a son, Boden Sumner. 9/14/09. He joins his sister, Tatum (5), and brother, Hawk (2 1/2).

Jill Center (‘92) and Steven Peil, Washington, DC: a son, Leo. 11/21/09.

Kelly Kilroy Foley (‘92) and Scott Foley, Baltimore: a daughter, Alice Kelly. 11/17/09. She joins her brother, Liam (2), and sister, Julia (2).

Richard Russell Foust (‘92, JD ’00) and Tammi Foust, Trinity, NC: a daughter, Madison Rhylee. 10/26/09.

Dana Newbolt Storsberg (‘92) and Marc Storsberg, St. Louis: a daughter, Lena Katherine. 8/20/09.

Steven William Braskamp (‘93) and Caroline Gupton Braskamp (‘97), Allen, TX: a son, William Paul. 11/21/09. He joins his sister, Sophia (3).

Thomas A. Bissette (‘94, JD ’97) and Rachelle Bissette, Cornelius, NC: a daughter, Bernice Kathryn. 3/2/10. The proud grandparents are Lou (65) and Sara Bissette.


Alexander Joseph Davit III (‘94) and Flavia Davit, Johnstown, PA: a daughter, Ana Sofia Evangelista. 2/18/10.

Letishia Seabrook Jones (‘94) and Manson Jones, Lawrenceville, GA: a daughter, Mia Joy. 11/27/09.

Nicole Fumo Marrone (‘94) and Christian Marrone, Arlington, VA: a daughter, Lily Alexandra. 10/6/09. She joins her sisters, Charlotte (4) and Emily (3).

Rodney Perdue (‘94) and Angela Collins Perdue (‘94), Clemons, NC: a daughter, Sophia Marie. 12/3/09. She joins her sisters, Kristina (6) and Katherine (3).

Charlita C. Cardwell (‘95) and Martaz R. Moore, New York: a daughter, Channing. 2/9/10.

Samantha Moore Haire (‘95) and Paul Haire, Charleston, SC: a daughter, Sydney Quinn. 11/6/09.

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Amy Barnard Hughes (’95) and John McCaskill Hughes (’96), Denver: twins sons, David Armstrong and Matthew Jones. 10/11/09. They join their brothers, Jack (5) and Ryan (4).

James Stewart Morrison (’95) and Christine Morrison, Boston: twin sons, MacEwen Stewart and Cameron Patterson. 9/14/09

Allison Reid (’95) and Robert Warrington, Charlotte, NC: a son, Samuel Reid. 9/22/09

Megan McLaughlin Beaubien (’96) and Louis Beaubien, Providence, RI: twin sons, Evan and Ian. 2/6/09

Craig Buszko (’96) and Elaine Buszko, Melbourne, Australia: a daughter, Jasmine Emma.

Melissa Boddy Rareshide (’96) and Steve Rareshide, Advance, NC: a daughter, Olivia Hiern. 10/6/09

Jennifer L. Sne Winthrop (’96) and Dudley Winthrop, Washington, DC: a daughter, Serafina Margaret Wood. 12/4/09. She joins her sister, Kay Taylor Louise (2).

Marc Wisehart (’96) and Tasha Cox Wisehart (’96), Marietta, GA: a daughter, Amy Diane. 2/7/10. She joins her brother, Carson Edward (3).

Frederick Way Booth III (’97) and Kristin Booth, Wallingford, CT: a daughter, Alexis Rose. 12/19/09. She joins her brothers, Connor (5) and Kellen (3).

Owen Bouton (’97) and Merrie Hatch Bouton (’97, MSA ’98), Dunwoody, GA: a daughter, Kathleen Capers. 11/16/09. She joins her sisters, Presley (5) and Hannah Blanche (3).

Lash Burton Briggs (’97, MBA ’99) and Alice Briggs, Asheville, NC: a son, Lash Burton II. 12/9/09

Jennifer Singleton Fox (’97) and Brian Fox, Hendersonville, NC: a daughter, Katie Grace. 6/12/09. She joins her sister, Anna (2).

Ellen Gores Lewis (’97) and Mark Lewis, Newton, MA: a son, Oliver James. 1/21/10. He joins his sister, Arail (2).

Ashley Bunnell Livingston (’97) and Christopher David Livingston, Dallas: a son, Zachary Christie. 10/12/09. He joins his brother, Schuyler (5).

Geoffrey Michael (’97) and Heidi Michael, Alexandria, VA: a son, Alexander Murdy. 2/4/10

Tiffany Mitzman White (’97) and Benjamin H. White III (’98, JD ’02), Winston-Salem: a son, Emery Joseph. 2/16/10

Nicole Baldwin Beale (’98, MAEd ’02) and Seth Beale, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Evelyn Elizabeth. 1/5/09

Leo G. Beckmann III (’98) and Dani Beckmann, Savannah, GA: a son, Raiford Lee. 10/16/09. He joins his brother, Andrew.

Emily Abernathy Beefer (’98) and John Beefer, Arlington, VA: twin daughters, Margaret Alice and Kathleen Louise. 1/30/10

Jay S. Blount (’98) and Amy Blount, Morehead City, NC: a daughter, Olivia Grace. 9/24/09

Amy Pyles Edwards (’98) and Matt Edwards, Alpharetta, GA: a daughter, Ansley Allison. 1/13/10. She joins her brothers, Jacob (6) and Owen (4).

Kara Censich Errington (’98) and Brad Errington, Madison, NJ: a son, Keaton Andrew. 10/7/09. He joins his sister, Ellison (3).

Carmen Vaughn Ganjehsani (’98) and Warren Ganjehsani, Lexington, SC: a daughter, Corinne Christie. 10/21/09. She joins her sister, Arianna (3).

Gregory David Habeeb (’98, JD ‘01) and Christy Brendle Habeeb (’00), Salem, VA: a daughter, Anna Elizabeth. 7/31/09. She joins her brothers, Daniel (4) and William (2).

Joy Vermillion Heinsohn (’98) and Ben Heinsohn, Winston-Salem: a son, Lincoln Benjamin. 12/11/09

Kevin Kuntz (’98, MSA ‘99) and Norma Kuntz, Alexandria, VA: a son, Benjamin. 9/12/09

Sara Hicks Malone (’98) and Charlie Malone (’99), Nashville, TN: a daughter, Adah Voss. 10/29/09. She joins her brother, Gram (2).

Laura Kirby Murdock (’98) and James Brian Murdock, Charlotte, NC: a son, James Troughton. 12/20/09. He joins his brother, Colin (3).

Angela MeClereth Ojibway (’98) and Brady Ojibway, Marietta, GA: a daughter, Kaylen Ryan. 3/5/10. She joins her sister, Sydney (2).

Amy Bassett Patz (’98) and Ron Patz, Huntersville, NC: a daughter, Emma Caroline. 10/19/09. She joins her brother, Logan (2).

Catherine McCandless Raué (’98) and Paul-Erik Raué, Chesterbrook, PA: a son, Aleksander Mills. 11/15/09

Ralph W. Sevellius Jr. (’98) and Julie Sevellius, Wesley Chapel, FL: a daughter, Tessa Holloway. 10/22/09. She joins her brother, Luke (2).

Jeremy Weber (’98) and Julie Mitchell Weber (’98), Chicago: a daughter, Clara Mae. 1/1/09

Erin Taylor Anderson (’99) and Steven Anderson (MD ’02), Boise, NC: twin daughters, Lilly Elizabeth and Claire Elizabeth. 7/21/09. They join their sister, Anna Grace (4).

