Six distinguished alumnae make their mark

TODAY’S LEADERS

Melanie Liddle Healey, B’83
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President’s Letter

The University of Richmond is decidedly intentional about preparing future leaders for society. That mission manifests itself in our classrooms and in our faculty’s support for student-initiated projects in the lab, the community, and abroad. It is present in the extracurricular activities we offer, including sports and organizations that enable students to hone their leadership skills in practical settings. And it is evident in the Jepson School of Leadership Studies. The Jepson School fills a critical need in higher education: to help students understand leadership as a crucial element of becoming active, thoughtful, and effective participants in our world.

Confirmation of Richmond’s success in educating leaders can be seen throughout this issue. One feature, for example, highlights six alumnae who have distinguished themselves as leaders (page 10). Melanie Healey, B’83, an executive at Procter & Gamble and a University trustee, leads this illustrious group.

Further evidence of Spider leadership is found in five alumni in pivotal roles on the political scene who joined us for a panel discussion in Washington, D.C., focused on the current political landscape and presidential campaign. Daniel Palazzolo, professor of political science, moderated the discussion (page 18).

These stories of alumni demonstrate how their remarkable and varied experiences at Richmond still influence their lives today. A deep appreciation of the role that every aspect of the University plays in attracting outstanding students, providing them with diverse opportunities, and preparing them for lives of leadership—and lifelong engagement with the University—guided the recent Universitywide development of a plan for the physical campus for the coming decade. On page 26, we highlight key aspects of the new campus master plan, which will support the work of our community for years to come.

The plan received formal approval by the Board of Trustees in October. Along the way, hundreds of faculty, staff, students, alumni, trustees and trustees emeriti, friends, and neighbors were involved in creating this ambitious framework that strengthens existing facilities and envisions innovative development of the South Campus to create an ideal upper-division community. I am grateful to all who helped shape the master plan and hope you share our enthusiasm for how the plan positions us to build on the University’s foundation of excellence.

I look forward to seeing many of you at Reunion Weekend in June.

Sincerely,

Edward L. Ayers

Points of Pride

- Five excellent schools working together in unique collaborations.
- Eight-to-one undergraduate student-faculty ratio.
- Average undergraduate class size of 16 students.
- Students involved in cutting-edge research and engaged in the Richmond community.
- Named a “Best Value” college by U.S. News & World Report, SmartMoney, Kiplinger’s Personal Finance, and USA Today-Princeton Review.
- Record-breaking number of applications (more than 10,000) for the Class of 2016.
- Sixteen percent of first-year students are the first in their families to attend college.
- Eighty-five percent of first-year students ranked in top 20 percent of high school class.
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GRANTS
Recent grants support professorial research
Research by Richmond faculty has been strengthened by several recent grants.

A grant to the University of $646,168 from the National Science Foundation will support research and training of student researchers by funding an inverted microscope that can perform laser micro-dissection of minute portions of individual neurons and cells. The grant supports the work of Craig Kinsley (left), professor of neuroscience, who studies maternal and paternal brains in a wide variety of species, including humans.

The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded a $50,400 fellowship to A. Linwood “Woody” Holton, professor of history and American studies at the University. The grant will support Holton’s research and writing for the book Liberty is Sweet: An Integrated History of the American Revolution.

Professor Nicole Sackley was awarded a $37,500 Truman-Kaufman Research Fellowship from the Harry S. Truman Library Institute for her studies of American social scientists who sought to modernize undeveloped parts of the post-1945 world.

Jory Brinkerhoff, an assistant professor of biology at the University, received a $25,000 research award from the Thomas F. Jeffress and Kate Miller Jeffress Memorial Trust of Richmond for his research on the emergence of Lyme disease in Virginia.

COMMUNITY
University expands downtown footprint
The University is expanding its footprint in downtown Richmond through the renovation of the lower level at UR Downtown and with the construction of a new café.

