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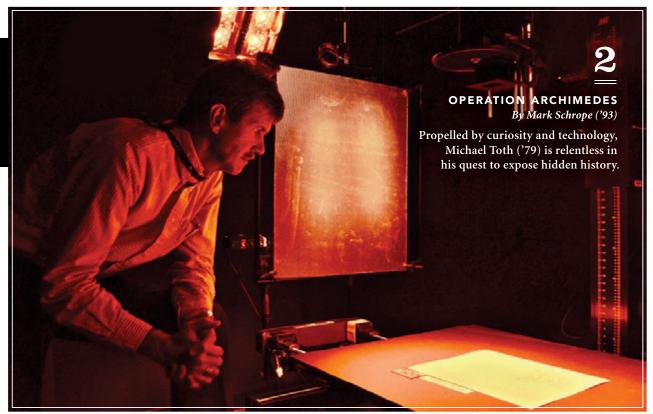
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#### On the cover:

Michael Toth ('79) has embarked on a historic effort to uncover secrets in the Archimedes Palimpsest manuscript.

#### FROM The PRESIDENT



This edition of Wake Forest Magazine introduces readers to an array of professors from universities large and small who share common ground in their intellectual journeys. They earned undergraduate degrees at Wake Forest, where faculty-student mentoring has been a long-honored tradition,

one that I seek to foster. A spark of their life's work can be traced back to Wake Forest and an inspirational faculty.

At Wake Forest we want faculty with a certain set of gifts — people who love the life of the mind and are intellectually curious. For some people that alone is their passion. We ask for more. We want someone who has a keen interest in learning and who has a deep satisfaction when he or she can turn the light bulb on for others and entice them toward a life of discovery. When I was an undergraduate at Wheaton College in Illinois, I had a Greek classics teacher, the late Gerald Hawthorne, who did that for me. Greek could be as dry as dust when we were conjugating verbs, but Hawthorne's outlook toward life — his genuine interest in students — was so compelling that he stood out as a model of what a professorial life could be. He took an interest in me. He would pose questions about what I was thinking, and he did the same with many others. He was deeply curious, and his interests and his engagements ranged much broader than the mere content of his courses. He was simply terrific.

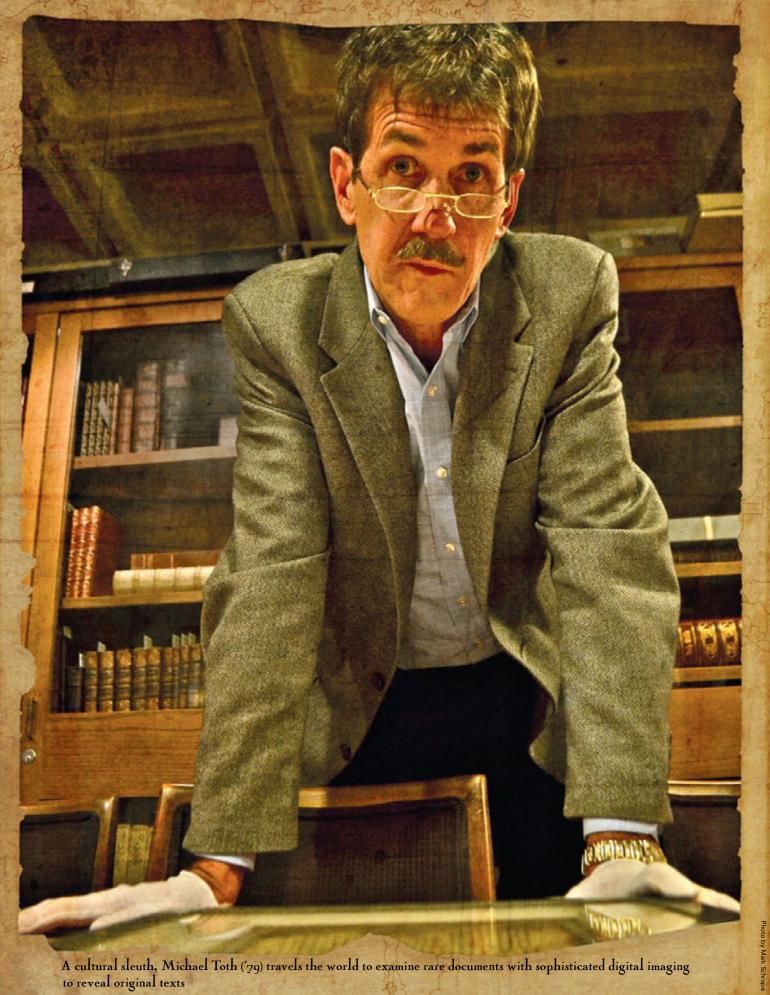
The world needs great research institutions, where many professors are at the top of their field because they have devoted themselves intensely and almost exclusively to the life of the mind. Such is the default position of the Academy. Many of those institutions' scholars are passionate about students, but many of them are not. I do not think such an approach is Wake Forest's central calling — not for our undergraduate college. It is both Wake Forest's tradition and its future for professors, alongside their research, to regard teaching as a passion.

Throughout the magazine you will see Wake Forest at is best. Michael Toth ('79) exemplifies the vast possibilities open to a graduate steeped in the liberal arts. You will read about enduring friendships, including a tribute I wrote honoring my friend Porter Byrum (JD '42), a private person who never toots his own horn. He recently gave Wake Forest its biggest gift from an individual, with the lion's share meant for financial aid for students.

I hope this issue of the magazine reminds you of college friendships that endure and cherished professors who lit the fire of discovery in you.

Warm regards,

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# OPERATION ARCHIMEDES



Inside Michael Toth's global quest to reveal secrets of historic treasures

By Mark Schrope ('93)

The Bedouins spoke of them as "The Five." They had come to the foot of Mount Sinai in Egypt, to the remote St. Catherine's Monastery, and they did stick out a bit. They had crossed the desert with a strange load of equipment described with some creativity to customs officials, they were American, and one of them stood 6'8" tall. The team was there on a technological aid mission of sorts, aiming to digitize the pages of ancient manuscripts for preservation, and to reveal secret texts hidden for centuries. They were hoping that the men outside the monastery, the ones from the Egyptian government speaking Arabic into walkie-talkies, weren't going to interfere.

This desert sojourn was the latest in a string of adventures in history that began in 1999 when Michael Toth ('79), the tall one, offered his services to a museum group embarking on an unprecedented study. They were about to analyze one of the oldest known copies of works by famed scientist and mathematician Archimedes, who lived in the third century B.C.



Toth in 2009 at Egypt's Janub Sinai Mountains surrounding St. Catherine's Monastery

Taking part in such a project wasn't an obvious extracurricular path for Toth, but it wasn't a bad fit either. Arriving at Wake Forest in 1975, Toth (pronounced like "oath") began as a biology student, but he shifted to history after realizing he didn't want to spend the money or time it would take to go on to graduate school and become a scientist. "I wanted to get out in the world," he says. And that he did, quite literally. He went to work for the Foreign Broadcast Information Service, a non-secret branch of U.S. intelligence that once monitored publicly available news in regions around the globe. Youngsters will have to imagine a world where you couldn't get nearly every piece of news available on the planet from a device that fit in your pocket. You had to work for it, and that's what Toth did.

The service needed well-rounded people who could follow a wide range of topics, and Toth's liberal arts studies at Wake Forest helped convince them he could do it. He would end up managing teams of translators and technicians in Central America, Southeast Asia and Southern Africa. "It was the best job in the world. We listened to the radio, watched television and read newspapers," he says. "We just had to do it all at the same time."

Eventually, he shifted to working on satellites for NASA and the Department of Defense, even supporting a classified space shuttle mission in 1989, which meant a welcome chance to spend time in Florida, where he grew up. By 1999 he was the policy director for the National Reconnaissance Office, a secretive surveillance branch of the U.S. government.

That year, 1999, also marked the beginning of the historic effort to study a remarkable, if decidedly unattractive and moldy, handwritten book now known as the Archimedes Palimpsest, or "Archie." An anonymous donor known only as Mr. B had just picked it up at auction for \$2 million, and he intended to pay for an advanced analysis of the manuscript's pages. When Toth, who lives in Virginia, read about the project in The Washington Post, he contacted Will Noel, the curator overseeing the project at the Walters Art Museum in Baltimore. Toth suggested that he might be able to help with Archie's advanced imaging thanks to his experiences handling satellite imagery for the intelligence community and his connections among scientists and technicians who conduct such work. Noel and Mr. B liked the idea so much that Toth became the project manager.

In its original form, produced centuries after Archimedes' death, Archie was a 10th century A.D., handwritten copy of seven of Archimedes' most important works in the original Greek, including the only known copies of "The Method, On Floating Bodies" and "Stomachion." Though probably best known for his law for calculating buoyancy,

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Archimedes' works were foundational in mathematics, physics and engineering.

In 1229 A.D., Archie ran into some troubles. Animal hides were in short supply, and a priest needed a new prayer book. This seemed more important at the time than the Archimedes text, which he scraped away to scribe his new book. Pages thus recycled are known collectively as a palimpsest.

The entire history isn't clear, but in 1899 Archie was in Jerusalem, in the possession of the Greek Orthodox Church. In 1906, a scholar named Ludwig Heiberg discovered the Archimedes writings hidden below the prayer text. Details are even fuzzier after that. There may have been some involuntary exchanges. But despite a

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Palimpsest Leaf in natural light with the sole extant copy of the Archimedes "Method of Mechanical Theorems" in the undertext (visible at tinyurl.com/miketoth)

legal challenge by the church, which U.S. courts ruled baseless, the manuscript sold to Mr. B at Christie's auction house at the end of 1998.

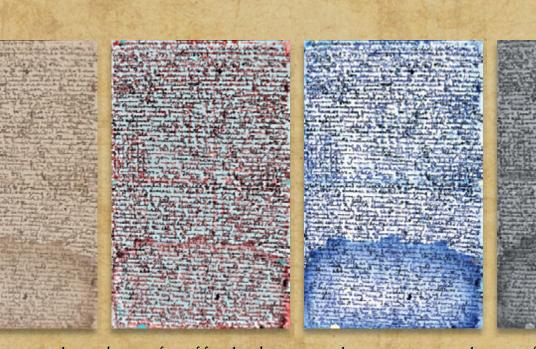
Once Mr. B had it, he dropped Archie off without fanfare at the Walters Museum in an off-limits work area that also houses a 17th century Shakespeare collection, a Napoleon diary and letters from Catherine the Great, among case after case of other treasures.

With Mr. B graciously picking up the tab, Noel and Toth assembled a team that included experts to handle long-term manuscript preservation, scientists to do the imaging, and language and Archimedes scholars that could make sense of what the work revealed. "It was a very complicated problem because you're trying to integrate all these different worlds," Toth says.

One of Toth's jobs was to help line up the academic groups, several of which were applying for the privilege, to image the book's pages. At the time, many experts believed that past studies had already revealed everything that could be gleaned from the pages. But Archie had never been subjected to the most advanced technologies. A multi-institution group of U.S. scientists would ultimately use something called multispectral imaging to make a series of revelations.

This technology involves taking high-resolution photos using different colored lights, including some not visible to human eyes. The color of light is determined by the distance between the peaks in the waves of energy that emanate from a light source. Those waves interact differently with different types of materials, such as inks. A crime scene investigator using fluorescent lights to detect otherwise unseen blood represents an example of this principle because light in fluorescent wavelengths resonates with blood molecules, causing them to reemit light visible to the human eye.

But multispectral imaging is decidedly more complex than a spot-check for blood. The researchers used computers to process numerous images of a given Archie page, each taken under a specific color. Then they digitally manipulated slight differences between these images to enhance the faint traces of underlying ink that recorded Archimedes' works, as well as those of other authors, and to suppress the prayer book text. It took years, but the work was remarkably successful.



Computer-processed spectral images of one of famed explorer Dr. David Livingstone's 1870-71 diary pages from his last Africa expedition overwritten on a piece of newspaper

Sadly, there were four pages that a forger, probably sometime around 1940, painted over to make the book more attractive to collectors. To "see" through this gold paint, the team turned to a different group of scientists who used a powerful X-ray beam at Stanford University's SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, which was able to produce images of iron used in the ink of the underlying text.

In 2008, just hours before a self-imposed one-decade deadline, the team publicly released images of all the pages on the Web. And in October of this year, the Walters Museum will begin a long-awaited exhibition of select leafs.

"With all the projects I've worked on the goal is to always ensure the data become available for the public good," says Toth. In the process, they developed standards for data storage and preservation that are becoming widely used for other historic projects.

Even before releasing the images, team scholars had found evidence in Archie's pages that Archimedes understood and worked with a more advanced concept of infinity than anyone had realized, and that he had described the foundations for the science of probability. All of this further supports the notion that Archimedes was one of the most influential thinkers in history.

#### LIVINGSTONE, LINCOLN & JEFFERSON

By the time the Palimpsest project was complete, Toth had retired from his government job and shifted to historical work nearly full time. Among other projects, including imaging a diary of famed Scottish medical missionary and African explorer David Livingstone written on old newspapers, he has worked extensively with the U.S. Library of Congress. There, curators are studying treasured historical documents using techniques similar to those applied to Archie. In a lab space next to one of the library's several vaults, Toth helped them set up a spectral system. There, in a room painted black, when the regular lights go out, a precisely tuned cycle of colors illuminates a document as a high-resolution camera captures the images.

If this sounds like something out of the movie "National Treasure," where Nicolas Cage's intrepid character finds hidden secrets on historic documents, that's because it is. The movie's producers requested a photograph of the group's spectral setup to recreate for the film.

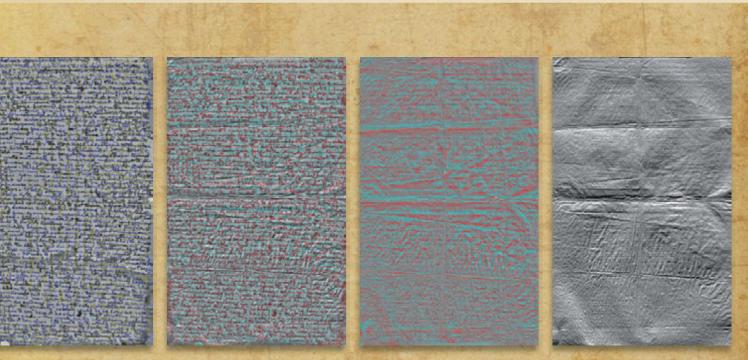


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Toth using spectral imaging at the Library of Congress to examine the Gettysburg Address in search of Lincoln's thumbprint

There are about 145 million items in the Library's collection, so curators allow that they can't quite give each one the attention they might like. There's no telling whether secret codes may be lurking somewhere, but the work has already revealed treasures of a sort.

While reviewing an enhanced image of the original draft of the Declaration of Independence, Library preservation scientist Fenella France noticed something odd. Some letters seemed to be smudged out and replaced with the word "citizens." The erased word, spectral imaging revealed, was "subjects." As Thomas Jefferson wrote, he must have remembered the ramifications of the Declaration. Toth says, "You can see the mind going there, 'We're not subjects anymore; we're citizens.' "

It was Toth himself who made the next attentiongrabbing discovery. Working with a copy of the Gettysburg Address that Lincoln may have used when he delivered the famous speech, Toth spotted another smudge. The document was tri-folded, perhaps to fit in Lincoln's coat pocket, and the smudge is a fingerprint right about where Lincoln's thumb might have been. France is working with the Army's Criminal Investigation Lab to see if they can find a Lincoln fingerprint somewhere for comparison.

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Of several other documents they've worked with, Toth especially enjoyed the chance to study a handwritten copy of one of Beethoven's concertos. It revealed no hidden text or ink markings, but he says the score's big, bold, black curves seemed to match the music. "Sometimes you've got to pinch yourself and go, 'Beethoven himself wrote this,' or 'This was Abraham Lincoln writing,' " says Toth.

#### WHAT FATE AWAITS MODERN INFORMATION?

One thought-provoking theme that runs through all the projects is the nature of information and how we handle it. "Where is Jefferson's smudge in the 1s and 0s? Where is that?" Toth wonders of today's computerized information.

Perhaps an even more important question is where all our 1s and 0s will be 100 years from now, or 1,000. Writing by hand on animal hides may be archaic. But the fact remains, at least some documents from 1,000 or more years back are still around and readable. Yet as Toth points out, how many of us can even pull information from a 1985 floppy disk? For his work, he seeks not the most cutting edge electronic storage options but the most basic and well-established ones most likely to remain accessible. "That's the real challenge we face," he says.

One of Toth's newest projects drew him and his colleagues to the Sinai desert. The St. Catherine's Monastery, known formally as The Sacred and Imperial Monastery of the God-Trodden Mount of Sinai, was built at the order of Roman Emperor Justinian I in the 6th century, mainly to protect a trove of documents now second only to the Vatican's massive collection.

Under the leadership of His Eminence Archbishop Damianos of Sinai, monks protect these manuscripts, other artifacts, and what many — including a steady stream of pilgrim travelers — believe was the actual burning bush from the Old Testament, just as they have for more than 1,400 years. The gongs of an ancient wooden bell still mark prayer times and meals. "It's amazing. It's one of those once-in-a-lifetime experiences to work there," Toth says of the monastery, "It's a 'Raiders of the Lost Ark' type thing."

Until relatively recently, the pilgrimage to St. Catherine's meant days on camelback. Today there is a paved road and an Internet connection, albeit a slow one. Toth and his colleagues traveled there in 2009 to test whether they could image palimpsests in such a remote location to preserve them, and to reveal hidden texts. They have now begun a multiyear project aimed at setting up a permanent system that the monks will be able to use to protect and study the monastery's manuscripts, including at least 129 known palimpsests. That first trip happened to coincide with the discovery of pages from an important historic document that had been stolen from Egypt, sparking new tensions over Toth's team's work. That's one reason why there were government security officers with walkie-talkies outside St. Catherine's thick ramparts. But the crew had been open with Egyptian antiquities officials about their plans. There would have been no way for such a conspicuous group to sneak into the facility anyway.

To reassure leaders, Toth says, "We talked to the Ministry of Antiquities over tea and everything died down, as is the way of the Middle East." Still, they worked as quickly as they could. "We were trying to stay ahead of the various new authoritative decrees they were issuing to get everything done, get the data out and get ourselves out." They then processed the data and returned copies of the manuscript images to the monastery for further study.

Team leader Mike Phelps, from the Early Manuscripts Electronic Library in California, thinks Toth will remain a major asset as the team navigates a range of political and technical challenges ahead. "Mike has boundless energy, he's extremely enthusiastic, and he's very generous with his time and knowledge," says Phelps, who thinks Toth adds a dose of needed reality at times. "Part of his job is sometimes to scare us," he explains, "to say, 'I don't think that's going to come together like it should, so we need to step back and rethink procedures. That's what Mike does."

Provided the political situation doesn't get too dicey, they'll be returning to Egypt in December. Preserving the monastery's manuscripts, some of which are so brittle they'll crumble at a touch, is a primary goal. But there is a very real attraction in what will be revealed.

Images from the 2009 test run have already uncovered hidden text from at least nine languages and pages from a pre-Christian Greek medical text. There's simply no way to predict what the monks and their partners will be able to find as work expands. Those pages could easily hold secrets equal to or surpassing the importance and excitement of Archie, Jefferson's smudge or the Gettysburg Address fingerprint. Toth says, "We just really don't know what we're going to find."

Mark Schrope graduated with a BS in biology. Based in Florida, he writes for such publications as Nature, Popular Science, New Scientist, The New York Times and Sport Diver. He is writing "The Blowout Experiment," a book about the Gulf oil spill. See thewalters.org for more information about the Archimedes exhibition opening on Oct. 16. Byrd Barnette Tribble ('54) of Winston-Salem first saw Betty Holliday Waddell Bowman in Bostwick dormitory on the Old Campus in 1950. At the time Byrd Barnette was settling in for her first year, having selected Wake Forest not so much for her family's formidable history dating back to founder Samuel Wait, but, truth be told, for her unbeatable discovery in perusing college catalogs that Wake Forest students needed only one year of physical education to graduate.

"I said, 'Sign me up.' I knew I would be lucky to get a C," Byrd says.

In swooped Betty Holliday, a high school basketball player, a garrulous self-described Army brat who had lived all over the country, most recently in tiny Enfield, near Rocky Mount, N.C., where her career military father, Donald Van Holliday ('29), chose to retire. "Daddy was the colonel in the Army, but (Mother) was the general," Betty says, describing a couple she loved dearly but who seemed to resemble a modern breed known as overprotective helicopter parents.

In other words, for Betty and Byrd, both only children and first-year college students, Wake Forest introduced them to intoxicating freedom, relatively speaking, and, for Betty, to something she had been missing all her life — the stability of a true and lasting friend. Until Wake Forest her constants had been her doll collection, her



books and a Scottie dog, always a Scottie dog. Now and forever, she had Byrd.

Byrd recalls, "I remember first meeting Roommate, and she had been over at Raleigh at the Debutante Ball and had gotten presented and came in with orchids and flowers. I thought, 'Hmm. How am I going to manage this?'"

Betty chimes in: "You can tell the difference in us just by talking — how she was raised to be an academic."

Byrd concedes, "I'm sort of the straight man in this setup."

This "setup," I contend, from personal experience, is elemental to Wake Forest, Old Campus or "new." For those who wish to tend them, Wake Forest cultivates enduring friendships for all of life's seasons. The allegiance between Byrd and Betty is 61 years old and going strong.

It all started this way. They were assigned other room-



mates. Byrd's kept going home on weekends, baffling Byrd, who was thrilled no end to plant herself on campus for two months solid. "We just gravitated to each other for whatever reason, I don't know," Byrd says of Betty. They "switched out" the other students and made Bostwick 313 their new home, a headquarters for pranks and hijinks. "I said, 'Hello, Roommate,' and she said, 'Hello, Roommate,'" Byrd says, "and it's been that way ever since."

Here's where it gets tricky. Byrd is Roommate. Betty is Roommate. They address each other that way, the same way, six decades later, in Winston-Salem, where Betty lives

#### NOTHING ENDURES LIKE A WAKE FOREST FRIENDSHIP

BY MARIA HENSON ('82)

Betty Holliday Waddell Bowman, left, and Byrd Barnette Tribble ('54), right, appear in The Student magazine from the Old Campus in 1951 (facing page) and in Winston-Salem in 2011, above.

a couple of miles from Salemtowne, Byrd's retirement center destination after she left Tallahassee, Fla., in September 2010 as a widow. "Roommate and I don't see each other every day, but we think of each other every day," one will say. And the other will note their lunch plans nearby: "Roommate and I don't go to fancy places," preferring instead The Golden Apple on Robinhood Road.

"Roommate" might as well be the first name on each of their passports. Betty will be 80 on Oct. 3, and Byrd will be 79 on Nov. 15, but you would think otherwise on this day at Salemtowne. One minute they are sitting soberly (upholding, as Betty says, "senior citizenhood") amid the framed colorful quilts of Byrd's brick retirement cottage; the next they are transported to Wake Forest, N.C., — to its hamburger joints ("mystery meat," says Byrd), curfews and magnolias — as rollicking schoolgirls of yore.

Dressed in black and wearing elegant gold jewelry, Betty helps set the scene when she takes from her sturdy straw bag adorned with a black ribbon a worn copy of the student literary magazine of the time, The Student.

"Oh, no!" says Byrd. She covers her lined face with her fine small hands. Why? I ask. "It's so silly," she says.

"It was the time. I'm not ashamed of it," Betty says with conviction. "We didn't have computers. We had *people*." The article? "Life with Roommate." The author? Byrd Barnette.

The Student had what Betty calls some "very solemn articles," and its pantheon of editors included student literati, such as William F. McIlwain ('49), who went on to become editor of Newsday, and the late Harold T.P. Hayes ('48), who gained fame as editor of Esquire. Departing from perceived solemnity, The Student accepted the roommate piece that centered on pranks and included Byrd's musing about Betty's appearance on the scene with her debutante gear: "Would she be a sot, a dope fiend? Already I was imagining a miserable semester of cigarette holders, mink coats and piles of money." Despite the differences in finances, Byrd wrote, "Her genuine friendliness and vivacious personality made it easy for us to get along, and we soon became inseparable."

Says Byrd today, "They wanted me to expand on it because they said at this point it's just a description of a bunch of tricks, which was true."

"I guess that's all they had to go on," says Betty. "I never did expand on it," says Byrd.

The pranks: Greasing doorknobs with cold cream. Lighting smudge pots to smoke up the bathrooms. Sending secret-admirer letters. Waking hall mates at 3 a.m., exclaiming, "Say, aren't you going to class? The first bell has already rung!" That one didn't go over so well. "We were famous," says Betty.

"Infamous," says Byrd.

"Well, whatever. I prefer famous," says Betty. "We made people laugh."

The roommates had two years together. They can recall the ambiance of the Old Campus and the fun they had flouting the rules. (Remember freedom?) Students needed parents' permission to ride in cars or go to dances. They couldn't date every night. There were curfews that required signing in and out of dorms. "I don't know if I should say this or not," says Betty:



"I said, '*Hello, Roommate*,' and she said, '*Hello, Roommate*,'" Byrd says, "and it's been that way ever since."



"We were there for the good and the bad," says Byrd (left). "The miles haven't seemed to matter to us." Until she met Byrd at Wake Forest, Betty counted on her books and Scottie dogs to keep her company. Long ago Betty named her guest suite "The Roommate Suite," which garnered a "five-star review" by Byrd.