Kimberly Dynan Aviles (’99) and Albert Aviles, Los Angeles: a son, Milo Christopher. 10/3/09

Branding Fifer (’99, MSA ’00) and Lyn Fifer, Roswell, GA: a daughter, Emma Avery. 12/17/09

Gin Watson Jenkins (’99, MSA ’00) and Howard Jenkins, Alexandria, VA: a daughter, Scott Lee. 3/12/10. She joins her brother, Howard (3).

Darren Linvill (’99, MA ‘02) and Claiborne Heilman Linvill (’02), Clemson, SC: a daughter, Sylvia Ruth. 10/8/09

Scott Loyek (’99) and Laura Murray Loyek (’99), Raleigh, NC: a son, William Gillen. 11/2/09

Michael Luken (’99) and Elizabeth Graff Luken (’99), Kittery, ME: a son, Samuel Todd. He joins his brother, Evan (2 1/2).

Heather Hinkle Marella (’99) and John Marella, Fenton, MO: twin sons, Brian William and Chad Richard. 10/13/09

Sarah Langley Wilde (’99, MSA ’00) and Patrick Wilde, Charlotte, NC: a son, Bryson Shepard. 9/2/09

Kristin Hemric Baczic (’00) and Damian Baczic, Santa Clara, CA: a daughter, Rose Marie. 12/28/09. She joins her brother, Joseph Louis (2).

Ann McAdams Bumgardner (’00) and Richard Bumgardner, Wilmington, NC: a daughter, Elizabeth Clare. 9/14/09. She joins her brother, William (2).

Lacy Huffaker Cahill (’00) and Kevin Cahill (’01), Denver, CO: a daughter, Grace Noel. 12/7/09

Brent Donald Cann (’00) and Megan Eaton Cann (’00), Atlanta: a daughter, Madeline Rebecca. 1/15/10. She joins her sister, Clara Hulton (2 1/2).

Crystal Simms Carroll (’00) and Christopher Carroll II, Atlanta: a son, Christopher III. 11/18/09

Angela Moratti Cocker (’00) and John Cocker, Arlington, VA: a son, George Louis. 5/8/09

Paula Decker Currall (’00) and Alex Currall, Alexandria, VA: a daughter, Jane Abigail. 8/3/09

James Robert Faucher (’00) and Emily Faucher, Greensboro, NC: a daughter, Audrey DeHart. 12/5/09. She joins her sister, Mary Katherine (3).
Jill Webster Lassiter ('00) and Justin Lassiter, Bridgewater, VA: a son, Cullen James. 1/26/10. He joins his brothers, Jax (6) and Ethan (2), and sister, Katya (4).

John Leonard ('00) and Suzanne DuBose Leonard ('00), Centreville, VA: a daughter, Julia Margaret. 11/23/09

Margaret Linton Mattax ('00) and Sam T. Mattax ('01), Charleston, SC: a daughter, Caroline Grier. 10/9/09. She joins her sisters, Eliza (4) and Lucy (2).

Valerie Parker Mirshak ('00) and Brian Mirshak ('01), Durham, NC: a son, Benjamin Donald. 12/21/09. He joins his brother, Samuel (3).

Chris Mixter ('00) and Bronwyn Mixter, Arlington, VA: a son, Owen Davis. 12/15/09

Alison Sigmon Parrella ('00) and Brian Parrella ('01), Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Samantha Brinkley. 8/24/09

Brendan Reichs ('00) and Emily Quimby Reichs ('01), Charlotte, NC: a son, Henry Charles. 12/20/09

Tiffany Kassab Williams ('00) and Freddie Williams, Greenville, SC: a son, Kassab James. 3/11/10

Elizabeth McClelland Boone ('01) and Bob Boone, Austin, TX: a son, Robert McClelland. 5/5/09

Alyson Beacham Davis ('01, MSA '02) and Jarrett Davis, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Mackenzie Grace. 7/3/09

Kevin Dillon ('01) and Kerry Church Dillon ('01), New York: a son, Charles Kane. 9/30/09

Beth Mabe Gianopulos (JD '01) and Michael Gianopulos, Kernersville, NC: a son, Joshua Elliott. 1/21/10. He joins his brother, Jacob Alexander (6), and sister, Maria Elizabeth (4).

Luke Campbell Iglehart ('01) and Jaime Francis Iglehart ('01), Vienna, VA: a son, Evan James. 12/28/09

Michael Scott Mitchell ('01) and Joan Ferran Mitchell ('02, MAEd '03), Birmingham, AL: a son, Blake Harper. 1/16/10

Melissa Wellman Norman ('01, MAEd '04) and Benjamin R. Norman (JD '04), Greensboro, NC: a daughter, Miller Ann. 10/31/09

Matt Price ('01) and Caroline Price, Atlanta: a son, Cameron Geddes. 12/15/09

Kevin L. Taylor ('01, MD '06) and Joelle Elise Taylor, Winston-Salem: a son, Warren Breck. 9/8/09

Owen Taylor ('01) and Laura Pridgen Taylor ('01), Charlotte, NC: a son, Oliver Boyd. 12/12/09

Chris Carlstrom ('02) and Laurie Carlstrom, Colorado Springs, CO: a son, Nicholas. 10/4/09

Meredith Boak Christides ('02) and Jason Christides, Chester Springs, PA: a daughter, Haley Renee. 12/23/09

Lauren Linfante DeAlexander (MBA '02) and Brian DeAlexander, Jacksonville, FL: twins, Benton Xavier and Katherine Vachar. 11/30/09

Susan Czaplicki Den Herder ('02) and Nathan Den Herder, Falls Church, VA: a daughter, Molly Jayne. 10/16/09. She joins her brother, William Parker (2).

Mary Claire Hall ('02) and J. David Hall, Ft. Worth, TX: a son, Samuel Peyton. 2/2/10

Theodore J. “Jamie” Hovda III (MS '02) and Margaret Davis Hovda ('02), Durham, NC: a daughter, Annaliese Helene. 11/5/09

Paul Pearson ('02) and Erin Marietta Pearson ('02), Austin, TX: a son, Cooper Forest. 11/3/09

John S. Perkins ('02) and Melissa Bryce Perkins ('02, MSA '02), Dallas: a son, William Edward. 12/1/09

Amanda C. Morton Redick ('02) and Thomas S. Redick ('03), Atlanta: a daughter, Hadley Elizabeth. 12/9/09

George Vrettos ('02, MSA '02) and Francesca Vrettos, Doylestown, PA: a son, John Vasili. 3/16/10

John R. Zoesch III ('02) and Amy Daniel Zoesch ('03, MSA '04), Pensacola, FL: a son, William Daniel. 11/18/09

David McDaniel ('03) and Sarah Cucinella-McDaniel ('03), Denver: a son, Elliott James. 1/30/09

Meredith Carroll McSwain ('03) and Bryan Walker McSwain, Wilmington, NC: a son, Bennett Henry. 5/3/09

Christopher Meister (JD '03) and Whitney Sedwick Meister (JD '03), Phoenix, AZ: a son, Henry Rasmussen. 5/19/09

Amber Stachniak Parker ('03) and Derek Parker ('04), Ashland, VA: a son, Ian. 10/20/09

Christopher Davies Rolle Jr. ('03) and Jessica Lynn Ryan Rolle ('04), Sarasota, FL: a daughter, Gemma Lynn. 11/10/09. She joins her brother, Davie (2), and sister, Gracie (2).