This externally funded expansion builds on the success of UR Downtown’s four programs—the Law School’s Carrico Center for Pro Bono Service and Lipman Family Law Clinic, SPCS’ Partners in the Arts, and CCE’s Richmond Families Initiative—by providing additional opportunities for the University to engage with the broader Richmond community. The renovation of the lower level at UR Downtown into a multipur-

STUDENTS
Academic honors enrich undergraduate study
Critical Language Scholarships from the U.S. State Department enabled two University of Richmond juniors, Simrun Bal and Andrew Lyell (above), to participate in intensive study abroad programs this past summer. Bal, from Springfield, Va., visited India to continue studying the Punjabi language. Lyell, of Chantilly, Va., a two-time recipient of the scholarship, returned to Bangladesh to study the Bengali language.

Juniors Simrun Bal (right) and Andrew Lyell won U.S. State Department Critical Language Scholarships for intensive study to enhance their language skills.

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Richmond extends record of success in college ratings

Richmond's quality has been recognized in several recent national ratings of universities.

In March, Bloomberg Businessweek magazine ranked the University's Robins School of Business No. 15 overall on its 2012 list of America's best undergraduate business programs. Among specific measures, the Robins School ranked No. 3 for academic quality, No. 5 for student satisfaction, and No. 15 for students going on to MBA studies. It is the seventh year running that the school ranked in the top 25.

Bloomberg Businessweek ranked the Robins School of Business MBA program 18th in the country on its list of “The Best Part-Time MBA Programs.” The Richmond MBA was the only professional MBA program in Virginia to be included in the top 25 of the rankings. The program earned an “A” for teaching quality, curriculum, and caliber of classmates, all while having the smallest average class size in the country.

The Princeton Review named Richmond to its 2012 list of 75 best-value private colleges and chose the Robins School of Business for inclusion in its newest guidebook, The Best 294 Business Schools (2012 Edition). Schools were selected for the guidebook based on 19,000 student surveys that rated job placement, potential for real-world business experience, and professors, among other factors.

Finally, in its 2011 Open Doors report, the Institute of International Education ranked the University of Richmond third in total study abroad students among the 40 U.S. baccalaureate institutions recognized. The University, whose baccalaureate and masters programs have placed in each of the last ten Open Doors reports, sent 582 students abroad in the 2009–10 academic year. Named the “Hottest School for International Studies” by Newsweek, the University maintains a study abroad portfolio of more than 75 programs in 30 countries, with 59 percent of the 2011 class studying abroad.

Pose room provides space for class meetings, events, and campus-community collaborations. Lockers and office space help faculty, staff, and students take advantage of programmatic offerings at UR Downtown and other sites in the area.

The new café, Richmond on Broad, will complement the activities at UR Downtown. This casual restaurant on the first floor of the building will showcase the University’s high-quality food service.

Admission
Record numbers apply for Class of 2016
More than 10,000 students applied to be a part of the University of Richmond Class of 2016. As of the University's January 15 application deadline, Richmond had received 10,121 applications for the 765 seats that are available in the next first-year class.

The number breaks last year’s record of 9,461 applications and continues a series of annual increases that have continued through most of the past decade.

Leaders
Faculty tapped to be associate deans
Three University faculty members have been appointed to be associate deans in the School of Arts and Sciences. Malcolm Hill, an associate professor of biology, has taught at the University since 2004 and is a former chair of the biology department. Vincent Wei-cheng Wang, an associate professor of political science, has

Holiday
Plan for Chapel Guild Christmas House Tour
Save the date—December 13, 2012—and plan to attend the Chapel Guild Christmas House Tour, which includes a luncheon and tours of marvelously decorated and spectacular Richmond homes. The event costs $30 per ticket and all proceeds support the Cannon Memorial Chapel, the Chaplaincy, and the presentation of Handel's Messiah.

Invite some friends and make it a day, or organize a mini class reunion by inviting classmates to meet for the luncheon at a specific time. You can use the Class Connections section of the next issue of the magazine as an invitational tool. To submit an invitation to your classmates to join you for lunch on December 13, email mfield2@richmond.edu, fax it to (804) 287-6501, or mail to Molly Field, Office of the Chaplaincy, Wilton Center, Suite 200, 28 Westhampton Way, University of Richmond, VA 23173. Deadline for submission is June 8, 2012.
taught at Richmond since 1996 and served several years as chair of the political science department. Lisa Gentile, associate professor of chemistry, has taught at Richmond since 2006 and chairs the chemistry department. The appointments were effective in January.