Review of 3652 Winding Creek Way Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106 George and Betty Bowman, hosts

It was a delight to renew our acquaintance with Geerge and Betty Bowman, charming and thoughtful hosts at 3652 Winsing Greek Way. We had the same large room as we did on our previous visit--two comfortable twin beds attractively decorated with comforters in colorful star designs. The large closet, room chest of drawers, light for make-up, mirror, telephone, and reading lamp further enhanced the pleasant surroundings. We were treated to a vase of roses, host George's hobby, and chocolates on our p.llow at night.

The roomy apartment contained also a lovely bath, small kitchen, and large sitting room which opened on to the patic and rose garden. A varied library and color television were at our disposal. Betty's doll house, dolls, china, pictures, and quilts from her childhood home provided a never-ending array of interesting objects.

Located close to Wake Forest University on a quiet residential street. Book well in advance. Betty's college roommate is always showing up and tries to keep this deligh ful place to herself.



"You'd sign out and go to the library, and you'd climb out the window."

"You had to be resourceful," adds Byrd.

Betty remembers how students liked to go on dates on the benches that were hidden by low-hanging magnolia branches. "You always had somebody with you, like double-dating," she says.

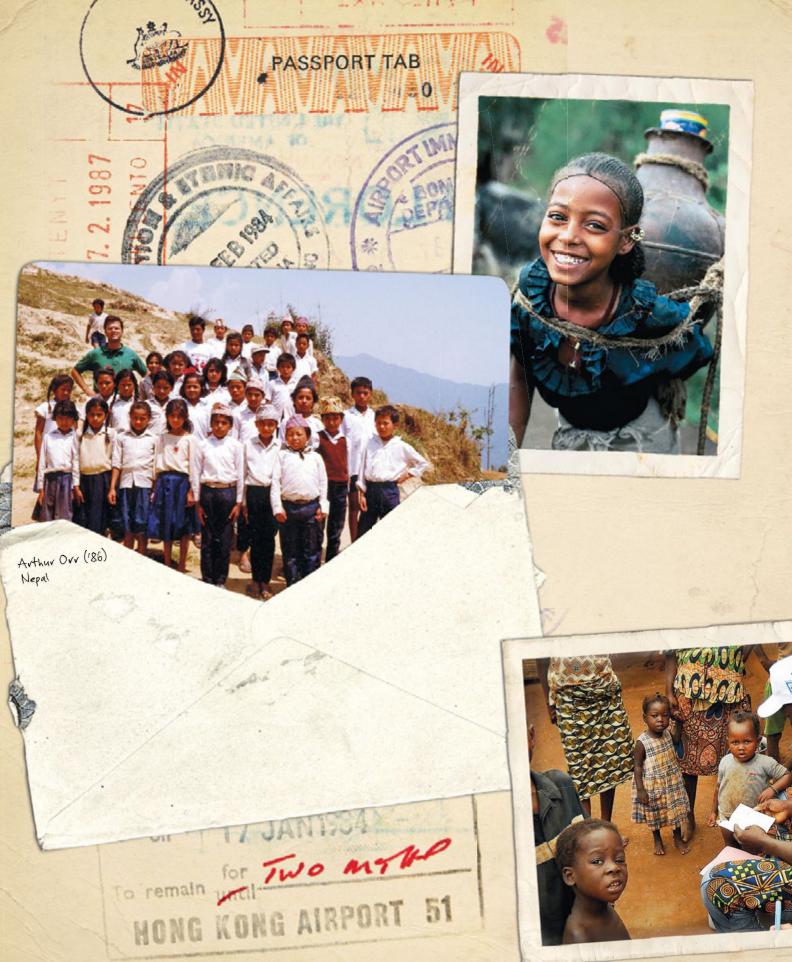
#### "Not always," says Byrd.

Betty is surprised by this revelation. "Not always?" "No, it was mostly just the two of us," says Byrd. And therein, speaking of courting, arose a portent of things to come.

A few weeks after sophomore year, Byrd got a shocking letter from Betty. She had run off with her actor boyfriend to Durham. Betty Holliday and Bill Waddell ('52) had eloped. To this day Byrd speaks of it in a lowered voice: "Devastating." The only ones more devastated were Betty's parents, who managed a turnaround once the groom gave up acting and became a physician in Galax, Va. The roommates went separate ways but not in spirit. Betty got her degree from the University of North Carolina in 1954. She was a Navy wife for three years and became a housewife; Byrd taught high school for a while and with her lawyer husband settled in Miami to rear their children. The roommates were apart, sometimes thousands of miles apart, but their friendship never wavered. It saw them through the birth of Betty's two children and Byrd's three, Betty's divorce, Betty's marriage to George Bowman, the decline of both sets of parents and their deaths, and the illness and loss of Byrd's husband, Jim Tribble ('55), three years ago.

To nurture a friendship for six decades, Byrd says, "You have to want to." Says Betty, "It's not just 'I'll see you at the next reunion.'"

They have supported each other. They have visited each other's homes on road trips. They have loved Wake Forest ("my first love," says Betty), they have cared, and they have kept on laughing. "We only had two years. If I hadn't got married, no telling what would have happened," Betty says. "If we had had four years, we could have really been famous."



Jane O'Sullivan McDonald (189) Africa

# CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

# from PRO HUMANITATE to the PEACE CORPS

By Cherin C. Poovey (P '08)

oon after arriving in a remote area of the Dominican Republic in 1990, Dave Meyercord ('89) sensed the gravitas of John Fitzgerald Kennedy's words that life in the Peace Corps "would not be easy but it would be rich and satisfying."

His first task as a volunteer was to build his own oneroom house from the wood of a fallen avocado tree, assisted by machete-wielding villagers. Surrounded by the rugged peaks and fertile valleys of Los Bolos, he dug latrines, built aqueducts and grew attached to a mule named Abigail who provided his daily transportation up and down a coffee orchard-covered mountainside.

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As a successful public relations executive in Chicago, Jane O'Sullivan McDonald ('89) walked away from a comfortable middle-class life in 2009 to join the Peace Corps. She wanted hands-on humanitarian experience to prepare for a midcareer change. In Togo, Africa, she drafted constitutional documents, assisted with polio vaccines and ironed her clothes regularly — not to remedy wrinkles but to eradicate bugs that attached themselves during the laundering process.

Arthur Orr ('86) followed in the footsteps of Wake Forest's more than 200 alumni Peace Corps volunteers, spending 1989-91 in Nepal after completing his law degree. He taught children and trained teachers in a oneroom, dirt-floor structure. His village of Khanbari was more than two miles from the nearest road; his home, a mudwall structure with a tin roof. He ate rice and lentils twice a day, every day, except when the villagers served up an occasional chicken.

Like many Wake Foresters whose personal journeys embrace the quest to live an examined and purposeful life, Meyercord, McDonald and Orr had a strong desire to serve those in need and experience international culture. They applied to and joined the Peace Corps, America's iconic humanitarian organization observing its 50th anniversary this year. Once described affectionately by writer Paul Theroux as "a sort of Howard Johnson's on the main drag into maturity," the Corps' roots and mission go back to 1960, when then Sen. John Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries.



Driving forces behind the Peace Corps: R. Sargent Shriver (left), with President John F. Kennedy

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From Kennedy's inspiration to unite American ideals with a pragmatic approach to bettering the lives of people worldwide grew an agency of the federal government with Kennedy's brother-in-law, R. Sargent Shriver Jr., as founding director. It has three goals: helping the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women; promoting a better understanding of Americans on the part of peoples served; and promoting a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans. Assignments are for 27 months, three spent training in the host country and 24 in actual service.

"The Peace Corps is more than a program; it's an idea," says Mark Kennedy Shriver, son of the late Sargent Shriver and Eunice Kennedy Shriver, sister of JFK and founder of Special Olympics. Shriver, senior vice president for U.S. programs with Save the Children, will speak at a Voices of Our Time event on Oct. 13 in Wait Chapel. Wake Forest, which has ranked among the top 25 small colleges and universities with more than 200 volunteers in 77 posts, will honor them on the occasion. Says Shriver, "Wake Forest's mission to make our nation and our world a better place through service is remarkable evidence of that concept."

#### **AN OBLIGATION TO GIVE BACK**

Now an Alabama state senator, chair of the Finance and Taxation General Fund Committee and president of the Wake Forest Alumni Council, Orr had never been out of the United States until his sophomore year when he went to Haiti for mission work. In Nepal he found teaching resources limited to a few textbooks, which teachers read to pupils, who learned by memorizing what the teachers said.

He realized there were many bright students — particularly young girls — who, because of cultural mores, would probably marry early and become mothers, never achieving their academic potential. His letters to family and friends generated enough support to establish the Khanbari scholarship in the '90s. "Over 80 students have been able to attend college because of the scholarship," says Orr, who recently returned from a sentimental visit to Khanbari with his wife and son. "The scholarship board has gone on to extend benefits to disabled children and children of lower castes."

While she was helping local Togo associations manage themselves more efficiently, McDonald started a girls' club





and served as liaison between Rotary Clubs in the United States and Togo to provide desks to elementary schools and playground equipment/supplies to kindergarteners. Many projects were not without their challenges as the area's ethnic groups did not always get along, says McDonald, who returned to Chicago in July and has been making presentations to Rotary Clubs that helped fund her Peace Corps projects.

Night after night as she lay under a mosquito net watching spiders and geckos climb the walls, McDonald was sustained by the lesson of giving of one's self unconditionally, modeled by many Wake Forest mentors — Ed Wilson ('43), Ed Christman ('50, JD '53), the late David Hadley ('60) and the late Bill Starling ('57), to name a few. She recalled a conversation with Professor of Art Peggy Smith in which Smith discussed how, at several points in her life, she was

Photos courtesy Arthur Orr, Jane O'Sullivan McDonald and the Peace Corps

challenged to "reinvent" herself. "The conversation has remained with me as a lesson in resiliency, patience with oneself, and never being afraid to take significant risks even if the risks make you uncomfortable," McDonald says.

After arriving in Los Bolos, Meyercord's job was to address their greatest need: sanitary water. "If you could get to the source it was clean but getting to it was a problem, and it always fell to the women," says Meyercord, who is senior vice president of Elwood Staffing in Columbus, Ind. "One woman calculated the number of hours she spent every day going to get water; she determined she spent 32 days out of every year doing nothing but getting water."

He and other volunteers designed and built an aqueduct system that brought water to the village. They built two schools and cajoled the country's Minister of Education into furnishing desks and hiring a teacher. Another sign of progress came when a navigable road was cut where Abigail had carried him up and down the mountain. With the road in place, he got a motorcycle and Abigail went on to serve another volunteer. Theirs was an emotional farewell.

# YEVEN THE BUSINESS SCHOOL QUALIFIED'

While many alumni were influenced to join the Peace Corps by Wake Forest's mission of Pro Humanitate, in Charles "Chic" Dambach's case it worked the other way around; he enrolled in the business school a decade after graduating from Oklahoma State University and serving in the Peace Corps. "The Peace Corps influenced me to want to do graduate studies at a school that embraced humanitarian value, and Wake qualified; even the business school qualified!"

Being a student of the '60s, Dambach (MBA '77) of Washington, D.C., says joining the Peace Corps seemed to him the natural thing to do. "I had been deeply moved by the Kennedy challenge to "ask not what my country could do





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for me, but what I could do for my country and the world." At Oklahoma State University, a football teammate pulled him aside his freshman year and urged him to consider the Peace Corps after graduation. James Ralph Scales, dean of the OSU School of Arts and Sciences who would eventually become the eleventh president of Wake Forest, was influential in Dambach's decision.

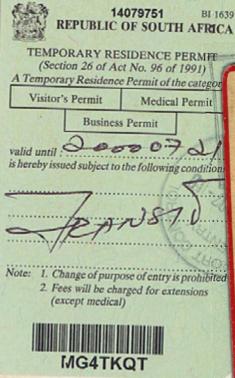
Serving in Colombia from 1967-69, he was assigned to the "invasion" barrios of Cartagena on the Caribbean coast. There he experienced the darker side of what many knew as a beautiful port city; squatters lived in shanties made of scrap wood and metal with no running water, electricity or health care. He worked with local villagers to build a school and organize a fishing cooperative and vividly remembers listening to the first moon landing on a batterypowered radio. Dambach, president and CEO of Alliance for Peacebuilding who wrote "Exhaust the Limits: The Life and Times of a Global Peacebuilder," came back with a different definition of success and prosperity, taught him by the people of Cartagena. "Bigger cars and TV sets became irrelevant; deeper friendships and time to enjoy them became a priority," he says. "I gained tremendous respect and appreciation for the people who are born with nothing of material worth but enormous human spirit and resilience."

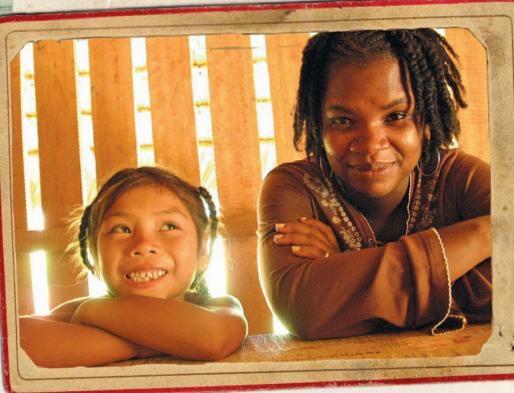






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Other Peace Corps alumni, including Bobby Ray Gordon (JD '86), credit Wake Forest's emphasis on ethics and service with reinforcing their humanitarian values. "I strongly believe that those who were fortunate to be born in a developed country have a duty and obligation to give back to those who were not so fortunate," says Gordon, who interviewed Vietnamese refugees in Hong Kong to determine if they were eligible for asylum. Now a humanitarian operations adviser for a Department of Defense organization in Honolulu, he adds, "I wanted to make a difference in the world and, for at least a few persons, I know that I did."

Kelly Chauvin ('08) owes a debt of gratitude to two Guatemalan staff members who worked in Efird residence hall, Reina and Marciano Alvarado. They helped her practice Spanish and learn about their country, where she is in her third year as a volunteer specializing in ecotourism. "Every day I am rewarded by people who are friendly and want to talk with me about a new idea or a new recipe, or invite me to a soccer game," says Chauvin, from Hillsborough, N.C. "It is a wonderful way of life and many aspects would be good to incorporate more in our lives in the U.S. I am grateful to Wake Forest for giving me the tools I needed to be successful here." A trip to Honduras as a Hope Scholar was a formative experience during Scott Richards' years at Wake Forest. Assigned to the Bolivian village of Quechua, Richards ('01) worked with children on gender and self-esteem issues. He was known as "Big White" because of his ability to reach out and touch a basketball net. "I was the only foreigner and the only white guy," says Richards, who works at a microfinance investment firm in New York City. "It was my first time feeling that I was an outsider; after the Peace Corps I had a desire to go somewhere and be completely anonymous."

# NEW PERSPECTIVES ON LIFE'S BLESSINGS

To this day Arthur Orr holds dear a painting that depicts a man with a mallet breaking up stone to be used as aggregate for mortar. It's a practice he saw many Nepalese families do 14 hours a day just to make a meager living. "Unless you understand poverty it's difficult to understand the greater world and how it operates," he says.

Time spent in Africa made Jane O'Sullivan McDonald more appreciative of life's blessings, helping her to better understand the difference between "want" and "need." After living in a country sorely lacking in roads, sanitation systems and the means to provide a minimal level of public education, she has a healthier respect for the services and goods her tax dollars support.

Dave Meyercord returned from the Dominican Republic with his future wife and a profound appreciation for his homeland. "No matter how much you fancy yourself as a do-gooder, there's a certain level of arrogance that can come with that: 'I'm going to help these heathen natives' — that was the old-school mentality," he says. "One of the things you realize is that you learn as much, if not more, than you teach. You learn about yourself and your capabilities, and you learn a lot more about the U.S. by leaving it rather than being in it."

Those who served speak of heartbreaking poverty and heartwarming smiles, annoying bugs and affectionate children, unimaginable despair and indescribable triumphs. With a new global perspective and humbling sense of self, they remember their Peace Corps experience not in terms of what they did for their country, but what their countries did for them.



# CAMPUS EXHIBIT HONORS LOCAL PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

The Museum of Anthropology is observing the Peace Corps' 50th anniversary with an exhibit that brings to life the service of Triad-area volunteers, many with Wake Forest connections.

The exhibit, open through Dec. 16, includes a documentary film as well as photos, clothing and objects brought home by returning volunteers. "We wanted to explore how the Peace Corps experience changed their view of their own world and their country's culture," said Steve Whittington, MOA director.

A reception for alumni who were in the Peace Corps is planned for Oct. 14 during Homecoming Weekend, from 4:45 to 6 p.m.

Senior anthropology/sociology major Abbey Keener and documentary filmmaker Roman Safiullin (MFA '11) produced the exhibit. Keener earned academic credit for the internship project, that included interviewing Peace Corps veterans and organizing items for display. Safiullin, who graduated from the Documentary Film Program in May and co-directed "Bound by Haiti," videotaped the interviews and edited them into a short film.

# TEACHING IT FORWARD

FOR THESE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, THEIR UNDERGRADUATE DAYS AT WAKE FOREST INSPIRED AN INTELLECTUAL JOURNEY AND A CHANCE TO MENTOR OTHERS. Long before they became esteemed scholars who determine students' futures and enlighten the world with their research, these professors were humble first-year students at Wake Forest. Like the rest of us, they might have gotten lost or been a little homesick on the Reynolda Campus, but they also discovered a passion for academics at a University famous for educating future teachers. After pursuing years of graduate school, these Deacons went on to get their Ph.D.s (or, in one case, M.D.) and secure tenure at learning institutions both big and small. We selected a few professors from around the country to reminisce, in their own words, about Wake Forest and their path to the academy.

> by LISA KLINE MOWRY ('82)



## CATHERINE BURROUGHS ('80, DOUBLE MAJOR ENGLISH AND THEATRE)

Position: Ruth and Albert Koch Professor of Humanities, Wells College; Visiting Professor of English, Cornell University

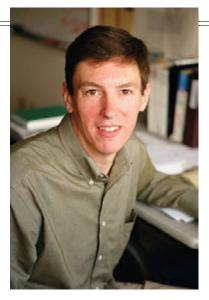
Postgraduate education: M.A. (1983) Connecticut College and Ph.D. (1988) Emory University

**Areas of expertise and research:** Since 1993, I've published four books, which have always had something to do with British Romanticism, women in theatre (1750-1850), and gender studies. Currently, I'm editing the biography of casting director Eddie Foy III, who cast shows from my childhood: "The Donna Reed Show," "I Dream of Jeannie," "Gidget," "That Girl," "Happy Days," "M\*A\*S\*H" and many others. The title is "Bring Me a Star I Don't Know," with a foreword by Jerry Lewis.

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** Dr. Ed Wilson, professor of Romanticism, was hugely influential on my career choice. Sitting in his courses on Romanticism and then "Blake, Yeats and Thomas" exposed me to the kind of professor I wanted to be. In theatre, Dr. (Harold) Tedford became my mentor, and I loved working with him on plays ranging from "Look Homeward, Angel" to "The Good Woman of Setzuan." Others to mention: Teresa Radomski, Donald Wolfe, (the late) Elizabeth Phillips, Nancy Cotton, (the late) Dr. (David) Smiley, Dr. (Richard) Zuber. And, of course, my dear father, Julian Carr Burroughs Jr., who graduated from the Old Campus in 1954 and returned to Wake Forest when it moved to Winston-Salem, teaching Radio/Television/Film from 1959 until 1994. He died in 2008.

**How is your college similar or different from Wake Forest?** The personal attention that I can give to students at Wells College — with class sizes between 12 and 24 on average — reminds me of Wake Forest. And people still say "Hi" to each other as they pass on campus.

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** Jeff Dobbs leading cheers and dancing on the court at basketball games; walking down the path at night to Reynolda Gardens, smelling the honeysuckle; the main stage of the Wake Forest theatre — so beautiful! Being a SOPH sister and leading our group in the sing-off in Wait Chapel as we sang "Here She Comes Again" by Dolly Parton — and we all dressed like her! Sunbathing on the rooftop at what was then called "New Dorm;" dancing at TOG.



SHANE HUTSON ('92, PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS MINOR, MS '93, PHYSICS)

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Position: Associate Professor of Physics, Vanderbilt University

Postgraduate education: Ph.D. (2000) University of Virginia and Postdoctoral (2000-2003) Duke University

**Areas of expertise and research:** Biological physics; I've always been interested in how one can probe and manipulate biological systems with light. My primary research area is using laser microsurgery as a tool to probe the mechanics of living embryonic tissues.

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** Bob Brehme in the physics department was the first professor to really push me in the classroom. George Holzwarth got me started in research. I was taking his "Thermal & Statistical Physics" course, and I still remember the day he stopped me in the hallway and told me matter-of-factly that I needed to get involved with a research group. Up to that time, I really had not thought of a research career; I was just doing physics.

How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest? Vanderbilt is significantly larger than Wake, but it attracts a similar cohort of undergraduates. Vanderbilt is in a similar niche where academics matter a lot, but so does competing with the larger schools on the athletic field (and in good seasons doing so successfully).

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** Rolling the Quad after a big basketball victory over Duke; Mountain Fried Chicken (makes my arteries quiver thinking about it now); wasting way too much time playing Euchre with the Jedi Knights, Crazy Dogs and all associated with the short-lived TKE.



KEVIN COKLEY ('91, PSYCHOLOGY)

**Position:** Associate Professor of Counseling Psychology and African and African Diaspora Studies; Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Black Psychology, University of Texas at Austin

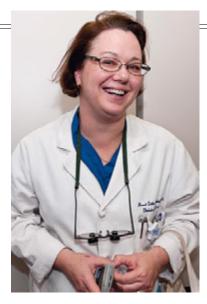
**Postgraduate education:** M.Ed. Counselor Education (1993) UNC Greensboro and Ph.D. (1998) Counseling Psychology Georgia State University

**Areas of expertise and research:** My research interests include the construction of racial and ethnic identities, academic motivation, academic self-concept, and understanding the psychological and environmental factors that impact African American student achievement. I wanted to empirically test the popular but controversial idea that African American students don't value doing well in school because of the fear of being perceived as acting white.

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** My favorite professor was Dr. Alton Pollard, professor of religion. Psychologically, it was important to my self-concept to see an African-American man in the position of being a professor, and also having the respect of being viewed as a serious intellectual. Dr. Susan Wallace also inspired me to go into psychology. She was the only African American faculty in the psychology department, and I felt a close connection to her.

**How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest?** The University of Texas at Austin is one of the largest universities in the country, with more than 50,000 students, so obviously it is much bigger than Wake Forest. Also, college athletics at the University of Texas is on another level. In fact, the University of Texas just recently became the first university to get its own sports television network on ESPN.

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** My favorite non-academic memories are related to being a member of the Xi Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. and being the musician for the Wake Forest Gospel Choir.



## BETSY TUTTLE-NEWHALL ('84, BIOLOGY, MD '88)



**Position:** Professor of Surgery, Division Chief of Abdominal Transplantation, Surgical Director for UNOS, Kidney and Kidney Pancreas Program, Saint Louis University

**Postgraduate education:** Surgical Critical Care Fellowship (1995-96) UNC-Chapel Hill; Del Stickel Abdominal Transplantation Fellowship (1996-98) Duke University Medical Center

**Areas of expertise and research:** Care of the abdominal transplant patient in the critical care setting; kidney, pancreas and liver transplantation, urology of the kidney transplant recipient. Also immunosuppression trials in transplant recipients, nutrition and metabolism studies in patients with liver failure, allocation policies and outcomes in transplant patients.

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** I can't say I had a bad professor the whole time I was there. I was a biology major, so I learned so much from Dr. (Gerald) Esch, Dr. (John) Wyatt and Dr. (Herman) Eure. I really admired that they liked what they did and had the ability to transfer their knowledge. In fact, I originally wanted to go on and get a Ph.D. in parasitology because I appreciated that the professors never stopped asking questions.

How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest? Saint Louis University Medical Center is in the inner city, so it's a very different environment.

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** I loved onion rings at the "Snake Pit" (Snack Pit), all the activities at the Scales Fine Arts Center, jogging around Reynolda House. You felt like you were part of a big family.



ROGAN KERSH ('86, POLITICAL SCIENCE)



**Position:** Associate Dean (Academic Affairs) and Professor of Public Policy, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University

Postgraduate education: M.A. (1990), M.Phil. (1991), Ph.D. (1996) Yale University

**Areas of expertise and research:** American politics/public policy, with particular focus on lobbying/interest groups and health policy. Current projects involve the politics of obesity (as obesity rates spread, what, if any, policy moves can the government make in response?) and implementation of the Affordable Care Act, also known as "Obamacare."

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** From Jim Barefield, I learned the value — and joy — of reading deeply into texts and events ... and where to get a good cappuccino in Venice. From Charles Lewis, I came to understand how philosophy can illuminate a life well-lived. From (the late) Bianca Artom, I gained an appreciation for tracing everything — especially language — back to roots and first principles. From Jack Fleer, I learned the enduring influence of local and state actors, including 'regular citizens,' on national and even global events. From Doyle Fosso and Barry Maine, I learned how to translate ideas into sentences, paragraphs and ultimately articles or books. Two much-missed mentors, (the late) Don Schoonmaker and Saguiv Hadari, were models of an academic life lived with integrity and passion — and of abiding courage in the face of illness.