Katherine McNulty Stricker (JD '03) and Greg Stricker, Leesville, LA: a daughter, Charlotte Marie. 2/10/10

Katherin Niemiec Van Lenten ('03) and Kevin Van Lenten, Nutley NJ: a daughter, Cara Jean. 10/25/09

Patrick Kelly (JD '04) and Julie Bassett Kelly (JD '04), Scarborough, ME: a daughter, Sophie Blake. 12/3/09

Scott S. Poelman (JD '04) and Heidi N. Poelman (MA '04), Salt Lake City: a daughter, Adylin Claire. 3/19/10. She joins her brother, Zachary (4), and sister, Ella (2).

John Collins (MBA '05) and Amy Collins, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Sarah Elaine. 1/27/10. She joins her sister, Jenna (3 1/2).

Ryan Fothergill (JD '05) and Karen Gjerdrum Fothergill (JD '05), Santa Maria, CA: a daughter, Molly Margaret Louise. 1/8/10

Ashley Liu Kirkman (JD/MBA '06) and Michael Kirkman, Atlanta: a daughter, Lily Ariel. 9/18/09

Phillip Todd Latham (MBA '06) and Kelly A. Latham (MBA '06), Alexandria, VA: a son, Phillip Theodore II. 3/21/10

Deaths

Woodrow Franklin Haywood ('33), Jan. 5, 2010, High Point, NC. He opened an insurance business in High Point in 1934 and served on the Guilford County Insurance Advisory Committee from 1978 until his death. He was treasurer of First Baptist Church of High Point for 60 years.

Marl Ellis Ray ('35), March 4, 2010, Raleigh, NC. He received his master’s in structural engineering from N.C. State University. He was a draftsman with the N.C. Highway Division, an engineer in the Tennessee Valley Authority and an instructor in the Civil Engineering Department at N.C. State. He was a structural engineer at William Henley Deitrick and at Crampton & Associates. He retired after 23 years as a civil and structural engineer at L.E. Wooten & Co.

Charles R. Jervis ('37), Jan. 6, 2010, Bartow, FL. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He retired as an industrial relations manager from IMC Phosphate after 32 years of service. He loved playing the piano, gardening, photography and writing. After retirement, he became a clockmaker for friends and family.

Millard Edwin Gambrell Jr. ('38), Nov. 1, 2009, Macon, GA. He served in the U.S. Navy and retired as a commander. He was president of the United Otomy Association and was a 45-year colon cancer survivor. He retired after 35 years with Southern Bell. He enjoyed gardening, fishing and traveling.
Clarence E. Roberts (’39), Nov. 24, 2009, Raleigh, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received five Battle Stars. He was a dentist in Dunn, NC, from 1946 to 2006.

Ivey Bernard Shive (’39), Dec. 19, 2009, Monroe, NC. He received his principal’s certificate from UNC-Chapel Hill before serving during World War II. He was a principal for 30 years at Millingport Schools in Stanly County, Mt. Gilead in Montgomery County and retired in 1976 from Monroe High School. He served as a councilman and mayor pro-tem on the Monroe City Council for 16 years and was a member of the Mt. Gilead and Monroe Civitan Clubs. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy. He is survived by a son, Dan (’67), a grandson, and two great-granddaughters.

George Walton Fisher Jr., (’40, MD ’43), March 15, 2010, Laurinburg, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II and practiced medicine in Elizabethtown, Fayetteville and Shallotte, NC. He specialized in ophthalmology and was co-founder of Valley Eye Clinic in Fayetteville. He was preceded in death by a sister and two brothers, including Stewart (’49). He is survived by his wife, Ershel; three sons, Jim, John (’71) and Jack; a brother, Billy (’50); two sisters, Margaret and Kitty; and four grandchildren.

Aileen Padgett Harrill (’40), Dec. 30, 2009, Shelby, NC. She received her master’s in English from Appalachian State University and taught English for 33 years. She retired in 1975 from Crest High School. She was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh F. Harrill (’40). She is survived by a son, Richard; a daughter, Barbara Hawkins (’53); five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Paul Preston Hinkle Sr. (’40), Nov. 26, 2009, Salisbury, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received the Purple Heart. He taught history at Biltmore College, was a Rowan County Veterans Service officer, the register of deeds for Rowan County and the postmaster for 27 years. He was a member of the Lions Club, the Elks Lodge, and the VFW Post 3006 and treasurer of the Rowan County Veterans Council for over 50 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rebecca, and a son, Paul Jr. (’68, JD ’73). His survivors include three daughters, Becky, Jean and Sarah.

Wiley Leon Lane Jr. (’40, JD ’42), Jan. 3, 2010, Wilson, NC. He worked for the federal government for five years and practiced law in Wilson from 1947 until his retirement in 2003. He was active in community affairs for the Young Democrats, Wilson Jaycees, Wilson County Boy Scouts and the Eastern N.C. Scout Council. He enjoyed traveling, fishing, hunting and golf. He is survived by his wife, Susan; two daughters; a son; two grandchildren; and a brother, Julian Lane (’42).

Garrett H. Valentine (’40), Dec. 3, 2009, Bowie, MD. He was a veteran of World War II and a retired certified public accountant. He is survived by his wife and four children.

Fred Wiley Cormell (’41), March 5, 2010, Lewisburg, PA. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a draftsman at American Bridge, worked for several steel companies in Virginia and for Milton Manufacturing in Lewisburg. He was part of an employee group that purchased the mill and later sold it to North Star Steel Co., ending his 51 years in the steel business. He served 12 years as director of West Milton State Bank.
Ralph Barksdale Dysart (‘41), Nov. 3, 2009, Dallas, TX. He served in the U.S. Army as a master sergeant during World War II. He was a pharmaceutical sales representative and worked for his father’s company, S.B. Penick, for 27 years before moving on to other lines.

James Elisha Furr Jr. (‘41), Jan. 23, 2010, Wilmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Dental Corps during World War II. He began a general dentistry practice in 1947 and, after further study, he limited his practice to orthodontics. He retired in 1991. He is survived by his wife, Lois; three sons, James, Lee (‘70) and Richard; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a brother, Robert Furr (‘50).

William C. Phillips (‘41), Jan. 2, 2010, of Hamden, CT, and West Cape May, NJ. He was an ordained Baptist minister and received a master’s in social work from Columbia University. He worked two years with the Jewish Board of Guardians in New York and retired in 1990 as chief psychiatric social worker after 40 years with Yale University Health Services. He was co-founder and had a clinical private practice with the Counseling Service of Central Connecticut and was a fellow of Branford College at Yale.

Charles Thomas Wheeler Jr. (‘41), Nov. 4, 2009, Advance, NC. He was retired from Chatham Manufacturing in Elkin, NC.

Charles Preston Godwin (‘42), Feb. 14, 2010, Rocky Mount, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean War. He received his DDS from the Emory University Dental School. After his military career, he opened a dental practice in Rocky Mount where he practiced for 65 years. He was a member and served on the N.C. Dental Society, the American Dental Society, the National Dental Ethics Committee, the Willie DeMerit Study Club and the Edgecombe-Nash-Halifax Dental Society. He is survived by his wife, Betty; four children; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Charles W. Nanney (‘42), Nov. 22, 2009, Forest City, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and kept his passion for flying. He completed a degree in textile engineering and was in the Industrial Engineering Department of Spindale Mills. He graduated from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY, and pastoral Sweesponton Baptist Church near Burlington, NC, Hampton Heights Baptist Church in Greenville, SC, and retired in 1981 from First Baptist Church in Newberry, SC. After retirement he served as an interim pastor for several churches; composed, published and recorded sermons; and wrote and published a family history.