**HONORS**

*Faculty members receive recognitions*

Two members of the faculty have won 2011 Theresa Pollak Prizes for Excellence in the Arts. Myra Daleng, director of dance, won the Lifetime Achievement Award, and Tanja Softić, professor and chair of the Department of Art and Art History, won in the fine arts category. *Richmond Magazine* presented the awards, which are named for well-known Virginia artist Theresa Pollak, W’21 and H’73 (1899–2002).

**FACULTY**

*Professor asked to monitor elections*

Vincent Wei-cheng Wang, an associate dean and professor of political science at the University, was selected to participate in the international delegation selected to observe Taiwan’s elections in mid-January.

In light of ongoing interest in the relationship between Taiwan and China, the elections generated keen interest around the world. Wang said such work helps connect universities and the world.

**CAMPUS**

*University police adopt hybrid vehicles*

Dave McCoy, the chief of police at the University of Richmond, may not have a background in sustainability, but when he arrived at the University this past spring, he saw a way to increase fleet efficiency while supporting the University’s sustainability goals. The solution? Replace Ford Crown Victorias with more fuel-efficient Ford Fusion Hybrids. For every Fusion added to the campus police force, the fleet is expected to save approximately 190 gallons of gas per year.

Emissions will be lower, too. When the technology is right, the University also will move to replace other vehicles on campus, such as facilities trucks, with more energy-efficient models.

**GIFTS**

*Donations and bequests benefit University*

Recent financial support to the University includes gifts from Elizabeth R. Dunkum, W’59, and Ellis M. Dunkum, B’59 and GB’69, supporting the Ellis M. Dunkum Scholarship; Burrell Williams Stultz, W’55, and John L. Stultz, B’58, supporting multiple University initiatives; Virginia Marion Lewis, G’55, supporting the SPCS Teacher Licensure Program; and Dr. Sarah S. Maldonado, W’69, and Dr. Wilford E. Maldonado, to establish the “Doctors Sarah S. and Wilford E. Maldonado Scholarship.”
Senior focuses research on home state in India

Having traveled to France, Peru, Japan, Uganda, Rwanda, and India, Oldham Scholar Maria Sebastian, ’12 (above right, with her grandfather), now pursues her international ambitions at the University of Richmond.

Last summer Sebastian, who is majoring in political science and international studies, conducted an independent research project through an Arts and Sciences summer research fellowship in her home state of Kerala, India. Her research analyzed local perceptions and outcomes of a form of political activism called hartals, essentially a form of mass strike organized by political parties and other groups to shut down all businesses, daily services, and social activities.

“This sort of political expression in Kerala is rather common and viewed as a powerful tool,” Sebastian said. “Although there is near unanimous opposition to hartals, they continue to plague Kerala society.”

Sebastian’s interest in Kerala’s political atmosphere began years before she arrived at the University of Richmond. Although raised in the United States, Sebastian continues to identify with her family’s place of origin and travels to Kerala almost every other year.

Approaching her research through a broad theoretical framework of scholarly discussions on public participation and social choice theory, Sebastian studied how enhanced political freedom affected development and how this issue was reflected in Kerala. Her research included in-depth questionnaires and interviews with a broad cross-section of citizens.

Sebastian’s faculty mentor for the research was political science professor Rick Mayes. “The guidance and support of Dr. Mayes encouraged me to complete independent research in India,” she said, adding that “he has been an incredible inspiration for me by sharing my belief that a passion for social justice has an important role to play in academic scholarship.”

This scholarship will support full-time Westhampton College students majoring in the sciences.

In addition, the University has received gifts from the estates of Dr. Marvin McRae, R’30, supporting the University of Richmond Endowment; and Roger Beck, R’70, supporting the Joseph E. Nettles Scholarship in Journalism.
Performance for its recording of “Lonely Motel: Music from Slide.”

Based in Chicago, eighth blackbird has been affiliated with Richmond since 2004. In addition to performing on campus at the Modlin Center for the Arts, the six-member group regularly instructs classes, conducts master classes, lectures, and coaches music students. Known as one of the leading new music ensembles of their generation, the group won a Grammy in 2008 for the album, “Strange Imaginary Animals.”