**How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest?** Wake Forest I remember as bucolic, green, communal — my enduring image is of the Moravian Lovefeast. NYU, the largest private university in America (45,000 students), is urban, fast-paced and concrete: there's not a single blade of grass on our campus, and every NYU building spills onto a very public New York sidewalk.

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** Sunday brunch in the old Pit, carpooling to Greensboro for WFU hoops and forging — without realizing we were — lifelong friendships that still transcend time and geography.





Position: Associate Professor of Art History, University of Virginia

Postgraduate education: M.A. and Ph.D. (2003) Yale University

**Areas of expertise and research:** British art and 18th century art; author of "British Art and the Seven Years' War: Allegiance and Autonomy."

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** My semester in London with (the late) Professor Bob Knott led me to major in art history. I'd also single out Harry Titus and Peggy Smith in the art department as major influences. Professors in other fields also helped to introduce me to the joys of academia: Perry Patterson in economics hired me as an undergrad research assistant and generously gave me co-publication credit for an article in The Gorbachev Encyclopedia. Professor Doyle Fosso inspired me with his Shakespeare lectures, Tom Phillips helped to recruit me to Wake Forest with an academic scholarship, and John Moorhouse, whom I've never thanked properly, helped me create a statistical regression for my art history major's thesis.

How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest? UVa is a bigger school, although it doesn't necessarily feel like it, and I definitely think there are similarities in terms of students and the shared emphasis on undergrad teaching.

**Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days:** Three out of four spring breaks I headed out with Wake Alternative Break, and I loved the volunteer experiences in Mississippi, South Dakota and Oklahoma. The last of these brought me together with my future wife, Louisa Hann ('96). Wake was also either flexible — or lackadaisical — enough to allow a group of us to found a "Fine Arts House" out on Polo Road, which became a tremendous alternative scene for many of us.



## MELISSA HARRIS-PERRY ('94, ENGLISH AND POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR)



**Position:** Professor of Political Science and Founding Director of the Program on Gender, Race and Politics in the South, Tulane University

Postgraduate education: Ph.D. (1999) Duke University

**Areas of expertise and research:** My research focuses on American politics with a specific emphasis on issues of race and gender. My interests include the study of African-American political thought, black religious ideas and practice, and race and social psychology. (Author of "Sister Citizen" published last month by Yale University Press.)

**Wake Forest professors who inspired you:** The late and extraordinary Professor Dolly McPherson gave me a lifelong love of literature and a deep appreciation for the political importance of autobiographical writing. Professors Katy Harriger and Kathy Smith in political science were, and remain, role models for me as a woman in the academy. Both are ridiculously smart and profoundly committed to their work and their students.

How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest? One of the reasons I chose Tulane is my sense that it is very much like Wake Forest: great teaching, world-class research and field-defining community engagement, all wrapped in a complicated Southern aesthetic.

Favorite non-academic memories of your WFU days: Are you kidding? Basketball!



### WILLIAM EVANS ('83, ECONOMICS AND MATHEMATICS)

Position: Keough-Hesburgh Professor of Economics, Notre Dame

Postgraduate education: Ph.D. (1987) Duke University

Areas of expertise and research: Health economics. I also serve as the editor of the Journal of Human Resources.

Wake Forest professors who inspired you: I was a double major in economics and mathematics. I often tell people that I majored in economics but minored in Moorhouse, because five of my nine economics classes were with John Moorhouse. Economics as a discipline has become more mathematically oriented over time, and Wake was much more advanced than most undergrad programs with its degree in mathematical economics. My senior year, I worked on a project under the direction of Claire Hammond, and as research assistant for Professors Moorhouse and Dan Hammond. The academic life is really a quest for truth, and I enjoyed the process of discovery that comes along with research so much I wanted to make it my career.

**How is your college different or similar to Wake Forest?** I think there are a lot of overlaps between Notre Dame and Wake. Both have very good undergraduate students. Both have their roots in a liberal arts education. Both are in relatively small towns, although the Winston-Salem area is much larger than South Bend. Unfortunately for Notre Dame, over the past five seasons, Wake football has more wins (36) than Notre Dame (34).

Lisa Kline Mowry ('82), a writer and editor based in Atlanta, is married to an academically inclined graduate, Chris Mowry ('82), who earned his master's and doctorate at Emory University and serves now as chairman of the biology department at Berry College in Mount Berry, Ga.



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# REALES OF THE SECOND SE

#### By Kerry M. King ('85)

prototype movie poster proclaims: "Never since King Kong such a mighty appetite!" As New Orleanians might ask, "Who dat?"

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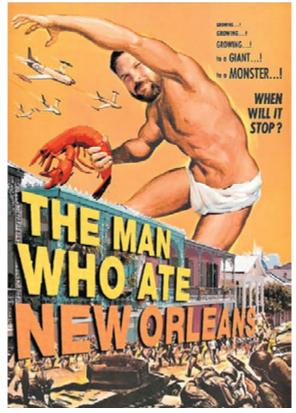
He's none other than Ray Cannata ('90), perhaps the most unlikely Presbyterian minister you'll ever meet and the man eating his way through every bistro, café, deli, grill, tavern and joint in New Orleans — all 750 of them. For Ray Cannata, life's a Mardi Foie Gras.

The upcoming documentary "The Man Who Ate New Orleans" is his story. It describes Cannata's unstoppable journey through piles of real 'Nawlins food —po boys, gumbo, turtle soup, muffuletta, and his personal favorite, oysters.

"It wasn't exactly hard work," Cannata admits. Instead, it was a joyful pilgrimage to get to know the people of New Orleans and help rebuild a great American city nearly destroyed by Hurricane Katrina six years ago.

"To understand New Orleans, you have to understand the food," says Cannata, a native of New York who arrived from New Jersey in January 2006, four months after the hurricane battered the levees. "When I moved here, I almost immediately fell in love with the city. To understand the culture and the subcultures, I needed to start at the table. You hit every table in New Orleans, and you'll hit every story in New Orleans."

He, his wife, Kathy Fortier Cannata ('89), and their two children, Andrew, now 12, and Rachel, 8, moved when Cannata was named senior pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church, worshipping then and now in another church's building on St. Charles Avenue. Under Cannata's direction the congregation of 17 — now 180 — focused on connecting with the community and rebuilding houses. Over the last five years, thousands of volunteers from across the country have helped his church rebuild some 500 homes and counting.



There was no stopping Ray Cannata once he began eating his way through every bistro, café, deli, grill, tavern and joint in New Orleans. (Courtesy of Gasoline Films)

"We have one service, and we build houses," Cannata says. "Obedience to the Bible drives me to try to be a good neighbor and to want to see our hood and our city transformed, celebrated and renewed."

Kathy Cannata says her husband never does anything in moderation. Which explains why his mission to learn his new city through a gastronomic odyssey grew out of control, leading him to become the only person ever to eat at every single non-chain restaurant in the Crescent City. The goal was ever-changing since New Orleans counts about two new restaurant openings a week, pushing the initial goal of 500 restaurants up by 250.

"Being a minister certainly hasn't stopped him from enjoying life to the fullest," Kathy Cannata says. Once he decided to eat at every restaurant, "I had no doubt that he would finish it."

# "To understand the culture....I needed to start at the table."

Cannata tells many of the stories from his journey — of food, music, culture, race relations, the rebuilding of the city — in the documentary, produced and directed by Michael Dunaway for Gasoline Films. The film, expected to be released in fall of 2012, counts Academy Award-nominated director Morgan Spurlock of "Supersize Me" fame as an adviser. Some of the film's proceeds will go to the homebuilding program at Cannata's church.

The film — thankfully — doesn't include all 750 restaurants. In one scene at Willie Mae's Scotch House in the Seventh Ward, Cannata has some fried chicken with chef John Currence, owner of City Grocery in Oxford, Miss., and son of Becky and Dick Currence, both in the Class of '61 and residents of New Orleans. They discuss Currence's efforts to rebuild Willie Mae's, and Cannata judges the fare "the best fried chicken in America."

"What I love about the guy," Currence says later, "is when he moved here, he embraced the entire city in his grasp. I'm magnetized by his passion for both his ministry and his love of New Orleans. He genuinely feels that he can hug the city and make a difference."



"The Man Who Ate New Orleans" serves up tales of the people, food, music and culture that Ray Cannata discovered during his gastronomic journey to embrace his new hometown.

At Jacques-Imo's Café in Carrollton, Cannata sits at a table in the back of an old pickup truck, with "real 'Nawlins food" painted on the side, while chef Jacques Leonardi serves up fried green tomatoes with shrimp remoulade, carpetbagger steak and cornbread, while he and Cannata discuss food and music. Cannata pronounces it "the best cornbread in America."

At Dooky Chase in the Seventh Ward, Cannata enjoys gumbo z'herbes — "the best gumbo in the city" — with owner and prominent African-American female chef Leah Chase while exploring the history of the Civil Rights Movement in New Orleans.

After realizing that he's describing every meal as "the best in...," Cannata pauses his rapid-fire culinary reviews to acknowledge, "I have a habit of saying that, but a lot of people agree with me."

He should know after eating in every restaurant in the city, from Commander's Palace in the Garden District to Juan's Flying Burrito in the Lower Garden District and McKenzie's Chicken-in-a-Box in Gentilly, to places with walk-up windows and signs out front proclaiming "Breakfast all day" or "catfish" hand-painted on plywood, to hole-in-thewall dives where he feared for his life.

He goes from extolling the virtues of a meal at Arnaud's or Antoine's, which can run up to \$200 with wine, with stories about the 99-cent breakfast special at Miss Gloria's (you'll probably need three) and his favorite wing shack in the roughest part of town. You would think the man who ate New Orleans would be the proverbial poster boy for Fat City. But not Cannata. After selling his car, he began walking and biking most everywhere. (Lunch in the French Quarter means an 11-mile roundtrip.) He cut out soft drinks and most sweets. In the last few years he has lost 10 pounds, making the man who ate New Orleans an inspiration to foodies everywhere.

Cannata, the newcomer who has grown to love his city and its hundreds of restaurants, is clear-eyed about his adopted New Orleans' problems — crime, poverty, a failing school system, political corruption, the ever-present danger of flooding. "New Orleans is a balance between heaven and hell," he says. "We need both in our lives — the heaven gives you things to enjoy and the hell gives you things to fix, a mission. It's when all you have is the in-between, the lukewarm stuff, that you get bored and restless and end up kicking the dog."

But in the next breath he says he can't imagine living anywhere else. "Why did I wait 37 years to find a city that's as crazy as I am?" he ponders. "When I was in New Jersey, I used to be the crazy one, now I'm the sanest guy here. It's great to be in a town that appreciates uniqueness and quirkiness. If you're not a little crazy, you don't stay here."

Ray Cannata shares his favorite joints for po boys, muffuletta, gumbo, turtle soup, country-fried steak and the "cheapest good eats" in New Orleans at http://magazine.wfu.edu

# HONDURAS

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# NICARAGUA

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# GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

among sea turtles, sea stars, penguins," says Victoria Erb, experience of learning about the Galápagos and visiting one of Anderson's 12 students on the trip who calls her weeklong trip to the Galápagos. "We were swimming (another occurs in spring 2012) that culminated in a Anderson taught a first-year seminar last spring Galápagos Islands for more than a decade. Professors of Biology Bill Conner and Dave

# PERU

Associate Professor of Biology Miles Silman, an expert on Andean ecology, and Assistant Professor of History Emily Wakild, an expert on Latin American national parks, teach a monthlong summer course on Peru's diverse plants, birds and mammals and its cultural and historic treasures. Aside from classrooms, 'lecture and discussion came beside a waterfall or in the candlelight of dinner," says junior Mary Alyce McCullough.

# CHILE & ARGENTINA

Wake Forest's newest study-abroad program began last spring. Students live in Buenos Aires, Argentina, for three weeks before spending the rest of the spring semester in Santiago, Chile, where they live with host families while taking classes at a local university and with the Wake Forest faculty member who accompanies the group.

# BRAZIL

Undergraduates and graduate students pursue research interests in Brazil through internships in biomedical sciences while also studying the country's culture and learning Portuguese. Chris Schaich, a graduate student in physiology and pharmacology, says the internship provided him the opportunity "to experience another culture's approach to scientific research, in addition to learning new, practical



# BOLIVIA

School of Medicine doctors and residents in the plastic surgery training program have treated some 200 burn-injured children during annual visits the last five years.

# ~ LATIN AMERICA? SI

Wake Forest's global footprint is larger thanks to a focus in the last year on Latin America with new programs in Nicaragua, a semester-abroad program in Chile and a summer course in the Galápagos Islands.

With extensive programs in Europe and Asia, offering Latin American programs was imperative, says Kline Harrison, associate provost for

global affairs, because of students' interest and the region's rise in political and economic importance.

Chile's changing economic model and political transition made it an ideal outpost for a study-abroad program, says Peter Siavelis, associate professor of political science and director of the Latin American and Latino Studies Program.

### AROUND THE QUAD





Randolph Childress ('95), the 1 All-America guard, who in 1995 willed the Deacons to their first ACC title in more than 30 years, is back at Wake Forest as assistant to the director of athletics, Ron Wellman. He works in compliance, fundraising and mentoring student athletes, especially with the men's and women's basketball teams. "For one, it excites me because it brings me back here," Childress said. "And from a mentoring standpoint, it gives me an opportunity to educate these guys on an experience that I've done. I've accomplished it across the board, so when I talk to these young men and women, I've had the ups and downs of the injuries, the success." Childress, whose 2,208 career points rank second to Dickie Hemric ('55) in Wake Forest history, was playing with a dislocated little finger on his right hand when he scored a career-high 40 points in a first-round comeback victory over Duke, poured in 30 in the semifinals against Virginia and then capped off the weekend by burning North Carolina for 37 in the championship. His final two points were the

winning bucket with four seconds left in overtime that lifted the Deacons to their first ACC title since 1962.

**Professor of Biology Bill** 2 **Conner** has been named the first David and Lelia Farr Chair of Innovation, Creativity and Entrepre**neurship**. The chair was established by David ('77) and Lelia ('77) Farr of St. Louis, Mo., to recognize Conner and his work with the Wake Forest Program in Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship. The \$2 million commitment provides support that allows Conner to focus his expertise on the program's continued development. It is one of the few chairs in entrepreneurship to be housed in an undergraduate liberal arts college rather than a business school. "We are deeply grateful for the Farrs' support in helping the College recognize Bill Conner's encouragement for students in every field, from biology to art to history, to use their education to think creatively to make the world a better place," says Dean of the College Jacque Fetrow. David Farr,

chief executive officer of Emerson, was a chemistry major at Wake Forest but has spent his entire career in business. Lelia Farr, an economics major, was most recently the managing director of management consulting services at PricewaterhouseCoopers in the company's Cleveland, Ohio, office. "We recognized early on Wake Forest's leading edge commitment to inspiring and developing students' potential for creativity and innovation. The creation of a chair and scholarships to support the University's interdisciplinary focus on entrepreneurship is critical to the future of our economy and competitiveness," says Lelia Farr. "We are grateful to Wake Forest for nurturing our potential while we were students, and we know that Dr. Conner will continue the rich tradition of mentoring young leaders." Adds David Farr, "Our goal with this gift is to continue the legacy of giving back to Wake Forest in ways that support our vision of educating and mentoring students that enable them to pursue creative opportunities for a rewarding and successful life." The University

recently received a \$36,000 Innovation Center planning grant. Combined with the Farr gift, it will support development of the Center for Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship and the Entrepreneurship and Social Enterprise Minor that help students in any discipline of study think creatively as they seek solutions to challenges facing the community and the world.

New technology developed by 3 Oana Jurchescu has advanced the field of plastic-based flexible electronics. Her research created an extremely large molecule that is stable, possesses excellent electrical properties and is inexpensive to produce. The technology could eventually turn scientific wonders including artificial skin, flexible bandages, wearable electronics and smart windshields into everyday realities. Jurchescu, assistant professor of physics in the Center for Nanotechnology and Molecular Materials, collaborated with graduate students Katelyn Goetz and Jeremy Ward, as well as colleagues from Stanford, Appalachian State and Kentucky.

**4** The **Wake Forest Schools of Business** have launched a retail marketing center designed to help businesses thrive through collaboration and the use of data analysis. At the **Center for Value Delivery Innovation**, manufacturers, retailers and other organizations work with Wake Forest faculty and business students to do research, analyze data, train executives and fund ways to help businesses stay ahead of customer demands. "The center provides a unique combination of knowledge creation, channel partner collaboration and leader cultivation, something not found anywhere else today," said Steve Reinemund, dean of the business schools.

5 Angela Mazaris is the director of Wake Forest's new Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning (LGBTQ) Center. Mazaris is responsible for establishing the center as a source of educational programming, support and advocacy for the entire campus community. "Wake Forest values and celebrates diversity in all of its forms," said Interim Provost Mark Welker. "The University's mission is dependent upon our ability to provide a safe and supportive living and learning environment for the campus community. I look forward to working with Dr. Mazaris to demonstrate the University's commitment to a welcoming campus culture." Mazaris developed agencywide inclusion and diversity

initiatives at the Internal Revenue Service and the National Park Service. She has a doctorate from Brown University, where she taught classes on LGBTQ history, served as coordinator of the LGBTQ Resource Center and served as graduate proctor of the Sarah Doyle Women's Center. "We have students here who are going to go out and do great things, be doctors, lawyers, teachers, presidents of multinational corporations," Mazaris said. "And one thing they will need in this changing world is to have a high level of cultural competency. We want to reach out to different parts of the student population so they can learn how to deal confidently with the LGBTQ community in their professional lives."

**6** Bamboo in the courtyard of **Casa Artom**? Yes, and lots of it. Internationally known **artists Mike and Doug Starn** constructed a major art installation at Wake Forest's residential study center on the Grand Canal in Venice. Big Bambú, a tower of more than 3,000 bamboo poles spiraling above Casa Artom, was part of the Venice Biennale, an international arts festival. While working on the structure, the Starn brothers stayed at Casa Artom, where undergraduate residents met the artists. "To have an important



The Wake Forest community remembered Sept. 11, 2001 with several events including an academic panel and a memorial service featuring music from the Concert Choir with personal reflections by faculty, students and staff. The carillon bells of Wait Chapel rang to coincide with the time the four hijacked planes went down and the two World Trade Center towers fell. "Ten years after the 9/11 terror attacks, people are in different stages of grief and recovery," said University Chaplain Tim Auman. "Our intent is to create an environment of reflection and a continuance of personal and collective healing."

### AROUND THE QUAD



work by major contemporary artists on Wake Forest's Venice campus is a rare opportunity," said Peter Kairoff, professor of music and director of the Venice program, who helped work out the details with the artists, the University and Venetian officials.

As the nation's electrical power grid becomes more interconnected through the Internet - from the nuclear power plant in California to transmission lines in Texas to the microwave in your kitchen - the chances of cyber attacks increase as well. **Associate Professor of Computer** Science Errin Fulp is training an army of "digital ants" to turn loose into the power grid to seek out computer viruses trying to wreak havoc on the system. Fulp worked this summer with scientists at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) in Richland, Wash., on the next steps in the digital ants technology. The approach is so promising that it was named one of the "ten technologies that have the power to change our lives," by Scientific American magazine last year.

8 If intelligence agencies could have accurately predicted the events of 9/11, imagine how world history would have changed. A new model for crowdsourcing predictions called Aggregative Contingent Estimation System (ACES) is transforming the way future events are forecast — combining the collective knowledge of many individual opinions in a unique way that improves accuracy beyond what any one person or small group of experts could provide. Eric Stone, associate professor of psychology who studies judgment and decision making, is part of the team working on this national project to find ways to help experts make more accurate predictions about world events. With the goal of creating a more powerful "prediction engine," for forecasting everything from the price of gas in the U.S. to the nuclear capabilities of Iran, Stone's research team is looking for individuals to contribute their knowledge in topic areas such as politics, the military, economics, science and technology, and social affairs.

Barbara Conley of Winston-Salem always has worked in her garden and taken walks in her Homestead Hills neighborhood for seniors. When a new exercise class called CLIMB (Confidence, Longevity, Independence, Mobility and Balance), focusing on toning the lower part of the body, was offered there, she decided to sign up. After the six-week class, including an exercise program led by Wake Forest, she said she has "awakened and toned" the muscles needed to keep her balance and to minimize the likelihood of a fall. The CLIMB exercise program for seniors was inspired by a study conducted by researchers Tony Marsh, Shannon Mihalko ('92) and Jack Rejeski (P '05, '08) in the **Department of Health and Exercise** Science. It won the "Best of the Best" award in the resident health and wellness category from the Assisted Living Federation of America.

**10 Evelyn Williams** has been named associate vice president for leadership development and **Mercy Eyadiel** has been named executive director of employment development in the Office of Personal and Career Development. Both came to Wake Forest from Stanford University, where Williams was director of the Center for Leadership Development and Research Leadership Laboratories and Eyadiel was the director, alumni and Sloan Career Services at the graduate school of business.

**11 The Porter B. Byrum Welcome Center** & admissions building received the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) gold certification. "We're now three for three in terms of new buildings that have set a goal to earn LEED silver and actually achieved a higher level," said Jim Alty, associate vice president for facilities and campus services. "The University is committed to sustainable design and building practices in all of its future buildings."

Wake Forest has been named to the 2010 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for engaging its students, faculty and staff in meaningful service that achieves measurable results in the community. The University's motto is Pro Humanitate — "for humanity." From classes that incorporate service learning to projects outside the classroom, Wake Forest encourages students to cultivate responsibility and civic-mindedness. More than half of undergraduates make volunteerism a priority in their educational experience.

**13 Yvonne Hinson** is the new associate dean of the Schools of

Business programs in Charlotte. She is a faculty member and director of accountancy programs. Wake Forest moved its two Charlotte-based MBA programs Uptown from South Park in January.

Carmen I. Canales joined 14 Wake Forest as the associate vice president for human resources and chief human resources officer on July 1. She is responsible for recruitment and employment, employee benefits, employee relations, leadership development and talent management, training and development, compensation and classification, human resource information systems, equal opportunity and affirmative action, and human resource policies and procedures. Canales was formerly chief talent officer at Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC.

### **REMEMBER WHEN?**

During a visit to the Oval Office in July 1951, Wake Forest President Harold W. Tribble (second from left) formally invites President Harry S. Truman to speak at the groundbreaking for the new campus.

After rejecting plans to schedule the groundbreaking around a Wake Forest-North Carolina football game, Tribble sought the assistance of Gordon Gray, son of Bowman Gray and formerly Secretary of the Army, to approach Truman. That led to a White House visit by (from left) Gray; Tribble; Charles Babcock; Egbert L. Davis; Charlotte Ann Olive, daughter of Judge Hubert Olive; and Olive, president of the Wake Forest Board of Trustees.

According to Tribble, Truman reviewed architectural plans for the new campus and suggested changes to Wait Chapel: "He placed his hand over the lower part of the picture, and studied it for a few seconds," Tribble later wrote. "Then he said,

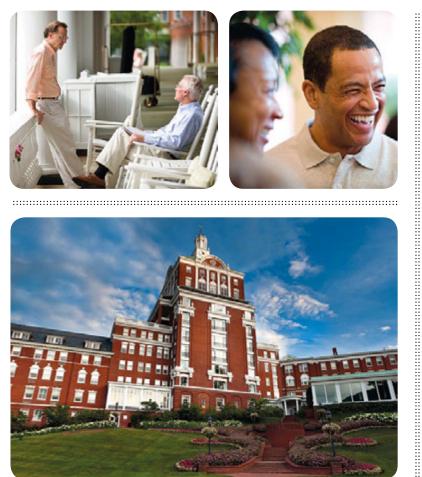


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'The steeple is out of proportion to the rest of the building.' I assured him that I would report his suggestion to our architect."

Truman delivered a major foreign policy address at the groundbreaking on Oct. 15, 1951. Soon afterwards construction began on Wait Chapel, according to the original plans.

# highlights from the homestead





The Wake Forest Board of Trustees and volunteer leadership, at their summer conference in June, reaffirmed a vision for nurturing a thriving University despite a turbulent economy. Sessions at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Va., included "Recovery? American and Global Economies Following the Great Recession" and "Keys to Success in the 21st Century: Creativity and Innovation." E.J. Dionne Jr., political columnist for The Washingon Post," and Tom Walter, Wake Forest baseball coach, were featured speakers. Following are excerpts from the events:

"Somebody's going to be third nationally alongside Stanford and MIT as the next generation leader for innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship, and it's not just going to be about commercial enterprises. It's going to be about social enterprises and making the world a better place. In my view we have it all. You want liberal arts as a core. You want medicine. You want business. You need that cross-discipline of applied sciences, where you all work across disciplines in a major way. You need to have major initiatives around health and wellness, around energy and environment. You need to have students who get it. You need to have faculty who embrace it. You need to have a brand that's on the upswing. That sounds like us."

### Steve Nelson ('80, P'14)

trustee and managing director of Wakefield Group venture capital firm in Charlotte

"Midsized cities with premier universities and medical centers have embedded within them this engine for growth."