He was preceded in death by his father, Albert H. Nanney (1907); his wife, Rachel; and his second wife, Grace. He is survived by three daughters, Judith Ginn (‘68), Lisa and Tracy; two grandchildren, Adam Ginn (‘96, MD ’00) and Stuart Ginn; and four great-grandchildren.

Bryce Baxter Iley (‘43), Nov. 15, 2009, Harrisburg, NC. His business career included the Federal Reserve Bank, American Trust Co., International Harvester Co. and State Farm Insurance where he was an agent for 43 years. He was a member of the Lions Club, Masonic Lodge and Providence Baptist Church.

Robert Lee Milholen (‘43), Jan. 13, 2010, Deltona, FL. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and attained the rank of Sergeant Major. He was a theatre manager in Florence, SC, until 1958. He moved to Daytona Beach and became a salesman for Mail Pouch Tobacco Co., Eli Witt and Sears.

Robert W. Abrams (‘44), Dec. 31, 2009, Boiling Springs, NC. He received his MDiv from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served as director of admissions, director of church relations and registrar in his 23 years with Gardner-Webb University. He was a pastor and interim pastor for churches in North and South Carolina.

Wray E. “Brad” Bradley (‘44), March 20, 2010, Sand Springs, OK, and Anchorage, AK. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and had two tours in Vietnam. He received the Purple Heart. He was an Alaska state senator from 1975 to 1982, former Anchorage assemblyman, and former president and board member of the Olde Persons Actions Group. He was instrumental in establishing the State of Alaska Veterans Memorial in Denali State Park and the first chapter of Alaska’s Disabled American Veterans.

Iris Willis Burnett (‘44), Feb. 23, 2010, Charlotte, NC. She taught in the same room at Black Mountain Grammar School where she had been a first-grader. She loved painting, reading, stamp collecting, traveling and gardening. She received a life membership in the Garden Club of North Carolina. She and her husband retired to Pinehurst for 15 years and then returned to Charlotte in 1999. In 2007, she was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Thomas J.M. Burnett (‘45, MD ’46). She is survived by her children, Dianne Sanchez (‘70), Mike, Beth McGinley and Tom (’81); six grandchildren, including sophomore Thomas McGinley; and a brother, Wesley Dean Willis (‘43).

Martha Allen Turnage (‘44), Jan. 5, 2010, Williamsburg, VA. In 1943 the Old Gold & Black wrote she was the first female “invited to join the local chapter of Pi Kappa Delta ... and the first female member to represent Wake Forest in any varsity debate tournament.” She was preceded in death by her husband, James Robert Turnage (‘43). After his death she earned her master’s at William & Mary College and became director of the Job Preparedness Center at Virginia Highlands Community College. She worked at Mountain Empire Community College in Big Stone Gap and J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College in Richmond. She served as vice president of George Mason University from 1978 to 1984 and retired as vice president of Ohio University in 1992. She is survived by two daughters, Sherrod Sturrock and Barbara Popovic; two sons, James Russell and Charles Clifton (‘80); eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

E.C. Watson Jr. (‘44), Sept 14, 2009, Elgin, SC. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Ann; two daughters; a son; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Louis Guaracini (‘46), Dec. 19, 2009, Vineland, NJ. He was the founder and president of Vineland Shop-Rite Supermarkets, originally the Guaracini Meat Market. His companies included Grocer One, Realty One, Shop-Rite Liquor Warehouse Millville/Vineyard One and Joseph Pontiac Auto Dealership. He served in the National Guard.

Crate Harrison Jones Jr. (‘46), March 31, 2010, Durham, NC. He graduated from The Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, KY, and was pastor of Rolesville Baptist from 1958 to 1965. He moved to Durham in 1965 and was pastor of Angier Avenue Baptist until 1987 and then served as an interim pastor for many churches. He authored several books and loved sharing his artwork with friends.

Clarence McCla McCluskey (MD ’46), March 15, 2010, Shelby, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II and the Korean War. He was a specialist in internal medicine in Shelby and eventually joined other doctors to form Shelby Medical Associates. He retired in 1989. He was chief of staff of Cleveland Memorial Hospital and president of the Cleveland County Medical Society. He enjoyed golf, fishing and reading. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; his children, Clarence Jr. (’71), Julia, John, and Joseph; and his grandchildren.
Charles O. Giles ('47), Feb. 24, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a teacher and coach at Clemmons School, taught sixth grade at Ardmore Elementary, and was head of the ICT program at West Forsyth High School. He retired after 32 years and enjoyed playing golf and volunteering at the Food Bank.

James Frank Hammett Jr. (MD ’47), Dec. 12, 2009, Athens, GA. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps and started a general medical practice in 1951 in Waynesville, NC. He added an anesthesiology specialty in 1955. He was chair of the anesthesia department of Haywood County Hospital and retired in 1985. He served on church and community committees and was named the 1993 Lay Person of the Year for the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church. He and his wife, Doris, were named philanthropists of the year in 2004 by the Haywood County Community Foundation.

Thomas A. Kornegay Sr. ('47), Feb. 7, 2010, Troy, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a dentist, a member of the Troy Rotary Club and a pilot. He enjoyed woodworking. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Frances; one son, Thomas Jr. ('82); and two grandchildren.

Thomas Willis Creed ('48), March 14, 2010, Greensboro, NC. He was a student manager for the 1945-46 football team. His team members affectionately called him “Crush Creed” and “Dynamite Creed” for his courage in overcoming disabilities.

Charles Edward Sharp ('48), Jan. 14, 2010, New Bern, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received a Purple Heart. He graduated from the Yale University Divinity School and spent a year of postgraduate study at Virginia Theological Seminary. He was ordained to the Order of Priest in the Episcopal Church in 1952 and served several mission churches, was a college curate at St. Paul’s in Greenville, NC, and served as rector for seven years at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Beaufort, NC. He became rector of Christ Church in New Bern, NC, in 1962, and retired in 1991 as rector emeritus.

Warren Woodlief Smith Sr. (’48), March 13, 2010, Louisburg, NC. He was a teacher and coach at Epsom High School and Edward Best High School, a principal at Edward Best and superintendent of Franklin County Schools for 23 years. He spent 44 years in education. After retirement he served as a part-time math instructor at Kirkville College. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, was a member of the Louisburg Lions Club and was named Man of the Year by the Louisburg Rotary Club. In 1989 he was honored by Edward Best with the naming of the Warren W. Smith Classroom Building. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty. He is survived by a son, a daughter and three grandchildren, including Paul McNamara (JD ’03).

William Alexander Wood (’48), Dec. 9, 2009, Gainesville, GA. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II. He graduated from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and had a practice for 43 years in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Marcia; five children: William Jr. (’72), MD ’81), Laurie, David, James and Mary; and 10 grandchildren.

Joseph Blair Woodward (’48), Jan. 28, 2010, Cary, NC. He received his master’s from UNC-Chapel Hill and served in the U.S. Navy. He was a high school teacher for 42 years in Bunn and Charlotte, NC, Florida and Hawaii.

Betty Fay Ballinger (’49), March 10, 2010, Pueblo, CO. She graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. She taught at Pleasant View Baptist Church for four years and worked in the medical records department of Colorado State Hospital for 16 years.

Clarence L. Gantt (’49, MD ’52), Feb. 26, 2010, Cleveland, OH. He was a veteran of World War II, held two patents and wrote a book of poetry. He was an associate professor at the University of Chicago, a professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and vice president of the Abbott Pharmaceutical Research Department. He spent 15 years in a private practice specializing in nephrology and endocrinology in Joliet, IL, before his retirement.