**Books**

*Executive Power in Theory and Practice*

**More faculty books**

University President Edward Ayers edited *America’s War: Talking About the Civil War and Emancipation on their 150th Anniversaries* (American Library Association and the National Endowment for the Humanities, 2011).


Arthur B. Gunlicks, professor emeritus of political science and international studies, has published *Comparing Liberal Democracies* (iUniverse, 2011), a discussion of the institutional structures and backgrounds of the democracies of the United States, United Kingdom, France, Germany, and the European Union.


Anne Marie Morgan, an adjunct professor of political science in the School of Professional and Continuing Studies, co-edited a textbook, *Governing Virginia* (Pearson Learning Solutions, 2011), which describes Virginia’s politics and government through the centuries.

Tracy Roof, an associate professor of political science,
Richmond expert helps K-12 learn from nature

Outdoor learning spaces benefit children in many different ways. Now, the University is helping teachers consolidate lessons learned from those experiences.

Cary Jamieson (above), a program specialist with the School of Professional and Continuing Studies’ (SPCS) Landscape Design Program, designed the Sustainability and Nature Institute for Educators, one of the first programs of its kind, to give teachers the tools they need to build an outdoor learning experience from the ground up.

“Students are spending a tremendous amount of time in front of a screen,” Jamieson says. “They don’t have the same freedom to explore nature as generations that came before them. It’s become the responsibility of teachers to expose them to outdoor settings in the safety of the school.”

To that end, teachers from schools in both rural and urban Virginia, and even as far away as Florida, gathered on campus last July to learn the art and science behind outdoor classrooms from John Hayden, a professor of biology, and Steven Koprowski, an instructor of landscape design at the University.

In addition to exploring biology and other natural science topics, participants learned how outdoor education can apply to a variety of subjects. Teaching Shakespeare can be enhanced when students write nature-inspired poetry. Creating a gourd orchestra brings life to music classes. Measuring trees and sidewalks shows the application of math principles. Field trips to the Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens and local schools gave participants a look at gardens and outdoor programs.

The program was designed to both help urban teachers find lessons available in the natural resources on school grounds and guide their rural counterparts to draw out deeper lessons from the abundant natural settings in their surroundings.

To watch a video about the institute and hear the experiences of participating teachers, go to magazine.richmond.edu.
**SPIDER SPORTS**

**BASKETBALL**

**1988 hoopers get Sweet 16 rings**

The opening game in the Spider men’s basketball 2011–12 home season was marked with not one but two poignant moments.

First, members of the 2011 team received commemorative rings marking their appearance in the NCAA Sweet 16 from members of the 1988 team, the first squad in University history to make it that far in the tournament.

But then, the 2011 hoopers turned around and awarded rings to their counterparts from 1988. As Dick Tarrant, the coach of the 1988 team, observed, rings were not typically awarded to college teams in the 1980s. Watches were the commonly awarded souvenir, and the Spiders collected plenty of those. Honoring current coach Chris Mooney and his team, Tarrant went down on a knee as he handed Mooney his Sweet 16 ring.

Notably missing from the ceremony were the five seniors from the 2011 Sweet 16 team. Kevin Anderson, Justin Harper, and Kevin Smith were playing professionally overseas. Dan Geriot and Kevin Hovde were on the coaching staffs of Ivy League teams. Harper would later sign with the NBA’s Orlando Magic after the league’s lockout was resolved.

Anderson was in line for another celebration a few weeks later when the University unveiled a banner in the Robins Center. The take-charge guard joins Johnny Newman and Warren Mills as the only men’s basketball players honored with banners.

**Even without Shells, women roll on**

The Richmond women’s basketball team rolls on even without Brittani Shells. The superstar graduated last May—finishing her career as the program’s second all-time scorer, leader in steals, and seventh best in assists—and now plays professionally in Israel. Other players have now stepped up, though, and with a strong team effort, coach Michael Shafer’s Spiders won 23 of their first 31 games in the 2011–12 season. Three Spiders—senior Abby Oliver, sophomore Genevieve Okoro, and redshirt junior Rachael Bilney—all often score in double figures, and a rotating cast of other players also regularly produces notable results through standout efforts.