### **Don Flow** (MBA '83)

vice chairman of the Board of Trustees and CEO of Flow Automotive Companies, on the opportunities for Winston-Salem to flourish



# Trust, paradox and a moral education

### **E.J. Dionne Jr.** political columnist for The Washington Post ('08, honorary doctor of humane letters)

I was asked to discuss what I hope my children will get out of college, what I hope they will learn and experience. And as President Hatch said, this is very timely for me because the oldest of my three children, my son James, is going off to college in the fall. And when parents send a child to college or university – and often pay a lot of money in the process – they are really saying: I trust these people. I trust them with my child; I trust them with his or her life, their character, education and many other things. And a student who picks a school is also saying, "I trust these people."



### ON VALUES

One of the reasons I respect Nathan (Hatch) – one of the reasons I could say of Wake that "I trust these people" – is that he's not afraid to talk about moral education and the importance of values. And one of the things Wake has done right is to link a concern all of us have whether we admit it or not – that is, will this college help my kid, directly or indirectly, find a job that engages him or her and pay the bills? – with the idea that you can't find work that fulfills and that you do well unless you think very hard about what matters most to you, morally and ethically as well as professionally. It's about work as a vocation.

### DOING THE RIGHT THING RIGHT

As you do your work (as educators), it might be useful to remember that education is about paradoxes and ironies: it teaches faith and skepticism, realism and idealism – and, yes, the two can go together – confidence and humility, ambition and altruism, self-sufficiency and community engagement. I think the importance of irony and paradox may be the most important thing I got out of my education, and what I want my children to learn. I also want them to learn that the sense that getting things right requires error along the way. As Churchill once said of us as a people: "Americans always do the right thing - after first exhausting all of the possibilities." A great education tries to teach students both to do the right thing and to do the thing right. With its focus on how the moral, the ethical and the practical interact, Wake will continue this noble work. With luck, it might even help its students get to the right thing without having to explore quite so many of the alternatives.

Watch or read the speech online at **webelieve.wfu.edu/media** 

"For a lot of people entrepreneurship feels like it's about capitalism, and it's about only commercialization. But in fact when we think about it, it's about being able to create value with limited resources. And that value can be artistic, ... educational, ... scientific. It can be social value and economic value. It can be about any combination of them. So our motto is 'any student, any discipline, any time.'"

Andy Chan vice president for career development



Alex Sink ('70, P '11) trustee and former chief financial officer of the State of Florida "Clearly, in the area of health care and wellness we are very well positioned — between the work going on at the Reynolda Campus and the medical school — to be one of the top if not one of the premier players in the country."

### Why 'the real story' is Kevin Jordan

Deacon baseball coach Tom Walter who donated a kidney to one of his players

To me the real story here is Kevin Jordan. That's the character. That's the courage. This guy showed up on our campus. How many of us with this condition would have showed up for freshman year? He didn't know a single person on the campus. He couldn't have a roommate. He was going to be hooked up to a dialysis machine from 11 at night until 8 a.m. ... But he showed up every day for practice when he could. He was tired. He usually just sat in the dugout. He was in a fog a lot of the time. But he showed up every day with a smile on his face. He went to class every day, passed all his classes. Here's a young man who took ownership. He moved away from home with this condition, checked into his dorm room and hooked himself up to a dialysis machine every day and fought for his life every single day.

I had to help. I had to help. It was a no-brainer.

### **ON CHARACTER**

I think that in any profession there are opportunities ... every day to display character. But I do think athletics gives you an easy and obvious platform and a national platform to display character. And that's why in my mind it's so important in athletics to have the right people ... . It's so important as coaches to make it our mission to not only display character ourselves, but to make sure that our players demonstrate character, to make sure we're recruiting players with character and we're instilling character into players. So it's our mission, and coincidentally it's the mission here at Wake Forest as well and a mission they take very seriously.

### ON HIS DECISION TO JOIN WFU

When I took the job at Wake Forest, I'm not going to lie to you here today and say I did it because Wake Forest was the greatest University in the world. I came to find out



after the fact that it is. And I believe that truly. I took it because it was in the ACC. And the ACC is the best baseball conference in the country, and I had a chance to go coach against the best and take a team to Omaha and play in the College World Series, When I came to Wake Forest it was primarily to win games.

However, what I came to find out here was that Wake Forest is an unbelievable place of tremendous integrity. And whether you're a faculty member or staff or student at Wake Forest, you're cared about as a person, and I found that out very quickly.

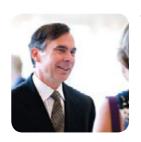
Read more highlights of Walter's speech at magazine.wfu.edu

"To the extent that we are successful in our graduate school and medical programs in getting people to start thinking innovatively about technologies that can be developed, I think we have a great potential for building a vibrant hub and research park."



### Donna Boswell ('72, MA '74)

trustee and partner at Hogan Lovells, a top–10 global legal services provider, who complimented the progress Winston–Salem has made in turning an old warehouse district into Piedmont Triad Research Park



"Both in running an investment portfolio for Wake and running a private equity fund, there are places of opportunity .... The trick is to try to find those."

### Peter Brockway (P '09)

trustee and managing partner at Brockway Moran & Partners Inc., a private equity firm in Boca Raton, Fla., who provided as an example his firm's having acquired majority interest last year in a leading camera bag company headed by a Demon Deacon — Gil Roberts ('82)

### PORTER BYRUM (JD '42)

A GENEROUS MAN

By Nathan O. Hatch



**PORTER BYRUM'S** recent gift of Park Road Shopping Center to Wake Forest University, Queens University and Wingate University is more than just the latest example of generosity from a local philanthropist.

It is indicative of Mr. Byrum's adherence to the principles instilled in him by his grandfather and his parents. It demonstrates his belief that perseverance can overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles, that education equals opportunity, and that helping others is the key to a meaningful and well-lived life. Porter Byrum's grandfather, Isaac, grew up in Chowan County near the North Carolina coast and fought in the Battle of Gettysburg, where he was seriously injured and lost a leg. After spending time in a prison hospital in Maryland, Isaac Byrum walked back to North Carolina using a wooden leg, a device now on display in the Museum of the Albemarle. Against great odds, he carved a small farm out of the forest to provide for his family of nine.

Porter Byrum's father, John Thomas Byrum, felt called to the Baptist ministry as a teenager and graduated from Wake Forest in 1908. His senior thesis, written in his own hand, still exists in the University archives and tells the story of their home church, Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church, which dates from 1781. Ministering to churches in Winston-Salem, Wilmington and Chowan County, John Thomas raised a family of deep conviction. Their resources, however, were not as abundant as their faith. Mr. Byrum recalls hunting and fishing with his brothers — not as sport but to enhance the family table. Mr. Byrum, 91, continues to be an avid sportsman and lover of nature to this day.

### PHILANTHROPY



About two dozen undergraduates, law students and student-athletes are currently receiving scholarships funded by Byrum.

Mr. Byrum's parents were passionate about their faith and about educating their five sons, despite financial challenges. Scholarships allowed four of them, including Porter, to attend Wake Forest University.

"Daddy had one ambition in life: to college educate his five boys," Mr. Byrum said. "He lived to see all five of us attain college degrees." Porter and his brother, David ('47, JD '51), became lawyers, his brother, Conwell ('37, MD '41), a physician, and his brother, Paul ('34), a teacher. A fifth brother, John, chose to study engineering at North Carolina State University.

Porter Byrum was a stalwart of "the Greatest Generation." After college, he enlisted in the Army but was not allowed to become an officer, as he was colorblind. He was involved in extensive combat, including the Battle of the Bulge. A crack marksman since the days of his youth, Mr. Byrum received a battlefield promotion to lieutenant for his skill in directing artillery fire to enemy positions. He also served in Korea, where he was part of the U.S. military government immediately after the Japanese were expelled.

Mr. Byrum remembers those years with a novelist's eye for detail. He can recall what it was like being shot at in a foxhole, to endure winter without proper clothing, and, as a young officer, to be responsible for compelling citizens from a small German town to visit the ravages of a concentration camp only days after its liberation.

He moved to Charlotte in the early 1950s and set up his legal practice. He applied his talent shrewdly and creatively, with a rare ability to solve problems for clients and assist with their business deals. For nearly 60 years, he practiced law in the way he thought best and allocated time to projects of his own choosing. He never charged clients an hourly fee, nor for the time he spent exploring whether he would accept a case; billing was premised on the actual help he delivered. To him, the work was more about a much broader purpose making a difference and helping others, living the spirit of Pro Humanitate (for humanity) that he learned as a youth and as a student at Wake Forest.

From its earliest days in the 1950s, Mr. Byrum was involved with the Park Road Shopping Center. In 1967, Mr. Byrum bought the center and has been involved in actively managing it ever since. Scores of businesses located within the center attest to Mr. Byrum's distinct style — firm and fair, supportive, committed to long-term relationships. Mr. Byrum has always taken a rare personal interest in the well-being and success of Park Road's merchants.

The most remarkable thing about Mr. Byrum is his steady purpose. Never distracted by success, he continues to demonstrate an unwavering commitment to his principles, as well as his friends and colleagues. He, in fact, lives in the same home he built more than 50 years ago, and his life remains remarkably straightforward and uncomplicated.

Mr. Byrum speaks often of the influence of his parents, John and Ida Ward Byrum, and their strong moral compass. Their abiding principles of doing right and doing good are wonderfully reflected in the life of their son.

We are grateful indeed that this special man chose to extend that same opportunity and challenge to future generations of worthy students.

This column by President Hatch appeared in The Charlotte Observer on July 2, the day after Edens & Avant, one of the nation's leading retail real estate owners and developers, announced the purchase of the shopping center from the universities. Wake Forest received in excess of \$40 million from the sale; Queens and Wingate received in excess of \$20 million each.

### Wake Forest's 'Front Porch' honors Porter Byrum

The Welcome and Admissions Center has a new name: the Porter B. Byrum Welcome Center, dedicated at a ceremony Sept. 10 in recognition of Porter Byrum's lifetime of service to Wake Forest.

Provost Emeritus Edwin G. Wilson ('43) was among those paying tribute to Byrum's dedication to ensuring that Wake Forest remains a welcoming place for all prospective students. He described the Porter B. Byrum Welcome Center as the front porch of Wake Forest and as a place of "hospitality and friendship."

Wilson talked about the impact that Byrum's generosity will have on future gen-



erations of students and imagined a discussion between admissions staff members and potential students concerned about affording a Wake Forest education: "'Yes, we will make it possible for you to come. Thanks to an alumnus named Porter Byrum, you will be a Wake Forest student.'"

During the dedication ceremony, President Nathan O. Hatch commended Byrum for using his success as an attorney and businessman to help others. "We come together to honor a man whose generosity has the power to transform this

great university and the lives of the students who will reap the benefits of this extraordinary gift." Among his numerous gifts to Wake Forest, Byrum has established scholarship funds for undergraduates, law students and student-athletes. He has provided more than \$2 million in scholarships for 64 Wake Forest students in the past decade.



Grace Thomas and Porter Byrum

"Our students are the beneficiaries of both Mr. Byrum's successful career and his principle-driven life," Hatch said.

With family and friends and the current Byrum Scholars watching, Byrum (JD '42) expressed his appreciation for all that Wake Forest has meant to him and his desire to make it possible for others to attend Wake Forest. "Education gave me an opportunity in life," he said. "It is my privilege to be able to give that same opportunity to others."

### **Griffiths Trust**

The School of Divinity has received more than \$1.4 million in gifts to fund new and expanded scholarships. More than \$500,000 was received from a trust established by **Margaret Hines Griffiths**. Her gift was used to match gifts from five other donors who gave at least \$100,000 each to establish new scholarship funds or add to existing ones.

Griffiths' father, the Rev. H.B. Hines, was a 1908 graduate of the College. In the 1990s, she established a charitable remainder trust to benefit a number of family members and Wake Forest's divinity school, then still in the planning stages. She died in 2000, a year after the divinity school opened.

At the death of each of the trust's beneficiaries, the majority of his or her share passes to Wake Forest, with a smaller share to Meredith College, Griffiths' alma mater. University officials estimate that the divinity school could eventually receive \$4 million from the trust.

"Mrs. Griffiths was so committed to the idea of theological education that she made this commitment in the hope that one day Wake Forest would have a divinity school," said School of Divinity Dean Gail O'Day. "A decade later, she is now helping educate the next generation of religious leaders."

Her gift was used to match gifts from the following donors:

Michael and Pamela ('80) Frey of Sylva, N.C., and Charlotte and Patrick Murphy of Goldsboro, N.C., established a scholarship in honor of Pamela Frey's and Charlotte Murphy's parents, Randall and Lou Lolley. **Elms ('62, MD '66) and Harriet Allen** of Winston-Salem established the Elms and Harriet Allen Scholarship.

**Carl ('68, P '95, '97, '04) and Linda Tucker** of Pageland, S.C., added to two scholarship endowments they had previously established: the Carl and Linda Tucker Family Divinity Scholarship and the Michael G. Queen Scholarship, named in honor of Wake Forest Trustee Rev. Michael G. Queen ('68, P '94).

Sam and Susan ('78, P '10) Rankin of Charlotte, N.C., added to the Susan Creech Rankin Scholarship, which they established in 1999. Susan Rankin is a member of the Divinity School Board of Visitors.

**Craig ('73, MBA '03) and Martha Siler**, of Greensboro, N.C., added to the Siler Family Scholarship, which they established in 2008.

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### ARTHUR ORR ('86), ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT



Alumni are gathering for a variety of events across the country this fall and winter, from volunteering at the Food Bank in Richmond, Va.; to playing in the annual ACC/ SEC alumni golf challenge in Nashville, Tenn.; to a Supper Series Dinner in Chicago.

Three Wake Forest Clubs are planning special programs with support from the Alumni Council's "Innovation Fund." The Raleigh, N.C., Club is holding a Fall Festival on the grounds of the Wake Forest Birthplace Museum. The Nashville, Tenn., Club is sponsoring "Wakestock," featuring alumni musicians. And, the Cleveland, Ohio, Club is hosting University administrators at the Club meeting in Northeast Ohio.

There are active alumni Clubs in 35 states and Washington, DC. Please visit **alumni.wfu.edu/clubs** for information on events in your area.

Thank you to all those who made gifts to the University during the last fiscal year. The Alumni Council sponsored its first Young Alumni Challenge by offering a challenge gift of \$100,000 to encourage young alumni to support the Wake Forest Fund. Thank you to the 2,070 young alumni who responded, an increase of 44.3 percent over the previous year. Overall, alumni donors to the Wake Forest Fund increased 4.6 percent.

Each year, the Alumni Council recognizes alumni who have made extraordinary contributions to the University and their communities and professions. Please help us recognize deserving alumni by submitting nominees for next year's award at: alumni.wfu.edu/awards/distinguished/nomination

I am pleased to welcome 16 new members to the Alumni Council (their names are designated with an arrow at the beginning of their appropriate class year), and I would like to recognize the members who recently completed their four-year terms: **Parrish Arturi ('87, MBA '94), John Blair ('86), Tammy Connor ('96), Michael DeMayo ('87), Adam Dolder** 

### ('95), Lynne Reeder ('79), Jamey Spencer ('97), Sarah Taylor ('79) and Chris Wilson ('94).

I would also like to thank Parrish for his leadership

of the communications committee. That committee has been working with the University Advancement office to enhance our online and printed communications, including more frequent updates to the alumni section of the website and increasing use of social media.



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### You can stay connected with fellow alumni and with Wake Forest in a number of ways:

- Visit the Alumni website (wfu.edu/alumni) to stay up to date on the latest club events and alumni news and announcements.
- Keep your contact information current to ensure you receive the latest emails from the University and your local club, as well as the Wake Forest Magazine. Visit the alumni website to update your information.
- Contribute a class note for the Wake Forest Magazine and see the guidelines online (magazine.wfu.edu/classnotes).
- Visit the magazine website (magazine.wfu.edu) or magazine Facebook page (facebook.com/ wakeforestmagazine) for regular features on alumni.
- Become an active member of one of the 35
  Wake Forest Clubs across the country.
- Join interest groups on LinkedIn, visit Wake Forest's Facebook page or follow Wake Forest on Twitter.
- Offer career advice to students through the new group, "Wake Forest University Career Connectors," on LinkedIn.

### **1950**s

Larry Ingle ('58) is professor emeritus of history at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. He was presented a Festschrift, "Keeping Us Honest, Stirring the Pot," of 413 pages to recognize his scholarly work in the field of Quaker history. His works include numerous articles and two books: "Quakers in Conflict: The Hicksite Reformation" (1986) and "First Among Friends: George Fox and the Creation of Quakerism" (1994). W. Styron Harris ('58) contributed one section.

### **1960**s

**Maurice W. Horne ('60, JD '66)** has retired as chief judge of the Office of Disability Adjudications and Review after 10 years as chief judge and 30 years of service in Greensboro, NC.

Larry B. Sitton ('61, JD '64, P '90) is an attorney with Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Charlotte, NC. He was recognized by Chambers and Partners as being among the Leaders in Their Field and the state's top general commercial litigators.

**Ruth Winchester Ware ('61)** completed a photographic documentation of the muralist Emily Eve Weinstein. She continues to write and research Asheville's noted novelist, Thomas Wolfe. She donated a photo, "Wolfe Angel," for auction at the 2011 Wolfe Conference in Savannah, GA, and read her short story, "Journey to Root Beer."

Mary Ann Brittain ('62) received the N.C. Order of the Long Leaf Pine, one of the state's most prestigious awards, for her 43 years of outstanding service (go.wfu. edu/92k). She is a science educator and former director of school programs at the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh.

**Fred G. Morrison Jr. (JD '63)** has been reappointed to the N.C. Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission. He received the N.C. Veteran's Emblem in recognition of his 50 years as a Master Mason of Thomasville Lodge No. 214.

Whrens Casey Williams ('63) is president of H.W. Williams Co. He was headmaster of Pender Academy for 20 years and has been coaching for 48 years. The Whrens C. Williams Softball Complex at Topsail High School in Hampstead, NC, was recently



named in his honor. He and his wife, Judy, live in Burgaw, NC.

**David M. Zacks ('64, JD '67)** is with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP in Atlanta. He has been named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business in general commercial litigation by Chambers USA.

**W. Louis Bissette Jr. ('65)** is president of McGuire Wood & Bissette PA in Asheville, NC, and vice chairman of the Wake Forest University Board of Trustees. He has been certified as a Superior Court Mediator by the N.C. Dispute Resolution Commission.

**Douglas A. Bridges ('67)** has retired after teaching English and study skills for 16 years with the Polk County schools. He was an administrator at McDowell Technical and Catawba Valley community colleges and taught English at Western Carolina University. He has two children and four grandchildren.

Harry W. Flynn ('67) is the J. Donald Gass Distinguished Chair in Ophthalmology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine and professor of ophthalmology at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute. He received the Shaler Richardson Service to Medicine Award for his contributions to quality patient care from the Florida Society of Ophthalmology.

Alfred Adams ('68, JD '73, P '01) is a commercial real estate attorney with Womble Carlyle in Winston-Salem, former president of the Wake Forest Alumni Association (2003-04) and an adjunct professor for the School of Law. He received the Citizen Lawyer Award from the N.C. Bar Association and was named to the Legal Elite Hall of Fame in real estate law and one of the Top 100 Super Lawyers by Business North Carolina.

**Charles R. Young Sr. (JD '68)** is of counsel for Young Morphis Bach & Taylor LLP in Hickory, NC, where he has been since 1968, and vice president and minority owner of Hickory Baseball Inc., which operates the

Hickory Crawdads. A profile, "Hickory Attorney Focuses on Helping People," was published in the Hickory Daily Record (tinyurl.com/3dlk6mg). He and his wife, Elaine, have three children: **Bert ('91), Heather Y. Hancock ('91)** and **Roger ('96)**.

**Stancil Campbell ('69, MA '74)** received his MA in political development in 2009 from the American University of Cairo, Egypt, and spoke at his commencement. He has begun a phased-in retirement as professor of theatre at the American University of Cairo. He volunteered with the refugee center at St. Andrew's United Church of Cairo where he taught theatre workshops, directed plays and assisted refugees in writing their own scripts. At the completion of his last fulltime year of teaching, the church presented him with the St. Andrew's Cross and honored him by naming its theatre stage the Stancil Campbell Stage.

### **1970**s

▶ Jack Clayton ('75) is serving his second term on the Alumni Council. He is regional president with Wells Fargo in Raleigh, NC. His family includes several Wake Foresters: his wife, Mary McElwee Clayton ('75, PA '76); son, John Clayton ('09); father, John H. Clayton ('42); and sister, Jill Clayton Moore ('85).

Ricky Cox ('76) is serving his second term on the Alumni Council. He is an attorney with Gavin & Cox in Asheboro, NC. He and his wife, Sarah, have three sons: Richard ('06), Robert ('09) and David ('11).

▶ Lynn Killian Neill ('75) is serving her second term on the Alumni Council and is also an Alumni-in-Admissions volunteer. She is director of community relations and development with Pavillon in Mill Spring, NC. She lives in Hendersonville.

Alumni Council member



**Greg C. Gaskins ('70, JD '76)** has been named chief financial officer for the City of Charlotte, NC.

Joe Burns ('71, JD '74, P '97) is an attorney in Winston-Salem. He plays cornet in the Advent-Hopewell Moravian Church Band.

John G. Currin Jr. ('71) is president and chief executive officer of Alamance Regional Medical Center in Burlington, NC. He received the Frank S. Holt Jr. Business Leadership Award from Elon University.

Jenny R. Puckett ('71, P '00) teaches Spanish in the Romance Languages department at Wake Forest. She has published a biography of the University's tenth president, "Fit for Battle: The Story of Wake Forest's Harold W. Tribble" (AuthorHouse, July 2011) (go. wfu.edu/ktb).

**D. Clark Smith Jr. ('72, JD '75)** is in the litigation practice group of Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Greensboro, NC. He has been elected to serve a two-year term as the N.C. Bar Association representative to the American Bar Association House of Delegates.

Catharine Biggs Arrowood ('73, JD '76, P '05) is a partner with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Raleigh, NC. She received the 2011 H. Brent McKnight Renaissance Lawyer Award from the N.C. Bar Association.

**Stephen D. Poe ('73)** is an attorney and director with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been elected firm president.

Jane Carter Handly (MA '74) has been elected by the Lutheran Synod to a threeyear term on the board of trustees of Lenoir Rhyne University. She is co-chair of the LRU Giving Fund and co-chair of the University Champions. She has authored two books, "The Life Plus Program for Getting Unstuck" and "Why Women Worry." She was inducted into the National Speakers Association Hall of Fame and was named the 2007 Woman of the Year by Delta Zeta Sorority. David Blake Webb (MA '74) is an assistant U.S. attorney in Pennsylvania. He assisted in the prosecution of Saddam Hussein and has been nominated by President Obama to

become a U.S. marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

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('81, JD '84)

Joshua W. Willey Jr. ('74, JD '77) is with Mills & Willey in New Bern, NC. He has been appointed to a three-year term on the Disciplinary Hearing Commission of the N.C. State Bar.

**Stan Koonts ('75)** is the human resources manager for the North Carolina operations of Keystone Foods in Winston-Salem.

John Wells Lassiter ('76, JD '80) is president of Carolina Legal Staffing, which was named No. 55 of the Top 300 Small Businesses of the South by Business Leader magazine.

**Leon Shaw ('76)** is founder and chairman of Audio Advice, a specialty home audio, video and automation company based in Raleigh, NC.

**Dan Taylor (JD '76)** is with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business in general communication litigation by Chambers USA.

**B. Craig Dunkum ('77)** has opened a law firm, Stark Dunkum & Stark PLC, with offices in Richmond, VA, and Amelia County, VA. The firm's focus includes criminal, traffic, civil litigation, real estate law, wills and estate practice (starkdunkumandstark.com).

Gaither Keener (JD '77) has been named executive vice president, general counsel, secretary and chief compliance officer of Lowe's Companies Inc. He is a member of the Deacon Club board and serves on the American Legion National Finance Commission. He also provides pro bono service as judge advocate for the Department of North Carolina American Legion. He and his wife, Beverly, live in Mooresville, NC.

David Orton ('77) received the Wake Forest University annual Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award. The award was for his "spirit, creativity, achievement and social responsibility" as an entrepreneur in founding and running several technology ventures.

Fairfax Reynolds (MBA '77) has joined VantageSouth Bank as Alamance County market president in Burlington, NC.

Louis Moore ('78) is a community banking group executive for BB&T in Winston-Salem. He and his wife, Teresa, live in Greensboro, NC. They have two sons: Colby, a Wake Forest freshman, and Josh, a sophomore at Christ School in Asheville, NC.

**Rebecca Reinovsky Tomsyck (MD '78)** is a colonel in the U.S. Army and chief of behavioral health at the Heidelberg Medical Activity. She was deployed with a Combat Stress Control Unit to Afghanistan as commander of an Air Force unit and received the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service.

**Don Vaughan (JD '79)** is a N.C. state senator. He has been appointed to the N.C. Courts Commission by Gov. Bev Perdue.

### **1980**s

▶ Steve Hyatt ('83) is serving his first term on the Alumni Council and is president of the South Florida Wake Forest Club. He is a senior vice president with Berger Commercial Realty in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He and his wife, Paige, have two children, Christian and Stephanie, a Wake Forest freshman.

▶ Jeff Richardson ('87) is serving his second term on the Alumni Council. He is senior vice president, Investor Relations/M&A with Fifth Third Bank in Cincinnati.