Henry Carlyle Isaacs (’49), Nov. 8, 2009, Birmingham, AL. He served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps during World War II. He received his JD from the University of Alabama and was an attorney for 50 years. He enjoyed vintage convertible cars and the Big Band era music.

Edwin Lee Pierce (’49, MD ’52), Dec. 25, 2009, Raleigh NC. He is survived by his wife, Judy; three sons, Paul, David and Tim (’92); two daughters, Kathy and Beth; four grandchildren; and a brother, Hubert Pierce (’54, MD ’58).

Walter Boyd Beeker Sr. (”50), Jan. 20, 2010, Lexington, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He received his master’s from Appalachian State University and was retired from the Thomasville City School System. He was a former principal at Southmont Elementary School. He was preceded in death by a son, Ike. He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann; two sons, Walter Jr. (’81) and William; a daughter, Adele; and five grandchildren.

Edward William Bradley Sr. (’50), Dec. 30, 2009, Stratford, CT. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He played minor league baseball in Goldsboro, NC, where a Wake Forest alum convinced him to attend college. He played football at Wake Forest with “Peahead” Walker, played three seasons with the Chicago Bears, and four seasons with the Montreal Alouettes under “Peahead” in the Canadian League. After retiring from football, he worked as a personnel manager with Sikorsky Aircraft and Pratt & Whitney before changing his career to carpentry. He is survived by two children, Ed Bradley Jr. (’72) and Linda Miller, and five grandchildren.

William Richard Eaton (’50), Nov. 3, 2009, Yadkinville, NC.

Wilbur K. Massey (’50), March 3, 2010, Raleigh, NC. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He retired after 33 years with Wachovia as vice president of retail loan administration. He was preceded in death by his father, Hilliard Joshua Massey (1905-1980), and his uncle, Joseph Preston Massey (1918).

Vernon Martin Mustian (’50, MD ’58), March 14, 2010, Lexington, SC. He had to put his college education on hold to serve in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He played basketball and was on the baseball team in the finals of the NCAA College World Series in 1949. He played for the Tobacco State League and Coastal Plain League before enrolling in medical school. He was a neurologist in Greenville, SC, until his retirement in 1989. He loved hunting, his honeybees and fishing. He was preceded in death by a son, Vernon (’80). He is survived by his wife, Sarah; a son, Benjamin (’97); two daughters, Laura Anderson (’89) and Jo Ann (’75); and grandchildren, including William Mustian (’09).

Memorials may be made to St. John’s Episcopal Church in Columbia, SC, the South Carolina Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association, or the Wake Forest University Athletic Department, 499 Deacon Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27105.

Thomas Lee Clark (’51), Feb. 22, 2010, Wilmington, DE. He served in the U.S. Army and was a retired corporate lawyer with DuPont. He is survived by a sister-in-law, Louise Turner Clark (’51), and two nieces. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, PO Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011 or to Wake Forest University, University Advancement, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227.
Janice Young Crouch (’51), Jan. 4, 2010, Macon, GA. She had a degree in creative painting from the University of Louisville and painted portraits, landscapes and artistic interpretations. She shared in her husband’s Baptist ministry in Kentucky, Mississippi and North Carolina. She was preceded in death by her husband, Deborah, and a brother, John Young (’59). She is survived by her husband of 60 years, William Henry Crouch Sr. (’49); her children, Rebecca, William Jr. (’73), Thomas (’78), and Sarah; 12 grandchildren including Graham Crouch (’03); six great-grandchildren; and a brother, T. Ralph Young Jr. (’53).

Helen Porter Stewart (’51), June 22, 2009, Norwood, NC. She was a retired teacher, business owner and member of Red Hill Baptist Church.

Robert Samuel Weathers (’51, JD ’53), March 9, 2010, Greensboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Counter Intelligence Corps and worked in the insurance industry. He served for 10 years as assistant attorney general for the N.C. Department of Justice and was assistant district attorney in the 9th District. After retirement from the state government, he had a private legal practice. He was a Mason for 50 years.

Robert Kenneth Whitlock Sr. (’51), Nov. 29, 2009, Salisbury, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He received his master’s in elementary education and school administration from Appalachian State University. He taught for four years with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school system and then for 25 years he served as principal for Rama Road, Statesville Road, Merry Oaks and Villa Heights elementary schools before retirement. He was a member of the national and local Blind Veteran Association and the National Federation of the Blind.

Albert N. Corpening Jr. (’52, MD ’55), Feb. 9, 2010, Youngsville, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and was retired from his Youngsville medical practice. He was preceded in death by his mother, Opal, and father, Albert N. Corpening Sr. (’23, MA ’25). He is survived by his wife, Mary Patterson Corpening (’52); three children; six grandchildren; and a sister. Memorials may be made to Youngsville Baptist Church, PO Box 297, Youngsville, NC 27596, the Wake Forest College Birthplace Society, PO Box 494, Wake Forest, NC 27588, or Heartland Hospice, 3200 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27604.

W. Ray Daniels (’52), Feb. 4, 2010, Raleigh, NC. He was a retired district manager with Carolina Power & Light (Progress Energy).

Virginia Overman Greene (’52), March 14, 2010, Boone, NC. She taught English for 45 years in Sampson County, at Campbell University and the Wilkes County School System. She and her husband owned and operated the Hereford Barn and The Brownwood Lodge in Watauga County. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Lee Greene (’45, MA ’48). She is survived by two sons and a grandson.

Calvin B. Peacock Jr. (’52), Jan. 28, 2010, Rocky Mount, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and was with Southwestern Life Insurance Co. for 45 years. He was ordained as a minister in 1972 and served as pastor of Christ Fellowship Church in Rocky Mount for nearly 40 years.

Lloyd Kenyon Rector (’52, JD ’53), March 22, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was a second lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General Corps. After a brief private legal practice in Granite Falls, NC, he returned to the Army, advancing to brigadier general. He earned 14 medals and commendations and after retiring in 1984, he served as the director of continuing education for the Wake Forest School of Law until 1996. He is survived by two sons, Neil Kenyon (’80) and Kyle Thomas; a daughter, Carole Bankhead (’83, MBA ’91); and two grandchildren.

Kate Dunn Weaver Barrow (’53), March 5, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Jim Weaver, former athletic director at Wake Forest from 1937 to 1954, and her second husband, Harold M. Barrow, former chair of physical education at Wake Forest until 1975. She worked with the N.C. Symphony, Thomasville Chair Co., and the WPA Project in Tillery, NC. She taught school in Youngsville, NC, worked in the UNC-Greensboro Counseling Center for Women, the Board of Stewards at Christ Methodist Church, and served on the council on the Status of Women. She is survived by her daughter, Florence Stacy Weaver (’61); a stepson, John C. Barrow; a stepdaughter, Ann Barrow Weiler; two grandchildren, Erika Ruzzeedu and David Barrow (’98); and five great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Kate Dunn/Florence Weaver Scholarship at Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Winston-Salem or to a charity of your choice.

Russel Gentry (’53), Feb. 8, 2010, Macomb, MI. He retired in 1999 after 35 years as an accounting administrator for General Motors Corp. He was an avid golfer, skier and tennis player.