**SOCCER**

**Wann leads women to record season**

The 2011 women’s soccer Spiders, led by sophomore star Becca Wann, rolled to a 13-5-3 overall mark and...
Danny Rocco takes helm of UR football team

When he was introduced as the new Spiders head football coach on December 6 of last year, Danny Rocco (above) said the University’s reputation for academic excellence factored heavily in his decision to take the job. One of the first orders of business, he said, was to talk to his players and tell them to “do well in school and do well on your tests.”

Rocco joined Richmond after six seasons as head coach at Liberty University, where he was 47-20 overall and 26-5 in the Big South Conference. He was conference Coach of the Year for three seasons. His coaching career includes a stint as an assistant with the New York Jets and college assistant stops at Virginia, Maryland, Texas, Boston College, Tulsa, Colorado, and Wake Forest. He is a 1984 graduate of Wake Forest University.

Rocco assembled a staff that mixes veterans of the Spiders staff along with colleagues from Liberty who moved to Richmond with him. The former group, he said “has a working knowledge of the University and how to recruit to the University.”

The second group brings “a working understanding of our philosophies in terms of how we operate, our expectations, our systems,” Rocco said. The team gained further expertise in January when Fontel Mines, who was a tight end for three years with the Chicago Bears, was named wide receivers coach.

As he puts his mark on the Spiders’ program, Rocco announced in January that redshirt freshman quarterback Michael Strauss had transferred to Richmond from the University of Virginia. In February, Rocco announced the signing of 15 student athletes, including eight offensive and seven defensive recruits. “We’re really excited about the group in its entirety,” Rocco said. “We went out and addressed some of the needs that we had here and I truly see this as the beginning of a new era of Richmond football.”
Today's Leaders

Six alumnae reflect on their Richmond beginnings and what it takes to inspire others
Throughout this academic year, the University’s Jepson Leadership Forum has explored the theme “Game Changers: How Women Lead and Change the World.” Speakers in the series have included award-winning authors, scholars, athletes, historians, and activists.

The forum’s theme is very much appropriate at Richmond, where the rich tradition of preparing women for the responsibilities of leadership extends from the founding of Westhampton College to the present day. The many alumnae who have distinguished themselves as leaders exemplify that tradition. In that spirit, here are the stories of six women leaders who got their start at Richmond.

Melanie Liddle Healey, B’83
Procter & Gamble

Jennifer Pogorelec O’Sullivan, ’96
Women’s Professional Soccer

Gayle Goodson Butler, W’73
Better Homes and Gardens

Amy O’Neill Richard, W’87
U.S. Department of State

Karen Wimbish, W’75
Wells Fargo Retirement

Patricia M.C. Brown, W’82
Johns Hopkins HealthCare LLC

By Joan Tupponce
Illustrations by Katie McBride
MELANIE LIDDLE HEALEY, B’83, who today is group president, North America, for Procter & Gamble, first got interested in marketing when she was a student in Thomas D. Giese’s marketing class. “His classes were inspirational. He would always ask provocative questions at the beginning of each lecture and would always push for the consumer insight,” she says. “This is where I developed a passion for marketing.”

Healey, who was recently ranked 13th on Fortune’s list of the “50 Most Powerful Women in Business,” joined Procter & Gamble after working for S.C. Johnson & Sons and Johnson & Johnson in Brazil. She oversees P&G’s largest market, with 41 percent of the company’s global revenues. Her responsibilities include go-to-market execution, customer business development and top-to-top relationships, business logistics, the launch of new initiatives, and multi-brand scale innovation such as a 10-year deal to sponsor the Olympics. “It’s a great way to activate the scale of our company,” she says, adding that the campaign will be themed “Thank You Mom.” “We have a lot to do with moms. They buy our products every day.”

Her approach to leadership is to “inspire, not inspect,” with a focus on energizing the organization. “I like to get people motivated, excited, and happy about working on what they are passionate about,” she says. “As a leader, you have to remember that at the end of the day everyone is watching you. You need to remember the victories, re-energize the organization, and make sure you stay confident and have the courage to take the calculated risks you need to take to grow the business.”