Todd W. Brown ('80, MBA '86) is vice president, business development with CACTX Surfaces. He lives in Winston-Salem with his wife, Stephanie, and six children.

**Stephen R. Berlin ('81, JD '84, P '07**) is with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business in environmental law by Chambers USA.

**Ben Hodge ('81)** represented North Carolina in a state partnership program with Zimbabwe at a conference sponsored by AFRI-COM, the U.S. military command for Africa, in Padova, Italy. The program's objective is to meet the partner country's goals of building professional and capable governments and security forces for a more stable society.

**E. Kemp Reece Jr. ('81)** is with Davenport & Co. in Raleigh, NC. He has been named one of the Triangle's Top Wealth Advisors.

Clifford Britt ('82, JD/MBA '86) received the Walter Clark Award from the N.C. Advocates for Justice, the highest honor given for extraordinary service to justice and to the Advocates for Justice. His focus is on catastrophic injury or death with Comerford & Britt LLP in Winston-Salem. He serves on the Law Board of Visitors and is a past president of the Wake Forest Law Alumni Council.

**Steve Dixon ('82)** co-produced a documentary, "Tony and Janina's American Wedding," with his wife, Ruth Leitman (go.wfu.edu/yfm).

**Darren K. Hensley ('82)** received his MDiv from Emory University's Candler School of Theology and is an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church. He is integrating ministry with his work as a bankruptcy lawyer in Atlanta.

**Troy R. Jackson Jr. ('82)** is a regional 401(k) sales director for North Carolina and Virginia with Lincoln Financial. He earned his accredited investment fiduciary designation.

Gary K. Joyner (JD '82) is with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business in real estate law by Chambers USA.

Landon S. King ('82) is the David Marine Professor of Medicine and Biological Chemistry and director of the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Johns Hopkins Medicine. He has been named vice dean for research at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.

**Frank Whitney ('82)** is in the U.S. Army Reserves and a U.S. District Judge for the N.C. Western District. He joined the Reserves in 1982 while at Wake Forest and has been dispatched to Germany, Italy, Japan, Johannesburg, Panama and the Republic of Georgia during his 29 years of service. He was recently dispatched to Iraq and Afghanistan to preside over courts-martial of U.S. soldiers and government contractors.

Marcia H. Armstrong (JD '83, P '10) is with Armstrong & Armstrong PA in Smithfield, NC. She received the 2011 Sarah H. Davis



Excellence Award from the N.C. State Bar Board of Legal Specialization. She has been recognized as a Super Lawyer, one of the Top 50 Women Attorneys in North Carolina, a Citizen Lawyer and the State Bar Councilor for Judicial District 11B.

Lee Burroughs Bradway ('83, P '11) is a second-grade teacher at The Westminster Schools in Atlanta. She received the Goizueta Foundation Professorship Award for excellence in teaching.

**Bradford Hood ('83)** is an account director at Wray Ward in Charlotte, NC. He has been appointed vice chair for the board of managers of the Gateway Village YMCA in Uptown Charlotte.

**Steven L. Savino (MBA '83)** is professor of practice in marketing at Lehigh University's College of Business and Economics. He teaches undergraduate and graduate courses and specializes in brand strategy.

**Curtis C. Farmer ('84, MBA '91)** has been named vice chairman of the retail bank and wealth & institutional management of Comerica Inc., a financial services company based in Dallas.

**Scott Haynie ('84)** is a managing partner of Consolidated Planning Winston-Salem. He has received the Chartered Life Underwriting designation.

**Daniel Nie ('84)** has a studio, DanNie, in Ashburn, VA (DanielNie.com). He participated in the Wyandotte Street Art Fair in Michigan selling his "Coolligraphy."

David Daggett (JD '85) with Daggett Shuler in Winston-Salem won the Over 50 Ironman Executive Challenge in Coeur d'Alene, ID. For the last 21 years the firm has sponsored the Safe Sober Prom Night program for 35 high schools in eight counties across the Triad. This year Julie Bell (JD '91), Griff Shuler (JD '94) and Chris Wilkie (JD '03) helped with the program. **Randall D. Avram (JD '86)** is with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business in labor and employment law by Chambers USA.

Thomas S. Blalock Jr. ('86) retired as a navigator after 20 years in the U.S. Air Force. He continues his work as an electronic warfare specialist with Booz Allen Hamilton in Virginia. He is engaged to Mary Paige Forrester ('89).

**Allyson Shepard Brown ('86)** is a senior vice president with BB&T in Winston-Salem.

**Noel Hunter ('86)** is president of Once Upon An App in Winston-Salem, a developer of children's educational software for iPhone, iPad, Smart Table, Kindle and Android devices.

**Robert A. Nosal (MBA '86)** has been appointed president and chief executive officer of Paul Mueller Co. in Springfield, MO.

**M. Linda Wastyn ('86)** has her own company, Wastyn & Associates, providing integrated fundraising consultation and services (wastynassoc.com).

Wake Forest Magazine welcomes Class Notes submissions from alumni. There are three ways to submit information:





Hazel Bodner Berger (MBA '87) is a floral photographer in Marietta, GA. She was named Artist of the Year for Georgia's Sunflower Farm Festival (magmoment.etsy.com).

Beatrice Dombrowski Hair ('87) is owner and director of the Salisbury Tutoring Academy Franchise, with a location in Winston-Salem. She and her husband, Randy, live in Salisbury, NC. She has published a book, "H3LT: The Hair Three-Legged-Table Solution for Education," of tools for parents, teachers and students. The Huffington Post published an article, "Beatrice Hair: Education in America: Losing the Three-Legged-Race," about the book.

**Kent Lee Hipp ('87)** is with GrayRobinson PA in Orlando, FL. He has been named one of Florida Trend's Legal Elites and a Florida Super Lawyer in eminent domain.

Susan Sparks (JD '87) is senior pastor of Madison Avenue Baptist Church in New York City. She says she is the "only female standup comedian in the country with a pulpit." She is the author of "Laugh Your Way to Grace: Reclaiming the Spiritual Power of Humor" (go.wfu.edu/b9x).

John "Jay" C. Waters ('87), a colonel in the U.S. Army, led a personnel training and assistance team to Sierra Leone and Liberia to work with military and civilian leaders to develop and improve military personnel systems, recruiting and retention policies. He is the human resource director for U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command in Northern Virginia.

**Scott R. Muri ('88)** received his doctor of education from Wingate University. He is chief information officer of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools.

Jim Bryan (JD '89) is in the business litigation group of Nexsen Pruet LLC. He has been elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Greensboro Bar Association.

**Glenn D. Crater ('89)** is vice president and country medical director for GlaxoSmith-

Kline-Canada. He and his family relocated to Ontario.

Mary Paige Forrester ('89) is project manager of the Health Resources and Services Administration Contact Center with the Science Applications International Center in Rockville, MD. She is engaged to **Thomas S. Blalock Jr. ('86)**.

**Robert B. Richbourg (JD '89)** celebrated his first anniversary of solo practice in Tifton, GA.

**Catherine Pruitt Stancil ('89)** teaches third- through eighth-grade Latin at Calvary Baptist Day School in Winston-Salem. She received the school's Excellence in Teaching Award to attend the American Classical League Institute in Minneapolis.

### **1990**

▶ Drew Dixon is serving his first term on the Alumni Council. He recently served as co-chair of his 20th class reunion committee. He is CFO of Inmar Inc. in Winston-Salem. He and his wife, Kelly, have five sons, including Wake Forest freshman Brant.

▶ Mary Cabell Lowe Edmundson is serving her first term on the Alumni Council. She recently served as co-chair of her 20th class reunion committee. She and her husband, Joyner (MBA '98), have two children and live in Winston-Salem.

**Kevin Hicks** is president of the N.C. World Trade Association, leading the private economic development efforts supporting North Carolina's importers and exporters.

### 1991

Julie Bell (JD) is with Daggett Shuler in Winston-Salem. For the last 21 years the firm has sponsored the Safe Sober Prom Night program for 35 high schools in eight counties across the Triad. This year **David Daggett** (JD '85), Griff Shuler (JD '94) and Chris Wilkie (JD '03) helped with the program.

Liz Gardner Boulware lives in Charlotte, NC, with her husband, Scott, and two daughters, Camille (10) and Marin (7). She was honored as Dance Champion of the Year by the N.C. Dance Theatre and Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools for her work with Reid Park Elementary School. She helped make it possible for the second-grade class to attend performances of the NCDT "Nutcracker" the last two years.

Jennifer Hoover has been named head women's basketball coach at High Point University in High Point, NC. She and her husband, John, have a daughter, Maggie.

Janice D. Wagner (PhD) has been named vice president and senior associate dean for research at Wake Forest School of Medicine. She is a professor of pathology, professor in the Translational Science Institute, director of the Animal Resources Program and an associate in the Institute for Regenerative Medicine.

### 1992

**Michael Kelly** is associate commissioner for broadcasting, communications and football operations with the Atlantic Coast Conference (go.wfu.edu/q7s).

**Christopher King** is the senior telecom services analyst for Stifel Nicolaus in Baltimore. He was named the top Wireless Telecommunications Service Analyst for stock-picking by The Financial Times/StarMine for 2011.

**Michael Lueder (JD)** is of counsel with the energy, corporate and administrative/regulatory practice groups of Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP in Atlanta.

### **1993**

▶ Andrew Snorton is serving his first term on the Alumni Council. He is president pro tempore of the Association of Wake Forest University Black Alumni and a volunteer with the Alumni-in-Admissions program. He is program development manager with the L.E.A.D. Foundation in Snellville, GA. **Paul Lancaster Adams (JD)** is senior director, U.S. Government Affairs for Microsoft Corporation in Washington, DC. He serves on and advises the company's government affairs leadership team.

**Kimberly Crupi Dobbins** has an all-natural confection company, Simple Squares, in Chicago (simplesquares.com).

**Leslie O'Neal** received her doctorate of nursing practice from the University of Tennessee School of Health Sciences. She practices psychiatry and lives in High Point, NC, with her two children.

### **1994**

**Carter Cook (JD/MBA '98)** is associate counsel in the legal department at Wake Forest. He has played the piano for 34 years and recently recorded 12 instrumental hymn arrangements on a CD, "Sundays in Belvedere." Profits are donated to faith-based charities working to fight poverty (go.wfu.edu/4c9).

**Melissa V. Harris-Perry** is professor of political science at Tulane University in New Orleans and founding director of the project on Gender, Race and Politics in the South. She has published a book, "Sister Citizen: Shame, Stereotypes and Black Women in America" (September 2011, Yale University Press) (See page 30).

Griff Shuler (JD) is with Daggett Shuler in Winston-Salem. For the last 21 years the firm has sponsored the Safe Sober Prom Night program for 35 high schools in eight counties across the Triad. This year Julie Bell (JD '91), David Daggett (JD '85) and Chris Wilkie (JD '03) also helped with the program.

**Nicole Weller** has published a children's junior golf book, "Stick to Sports: Let's Play Golf," designed for ages 4 to 8. The book has a sticker/point reward system designed for use by juniors with adult mentors (sticktosports.com).

### 1995

▶ Mary Mills Blake is serving her first term on the Alumni Council. She also serves on the executive committee for the Raleigh Wake Forest Club. She is manager of board relations with the N.C. Museum of Art in Raleigh, NC.



**Randolph Childress** has joined the Wake Forest athletic department as assistant to the athletic director, serving in a number of roles including compliance, development and student-athlete mentorship. He and his wife, Jen-Ai, have two sons, Brandon (13) and Deven (11).

**Paul E. McIntosh** and his wife, Emily, have a dental practice with Madison Family Dentistry PC in Madison, AL. They have two children, Alex (7) and Ian (3).

### 1997

Jenny Manley Brokaw is serving her first term on the Alumni Council. She is a principal with Brokaw Counsulting LLC in Menlo Park, CA.

Jay Cooper is serving his first term on the Alumni Council. He is an investment manager with CSI Holdings in Park City, UT. He is married to Hillary Jones Cooper ('97).

Amanda McGrady Morrison is serving her first term on the Alumni Council. She is a partner with Ropes & Gray LLP in Boston. She is married to Grant Morrison ('96).

**Louis Cyril Abramovitz (MBA)** wrote an article, "Eyes on the Bottom Line: Cost-effective Web Tools," featured in the July 4 edition of The National Law Journal.

**Craig H. Collison (MD '97)** was elected to the board of directors of the newly formed Mount Nittany Physician Group in State College, PA. He lives with his wife, Michelle, and their four children in Madisonburg, PA.

**George Demetriades** has formed Global LZ, a business development consulting firm specializing in the domestic and international defense and homeland security markets (global-lz.com).

Jeffrey E. Getz (MBA) is deployed to the Middle East with the Virginia Air National Guard overseeing engineering designs of the U.S. Air Force construction projects.

Heather Barnes King (MA) received the 2011 Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award on the secondary level from Wake Forest. She teaches algebra, AP calculus and French at West Forsyth High School in Clemmons, NC (go.wfu.edu/tsv). She was named Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Teacher of the Year in 2010. She and her husband, Kerry ('85), live in Winston-Salem.

**Michael Lee (JD)** is a partner and chairman of the marketing committee with Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Wilmington, NC. He has been appointed to a two-year term on the N.C. State Ports Authority's Board of Directors.

John F. Whitmire Jr. is associate professor in the Department of Philosophy and Religion at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, NC. He received the Excellence in Teaching Liberal Studies Award and the Outstanding Achievement in Teaching a Service Learning Course Award.

### 1998

**Meg Armstrong (MBA)** is general manager of e-commerce at QVC Inc. She has been named to the board of directors of Mommy's Light Lives On Fund, serving children with deceased or terminally ill mothers (mommyslight.org).

Kimlani Murray Ford (JD) is an assistant U.S. attorney prosecuting child sexual exploitation crimes. She received the Director's Award for Superior Performance from the director of the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys in regard to the prosecution of a teacher who molested boys over four decades. She was named one of Mecklenburg County's 50 Most Influential Women by The



Mecklenburg Times. She and her husband, David, and their two children, Mason (3) and Rachel (8 mos), live in Charlotte, NC.

**David Julius Ford Jr. (MA '11)** is pursuing a PhD in education with a concentration in counseling at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, VA. He received his national certification as a counselor and was awarded a graduate teaching assistantship for an undergraduate-level course in the fall.

Farrah Moore Hughes is associate professor of psychology at Francis Marion University in Florence, SC. She is coordinator of the clinical/counseling option of the MS program in applied psychology.

**Thomas B. Langan (JD)** is an assistant district attorney for Surry and Stokes counties in North Carolina.

### 1999

Tadelro Brown (JD '03, MBA '08) is vice president and estate planning consultant with Wells Fargo Bank in Winston-Salem. He participated in the 2011 Wells Fargo Diverse Leaders Program and was named one of Triad Business Journal's 40 Leaders Under Forty.

**Joseph Craft (MD)** is a cardiologist in the heart and vascular group of the Mercy Clinic physicians' group, part of Mercy Hospital St. Louis.

**Megan Cramer** has been in New York more than 10 years and is associate artistic director at The 52nd Street Project, a nonprofit theater company bringing kids together from the Hell's Kitchen community with professional theater artists (go.wfu.edu/4gt). She toured with seven members of The Project's Teen Ensemble to Canada to perform an adaptation of William Shakespeare's "The Two Gentlemen of Verona" at the University of Calgary and Banff Centre. **David L. Holden** is a principal with Holden Mickey & Mickey Inc. in Winston-Salem and a member of the Wake Forest Alumni Council. He has been selected for The Business Journal-Triad's 40 Leaders Under Forty.

**Emily Laurel Page-Steacy** has opened a business hosting wine and paint parties, Artistic Abandon, in Raleigh, NC (artisticabandon.com).

Anderson Williams is director of strategic initiatives to help launch the Tennessee College Access and Success Network. His focus is on expanding educational opportunities for low income students and communities for the state of Tennessee.



John Brunini (JD) received highest recognition as a leader in environmental law by Chambers USA, which also ranked the Brunini Firm among the leading firms and leading attorneys in Mississippi.

Jemi Goulian Lucey is an attorney in the litigation department of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP in Woodbridge, NJ. She has been appointed to the board of trustees of the N.J. Women Lawyers Association.

**Julie Eling Penry** is assistant legal counsel at the Oregon Judicial Department.

**Bradley Winston Thomas (MD '05)** completed a surgery residency and surgical critical care fellowship in Chattanooga, TN. He and his wife, Tracy, are moving to Guam to practice at the U.S. Naval Hospital Guam.

**Christopher Trebilcock (JD)** is a principal and employment and labor lawyer with Miller Canfield in Detroit. He has been elected president of the Detroit Institute of Arts Founders Junior Council.

### 2001

▶ Nick Ferenc is serving his first term on the Alumni Council. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Boston Wake Forest Club. He is a director with Genzyme in Cambridge, MA.

**Ginny Bunch** is director of development for Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina in Raleigh.

Jayne Walker Grubbs received the 2011 Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award on the elementary level from Wake Forest. She teaches fifth- and sixth-grade gifted students and is a science specialist for grades three through six at Caleb's Creek Elementary in Kernersville, NC (go.wfu.edu/ tsv). She and her husband, Jason (JD '02), have one son, Harrison (3).

Joe Meador (MBA '07) of Madison, NC, is associate director of financial planning and analytics at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center.

**Robert R. Pfeiffer** is an English professor at Clayton State University in Morrow, GA. He has published his first collection of original poetry, "Bend, Break" (Plain View Press, January 2011).

Tyronia Morrison Smith (JD '04) is with Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs LLP in Atlanta. She received the Quarter Award from the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division and the Seventh Annual Ethics and Professionalism Award from the Young Lawyers Division of the State Bar of Georgia.

Shannon "Missy" Sumerell Spainhour (JD) is a partner with Davis Hartman Wright PLLC and has opened an office in Charlotte, NC. Her practice concentrates on employment law and litigation. She has been named one of Business North Carolina's Legal Elite.

### 2002

▶ Tracy Strickland Tousey (JD '05) is serving her first term on the Alumni Council. She is program director for community initiatives with the Community Foundation of Jacksonville in Jacksonville, FL.

Megan Mayhew Bergman is a two-time nominee for a Pushcart Prize and writes a

blog, Amateur Yankee, about life in rural Vermont with her husband, Bo, and their two daughters. She will publish her first collection of stories, "Birds of a Lesser Paradise" (Scribner) in March 2012 (go.wfu.edu/w34).

**Todd M. Bernard (MBA)** is chief financial officer of Ford Models Inc., a management company for fashion talent in New York City.

Jordan Brehove received his MBA from the Wharton School of Business and MPA in government from the Harvard Kennedy School. He is in supply chain strategy consulting with Accenture in New York.

**Andrew Gruel** received his master's from Colorado School of Mines and is a professional engineer with Ayuda Management Corp. in Broomfield, CO.

**Brett Hickman** is assistant athletic director of event management and facilities at Wake Forest. He has been elected third vice president for the Collegiate Event and Facilities Management Association.

**Matthew Craig Lindberg** is a vice president for industrials investment banking for Wells Fargo Securities in Charlotte, NC.

**Jill Raspet (JD)** is with the trusts and estates team of Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Wilmington, NC. She has been elected to a three-year term on the N.C. Bar Association's Board of Governors.

**Branston Williams** received his MBA with a focus on strategic management and finance from the Georgia Tech College of Business. He participated in the TI:GER (Technological Innovation: Generating Economic Results) program while at Georgia Tech. He is the marketing manager for CSI Laboratories and serves as an elder at Peachtree Presbyterian Church.

### 2003

**Andrew McNeill Canady** received his PhD in history from Rice University in 2011. He teaches history at Averett University in Danville, VA.

**Scott R. Eldridge (JD)** is an associate with Miller Canfield in Lansing, MI. He was chosen a Favorite Lawyer in Lansing by the Lansing Community Newspaper People's Choice Awards. **Nachiro Tanaka (LLM)** is with the U.S. subsidiary of Sharp Corp. in New Jersey.

Matthew Webb is an instructor in performing arts and music director of the Music Theatre Program at Elon University in Elon, NC. He conducts main stage musicals and teaches music theory, music literature and music theatre. He is a can-

didate for a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Conducting at UNC Greensboro.

**Chris Wilkie (JD)** is with Daggett Shuler in Winston-Salem. For the last 21 years the firm has sponsored the Safe Sober Prom Night program for 35 high schools in eight counties across the Triad. This year **Julie Bell (JD '91)**, **David Daggett (JD '85)** and **Griff Shuler (JD '94)** also helped with the program.

### 2004

James R. Barnes (JD) is an associate of Burke & Casserly in Albany, NY. He has been named chair of the N.Y. State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section.

**A.J. Bingham** received his JD from Washburn University. He is a legislative aide and registered lobbyist with McWilliams Govern-



mental Affairs Consultants in Austin, TX (go. wfu.edu/kz3).

**Graham P. Carner (JD)** has a practice in Jackson, MS, focusing on personal injury and civil rights matters, criminal defense and appellate work. He has been elected chair of the New Lawyers Division of the Mississippi Association for Justice.

**Steven Ray Elliott** is a budget and management analyst with the City of Roanoke, VA, in the Department of Management and Budget.

Ginny Bowen Olson (MBA) is senior project manager for the Global Web Marketing team of the Center for Creative Leadership in Greensboro, NC. She was selected to participate in the Young Armenia/ Young Turkey/Young America program to bring young leaders together to create joint community-based projects (go.wfu. edu/584).



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**Ted Shipley (JD)** has joined the real estate practice group of Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP in Wilmington, NC.

Kiley Smith is a manager at Ernst & Young LLP in New York. She was part of Ernst & Young's Cor-

porate Responsibility Fellows program. She traveled to Santiago, Chile, to provide free business advisory skills to help a start-up software company.

**Suzanne Johnson Werner** is an attorney in the intellectual property practice group of King & Spalding LLP in Atlanta.

### 2005

Charlie McCurry (JD '08) is serving his first term on the Alumni Council. He is an attorney with Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice PLLC in Greensboro, NC. He is married to Katherine A. McCurry (JD '11).

**Elizabeth Billingsley (JD)** received a master's in broadcast journalism from the University of Missouri and interned with NBC in Washington, DC. She is a reporter with NBC2. She was honored with a scholarship at the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner (go.wfu.edu/tgm).

Samuel Chacon (LLM) is an associate at Chacon & Rodriguez. He published two articles in the North American Free Trade and Investment Report and was invited by the University of Hong Kong to write the Mexico Country Chapter in "China Outbound Investment" (May 2011).

Sean Vincent Dolan is with Booz Allen Hamilton in McLean, VA. He is pursuing an MS in geoinformatics/geospatial intelligence at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA.

Michael Alan Donaldson (MDiv) received his Doctor of Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary. He is pursuing a PhD in renewal studies with a concentration in theology in Regent University's Fall 2011 Cohort Program.

Sasha Gee Enegren received a master's of music in orchestral performance from the Manhattan School of Music in New York City. She is pursuing a PhD of musical arts. She freelances and performs at Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall.

**Emily Carter Hare** is associate director of the Central Carolina Community College Foundation in Sanford, NC.

**Grace Widyani (LLM)** is assistant vice president of the LNG Project at PT Perusahaan Gas Negara (Persero) Tbk.

**Lyndsay Zotian** received her PhD in pharmacy from the South Carolina College of Pharmacy and her MBA from The Citadel.

### 2006

**Catherine Leigh Allen** received her PhD in chemistry with a pharmacology training certificate from Duke University. She is a postdoctoral associate at Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Institute in Buffalo, NY.

**Cassandra Ching (JD)** is senior counsel, business and legal affairs with MTV Networks in New York City.

**Richard L. Cox Jr.** received his master's of city and regional planning from UNC-Chapel Hill. He is a planning and transportation associate with Charlotte Center City Partners in Charlotte, NC.

Ethan Gelfand was a men's basketball manager while at Wake Forest and director of basketball operations for the Central Michigan University women's basketball team for five years. He has been named director of basketball operations for the Penn State University Lady Lion basketball team.

Marianna Shaw Harmon received her MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary. She is co-director of children and youth ministry at All Saints' Church in Princeton, NJ.

James "Jay" Conner Lockwood completed his pre-med science courses at Georgia State University while volunteering at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta. He is pursuing an MD at Emory University School of Medicine and is working in the intensive care unit at Athens Regional Medical Center.

**Molly Nunn (MBA '11)** is in the investment group with Allegacy Federal Credit Union in Winston-Salem. She is training to qualify for the women's marathon trials for the 2012 Olympics (go.wfu.edu/mmw). K. Isaac Oliver is managing partner of Harmony Ridge Farms, an organic vegetable farm and co-op in Tobaccoville, NC (go. wfu.edu/3bs).

Jack Raffetto received his JD from Catholic University, Columbus School of Law. He received the Alumni Award for service to the law school community. While in law school he worked for a judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland and the U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Appellate Section. He is an associate with Goodwin Procter LLP in Washington, DC.

**Gail Sullivan (JD)** is a researcher with the member information and research team of CQ Weekly in Washington. He is taking over the Inside Congress fact-checking and federal/state agency beats.

### 2007

▶ John Mitchell (JD) is serving his first term on the Alumni Council and as a law school alumni mentor. He is an attorney with Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs LLP in Atlanta.

**Anna Sayers Balthazar** received her master's in educational leadership from Texas State University.

**Bernardo Diaz** is pursuing a master of arts and diplomacy at Tufts University. He has been named a Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellow for 2011 by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (go.wfu. edu/g55).