George M. Holmes (’53), Dec. 31, 2009, Hamptonville, NC. He was president and co-owner of WN Ireland Insurance Agency. He was a N.C. state representative for 32 years. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; a daughter, Jennifer Crawley (’79, MD ’83) and her husband, Sidney Crawley (’79, MD ’83); and three grandchildren, Amanda (’06), Jennifer and Megan. Memorials may be made in his memory in honor of Dr. John Owen, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Comprehensive Cancer Center, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

Charles Edward Parker (’53), Jan. 21, 2010, Florence, SC. He received his MA from Western Carolina University and a master’s of mathematics from the University of South Carolina. He served in the U.S. Air Force and taught public school in Tryon and Charlotte, NC. He joined the faculty of Francis Marion University in 1972 and retired as assistant professor of mathematics in 1996.


Franklin Lee Burton (’54), Feb. 20, 2010, Greensboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. He retired after 30 years in the planning department of Klopman Mills Burlington Industries.

Howard Fabing Twiggs (’54, JD ’57), March 4, 2010, Raleigh, NC. He was a lawyer for more than 50 years and was still practicing with Twiggs & Mills. He was a member of the American Board of Trial Advocacy. He was a board member and president of the American Association for Justice, served 34 years as a member of the N.C. Advocates for Justice and was president of the Wake County Bar Association and the N.C. Tenth Judicial Bar. He received the Joseph Branch Professionalism Award from the Wake County Bar Association in addition to other awards from the associations he served. He served in the N.C. House of Representatives from 1966 to 1974. He served the University in many ways in addition to the Law Alumni Council and the Board of Visitors and received the Distinguished Alumni Award. He is survived by his wife, Betty; four daughters, Mary Catherine, Jennifer, Elizabeth and Ashley (’00); six grandchildren; and one sister.
William W. Uthlaut (MD ‘54), March 15, 2010, Apopka, FL. He was a flight surgeon stationed in Cherry Point, NC. He practiced family medicine for 45 years in Winter Garden and Winter Park, FL, and was an aviation medical examiner.

Valentine Thompson Winstead (‘54), Feb. 23, 2009, Whiteville, NC. She was predeceased by her husband, Winfred Basil Winstead Jr. (‘55). She is survived by two daughters, eight grandchildren, and a sister, Lou Tucker (‘51).

Edward L. Stevens (MD ‘57), Nov. 20, 2009, Macon, GA. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He interned at Valley Forge Hospital in Pennsylvania and was chief of ophthalmology and otolaryngology at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi before completing his residency at the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital of Tulane University. He began a private practice in Macon in 1963.

Joe Cleveland Layell (‘58), Jan. 26, 2010, Elkin, NC. He was a retired finance officer and tax collector with the Town of Elkin. He loved fishing and trains, was a Boy Scout leader, and a member of the Jaycees and Kiwanis.

Arthur Randolph Palmer (‘58), Jan. 16, 2010, Harrellsville, NC. He attended the U.S. Navy Officer Candidate School and was released as a lieutenant. He was with J.W. York & Co. from 1967 to 1991 and was a sales representative with The Buying Office in Atlanta. After retirement, he worked with Kenyon Bailey Garden Supply in Elizabeth City, NC, and Ace Hardware in Ahoskie, NC.


James Edward Brown (‘59), March 31, 2010, Wilmington, NC. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy Officer Candidate School. He was a pilot and flight instructor until his discharge in 1968 as a lieutenant commander. He and his family moved frequently over the next 16 years while he was in the shipping industry. They settled in Wilmington in 1984, and he retired from the N.C. State Ports Authority in 2002.

Jesse Fulton Buffkin (‘59), Dec. 18, 2009, Lumberton, NC. He was an assistant headmaster who taught math and coached football at Summit Day School. He taught English as a second language and Spanish at Willow Glen High School in San Jose, CA. He enjoyed fishing, photography, travel, and archeology.

Willie Gray Ragsdale (‘59), Feb. 9, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gay. He is survived by two daughters, Kelly Ragsdale Virgil (‘81) and Krista Ragsdale Byrd.

Verona “Ronnie” Swaim (‘59), Feb. 11, 2010, Midlothian, VA. She is survived by three children and seven grandchildren.

Hugh B. Wagner (‘59), Nov. 29, 2009, Florence, SC. His civil service career began with the U.S. Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency in Alabama in 1959 before he transferred to the U.S. Department of Treasury in South Carolina. He served 34 years with the Internal Revenue Service and retired as a collection group manager in 1994. After retirement he worked part-time as a mail carrier with CP&L and as a substitute teacher in the Florence Schools. He served in the Alabama and S.C. Army National Guards and the U.S. Army for 30 years. He retired in 1989 as a colonel. He was a member of the Wake Forest College Birthplace Society.

Robert Neil Chafin (‘60), Jan. 16, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. His survivors include a son, Chris Chafin (‘83).

Carolyn “Susie” Denning Cooke (‘60), Feb. 10, 2010, Morehead City, NC. Her career began as a deputy clerk and then secretary for the High Point Police Department before she became a policewoman and youth counselor in 1970. After many positions within the department, she retired in 1991 as the first woman lieutenant.

Walter Shear Foster (‘60), Jan. 21, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He was a sales representative with Paul B. Williams Co. He was one of the founders of Dunn, Foster & Spainhour, a grading contractor in Winston-Salem. He retired as owner in 2006. He loved collecting model trains.

Rowland L. Matteson Jr. (‘60), Feb. 11, 2010, Copenhagen, Denmark. He served on the faculty at various universities until his retirement in 1994 from Olive-Harvey College in Chicago. After retirement, he moved to Copenhagen and enjoyed his hobby of writing about Scandinavian silver, with a dozen or more articles published by Silver Magazine.

Jack E. Jensen (‘61), March 28, 2010, Greensboro, NC. He was a “walk-on” with the 1960-61 ACC championship basketball team under “Bones” McKinney. He received his master’s from UNC-Greensboro and coached boy’s basketball at Elkin (NC) High School for two years. He coached at Guilford College in Greensboro for 45 years and led them to two NAIA championships (one in basketball and one in golf) and two NCAA Division III championships in golf. He was in his 33rd season as golf coach. He started out in 1965 as an assistant basketball coach and was head coach for 29 years beginning in 1970. He was a member of the NAIA, North Carolina, Guilford County, Guilford College, Wake Forest University, and Golf Coaches Association of America halls of fame. In 2009, Guilford’s main basketball floor was renamed the Jack Jensen Court.

Sallie Pickard Page (MA ’62), Jan. 6, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She was a teacher at Konnoak Junior High School, a walking tour guide in Old Salem and a receptionist for Vinni Frederick’s Academy of Dance Arts.
Robertta Duff Snipes (’62), Feb. 7, 2010, Pine Grove Mills, PA. She was a tutor for the Mid-State Literacy Council and a volunteer for the Make-A-Wish and Fresh Air Fund Foundations. She loved tap dancing and ice skating and was a veteran member of the Pennsylvania Figure Skating Club. She is survived by her husband, Wallace Clayton Snipes (’60); three children; and three grandchildren.

Walter James Carney (’63), Dec. 14, 2009, Salisbury, NC. He received his master’s from Rutgers University and PhD in special education from the University of Virginia. He was supervisor of special education for the Wicomico County Board of Education for 30 years.

David Earl Williams (’63), Jan. 18, 2010, Greensboro, NC. He was founder of Williams Overman Pierce CPA of Greensboro and Raleigh, NC. He was president of the N.C. Association of CPAs. He served on the Calloway Board of Visitors and was a member of the Wake Forest Society. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; a son, Brian (’91); a brother, Ben; and a sister, Sarah.

Kevin J. Maher (JD ’64), Jan. 11, 2010, Easton, CT. He began his legal career with his father, at Maher & Maher in 1964 and later founded Maher & Williams, a workers compensation firm. He loved reading, skiing, golf, and traveling.

Andrew Harold Asley Sr. (’65), Jan. 19, 2010, Sanford, NC. He was a banker for 31 years, serving the last 17 as president and CEO of Summit Savings Bank in Sanford, NC.


Frank Grey LaPrade Jr. (’65, JD ’71), Nov. 14, 2009, Mount Airy, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. Before graduation he was a plant supervisor with Southern Bell Telephone Co. He was a clerk for the chief judge of the N.C. Court of Appeals and later formed the firm of Woltz Lewis & LaPrade in Mount Airy. He was preceded in death by a son, Thomas. He is survived by his wife, Jane; a son, Frank III (JD ’92); and two grandchildren.

Henry Sebrone Dale Sr. (’67), Jan. 24, 2010, Clemmons, NC. He retired after 39 years with Solo Cup Corporation. He was a pilot. He was preceded in death by his son, Henry Sebrone Dale Jr. (’92, PA ’94). He is survived by his wife and daughter.

Susan Carol Hultin (’67), Feb. 16, 2010, Belmont, NC. She received her MA in teaching and MS in speech pathology from Winthrop University. She was a speech pathologist at Lansdowne Elementary and First Ward Elementary and retired in 2009 from Lake Wylie Elementary. She was a potter and the featured artist in November 2009 for Alleghany County Arts and Crafts.

Stephen L. Lovekin (JD ’67), Nov. 10, 2009, Hickory, NC. He served in the U.S. Army in the White House Army Signal Agency. He practiced personal injury and workers compensation law in Catawba County as a partner with several firms including Lovekin & Young PC. He was a volunteer with the N.C. State Guard and the U.S. Service Command and retired as a brigadier general.

Benjamin Hampton Register II (’69), March 23, 2010, Charlotte, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He retired from IBM after 16 years of service. After retirement, he became a cabinetmaker.

Ernest Yancy Nichols (’70), Feb. 7, 2010, Mt. Airy, NC.

Mark Edward Ellis (’74, MD ’77), April 3, 2010, Williamsburg, VA. He completed his fellowship in hematology and oncology at Walter Reed Army Medical Center and earned the Erskine B. Graves Award for outstanding fellow. He served in the U.S. Air Force for eight years and was awarded instructor of the Year. In 1989 he made his home in Williamsburg. He dedicated his life to caring for cancer patients and was instrumental in bringing radiation therapy to Williamsburg. He served the department of medicine and was chief of medical staff at Williamsburg Community Hospital. He received awards for his dedication to the community and his patients, promoted the cause of bringing Doctors’ Hospital to Williamsburg, served as medical director for the Riverside Cancer Program, and was founder and managing physician of Riverside’s Peninsula Cancer Institute. He successfully established an oncology practice that achieved his vision of holistic care, incorporating massage therapy, nutritional counseling, music therapy, pet therapy, family services, and patient education with standard chemotherapy and clinical trials. He attended most basketball and football games and was a member of the Wake Forest Legacy Society, Founder’s Circle and a former club president. He is survived by his wife, Lynn Hamilton Ellis (’75); his children, Lisa Ellis Rosler (’05), Mark Edward Jr. (’92) and Robert Christopher (’95); a brother, and his parents.

Page Allen Mitchell (JD ’74), Jan. 7, 2010, Walkertown, NC.

Randall Lash Transou (’75), Feb. 8, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He loved to play golf and enjoyed working on cars. He was a carpet salesman with Bob Grubb’s Carpet Designers and was successful with investments and real estate.

Joseph G. Daddaboo (PA ’76), Jan. 3, 2010, Hamilton, OH. He was a dermatologist in the Hamilton Fairfield area for the past 18 years.

Charles Gardiner Huntington III (PA ’76), Dec. 27, 2009, Simmsville, CT. He received his master’s from George Washington University and his PhD in public health from the University of Michigan. He was an associate dean and associate professor at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine.

Jimmie R. Keel (JD ’78), Jan. 7, 2010, Tarboro, NC.

Andrew Steven Griffen (’79, MD ’83), April 3, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He completed his residency at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center and practiced urology in Winston-Salem for almost 21 years.

Katherine Pillsbury Janeway (MAED ’79), Jan. 7, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She worked in biochemistry at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and in neurophysiology at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. She taught swimming at the YWCA, was active in adult education at Salem College and a founder of the Cancer Patient Support Program at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Richard Janeway, retired executive vice president for health affairs and dean of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine; two daughters, Susan Moll and Elizabeth Hallyburton (’85); a son, David; eight grandchildren, including Claire Moll (’11); and two step-grandchildren. Memorials can be made to the Cancer Patient Support Program, Wake Forest University Health Sciences, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

Frederick Forrest Saunders (’79), Dec. 31, 2009, Winston-Salem, NC. He served 25 years in the U.S. Air Force. He was retired from the U.S. Postal Service and was a lifetime member of the National Guard. He is survived by his wife, Mary; a son, Daniel; and a sister, Shirley Moser, on the human resources staff at Wake Forest.

Harris Charles Johnson (’80), Feb. 22, 2010, Durham, NC. He enjoyed teaching and tutoring children of all ages, and his hobbies included reading and music.

Kenneth Harrison Blevins ('84), Jan. 11, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He retired after 30 years with the Winston-Salem Police Department and was owner/operator of Hearthstone Art and Picture Framing.

Joy Ammons Ciriano (JD '89), Feb. 26, 2010, Burlington, NC. In 1990 she became assistant district attorney in Fayetteville, NC, and in 1991 she became assistant district attorney in Alamance County. She was in private practice with the Vernon Law Firm and was an adjunct professor who taught gender and the law at Elon University. In 2001 she became the executive director of Family Abuse Services for Alamance County and led the efforts to establish a Family Justice Center. She received the N.C. State Bar Association Centennial Award.

Fred D. Culcleasure (MBA '99), Feb. 2, 2010, Tallahassee, FL. He received his PhD from Capella University. He was a professor, worked in BBT's Audit Dept., at Fannie Mae and was chief audit and compliance officer at Southeast Corporate Federal Credit Union in Tallahassee. He is survived by his wife, Brenda, and two daughters.

Benjamin Lewis May ('01), March 5, 2010, Redmond, WA. He grew up in Davidson, NC, and after graduation he worked in the financial aid office at Wake Forest until 2007. He was a data management analyst at Starbucks Coffee in the Seattle area until June 2009. He is survived by his parents, two sisters, two brothers, and his fiancée. Memorials may be made to the Benjamin Lewis May Fund, University Counseling Center, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227.

Matthew Adam Tomko ('05), Feb. 10, 2010, Kathleen, GA.

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Smith W. Bagley, Jan. 2, 2010, Washington, DC. He was a grandson of the founder of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., a businessman and a philanthropist. He was former president and CEO of The Washington Group, former president and a trustee of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, and a former member of the Wake Forest College Board of Visitors.

John C. Broderick, Jan. 4, 2010, Gaithersburg, MD. He was on the faculty at the University of Texas, Austin, from 1952 to 1957 and an associate professor of English at Wake Forest from 1957 to 1965 where he taught English and American literature. He joined the Library of Congress in 1965 in Washington, DC, and retired in 1988 as an assistant librarian for research services. He was an adjunct professor of English at George Washington University. He published his first fiction novel, “Jason Wingate’s Legacies.” He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Kathryn; a daughter, Kathryn Stephen; a son, John Jr. ('82); and a grandson, Kevin.