**Anna Edgerton** taught with Teach for America in California. She received an MS in journalism from Columbia University and is pursuing a master's at the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University.

**Benjamin Huber (JD)** is in the intellectual property practice group focusing on patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret litigation with Moore & Van Allen in Charlotte, NC.

Jeannine Vaughn Mauney (MD) completed an obstetrics and gynecology residency at the University of Florida College of Medicine in Jacksonville. She is a physician with the St. Luke's OB/GYN Group in Jacksonville, FL.

### THE MORGANS' SAFETY NET FOR DROPOUTS By Kerry M. King ('85)

**he Winston-Salem Street School** isn't just a second chance for teenagers who have been kicked out or have dropped out of traditional high schools; it's probably their last chance, too.

David Morgan ('80), a former minister who founded the small, private school seven years ago, is committed to offering at-risk youth hope for a better future. "My faith teaches me that every person is valuable," he says. "Education is the key. We're not giving them a handout; we're giving them a tool that will be valuable the rest of their life."

Housed in a handful of classrooms on the second floor of Rosemont Baptist Church, the school has about 35 students, most of them from poor, single-parent households with a history of substance abuse or abuse and neglect.

There's a narrow window of opportunity to break the cycle of poverty, homelessness and hopelessness that marks many of the students' lives, Morgan says. But that takes changing attitudes, breaking down barriers and, above all, showing that someone believes in them.

The school may be small in numbers, but for every young person whose life has been changed, "we're making a difference to that one," he says.

Ivonne Lopez, 19, is one of them. She dropped out of high school after she became pregnant but made her way later to the Street School. "What I was doing was getting me nowhere, just setting me up for failure. Something happened in my life; I was going through a lot, and I realized I wanted to finish my education," she says.

She received her high school diploma from the Street School in June and now attends Forsyth Technical Community College. (Many of the school's graduates continue their education at Forsyth Tech.) "Mr. Morgan has a passion for helping every single one of us," she says. "He never gave up on us."

Morgan modeled the school on the Denver Street School, where he volunteered in the 1990s while attending Denver Seminary. The Denver Street School has served as the prototype for 40 similar schools around the country.

After receiving his master's in divinity degree, Morgan moved back to North Carolina to be closer to family, worked in pastoral care in a Greensboro church and



'Brothers' in education: David Morgan ('80), at left, and Guy Morgan ('82).

taught history at The Children's Home in Winston-Salem. The high-school dropout problem in Forsyth County sparked a new calling for him. With support from church groups and volunteers, he opened the Street School in 2004.

In addition to a small teaching staff, the school depends on volunteer tutors and community leaders such as Guy Morgan ('82), a founding partner of Morgan Smalls Sports Consultants in Winston-Salem, who joined the school's board three years ago. A former basketball star at Wake Forest, Guy Morgan (no relation to the school founder) has reached out to help students learn about sports marketing; several students worked with him last spring at the MEAC Basketball Tournament at Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

"I was moved by the impact the school is having on students," says Morgan. "The school provides an environment for at-risk youth that gives them the foundation and direction to go forward and make a positive impact in the community."

Creating that environment takes about equal parts education, patience, compassion and some tough love when needed, says David Morgan. It can mean driving to apartments to find out why students have missed school, or taking students to Forsyth Tech to show them how they can learn a trade.

Although the school is "faith-based," it is not a religious school. Foundations, businesses, churches and individuals provide most of the school's budget, although students are expected to pay tuition of at least \$25 a month. "We're not giving them something free; we want them to invest in their education," Morgan says. Hanne Nyheim McNutt (LLM) is an associate in the offshore, shipping and energy group of Simonsen Advokatfirm in Oslo, Norway. She participated in a transaction recently voted "Bank Debt of the Year" by Marine Money.

### 2008

Xiaochun "Sharron" Chen (LLM) completed an internship at Womble Carlyle and has returned to Shanghai as an attorney with Grandall Legal Services.



M. Lynne Eggert (MALS) is assistant professor and director of the Radiation Therapy Program at the Medical College of Georgia/Georgia Health Sciences University in Augusta.

Judith Haensel (LLM,

Eggert (MALS '08)

**JD '10)** is an associate in the international practice group of Byrne Davis & Hicks PC in Charlotte, NC.

**Scott Postle (MBA)** is manager of seating engineering at TIMCO Aerosystems LLC. He lives in Kernersville, NC.

### 2009

Katie Lee Hutson (MA) is a human service clinician in the emergency services department of DayMark Recovery Services in Winston-Salem.

Andrew Richardson Karr received his master's in public policy from the University of Edinburgh in Edinburgh, UK, and is a consultant with iConstituent in Washington, DC. He is the son of Steve Karr (JD '76) and Pamela Richardson Karr ('74, MAEd '94).

**Hao Wang (LLM)** is in international business for a state-owned enterprise in Beijing.

**Ruilu Wang (LLM, JD '11)** passed the New York State Bar Examination.

### 2010

**Ethan Bailey (MBA)** is senior director of IT at CoreLogic's MarketLinx Division, overseeing the Greensboro, NC, software engineering group and two application platforms.

**Megan H. Barnes (JD)** is an associate in the corporate and securities practice group of Bass Berry & Sims PLC in Memphis, TN.

**Brendan Gielow** won the Egolf Tour's Cowans Ford Open with a one-shot victory.

Calling all alumni/ae who make or have made their livelihood by the pen, typewriter, computer keyboard or phone text pad. On March 23-24, 2012, the University will host

a national symposium to celebrate Wake Forest writers and all who love the written word in fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, reporting, criticism, social networking and other genre.

Professor Emeritus of English Ed Wilson ('43) and Tom Hayes ('79), son of former Esquire Editor Harold T.P. Hayes ('48), will lead a retrospection of Wake Forest writers and inaugurate the Wake Forest Writers Hall of Fame. Panels, readings and book signings by alumni/ae authors will be part of the weekend of literary homage to our liberal arts and creative heritage. For information please write to Tom Phillips, director of Wake Forest Scholars, at phillito@wfu.edu. Wenfang "Crystal" Huang (LLM) teaches English at Beijing New Oriental School.

**Xiao Luo (LLM)** is a lawyer assistant with the Zhejiang Mingquan Law Firm in Shanghai.

### 2011

Liubov Ebralidze (LLM) is an intern at Silverberg Goldman & Bikoff LLP in Washington, DC. She co-published an article, "First Circuit Prescribes eBay Injunction Treatment for Trademark Cases," in the June issue of World Trademark Review.

**Safe Shalhout (LLM)** is a lawyer in the Office of Moatasem Ahmad Awawdeh in Ramallah, Palestine.

**Natalie Sheary** was named the 2011 ACC Women's Golf Scholar Athlete of the Year and named for the third time to the All-ACC Academic Women's Golf Team.

Yang Yang (LLM) had a summer internship at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, DC.

### **Marriages**

**Drew Henderson Davis ('97, JD '00)** and **Laura Brooke Farren ('98, MSA '08)**. 4/8/11 in Davis Chapel. The wedding party and guests celebrated by rolling the Quad.

**Beth Amos ('98)** and Taylor McDaniel. 5/21/11 in Hickory, NC. The wedding party included Nakea Alston ('99) and Jennifer Gough Sargent ('98).

Thomas B. Langan (JD '98) and Katie Lee Hutson (MA '09). 4/17/11. They live in King, NC.

**Christopher Paul Williamson ('00)** and Julie Leigh Johnson. 6/11/11 in Winston-Salem. Jim Newsome ('84) and Tom Shelton, Wake Forest marching band volunteer, officiated. The wedding party included Julie Williamson Morelli ('03).

**Candace Marriott ('01)** and Marc Chabot. 4/9/11 in St. James, NY. They live in Manhattan.

**Matthew Craig Lindberg ('02)** and Brittany Lynn Smith. 6/4/11 in Charlotte, NC, where they live. The wedding party included Christopher M. York ('02).

CALLING VAKE FOREST WRITERS **Ellen Jean Persechini (JD '02)** and David Wortman. 3/26/11. They live in Wilmington, NC. The wedding party included Kelly Motycka Otis (JD '02) and Gina Russo (JD '02).

**Robert Benedict ('03)** and **Lauren Yanusas** (**'04**). 4/30/11 in Taneytown, MD. They live in Alexandria, VA. The wedding party included Mark Carlson III ('03) and Lea Ternes McFall ('04).

Andrew Graves ('03) and Katie Adams ('06). 3/26/11 in Coral Gables, FL. They live in Washington, DC. The groom's parents are Robert ('73) and Katherine ('73) Graves. The wedding party included Jenny Adams ('08), Nicole Pappas Ferrin ('06), Erica Byrne Gaskins ('06), Lauren Nelson Goldberg ('06), Maureen Hawley ('06), Erin Rush Kendall ('06) and Rebecca Graves Kenefick ('97).

**Stephanie Dishart ('04)** and Cooper Kramer. 8/20/11 in Block Island, Rl. They live in New York. The wedding party included Kate Farber Gold ('04), Dasha Rettew ('04), Katie Scarborough ('04, MSA '05) and Jennifer Vaughn ('04, MD '08).

**Courtney Suzanne Johnson ('04)** and David Ross Werner. 5/14/11 in Atlanta. The wedding party included Kimberly Stewart Hermann ('04, MSA '05) and Lauren Bell Moffitt ('04).

Joey Picard ('04) and Laura Greer Halsey ('07). 5/14/11 in Cambridge, MA. They live in South Boston, MA. The wedding party included Cary Donaldson ('03), Erich Jones ('07), Everett Long ('04) and Dowd Keith Simpson ('07).

**Aubrey Leigh Smith ('04)** and Dean Yar Shahriari. 4/9/11 in Charlotte, NC. They live in Atlanta.

Brenton Hugh Abbott Jr. ('05) and Allison Mary Scanlan ('05). 9/25/10 in Media, PA. The wedding party included Chris Brown ('05), Chris Colvin ('05), Emily Day ('05), Mike Fussell ('05), Ashleigh Harb ('05), Ryan Justice ('06), Ethan Kirby-Smith ('05), Anna Lea ('05), Lyndsey Miller ('05, MAM '07), Carrie Milliken ('05), Whitney Smith Sturge ('05), Fritz Vaughan ('05) and Wake Forest senior Bryan May.

**Elizabeth Ramsey Hines ('05)** and Michael Hines. 5/21/11 in Nashville, TN. The wedding party included Kate Davis ('05), Bailey Dyer ('05), Adrienne Hillery Gaziano ('05) and Laura Mills ('05). **Leslie Anne Jones ('05)** and Thomas Allen Jones. 6/4/11

**Emily Mayme Word ('05)** and William Zachary Bush. 10/23/10. They live in Austin, TX. The wedding party included Anna Elizabeth Hight ('05).

Jamie Lee Boscamp ('06, MSA '06) and Kemper Burton Trull ('07). 6/20/09 in Nashville, TN. They live in Atlanta. The wedding party included Rashad Daker ('07, MD '11), Nick Drader ('07), Ethan Gelfand ('06), Kara Sax ('05) and Carson Trimble ('07).

Matthew Ulan ('06, MSA '07) and Kristen McCrorie ('08). 5/21/11 in Belmont, NC. The wedding party included Amanda Bailey ('07), Richard Gaut ('06, MAEd '08), Ashley Hellein ('06), Jared Lilly ('08), Andy Lobashevsky ('06) and Morgan Partin ('08).

**Evan Berkeley Young ('06, MD '11)** and **Rachel Elizabeth Taylor ('08)**. 5/22/11 in Winston-Salem. They live in Danville, PA. The parents of the bride are Susan McBurney (MBA '93) and Rick Weavil (MBA '07). The wedding party included Caitlin Berry ('09), Dave Conklin ('06), Ryan Newton ('03), Katie Riuli ('09), Julia Rogers ('09), Sissie Strope ('08), Drew Taylor ('07) and Marc Yelle (PhD '07, MD '11).

Lauren Harris ('07) and Brad Holbrook. 4/9/11 in Charleston, SC. They live in Austin, TX. The wedding party included Courtney Borus ('07), Katie Grape ('07), Kathryn Beeler Piasta ('07) and Jessica Wolff ('07).

Grady Siler Patterson IV ('07, MSA '08) and Mary Lashbrook Matthews ('08). 4/16/11 in Greenville, SC, where they live. The wedding party included Sara Bivin ('08), David Bruno ('08, MSA '08), Brody Connolly ('07, MSA '08), Christopher Ernst ('07, MSA '08), Christopher Gorman ('07), Rob James ('07, MSA '08), Michael Jefferson ('07), Anna Laakman ('08), Mason Minor ('07, MSA '08) and Kevin Rose ('07, MSA '08).

Joseph C. Mauro ('08) and Shannon M. Teare ('09, MAEd '10). 5/21/11 in Ann Arbor, MI. They live in Annapolis, MD. The wedding party included Evelyn Eisele ('09), Jackie Ely ('09), Katie Flowers-DeBenedetto ('09) and Lawrence Ngo ('08).

Daniel R. Beaudry (JD/MBA '09) and Rebecca Adams. 12/18/10. The wedding party included Karl Burns (MBA '08), Clinton Morse (JD '08) and Jason Quick (JD '08).

### WHEN YOU GET BEHIND WAKE FOREST, WE STAY AHEAD OF THE COMPETITION



INVEST IN WAKE FOREST TODAY wfu.edu/giving Matthew Davis Laughridge ('09) and Allison Marie Clark ('09). 10/30/10 in Charleston, SC. The groom's parents are Beth Eddins Laughridge ('71, MA '75) and Digit Laughridge ('69) and his grandfather is George E. Eddins Jr. ('42). The wedding party included Meredith Laughridge Cross ('04), Wes Day ('09), Sarah Foushee ('10), Pete Pryor ('09), Coleman Team ('09) and Wake Forest senior Josh Clark.

### Timothy Silva ('09, MA '11) and Brady Evertt ('09, MA '11). 6/4/11 in Wait Chapel. They live in Greensboro, NC. The wedding party included John Champlin ('06), Wake Forest law student Emily Rosemann ('09), Wake Forest seniors Bart Johnston and Riley Johnston, and graduate student Erin Silva.

### Births and Adoptions

**Stan Koonts ('75)** and Brenda Koonts, Winston-Salem: completed the adoption of two daughters, Angel (10) and Nikki (8). Dec. 2010

**Troy R. Jackson ('82)** and Kristie Jackson, Raleigh, NC: a daughter, Parker Lynn. 10/30/10

Alexandra Rooks Hughes ('90) and Michael Hughes, Tucker, GA: a daughter, Keelia Arden. 3/3/11.

Lynn Cross Walker ('90) and Erwin Walker, Anderson, SC: a daughter, Melanie Lynn. 11/17/10

**Emily Ransburg Cittadine ('92)** and Andrew Cittadine, Chicago: a son, Alexander Jack. 4/2/11. He joins his brother, Eric (4).

**Thomas R. Rubino ('92)** and Christine Rubino, Birmingham, AL: a daughter, Bella Grace. 3/20/11

**Dana Newbolt Storsberg ('92)** and Marc Storsberg, St. Louis: a son, Lukas Owen Robert. 3/25/11. He joins his sister, Lena (19 mos).

**Gregg Boulton (MBA '94)** and Bonnie Boulton, Simpsonville, SC: adopted daughter from China, Grace Xin Xiao. 11/2/10. She joins her brothers, Christian (10) and Jonathan (3).

**Brent Baroody ('95)** and Shannon Baroody, Clayton, NC: a son, Adam. 4/1/11. He joins his sister, Savannah (7).

### MEET SAM GLASNAPP ('OO), PRESIDENT, WAKE FOREST CLUB OF NEW YORK CITY



The Wake Forest Club of New York City is celebrating its 100th anniversary on Nov. 10 at an event with President Nathan Hatch. Twentysix alumni were present at the first meeting of the Wake Forest Association at the Grand Hotel in New York City on Oct. 26, 1911. Today, 1,400 alumni call the greater New York area home. New York Club president Sam Glasnapp is vice president of sales, PEM America.

### How has Wake Forest influenced your life?

Wake Forest helped make me who I am today by surrounding me with great people. My best friendships were born at Wake Forest. I love that the people I hung out with at Wake are now TV producers, professional baseball players, business owners, etc. Wake attracts great people who go on to do exciting things.



### How do you stay connected with Wake Forest?

I stay connected with Wake Forest with my involvement in the New York alumni club. It's allowed me to keep in touch with lots of old friends from Wake. Also, I've been introduced to many new Deacons that I may not have gotten to know without the club. I also stay connected through Demon Deacon athletic events. I try to make at least one home game a season, in basketball and football.

Why are you proud to be a Deacon? I'm proud to be a Deacon because Wake Forest helps good people become great.

**Nolan L. Wiggins Jr. ('95)** and Ashley Wiggins, Abbeville, SC: a daughter, Molly Adair. 7/24/11. She joins her sisters, Lucy (5) and Kate (3).

**Chuck Anderson ('96, MSA '97)** and Jessica Anderson, San Francisco: a son, Logan. 6/15/11. He joins his sister, Malina (2).

**Robert Casey ('96)** and Carrie Casey, Morrisville, PA: a daughter, Maeve Kathryn. 5/12/11

**Tiffany Frimel Hilton ('96)** and Matthew Hilton, Pittsford, NY: a daughter, Caroline

Hadley. 6/20/11. She joins her sister, Avery Nicole (2).

**Carl Joseph Peluso ('96)** and Sara Peluso, Pewaukee, WI: a son, Nico Charles. 5/30/11. He joins his brother, Luca (4), and sister, Ella (2).

**Burch Rountree Barger ('97)** and Jim Barger Jr., Birmingham, AL: a son, George Thomas. 3/29/11. He joins his brother, James III.

Lash Burton Briggs ('97, MBA '99) and Alice Stein Briggs, Asheville, NC: a daughter, Pride Elizabeth. 7/9/11. She joins her brother, Burton (1). **Graham Honaker ('97)** and Sarah Honaker, Louisville, KY: a daughter, Isabel Hanna. 5/24/11. She joins her sister, Kate.

**Chuck McFadden ('97)** and **Katie Meyer McFadden ('98)**, Greenville, SC: a son, Wells Alexander. 7/14/11. He joins his brothers, Charlie (5) and Owen (3).

Dan Murawski ('97) and Kim Sklenicka Murawski ('97), Bradenton, FL: a son, Evan Wake. 5/11/11. He joins his brothers, Breden (5) and Camden (3).

Keith R. Siegner ('97, MSA '98) and Carissa Siegner, Stamford, CT: a daughter, Katarina Danielle. 5/19/11. She joins her brother, Cole (4), and sister, Cassandra (2).

**Elizabeth Cotter Wallace ('97)** and Mike Wallace, Santa Clara, CA: a son, Liam James. 7/6/11

Farrah Moore Hughes ('98) and Rhett Lyle Hughes ('99), Florence, SC: a son, William Matthew. 5/9/11. He joins his sister, Rylie Julianne (4). William J. Watson ('98) and Mandi Leigh Watson, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Finleigh Ann. 4/29/11

Joseph Belton ('99) and Adriane Malanos Belton ('99), Mount Pleasant, SC: a son, Joseph Nicholas. 6/3/11

Jonathan Hartsell ('99) and Lindsay Mc-Glamery Hartsell ('99), Mooresville, NC: a son, Hudson Wade. 3/25/11. He joins his brothers, Austin (6) and Jackson (3).

**Greg Hausner ('99)** and Jen Hausner, Baltimore: a son, Andrew Gregory. 8/23/10. He joins his sister, Lila (3).

**Shannon Trant Johnson ('99)** and Andrew Johnson, Frederick, MD: a daughter, Ava McCrea. 5/19/11

Julie Jenkin Malandro ('99) and Jason Malandro, Cranford, NJ: a son, Mason Joseph. 1/10/11

**Emily Jewell Mora ('99)** and Miguel Mora, Charlottesville, VA: a daughter, Rachel Brynn. 1/15/11 Jonathan Neil Perry ('99) and Paige Perry, Wendell, NC: a son, Jonathan Holt. 2/8/11. He joins his sister, Parker.

**Ben Pinner ('99)** and Melissa Pinner, Peak, SC: a daughter, Madelyn Marie. 4/5/11. She joins her brothers, James (4) and Charlie (2).

**Kelly Sharpe Reilly ('99)** and Jeff Reilly, Durham, NC: a son, Paxton Thomas. 3/11/11

Kevin John Richardson ('99) and Laura Vieta Richardson ('99, MA '01), Sleepy Hollow, NY: twin daughters, Claire Elizabeth and Rebecca Leigh. 4/29/11. They join their sisters, Ashley (4) and Rachel (2).

Adam Spence Rothschild ('99) and Allison Rothschild, Richmond, VA: a daughter, Alexis Nicole. 1/14/11. She joins her brother, Landon (3).

**Scott A. Southerland (MBA '99)** and Valerie Southerland, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Elizabeth Ilet. 7/27/10. She joins her sister, Sarah Grace (3).

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### BIG APPLE, BIG DREAMS, SMALL BUDGET

By Hannah Kay Hunt ('12), Wake Forest Magazine intern

A small-town Tennessee girl turned aspiring journalist goes to New York to intern in the elusive, exclusive world of magazine publishing.

With no Big Apple connections in my Bell Buckle, Tenn., hometown, no national magazine experience and no formal training, I should have been the underdog in a world where every other intern through the revolving door had a journalism pedigree, but I wasn't. I came from Wake Forest.

By exhausting course offerings in journalism and jumping on the chance to intern during my semesters at school, I was stubbornly determined to be a competitive applicant on a national platform. Luckily, my hard work



Hannah Kay Hunt spent the summer as an intern at People magazine in New York City.



and compulsive planning paid off, and I got the oncein-a-lifetime offer of an American Society of Magazine Editors (ASME) internship that put me to work at People magazine.

I didn't get there all on my own. Kelsey Garvey ('11), a former ASME intern, took me under her wing during my sophomore year. The founder of Her Campus Wake Forest, an online women's magazine, Kelsey was the aggressively driven self-starter I aspired to be. She became my Mother Goose, teaching me the ropes of running a magazine in return for my serving as a dependable member of her staff.

I must admit it wasn't only Wake Forest's academics that prepared me for New York. After learning to 'grocery

shop' at the Pit and coming to the realization that Deacon Dollars are real money (not Monopoly money), I knew how to stretch my resources. Without the luxury of fancy appliances, I broiled waffles every morning for breakfast and usually worked late enough to grab the dinner delivered to People for late-night staffers.

Working at People definitely had its challenges, but the air of ambition that permeates the Wake Forest community drove me to seek and seize countless writing, editing and reporting opportunities in New York. By arranging countless informational interviews, I was able to meet with several alumni at incredible publications such as Jane Bianchi ('05) at Seventeen and Lindsey von Thron ('06) at Sports Illustrated. Not only were they the most genuinely friendly people I met all summer, but every WFU alum I met offered to help me with the grueling job hunt after I graduate in May.

After being back on campus at Wake Forest for less than 48 hours, three students asked me to help them with their ASME applications for next summer. I realize I've caught the pay-itforward bug – that same Pro Humanitate spirit I have encountered in WFU students and alumni to help a fellow Deac succeed. And I, for one, can't wait to help out other "Davids" as I keep on striving to tackle the journalism Goliaths. Matthew Francis ('00) and Nicole Steele Francis ('01), Winston-Salem: a son, Hank Soper. 5/9/11. He joins his sister, Palmer Grace (3).

Holly Ivanoff Graham ('00) and Matthew Graham, Atlanta: a daughter, Lila Katherine. 2/15/11. She joins her brother, Henry (2).

**Chris Mixter ('00)** and Bronwyn Mixter, Arlington, VA: a daughter, Natalie. 5/3/11. She joins her brother, Owen.

Kristen Miller Peichert ('00) and Adam Nicklas Peichert ('03), Baltimore: a son, Miller Vaughn. 7/12/11

**Rob Phillips ('00)** and **Elke Fuessmann Phillips ('00)**, Charlotte, NC: a son, Karsten Robert. 7/11/11

Anne Shropshire Shoemaker ('00) and Josh Shoemaker ('01), Greensboro, NC: a son, Henry Blake. 2/24/11. He joins his sister, Lucy (2).

**Stephanie Fulton Terry ('00)** and Robby Terry, Greenville, NC: a son, Tyler Matas. 7/13/11. He joins his sister, Celia (3).

Joseph A. Wallace ('00, MSA '00) and Sarah Osteen Wallace, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Reagan Julia. 3/11/11. She joins her brother, Wade (2).

**Trey Walters ('00)** and Catherine Wilson, Charlotte, NC: twins, a daughter, Catherine James, and a son, Logan Wright. 11/1/10

Vince Azzolina ('01, MALS '05) and Marlise Azzolina, Stokesdale, NC: a daughter, Jovie Lorraine. 4/15/11. She joins her brother, Enzo.

**Danielle Hicks Bishop (MBA '01)** and Chad Bishop, Davidson, NC: a daughter, Kennedy Leighton. 7/7/11. She joins her sister, Emerson Caroline (3).

**Allyson Everhart Greeson ('01)** and Timothy Greeson, Wilmington, NC: twin sons, Noah Allen and Elijah Henry. 4/27/11

Kristin Sutika Ondrak ('01) and Chris Ondrak, Mercer Island, WA: a son, Rowan Andrew. 7/20/11. He joins his brother, Liam (2).

Sarah Elizabeth Reese ('01) and Robert Reese, Richmond, VA: a daughter, Katelyn Elizabeth. 4/21/11

Drew Shermeta ('01) and Kristen McCauliff (MA '04), Muncie, IN: a daughter, Marlowe June. 4/26/11 Thousands of alumni are already sharing career advice with students through the new LinkedIn



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Kara Wallace Stevenson ('01) and Christopher Stevenson, Falls Church, VA: a son, Miller Joseph. 4/9/11

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**Rebecca Strimer ('01)** and **Kyle Voorhees** (**'02)**, Boston: a daughter, Frances Okey. 5/14/11. She joins her sister, Margot (2).

Mark Robert Wilson ('01) and Elizabeth Wilson, Greensboro, NC: twins, a son, Andrew Robert, and a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth. 6/1/11

**Bo Bergman ('02)** and **Megan Mayhew Bergman ('02)**, Shaftsbury, VT: a daughter, Emma Zephyr. 5/27/11. She joins her sister, Anna Frasier (2).

Michael Bounds ('02) and Kathryn Gill ('04), Lexington, KY: a daughter, Elodie Mae. 5/16/11

Kyle Glandon ('02) and Lacey Shirk Glandon ('02), Chicago: a daughter, Parker Elise. 2/23/11

Mercer Langley ('02) and Emily Walters Langley ('04, MD '08), Nashville, TN: a daughter, Molly Eleese. 5/19/11

**Suzanne Lock Ragains ('02)** and Stephen Ragains, Atlanta: a son, John Harold. 4/1/11. He joins his brother, Luke (2).

**C. Ben Rainwater III ('02)** and **Jill Sahajdack Rainwater ('03)**, Midland, MI: a daughter, Bailey Elizabeth. 4/22/11 J. Jacob Reeves ('02) and Shelley Hunter Reeves ('02), Oklahoma City, OK: a daughter, Hannah Bronson. 3/12/11. She joins her sister, Leah (3).

**Amanda Bell Shailendra ('02)** and Paul Shailendra, Atlanta: a daughter, Taylor Bell. 2/8/11

George Vrettos ('02, MSA '02) and Francesca Vrettos, Doylestown, PA: a son, Christopher. 7/27/11

**Eve-Marie Zigrossi Welch ('02)** and Scott Welch, South Lake Tahoe, CA: a daughter, Laila Marie. 12/2/10. She joins her brother, Joseph (2).

**Robert H. Aycock ('03)** and **Turner Chambliss Aycock ('06)**, High Point, NC: a daughter, Emmeline Leila. 4/26/11. The grandparents are Mary Ann and Norman ('73) Chambliss and Susan and Ben ('70) Aycock.

John Philip Colavincenzo ('03) and Bethany Giles Colavincenzo, Boston: a son, Grant Christopher. 10/20/10. He joins his sister, Emma (2).

Mary Craven Dawkins ('03) and Christopher Dawkins, Nashville, TN: a daughter, Jane Tatum. 7/6/11

Yazmyne Vasquez Eterovic (LLM '03) and Nicolas Eterovic, Miami: a son, Sebastian. 12/14/10 **Pascal Kremp (LLM '03)** and Deborah Kremp, Frankfurt, Germany: a daughter, Mia. 11/29/10

**Catherine Caniglia Manofsky (JD '03)** and Matthew Manofsky, Crofton, MD: twin daughters, Emily Patricia and Grace Christine. 6/18/11. They join their sister, Sophia Ann (2).

John Martinez ('03) and Helen Owens Martinez ('03), Orlando, FL: a daughter, Virginia Katherine. 4/27/11

**Aaron Mayo ('03)** and Betty Ashton Mayo, Nashville, TN: a son, Harrison Ward. 4/12/11

Thomas H. McNutt ('03, JD '08) and Hanne Nyheim McNutt (LLM '07), Oslo, Norway: a son, Mikkel Alaric. 11/30/10

Julie Williamson Morelli ('03) and John Morelli, Winston-Salem: a son, Trevor John. 8/1/11

Amber Stachniak Parker ('03) and Drew Parker ('04), Burke, VA: a daughter, Natalie. 7/30/11

**Ricky Perez ('03)** and **Courtney Barksdale Perez ('04)**, Arlington, TX: a son, Trey. 12/2/10. He joins his sister, Sydney (3).

**Cristofer Wiley ('03, MAEd '04)** and Heather Barto Wiley, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Sela Marin. 3/18/11

**Brian Grimberg (PhD '04)** and **Kerry O'Connor Grimberg (PhD '04)**, Cleveland, OH: a son, Dermot William. 5/22/11. He joins his sisters, Caileigh (5) and Colleen (2).

Christopher Donald Marston (MBA '04) and Claire Anderson Marston (MBA '04), Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Anna Louise. 2/16/11

Bryan G. Scott (JD '04) and Frances E. Scott (JD '04), Winston-Salem: a son, William Henry. 9/17/10

**Andrew Ice ('05)** and Jennifer Ice, Austin, TX: a son, Grayson Bradford. 12/28/10

**Hideyuki Kohata (LLM '05)** and Tomoe Kohata, Otsu, Japan: a son, Yuma. 8/9/10

**Lindsay Smith Pfaff ('05)** and Josh Pfaff, Advance, NC: a son, Henry Hudson. 12/29/10. He joins his sister, Lilly Elizabeth (2). Justin Brown ('06) and Katherine Cardwell Brown ('06), Charleston, SC: a daughter, Kinley Marian. 4/13/11

**Michael Soto (JD '06)** and Eve Soto, Fort Mill, SC: a son, Nathan Joseph. 11/8/10. He joins his brother, Jack (2).

**Brett Turner ('06)** and **Ruth Ann Turner** ('07), Birmingham, AL: a daughter, Anne Elliot. 3/13/11

**Emily S. Nicodemus Johnson ('07)** and Wade Johnson, Roanoke, VA: a daughter, Caroline Eva. 2/19/11

Rawi Nirundorn (LLM '08) and Anchalee Tweesan (LLM '08), Bangkok, Thailand: a son, Suppakorn. 11/11/10

**Scott Postle (MBA '08)** and Elizabeth Postle, Kernersville, NC: a daughter, Charlotte May. 4/23/11

### Deaths

Sarah Greason Callaghan (JD '35), July 7, 2011, Chevy Chase, MD. She was a law clerk to Chief Justice Gregory of the Virginia Supreme Court. Callaghan retired as senior attorney and legal counsel with the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, DC. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Murray C. Greason Sr. (LLS '26) and Herbert Redfern Greason ('28). She is survived by two sons; a stepson; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews, including Murray C. Greason Jr. ('59, JD '62).

**Buford Edison Rimmer ('36)**, May 2, 2011, Statesville, NC. He was a retired regional sales manager with Brown Rogers Dixson Distributors in Columbia, SC.

Kenneth H. Davis ('37), April 21, 2011, Rocky Mount, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. An Eagle Scout, Davis joined the Boy Scouts of America as an architect. After retiring from professional Scouting in 1982, he continued as a Scouting volunteer, sponsored a Christian youth singing group, the Now Generation Singers, and volunteered at Camp Rainbow, a camp for adults with disabilities.

Norman Gray Lancaster (JD '38), April 25, 2011, Alexandria, VA. He practiced law in Spring Hope, NC, until 1940 when he joined the U.S. Navy. Lancaster served aboard the USS Phoenix until 1943 and the USS Miami until 1946. He was designated a legal specialist and became a member of the Judge Advocate General Corps. He retired in 1975 after 29 years in the legal field and having served as chairman of the U.S. Naval Military Court of Review. Lancaster's awards included the Asiatic-Pacific medal with seven battle stars, the Joint Services Commendation Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.

William Jeffress Senter Jr. ('38, MD '40), May 28, 2011, Raleigh, NC. He was a medical officer in the U.S. Army during World War II. Senter established a medical practice in Raleigh in 1949 and practiced until the age of 77. He was an assistant clinical professor at the UNC School of Medicine and chief medical officer for Mayview Convalescent Center. He received the N.C. Order of the Long Leaf Pine. Senter was preceded in death by three brothers, John Aaron Senter ('35), David Grayson Senter ('40) and Meredith Stevens Senter; and a sister, Virginia S. Currin. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Bettye; three daughters; a son, William Jr. ('75, MBA '78); seven grandchildren, including Katherine S. Matthews ('07, MSA '08), William Drew Senter ('02) and James Sheridan Parsons Jr. ('06); and a greatgranddaughter.

**Robert Finley Snipes ('38, JD '40)**, May 7, 2011, Wilson, NC. He served in the U.S. Naval Reserves during World War II. Snipes retired from Aetna Casualty and Surety Co. in 1982.

Wirt H. Corrie ('39), June 2, 2011, Crewe, VA. He was a pilot and commander in the U.S. Air Force for 30 years, achieving the rank of full colonel. Corrie founded and directed the development of Crewe's Railroad Park and Museum.

**David Luther Freeze ('39)**, July 17, 2011, Salisbury, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and retired in 1984 as general superintendent of distribution centers for Cannon Mills Co.

James Farris Pruitt ('39), June 12, 2011, Oxford, NC. He served in the U.S. Army for 36 years and retired as a colonel. Pruitt graduated from the University of Maryland Dental School and was a dentist for 60 years.

Victor Michael Cresenzo Sr. ('40, MD '43), April 30, 2011, Reidsville, NC. He was a member of the first graduating class of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine (go. wfu.edu/kq8). Cresenzo was an assistant in the department of internal medicine, and in 1947 he established a medical practice in Reidsville spanning 40 years. He was a founder of the coronary care unit at Annie Penn Memorial Hospital and served as chief of staff and director. Cresenzo was a fellow of the American College of Cardiology and a fellow of the American College of Physicians. He was preceded in death one week earlier by his wife of 67 years, Frances. Cresenzo is survived by five sons: Victor Michael Jr. ('67), William Robert Sr. ('67), Richard August, John Randolph (JD '76) and Mark Stephen (MD '81); 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

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### ROBERT C. BECK



Professor Emeritus of Psychology Robert C. Beck, whose 50-year tenure ranks as one of the longest in Wake Forest history, died on Aug. 18 in Winston-Salem after a brief illness. He was 79.

Beck had just earned his Ph.D. when he was hired in 1959 as the second faculty member in the new psychology department, spun off from the philosophy

department the year before. He set up the department's first teaching and research laboratories, and he later established and served as the first director of the University's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

"He truly shaped the curriculum in the department for many, many years," said Deborah L. Best ('70, MA '72), William L. Poteat Professor of Psychology. "He taught every major that came through the department; he was instrumental in devising the curriculum for the graduate program; and he set a tone in the department that respected students and respected science."

When Beck retired in 2009, he was the last of the generation of faculty members hired in the 1950s — in the post-move expansion years immediately following Wake Forest's relocation to Winston-Salem — to retire.

"I always thought that whenever I outgrew the institution, I'd look for another job," he said when he retired. "I never outgrew it. The psychology department grew at a good pace, Wake Forest grew from being a small regional College to a highly ranked national University, and we've always had great students. What could be better?"

Professor Emeritus of Psychology Charles L. Richman, who taught with Beck for 38 years, said he was "a person of the highest integrity" who was a caring and honest friend. "The psychology department lost a wise, cherished, and giving colleague and friend; his students lost an invaluable teacher and research model as well as a person who was always there for them; and, the University lost a tradition."

A native of Quincy, Ill., Beck earned his undergraduate degree in psychology and his Ph.D. in experimental psychology, both from the University of Illinois.

He is survived by his wife, Bettianne; five children, Joel, Amy, Meredith, David and Stephen; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**Wayne Benton Ferrell ('41)**, July 1, 2011, Berryville, VA. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and worked for the federal government for 35 years.

**Carlyle Cardwell Hughes ('41)**, Aug. 6, 2011, Madison, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was the owner of Madison Drug Co. for more than 50 years.

**David Jenkins Phillips ('41)**, April 6, 2011, Olean, NY. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and received his master's from the University of Denver. Phillips taught in Pennsylvania and Colorado and retired from Olean Junior High School where he taught math and science and coached football and basketball.

James Bakalis ('42), April 12, 2011, Silver Spring, MD. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Bakalis co-owned nightclubs in Washington, DC.

Earle Rupert Purser ('42, JD '50), July 6, 2011, Garner, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and practiced law from 1950 until April 2011. Purser was a counselor for those with alcohol problems and a mentor for Alcoholics Anonymous.

James Wilson Allen ('43), July 2, 2011, Cary, NC. He was a pastor since 1946 serving Baptist churches in Statesville, Archdale, Salisbury, Carolina Beach and Mayodan. Allen retired from Ayersville Baptist in Rockingham County, NC. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Molly; a daughter, Melanie; two sons, Jimmy and **Stan ('80)**; two grandchildren, including **Thomas ('05)**; and three greatgrandchildren.

John William Drake Jr. ('43), July 25, 2011, Richardson, TX. He received his MDiv from The University of the South. Drake served as parish assistant at The Church of the Epiphany. He was on staff at St. Michaels and All Angels in Dallas, rector of The Church of the Advent in Spartanburg, SC, and rector of several parishes in North Carolina and one in England. Drake is survived by his second wife, Carolyn; four children, including John W. Drake (MBA '84); four stepchildren; and 14 grandchildren.

**George Irwin Jr. ('43)**, July 4, 2011, North Huntingdon, PA. He was a retired tool and die maker with Champion Tool & Die Co. with 34 years of service. Irwin was also a certified plasterer. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Herbert Leighton Thompson ('43), May 30, 2011, State College, PA. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean War. Thompson spent 18 years as an editor and reporter with the Associated Press in Huntington, WV. From 1955 to 1967, he was in charge of AP's Annapolis bureau at the Maryland State House and then became the press secretary and principal staff assistant to Governor Spiro Agnew. Thompson followed Vice President Agnew to Washington and served as an assistant to the Nixon administration communications director, fulltime press secretary to the vice president and finally chief speech writer. In 1972 he joined the U.S. Agency for International Development, and in 1978 he became director of information services for the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics at Hyderabad, India, until his retirement in 1986.

Henry Wade Yates (JD '43), June 30, 2011, Asheboro, NC. He practiced law for 44 years, was a tax attorney, prosecutor and county court judge. Yates was past president of The Lions Club of Randolph County and secretarytreasurer of Randolph County Farmer's Mutual Association. He was preceded in death by his wife, Minnie; a daughter, Linda Y. Sherrill ('65), and son-in-law, Michael Walter Sherrill ('65); and four brothers. Yates is survived by a daughter, Patricia; a son, Stephen ('74); six grandchildren, including Chris Yates ('01); and five great-grandchildren.

Bernie Joseph Christian ('45, MD '51), June 29, 2011, Greensboro, NC. He was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II and a family doctor for more than 34 years. Christian developed a 21-acre bog forest and his Bog Garden won the 1996 Project of the Year Award from the National Arbor Day Society. Vance Hollingsworth ('46), Jan. 6, 2011, Lake Waccamaw, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Hollingsworth was a retired salesman for a heavy equipment company.

Elisha Thomas Marshburn Jr. ('46, MD '47), April 28, 2011, Wilmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and returned to Wilmington to practice medicine from 1954 until his retirement in 1993. Marshburn received the 1993 Distinguished Physician Award from the New Hanover Regional Medical Center where he was senior attending physician and president of the medical staff. He was a clinical professor of internal medicine at the UNC School of Medicine, chairman of the Retired Physicians Medical Society and director of Medical Mutual Insurance. Marshburn was a former member of the Alumni Council. He was preceded in death by a brother, Bryan Dow Marshburn ('45).

### CARL V. HARRIS



Professor Emeritus Carl V. Harris ('44), whose gentle ways and love of the classics inspired generations of students, died Aug. 9 in Winston-Salem. He was 88.

Harris taught Greek literature and language in the classical languages department from 1956

until retiring in 1989. He is survived by his wife, Lucille, a retired music instructor at Wake Forest.

A native of Morganton, N.C., Harris attended Mars Hill College before majoring in Greek at Wake Forest. While at Mars Hill, he received a medal for "scholarship, character and manners," words that just as easily described him 70 years later.

"He was devoted to learning and teaching in an especially commendable way," said Provost Emeritus Edwin G. Wilson ('43), who met Harris when the two were students on the Old Campus. "He found beauty in the Greek classics, and he believed in the presence of beauty and love in his own life. He was a remarkably gentle and loving person." Associate Professor and Chair of Classical Languages James Powell became close friends with Harris and his wife after he joined the faculty in 1988. "He was a gentle man, very thoughtful, with a sweetness of temperament. There was an extraordinary warmth about him. He had a genuine concern for the people around him."

Powell said Harris considered himself a teacher first and a classicist second. "He was very good at teaching Greek, but what really stood out to me was his belief in teaching the whole person and his concern for students as human beings. The level of devotion to his students was quite remarkable. He embodied a lot of the old Wake Forest in that."

After graduating from Wake Forest, Harris received master's degrees in divinity and theology from Yale University and his Ph.D. from Duke University. He taught briefly at Mars Hill, East Carolina University and the University of Dubuque in Iowa before joining the Wake Forest faculty in 1956.

When he retired, Harris said, "I could never say that I have been bored in teaching my subject, Greek, all these years. I have not been bored because I have had different students and every day presents a new challenge ... . For me, teaching is not so much an occupation as a way of life." **Derb Stancil Carter ('47, JD '51)**, Aug. 8, 2011, Hope Mills, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and was a retired chief district court judge.

Edwin Franklyn Royston ('47), July 16, 2011, Seaside Park, NJ. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Royston played football at Wake Forest, was co-captain of the 1947 team and earned first team All-Southern Conference honors from the Associated Press. He played professional football for the New York Giants. He was a maritime industry sales representative for Alabama Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Co. for 40 years. Royston was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Virginia, and his brothers, Melvin ('50) and Eugene ('53). He is survived by a son, Craig; two daughters, Linda R. Nielsen ('78) and Jane Zazopoulos; seven grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren.

Elliot B. Stewart ('47), July 19, 2011, Thomasville, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, was a pastor to seven churches and retired after 13 years with the Piedmont Crossing Center in Thomasville, NC. Stewart taught religion at Davidson County Community College, was a volunteer chaplain at High Point Hospital and a Hospice team member. He received a Citizen's Citation Award from Gardner-Webb College, a Citizen of the Year Award from the Archdale Lion's Club and an Extra Mile Award from the Archdale Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by his wife, Pauline "Polly" Wilder Stewart ('47); two children; and four grandchildren.

George Carlyle Barrett ('48, MD '52), July 17, 2011, Charlotte, NC. He practiced radiology at Presbyterian Hospital from 1964 to 1996. Barrett was co-founder of Open House, now The McLeod Center. He served on the Wake Forest School of Divinity Board of Visitors. Barrett's awards included the UNC Charlotte Community Service Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Federation of State Medical Boards.

Owen Sergeson "Mike" Connelly Jr. ('48, MA '49), July 12, 2011, Hopkins, SC. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps and later in the U.S. Army Infantry during the Korean War. Connelly received his PhD in history from UNC-Chapel Hill. He was the Caroline McKissick Dial Professor of History at the University of South Carolina, where he served for almost 40 years. Connelly received the Russell Award and the 2002 Mortar Board Excellence in Teaching Award. He published 10 books, including a textbook used in over 100 colleges, "The French Revolution and Napoleonic Era." Connelly is survived by his wife of 46 years, Michale; three children; four grandchildren; and two brothers, **Earle ('48)** and William.

**Betty Duncan Hall ('48)**, Aug. 2, 2011, Asheville, NC. She received her medical technician training at the University of Virginia. She was a member of many social and community organizations.

John David Herman ('48, MD '51), March 11, 2011, Rockville, MD. He served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps during the Korean War. Herman had a private practice in Washington before opening a practice in Bethesda, MD. He was preceded in death by a brother, Lester Richard Herman Jr. ('48).

Myrtle Whitaker Price ('48), June 29, 2011, Shelby, NC. She retired after 30 years as a teacher and chorus director and served as a choir director in several churches. She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Oliver Cortez Price ('50), and two brothers, Bruce ('44, LLD '87) and Alvin. She is survived by three children, two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Lindsey Bazemore Chamblee Sr. ('49), June 21, 2011, Aulander, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and farmed the Bazemore family farm until 1987. Chamblee was a part-time floral designer with several local florists and worked with Jernigan's Cleaners and Laundry from 1987 until 2010. He was active with the Boy Scouts. Chamblee was preceded in death by his wife, **Beverly Lennon Chamblee** ('50). He is survived by two sons.

**Robert Penland "Pen" Hyams ('49)**, June 10, 2011, Edina, MN. He worked for Weyerhaeuser Co.

**David Russell Parnell ('49)**, April 28, 2011, Raleigh, NC. He served in the U.S. Army, was president of J.Q. Parnell and served as president of Parnell Oil Co., which he began in 1954 until he retired in 2001. Parnell was mayor of Parkton, NC, was appointed to the N.C. State Highway Commission and served five terms in the N.C. House of Representatives. He was elected to the N.C. Senate representing Robeson County in 1984 and retired in 1997.

Harold Hodgin Reddick Sr. ('49), May 11, 2011, Youngsville, NC. He was owner of Reddick Equipment Co. in Williamston, NC, until his retirement in 1984. Reddick enjoyed farming in Franklin County and received an annual award from the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission for wildlife preservation on his farm. He served on the board of the Franklin Regional Hospital in Louisburg, NC, and for 12 years as a Youngsville Town Commissioner. Reddick is survived by his wife of 62 years, **Mattie Green Reddick ('48)**, and a son, **Harold Jr. ('78)**.

Julia Anne Ipock Roe ('49), May 30, 2011, Greensboro, NC. She taught more than 29 years at Greensboro Senior High, which later became Grimsley High School. Roe retired as chairman of the math department. She was preceded in death by her husband, H.D. Jack Roe ('49), and three brothers, including Thomas Bryan Ipock ('37). She is survived by a son, three grandchildren and a greatgranddaughter.

Joseph Thomas Weede Jr. ('49), May 29, 2011, Fuquay-Varina, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and taught and coached in the Harnett County and Fuquay-Varina schools until his retirement. He is survived by a stepson, Gary Watson Thomas (JD '81), a stepdaughter and five stepgrandchildren.

John Jay Burney Jr. ('50, JD '51), April 10, 2010, Wilmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and had a law partnership, McClelland & Burney, in Wilmington. He was a district attorney and served three terms in the N.C. Senate. The Burney Student Support Center at UNC Wilmington was named in his honor. He was inducted into the N.C. Bar Association's General Practice Hall of Fame. In 2002 the N.C. Board of Transportation named a portion of US 17 Bypass the John Jay Burney Jr. Freeway for his outstanding lifetime of service. He is survived by his wife, Catherine "Betty" Evans Burney ('50), three children, four grandchildren, a great-granddaughter and a brother, Louis A. Burney ('57, JD '59).

Louise Turner Clark ('51), Jan. 20, 2011, Roanoke Rapids, NC. She taught school and was a member of the Roanoke Rapids Garden Club.

Ellwood Louis Peele ('51), March 20, 2011, Oklahoma City, OK. He was a weight engineer at Glenn L. Martin Aircraft Co. in Baltimore before moving to Newport News, VA. Peele retired as a structural dynamics engineer from NASA Langley Research Center in 1980. Loraine Bennett Rae ('51), July 4, 2011, Portland, OR. She taught for 33 years in the public schools and at Middle Tennessee State University. Rae traveled the seven continents after retirement and was in Berlin when the Wall came down.

William Cannon White ('51), June 9, 2011, Greensboro, NC. He served in the Strategic Air Command of the U.S. Air Force and worked for Pilot Life and Prudential insurance companies. He was formerly chief announcer and assistant manager at WFDD Radio.

Joseph William Beach Jr. ('52), July 20, 2011, Raleigh, NC. He received a master's in music education and taught high school music for 17 years. Beach received a second master's from Westminster Choir College at Princeton University and returned to Raleigh where he worked for the Employment Security Commission.

Lea Burnette Givens (MD '52), June 1, 2011, Sumter, SC. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps and completed his residency at the Medical University of South Carolina, where he received a cardiology fellowship. Givens received the S.C. Order of the Silver Crescent. He practiced internal medicine in Sumter from 1959 until his retirement in July 2010. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Lea B. Givens Jr. and Glenn Fishburne Givens ('91, JD '94).

William Tull Grimsley (MD '52), July 20, 2011, Green Valley, AZ. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Grimsley had a medical practice in Guilford County, NC, for more than 35 years and was a diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice. He was a volunteer with USAID in Da Nang, South Vietnam, and in a Missions Hospital in Bangkok, Thailand. Grimsley served in the N.C. State Legislature for two years.

**Robert Alfred Melvin ('52)**, Nov. 25, 2010, Winston-Salem. He was pastor of Grove Park Baptist Church in Clinton, NC, taught history and religion and was a chaplain at Mars Hill College in Mars Hill, NC. He retired in 1997 after 38 years of service and was pastor of Cana River Baptist Church in Burnsville, NC, for 20 years. While at Mars Hill, Melvin received several awards: Founders' Day Convocation chief speaker, recipient of the Gibbs Distinguished Teacher citation, speaker at Senior Convocation, the JeffersonPilot Professorship and an archival research fellowship named for him and a colleague. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, **Ann Roberts**  **Melvin ('54)**; two daughters, Vera and husband Jeff Williamson, a professor at the Wake Forest School of Medicine, and Laurie and husband, Mark Halvorsen; a son, Bailey and his wife, Cammie; and 13 grandchildren.