Leon P. Cook Jr., April 26, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He was an associate professor emeritus who taught accounting at Wake Forest from 1957 until his retirement in 1993. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, was shot down, captured and interned at Stalag Luft III in Poland and then in Nuremberg and Moosburg, Germany. After the war he completed his education at Virginia Tech, the University of Tennessee, and the University of Alabama. He taught at the University of Arkansas and the University of Alabama before joining the faculty at Wake Forest. He was a member of Kiwanis International and the American Ex-Prisoners of War. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Rita, and two sons: Leon “Pete” Cook II and Gregory Brown Cook, an assistant professor of physics at Wake Forest.

Eddie V. Easley, Jan. 13, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He was professor emeritus of business and a native of Lynchburg, VA. He graduated from Virginia State University and received his master’s and PhD from Iowa State University. He was chairman and taught in the marketing department at Drake University before joining the faculty of the Callaway School of Business and Accountancy in 1984 to teach marketing. He retired in 1999 but continued to teach part-time for several years. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ruth; three children, Jacqueline, Michael and Todd; and four grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Comprehensive Cancer Center, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

Johnny T. Harrah, Feb. 10, 2010, Mt. Airy, NC. He worked in the construction department of Facilities and Campus Services at Wake Forest. He is survived by his wife, Penny, and two daughters, Samantha and Deanna.

Robert H. Knott, Feb. 18, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He was the professor emeritus of art who led Wake Forest’s art department through its formative years and was a guiding inspiration for the Student Union Collection of Contemporary Art. He received his AB in studio art from Stanford University and a PhD in art history from the University of Pennsylvania. He began teaching at the University of Massachusetts-Boston in 1969, came to Wake Forest in 1975 and retired in 2008. He served as chair from 1978 to 1980 and from 1995 to 1997. He was a musician and photographer and rented an art studio in downtown Winston-Salem after retirement. He is survived by his wife; Ellen; two daughters, Sara Nichols and Hannah Rogers; and four grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Student Union Contemporary Art Collection Endowment Fund, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7227.

Angela Leslie, March 11, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She was retired from Wake Forest University where she worked in admissions and the president’s office. She is survived by three daughters, a son, and seven grandchildren.

R. Lewis “Doc” Martin Jr., March 6, 2010, Fayetteville, NC. He was Wake Forest’s athletic trainer from 1958 to 1980. In 1989, the Wake Forest football practice fields were named the “Doc Martin Football Practice Complex.” He spent the last 29 years working for Healy Wholesale Co. in Fayetteville. Memorials may be made to the Doc Martin Endowment Fund, 499 Deacon Blvd, Winston-Salem, NC 27105.

Margaret W. Parker, Feb. 9, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She was a community volunteer and supporter of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Meredith College and the Winston-Salem Foundation. She received a Paul Harris Fellowship Award from the Rotary International Foundation in 1997. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Oliver Parker. She is survived by two daughters, Anna Phillips and Mary-Stuart Alderman; six grandchildren, including G. Parker Brooks ('97), Meredith Brooks Sorrell ('99) and Margaret Brooks Snyder ('00); and eight great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Harry O. Parker Neurosciences Research Fund, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157, the Missionary Family Counseling Center in Winston-Salem, or the Winston-Salem Foundation.
Richard Wayne Schwartz, Jan. 16, 2010, Lexington, KY. He was professor of surgery and commonwealth professor in physician leadership at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine and a surgeon at the Lexington Veterans Administration Hospital. The University of Kentucky Department of Surgery established the Richard W. Schwartz Leadership in Education Award in his honor. He served on the Board of Visitors at DePauw University and on the Wake Forest University Parent’s Council. He is survived by his wife, Janet; a son, Andrew (’07); a daughter, Sarah Woodworth; and two grandchildren.

Etta Lea Stokes, Feb. 19, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. She was a homemaker and church and community volunteer. She was a supporter of the Miriam Mitchell Scholarship. She is survived by her husband, Henry B. Stokes (’38); a son, Stewart (’74); and two daughters, Julia and Barbara.

Robert L. Swofford, March 12, 2010, Clemmons, NC. He was a professor of chemistry. He graduated from Furman University and received his PhD in chemistry from the University of California Berkeley. He joined the Wake Forest faculty in 1993 and received the Advisor of the Year Award for his student mentoring. He is survived by his wife, Linda; a daughter, Karen (’06); and a son, Michael (’07).

Stephen C. Vella, Jan. 30, 2010, New York. He was an assistant professor of history. He graduated from Princeton in 1997 and received his PhD from Yale University in 2006 before joining the Wake Forest faculty. His dissertation won him Yale’s John Addison Porter Prize for the most distinguished dissertation of the year. He was an expert on the cultural and social history of 18th and 19th century Britain and British imperialism in India. He was on leave for the 2009-10 academic year and was working on a book, “Gentlemanly Conquerors: The Domestication of the Colonial Indian Frontier and the Refashioning of British Imperial Identity, 1790-1850.”

David Edward Williard, Feb. 3, 2010, Winston-Salem, NC. He served in the armed forces during World War II and joined the Winston-Salem Police Department in 1949, retiring after 32 years of service. He retired from Wake Forest in 1988 as assistant director of public safety. He drove a school bus for the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County schools and worked with American Greetings.

Remembering the Scales Years

Do you remember the January term, battles over “intervisitation,” a spanking new Fine Arts Center, or seeing Hamlet in the attic theatre of Z. Smith Reynolds Library? Perhaps you were among the students who marched on the President’s House to protest the war in Vietnam. Maybe you were in one of the first classes at Casa Artom or Worrell House. Perhaps you rolled the Quad when the Deacons won their first ACC football championship. Or maybe you enjoyed a British Romantic poets course taught by a beloved professor.

These and other memories of Wake Forest University during the administration of Dr. James Ralph Scales are faithfully and fondly chronicled by Provost Emeritus Edwin Graves Wilson (’43) in his new book, The History of Wake Forest University, Volume V, 1967–1983. Weaving each year’s events and achievements with alumni-written anecdotes, Dr. Wilson has written the story of the many people who participated in a vibrant era at Wake Forest.

The book, with more than 250 photographs, includes a CD with two of Dr. Wilson’s speeches from the period, along with a reprinted poster—Doctors, Lawyers, Indian Chiefs—first published for Wake Forest’s sesquicentennial anniversary.

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Yadkin Valley Wine Tour
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Reunion Class Parties

Saturday, October 9
Festival on the Quad
Service of Remembrance
Alumni Coffee Tailgate
Wake Forest vs. Navy Football Game

Sunday, October 10
Breakfast in the Pit
Treasure Trove

Wake Forest’s herbarium holds clues to the past and the future

William Louis Poteat, seventh president of Wake Forest College from 1905–1927, is revered as a larger-than-life historical figure that championed the teaching of evolution and freedom of inquiry. But in an out-of-the-way lab in Winston Hall is evidence that Poteat, a biologist, was as interested in preserving the past as he was in charting the future.

In the Wake Forest herbarium, a library of dried plants, samples of algae that Poteat collected during walks on Martha’s Vineyard are mounted and stored for posterity. Their botanical names, along with comments and dates in Poteat’s handwriting, are just some of the gems discovered by biology professor and curator Kathy Kron (P ’08, ’13) in what she calls the University’s “little treasure trove.”

Read more of this story at www.wfu.edu/wowf/2010/20100414.herbarium.php