**Garnie Egbert Edwards ('53)**, Aug 10, 2011, Clinton, NC. He was a retired agent with Prudential Life Insurance Co.

**Thomas Leslie Cherry ('54, JD '58)**, April 16, 2011, Ahoskie, NC. He practiced law with his father for more than 35 years.

Henry Dowell Liles ('54), April 16, 2011, Raleigh, NC. He retired after 30 years of service as a teacher and coach in Garner, NC. Liles was Garner High School's head baseball coach from 1961 to 1976.

**Ann Roberts Melvin ('54)**, Aug. 4, 2011, Advance, NC. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Robert A. Melvin ('52)**, and is survived by three children.

**Callie Ratley Stanley ('54)**, Aug. 11, 2011, Fayetteville, NC. She worked in the shipyard during World War II and after the war opened a Merle Norman Studio. Stanley coached girls' basketball and worked with the Virginia Department of Education, City of Richmond for 20 years.

William English Tomlinson Jr. ('54), April 13, 2011, Wilmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was a drum major for the U.S. Army Marching Band in Germany. He was a saxophone player and the leader of "The Southerners," a big band dance band on the Old Campus in the 1950s.

George Westray Bunn III ('55), May 18, 2011, Rocky Mount, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force and the U.S. Navy during World War II. Bunn retired from Occidental Oil Co. after 31 years of service.

William Eward Gray III ('55), May 31, 2011, Charlotte, NC. He was vice president of sales with Cogen Technologies in Houston, TX.

James Franklin Kennedy ('55), Aug. 8, 2011, New Bern, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was manager of the Belk department store in New Bern.

**Robert Louis Mitchell ('56)**, March 31, 2011, Roper, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy and had a lifelong career with Weyerhaeuser. Mitchell retired as a pulp and paper production manager in 1991. He is survived by his wife, Lois; a brother, **John Locke Mitchell ('48)**; three children; a stepson and four grandchildren.

Robert Lee Weatherspoon Jr. ('56), June 29, 2011, Hillsborough, NC. He played basketball under Coach Bones McKinney and was a member of the last graduating class on the Old Campus. He received his BDiv and MDiv from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Weatherspoon served as minister of Good Hope Baptist in Cary, NC, Samaria Baptist in Samaria, NC, Four Oaks Baptist in Four Oaks, NC, and Longview Baptist in Raleigh, NC. He retired in 1996 after 40 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Jackie; two daughters, Jennifer W. Creech ('83) and Amanda W. Mizelle; two sons, Robert Lee III and William Franklin; nine grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

William James "Bill" Whedbee Jr. ('56), June 13, 2011, Palm Bay, FL. He served as a pastor in Greensboro, NC, and Palm Bay, FL, for 50 years.

William Christolph Blossom III ('57, JD '59), July 2, 2011, Wilmington, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1949 to 1954 and taught Russian at Syracuse University. Blossom received a Richardson Foundation Grant after graduation to intern in Washington, DC., and practiced law in Wallace, NC. He was a member of the N.C. Bar Association for more than 50 years. Memorials may be made to Wake Forest Law School, P.O. Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109 or Duke Medicine, Development & Alumni Affairs, Duke University, 512 S. Mangum Street, Suite 400, Durham, NC 27701-3973.

**Robert Glenn Townsend Jr. ('57)**, May 24, 2011, Raeford, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force. Townsend received his MD from the University of Louisville School of Medicine, practiced family medicine in Raeford for 33 years and retired in 1997. He was a clinical assistant professor of family medicine at the East Carolina University School of Medicine and received a Lifetime Service Award from the N.C. Academy of Family Practice.

**Guy Hamilton Carswell ('58)**, July 15, 2011, Winston-Salem. He served in the U.S. Army and was in construction sales. Carswell enjoyed working at SciWorks in his later years; he was chairman of the Forsyth County Library Board and a member of the N.C. State Library Commission. **Billy Wade Lovingood ('58)**, July 30, 2011, Chapel Hill, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Aggressive. He received an MPH and PhD from UNC-Chapel Hill. Lovingood taught in the physical education department at UNC-Chapel Hill until retirement in 1988.

Harold McMillan Odom ('58), April 30, 2011, Taylorsville, NC. He taught industrial cooperative training and history at Alexander Central High School and was retired from the Alexander County school system. Odom was the former varsity baseball coach for the Alexander Central Cougars and was Northwestern Conference Coach of the Year numerous times.

**Robert Woodrow Stevenson ('58)**, April 28, 2011, Thomasville, NC. He worked in his family's business, Stevenson's Grocery and Produce. Stevenson taught physics and biology at East Davidson and Central Davidson high schools before traveling as a sales representative with Erwin-Lambeth Furniture. In 1975 he became a partner in the grocery business at Wagner's Supermarket and in 2000 went to work for Randy's Mart.

John Frederick Earl Turnage ('58, JD '61), July 31, 2011, Rocky Mount, NC. He served as mayor of Rocky Mount for 34 years and was a practicing attorney for 50 years. Turnage was on many boards and commissions committed to the well-being of the Rocky Mount community. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Norma; two children, John Aaron Turnage ('84) and Trevor Turnage Lane ('87); and five grandchildren.

Ellis Devine Meares Jr. ('59), June 14, 2011, Fair Bluff, NC. He was a farmer, insurance agent, building inspector, magistrate and tobacco warehouseman. Meares was a member of the Fair Bluff Fire Department and Rescue Squad for 52 years and served as fire chief for 36 years. He was president of the Columbus County Fire and Rescue Association and chairman of the Region Office of EMS Advisory Council.

John McKamie Russell ('59), June 24, 2011, Winston-Salem. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War and in the Marine Air Wing Squadron aboard the USS Coral Sea. Russell was retired from the Mill-Power Supply Co. after more than 29 years of service. He coached Little League baseball and worked with the Cub Scouts. John Leo Tyner Jr. ('59), July 17, 2011, Plant City, FL. He practiced internal medicine in the bay area for more than 30 years and served as chief of staff and chief of medicine at Brandon Regional Hospital. Tyner served as team physician for the University of Tampa Spartans and was inducted into its Sports Hall of Fame. He was team physician for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 1976 until 1980.

John Sullivan Barbour ('61), May 21, 2011, Port Charlotte, FL.

James Roger Gladden ('62), May 17, 2011, Oxford, GA. He served in the U.S. Navy. Gladden served as a councilman for the City of Oxford. James Edward Muse ('62), Aug. 2, 2011, Macon, GA. He served in the U.S. Navy and was head golf professional at Forest Oaks Country Club in Greensboro, NC. In 1964 Muse joined New York Life Insurance Co. and retired as managing partner of the Central Georgia office after 34 years.

Tera Frizzelle Swaim ('62), Aug. 10, 2011, Wilmington, NC. She taught band for 45 years in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County and Charlotte-Mecklenburg school systems and in various private schools, including St. John's Lutheran, St. Leo's Catholic and Summit. Swaim also taught private music lessons in her home.



Marcellus Waddill, 2010 winners: Melanie Huynh-Duc (MAEd '05) and Amy Talley (MAEd '06), President Nathan O. Hatch

### The Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award

### NOMINATIONS DUE BY OCTOBER 28, 2011

The Marcellus Waddill Excellence in Teaching Award is given annually to two Wake Forest alumni who are exemplary classroom teachers in public or private K-12 schools. Established in 1994, the award is named in honor of Professor Emeritus of Mathematics Marcellus Waddill and funded by his son David. Each winner, one on the elementary grades level (K-6) and one on the secondary level (7-12), receives a \$20,000 cash award, one of the largest monetary awards of any teacher-recognition honor in the country.

For more information, or to submit a nomination, please visit alumni.wfu.edu/awards/waddill/

William Charles Ehalt Jr. ('63), June 11, 2011, Orange, CT. Before retirement, he was president of Magazine Shippers Association, GEM Development and Cargo Handlers Association.

**Carroll Lee Perkins ('63)**, June 6, 2011, Pilot Mountain, NC.

**Richard Alan Harris ('65)**, June 16, 2011, Boyds, MD. He retired after 35 years with the Department of Defense.

**Ann Badgett Israel ('65, MAEd '92)**, May 11, 2011, Winston-Salem. She taught English, drama, journalism and creative writing at South Stokes High School and English at Forsyth Technical Community College.

Michael Walter Sherrill ('65), June 18, 2011, Knoxville, TN. He received his master's from N.C. State University and was a statistician for 37 years at the Y-12 facility in Oak Ridge, TN. Sherrill was preceded in death by his wife of 37 years, Linda Yates Sherrill ('65).

Harry Alexander Turner IV ('66), July 17, 2011, Easton, MO. He received his JD from the University of Maryland Law School and practiced law in La Plata, MD, from 1969 until retirement in 2000. He was a part-time attorney for the Charles County commissioners.

Conrad Gene Stone ('67), March 19, 2011, Crozet, VA.

Leroy Edwards Thompson ('67), Aug. 6, 2011, Newport News, VA. He taught biology and coached the swimming and golf teams at Kecoughtan High School. Thompson was an agent for Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. and then an independent agent with W.T. Chapin. He was a volunteer with the Peninsula Fine Arts Center, the Newport News Arts Commission and the Yellow Ribbon Fund. Thompson was preceded in death by his mother, Frances, and father, Frederick Nimrod Thompson Sr. ('32, MD '32). He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mary Hankins Thompson ('67); a son, Southey; a brother, Frederick N. Thompson Jr. ('61); and a sister, Frances.

Gerald Paul Briggs (MD '68), May 10, 2011, Lexington, NC. He had an obstetrics and family practice in Taylorsville, NC, and was chief of staff at Alexander County Hospital. Briggs began an OB/family practice in Lexington in 1975 and continued the family practice until retirement in 1996. He was medical director of Centerclair Nursing Home in Lexington. Norman Virgil Swenson Jr. ('69), May 22, 2011, Charlotte, NC. He played golf on three ACC Championship teams and enjoyed a successful senior amateur career. Swenson passed away on a flight returning from South Korea where he represented the United States and Pine Valley Country Club at the World Club Championships. He was in the portrait photography business and helped start American Studios, now in thousands of WalMarts.

Michael Brent Barney ('72), June 11, 2011, Winston-Salem. He worked for 20 years with Ingersoll Rand in Mocksville, NC, and was manager of manufacturing and quality assurance for 13 years in Chambersburg, PA. Barney retired from the company in 2005. He returned to Winston-Salem and worked the past four years at Ingersoll Rand/Doosan in Statesville, NC. He served 20 years as a volunteer firefighter and first responder for the Cornatzer-Dulin and Smith Grove Fire Departments in Davie County.

Lanny Ross Cook ('72), May 26, 2011, King, NC. He served in the National Guard and taught and coached with the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County schools for 34 years.

Mark Lee Phillips ('73), June 20, 2011, Kingsport, TN. He received a BS in economics and history from East Tennessee State University. Phillips was a paper carrier for Kingsport Times-News.

George W. Schweitzer (MD '73), July 31, 2011, Columbia, MD. He served in the U.S. Army. Schweitzer was a founding partner of Emergency Medicine Associates and was president and chairman of the board of directors from 1974 to 2007. He had been medical chief of staff at Montgomery General Hospital in Olney, MD.

**Phyllis Melvin Lane (MS '74)**, July 1, 2011, Seattle, WA. She retired in 2009 as advanced computing technologist in the Division of Engineering and Operations Technology of Boeing Computer Services in Seattle, WA, with more than 25 years of service.

Martha Jo Porter Yelton ('74), June 23, 2011, Shelby, NC. She received her master's from East Tennessee State University and taught in the N.C. Community College system until her marriage in 1988. She is survived by her husband, Robert William Yelton ('64, JD '67), and a son, Porter.

**Resa LaVerne Harris (JD '76)**, May 2, 2011, Charlotte, NC. She was a district court judge from 1981 to 2002 for the 26th Judicial District of North Carolina and an emergency court judge from 2002 until her death. Harris helped establish the domestic violence court in Mecklenburg County and had many civic activities.

**Dermot Charles Hedrick Jr. ('76)**, Aug 8, 2011, Summerfield, NC. He was an audit manager with Daniel & Co., staff accountant with Deloitte & Touche, manager of general and tax accounting with Draper Corp. and then in various roles with Hanesbrands Inc. Hedrick was chief financial officer with Unitex Chemical Corp. in Greensboro from 2007 to 2009.

Lewis Moyer Henderson ('76), July 13, 2011, Hopkins, SC. He received his law degree from the South Carolina School of Law and worked for several accounting firms before founding Henderson & Associates. Henderson served on several boards in Columbia, SC, and was chairman of the audit committee of First Citizens Bank.

Douglas Clayton Turnage ('76), June 5, 2011, Arlington, VA. His career began as a recruiter and then a computer analyst in Washington, DC. He retired in 2008 after 22 years of service with Fannie Mae. Fellow employees remember him as a joy to work with, reliable, collaborative, able to build and lead a team and admired for his composure, particularly during periods of extreme pressure. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; his father, Fred Douglas Turnage ('43, JD '48); and a sister, Betty Turnage Griffith ('66).

James Zachariah Eakes III ('81), June 5, 2011, Charlotte, NC. Eakes was preceded in death by his parents, James Zachariah Eakes Jr. ('42) and Margaret Eakes. He was a Realtor in Charlotte in the 1980s and at the time of his death a partner in Industrial Electric Co. of Charlotte.

**Christopher Douglas Dirr ('83)**, Aug. 3, 2011, Fort Worth, TX. He received his MBA from the University of Chicago and served with the U.S. Corps of Engineers in Afghanistan.

**Douglas Milton Jones (JD '83)**, July 5, 2011, New Bern, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General Corps and began practicing law in the Craver area in 1987.

**Robyn Lazenby Williams (JD '83)**, March 15, 2011, Statesville, NC.

**Stephen James Hatch (MD '90)**, June 24, 2011, Fort Wayne, IN. He and his wife, Kimberly, died in a plane crash. Hatch was an anesthesiologist and partner with Pain Management Associates PC in Fort Wayne.

Jacquetta Denise Johnson ('99), June 10, 2011, Charlotte, NC. She received her JD from the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Law. She worked the last six years in the legal department of Wells Fargo.

Nicholas Val Napolitano ('10), Aug. 7, 2011, Atlanta and New York. He drowned trying to save a friend in Newport, RI. Napolitano was a financial analyst with CIT in New York City. He is survived by his parents, Val and Regis, and a sister, Olivia.

### Friends, Faculty, Staff, Students

Raymond Arthur Edwards, July 18, 2011, Winston-Salem. He was an engineering manager for Westinghouse in Winston-Salem and for Gilbarco in Greensboro, NC, and retired in 2000. Edwards was preceded in death by a son, Simon. He is survived by his wife, Iris (PhD '89); a son, Jonathan C. Edwards ('87, MD '92); and three grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Research Fund, c/o Dr. Bayard Powell, Comprehensive Cancer Center, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157.

**Stephen Paul Gerhard**, May 20, 2011, Winston-Salem. He was a Lutheran pastor and campus pastor to Lutheran students at N.C. State University and Wake Forest University. Gerhard retired in 2008 from the Lutheran Church of the Epiphany in Winston-Salem and was pastor emeritus of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Raleigh, NC.

Linda Cheryl Lowry Hemrick, June 22, 2011, Clemmons, NC. She was an administrative coordinator for athletic development at Wake Forest and had been with the University since 1994. Associate Athletic Director of External Operations Barry Faircloth said Linda "loved Wake Forest and she truly believed in our department's mission to provide scholarships for student-athletes ... she took that responsibility very seriously." She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Robert Gordon Hemrick; two daughters, Elizabeth H. Floyd and Amanda H. Mendenhall ('99,

**MBA '03)**; a son, Robert Wilson Hemrick; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Jimmie Cook Hines, July 13, 2011, Wallburg, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. Hines was retired from Hanes Dye and Finishing Co. and was a Wake Forest HELPS participant. He is survived by his wife, Sara; three daughters, Nancy H. Vargas, Martha H. Foreman ('76) and Janice H. Huesman, administrative assistant in the Wake Forest School of Divinity; and 11 grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Jenny Sealey Educational Fund, Wallburg Baptist Church, P.O. Box 595, Wallburg, NC 27373 or to HELPS, Wake Forest University, P.O. Box 7868, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Ruth Warren Holleman, May 16, 2011, Apex, NC. She established the Carl and Ruth Holleman Law Scholarship and the Ruth W. Holleman Scholarship Fund for the Nurse Anesthesia Program at Wake Forest Baptist Health. Holleman was a graduate of the nurse anesthesia program and received her CRNA in 1946 from the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. She was chair of the anesthesia department of Rex Hospital and a nurse anesthetist for Dorothea Dix Hospital. She provided leadership and service in civic, cultural and church activities and provided volunteer anesthesia services for St. Agnes Hospital, Central Prison and Butner Hospital. Holleman was preceded in death by her husband, Carl P. Holleman (JD '49). She is survived by two sons and daughtersin-law, Toby and Connie and Warren and Marsha, and four grandchildren: Blake ('04), Aaron, Annie and Tom. Memorials may be made to the Wake County Public Library Fund, 1930 Clark Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27605 or to the Ruth Warren Holleman Scholarship Fund, Nurse Anesthesia Program, Wake Forest Baptist Health, Office of Development and Alumni Affairs, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157-1021.

**Erica J. Holloman**, June 15, 2011, Winston-Salem. She was the program director of graduate student affairs and multicultural programming for the Wake Forest Schools of Business. Holloman received a degree in operations management and a BS in human resources management from the University of Cincinnati and a MAEd in educational foundations and MS in education from the University of Dayton. She was pursuing a PhD at the University of Louisville.

Anthony "Tony" Layng, June 12, 2011, Winston-Salem. He was a former adjunct professor at Wake Forest. Layng served in the U.S. Marines during the Korean War, was actively involved in the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi and was leader for Operation Crossroads Africa in Lesotho. He was a tennis enthusiast and a professor emeritus of anthropology from Elmira College in New York.

William Edward Lee, July 1, 2011, Advance, NC. He served in the U.S. Army, coached and umpired at Southwest Forsyth Little League for 22 years and worked in the airline industry for 39 years. Lee is survived by his wife, Tammy Chilton Lee (MS '09), and five children, including Matthew David Lee ('10).

**Erik Lie-Nielsen**, July 8, 2011, Winston-Salem. He was killed in a bike accident during the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games. Lie-Nielsen was an assistant professor in family medicine at the Wake Forest School of Medicine since 2008 and an attending physician at Brookridge Retirement Community. He completed his family medicine residency at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center and was a house officer in 2006.

Mardene Galanos Morykwas, May 13, 2011, Winston-Salem. She retired in 2001 as an adjunct instructor in communication at Wake Forest. Morykwas received a Woman of the Year Award from the Philoptochos Society of the Greek Orthodox Church and her philanthropic pursuits included the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, the Piedmont Wind Symphony and the Forsyth Humane Society. She is survived by her husband, Michael Morykwas, an associate professor of surgical sciences in plastic and reconstructive surgery at the Wake Forest School of Medicine and an associate in the Institute for Regenerative Medicine.

C.E. "Ed" Vick, May 13, 2011, Raleigh, NC. He served on the Wake Forest School of Divinity Board of Visitors. Vick was a founder of Kimley-Horn & Associates, a Raleigh-based engineering, planning and environmental consulting firm; he was president from 1972 to 1992 and chairman from 1992 to 2000. He received the N.C. State University Distinguished Engineering Alumnus Award and the N.C. Society of Engineers Outstanding Achievement Award. Vick was inducted into the N.C. Transportation Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Laura Anne; three daughters, Jennifer Catellani, Carolyn Durham and Elizabeth Kirkman ('91); and nine grandchildren.

### A Sense of Direction in the Age of Uncertainty By Marcus Keely ('10)



HAVE ALWAYS HAD a pretty good sense of direction. Even without the aid of Google and a trusty Smartphone, the destination, though not always clear, is often attainable without too many U-turns, dead-ends, or phonea-friend sessions. Usually I remember to take a right at the second oak tree, hang a left at the yellow house with the blue shingles, and then keep going until I see those three balloons tied to the mailbox.

But, if there is one thing that I have learned as a recent graduate, it is that choosing to take a left or right at the stoplight is much easier than deciding which path to take at the many crossroads I have faced and will continue to confront along the road of life. Fortunately, my time at Wake Forest has taught me not to see these intersections as roadblocks, but rather as opportunities, chances to utilize my preparation to inch closer to success.

Most of those who have graduated from college during the past few years can give you a pretty good definition of the word "insecurity." I am sure that if you ask they would probably kindly offer you one for "uncertain" as well. When I crossed the stage at my commencement ceremony last year I was blessed with a job waiting for me on the other side, but, even with such a prospect, I remember still feeling trepidation as I finished my piece of gold and black graduation cake later that afternoon.

Here I was, 21 years old, an English major who could write you an essay on the problem of time in "Othello," but I lacked any clear direction or discernible skills that could be used to make a living. One of my close friends, a member of my graduating class, echoed this sentiment. A history major, she, like myself, had mastered the art of researching and writing a thorough paper on an obscure subject, but now, facing an unpredictable job market, felt wholly unemployable. "What can you do with a liberal arts degree?" It seemed like every direction she turned there stood the question, an obstruction blocking her path.

While it is easy to harbor such an attitude in an economy that appears to reward hyper-specialization and college majors like engineering and microbiology, my five years as a member of the Wake Forest community (four as an undergraduate student and one as a staff member) compel me to think otherwise; that receiving a liberal arts degree is not a roadblock, but instead a crossroads.

One of the primary reasons I applied to Wake Forest and decided to enroll was

the University's emphasis on educating the whole person — not only by encouraging but also requiring all students to engage in a course of study marked by exposure to many disciplines. Unlike some of my high school peers who seemed to have their life paths decided before senior year had even begun, I was not ready to sign up for a profession prior to setting foot in a college classroom. No, I wanted to read Hume and debate the existence of God, translate the Book of Genesis from classical Hebrew, and even explore the complexities of a Möbius band with the hope that at the end of it all I would arrive at something more valuable than just a profession. Looking back now I can say that I made the right decision.

But, how do I convince friends and family who, when I tell them that I was an English major at a liberal arts school, ask me the tried-and-true question, "What do you do with that?" And what do I say to my perhaps once like-minded friends who are now caught in the thick of a recession?

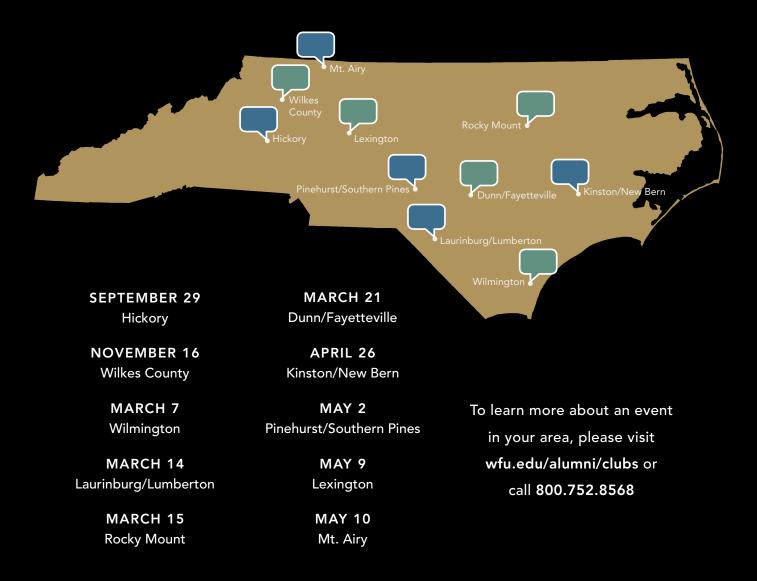
As any good English major should, I rely on an analogy. I take them on a journey down the road of life and show them that with the right preparation and perspective what at first appears to be a roadblock often is actually a crossroads; a place full of opportunity where, when an unbridled curiosity is met with limitless possibilities, one has the ability to choose, to mature and, with a measure of hope, to succeed. That, though I may not always have those oak trees or blueshingled houses to point me in the right direction, I know eventually I will arrive at my destination.

Marcus Keely ('10), a former Wake Forest Fellow, is manager of the START Gallery, the University's student art gallery in Winston-Salem's Reynolda Village. He is considering graduate studies to pursue a career in academia.



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An English major turned organic farmer, **Isaac Oliver ('06)** says a good grower aims to feed not the plant but the soil.

**Susan Sparks (JD '87)**, lawyer and comedian turned minister, says laughter helps us reclaim control in hard times.

Every season is football season for **Michael S. Kelly ('92)**, the ACC's associate commissioner for football operations.

Given the explosion of technology it is more important than ever to connect with living things, says **Mary Ann Cromer Brittain ('62)**. Author **Megan Mayhew Bergman ('02)** says her stories take place in urban gardens, veterinary clinics, Southern diners, prison farms, swamps, and the coast of Maine.

**Jenny Puckett ('71)** uncovers the real Harold Tribble in a new biography on Wake Forest's 10th president.

**Steve Dixon ('82)** helps reunite an immigrant family through the power of the documentary, "Tony and Janina's American Wedding."