Healey learned some of her most valuable lessons when she left her home in Brazil to attend the University. It was her first trip to the United States and it was an eye-opening experience. “There was a lot to absorb,” she says. “Everything was so new to me.” Coming to Richmond from a military dictatorship with a closed economy, Healey found a different culture and a multitude of choices. “I realized that people grow up in different environments and just because someone doesn’t know something only means they had a different experience. It was my goal to understand what that experience was and learn from it,” she says. “I learned to never take people or anything for granted.”

The campus is different today than it was when Healey attended school. “I was one of five international students,” she says. “This year, the University had 9 percent international students in the entering class.”

Like many successful executives, Healey strives for balance in her life. “You have to reinvest in personal relationships, family, and friendships that provide support. When all that is balanced I refer to it as my ‘happy meter.’ If I am happy, I can keep going. If I am unhappy, I know it’s time to make a change.”

Last year, Healey became an American citizen. She credits the University with playing a role in making her fall in love with this country. “Richmond is an eternal part of my life,” she says. Indeed, the busy executive made time this past February to visit campus and speak with students.

“Inspire, not inspect”
Jennifer Pogorelec O’Sullivan, ’96
credits networking and a sports-related internship for steering her to Women’s Professional Soccer (WPS), where she serves as the league’s chief executive officer.

“I was incredibly lucky,” she says. “My first job in the sports industry was an internship for David Falk, Michael Jordan’s agent. At the time, he represented all the major players in the NBA.” O’Sullivan used that experience and a law degree to cultivate a network that led to positions with the National Football League, the Arena Football League, and the Constituency Management Group.

“Networking is so important,” she says. “But it’s really about building good relationships and cultivating those relationships.”

Challenges she faced when the Arena Football League fell into bankruptcy made her a stronger leader. “I started to see that I could do other things in business and not just have to be a lawyer,” she said. In her current role overseeing the business side of WPS, she has the chance to empower women in sports. She relishes that opportunity. “It’s a tremendous amount of responsibility,” she says. “It’s important for me to help provide an opportunity for women in sports. It’s exciting.”

O’Sullivan describes her style of leadership as “relaxed and down-to-earth.” She believes in leading by example. “I try to relate to people on all levels,” she says. “I don’t always look at myself as a CEO. Everybody’s role is critical and I appreciate the people in every role. As a leader, it’s important to do that.”

She began developing her leadership skills at Richmond with the help of her professors and participation in Kappa Kappa Gamma and heading up campus intramurals.

“Everybody’s role is critical”

“I clearly made the right decision in where to go to school,” she says. O’Sullivan was on campus in February sharing her career experiences as a panelist on a student program titled “Spiders in Sports and Sports Management.”

While O’Sullivan knew the career path she wanted to take when she was in college, she recognizes that’s not the case for everyone. She encourages students to volunteer, participate in internships, and talk with people about their careers. “See what you like and what you don’t like,” she says.

For O’Sullivan, the mentoring relationships she’s had throughout her career are essential to her success. “It’s nice to have another woman you can talk to about what is going on in your career and your personal life,” she says. “Someone you can go to for advice.”

She finds it encouraging that more and more women are stepping into leadership roles in the competitive sports environment. “It’s hard for women to make inroads,” she says. “I’m seeing more seasoned women taking women under their wing and helping to provide opportunities for them to be successful. We need to make sure we continue to provide younger women with the resources they need.”
As a student, Gayle Goodson Butler, W’73, found that she had a knack for writing and worked on The Collegian. “[Journalism professor] Joe Nettles was so influential in shaping my journalism skills and helping me believe in myself,” she says. “He was a great advocate and mentor.” That strong foundation continues to inform Butler’s work directly—today she is editor-in-chief of Better Homes and Gardens magazine and executive vice president and creative content leader of Meredith Corporation’s National Media Group.

In that role, Butler oversees all editorial content, including the magazine’s website, digital editions, mobile apps, special interest publications, and books. The magazine has a circulation of 7.6 million and a monthly readership of 38 million. She also serves as the chief editorial spokesperson and advisor for all 22 of the magazines that Meredith publishes.

The publishing industry, she says, is moving quickly from a print focus to a media mix. “There is always something new,” she says. “You’re learning new skills and using new parts of your brain.” Her collaborative style of leadership serves her well in that fast-paced environment. “In an organization like ours, with so many different types of media platforms and outlets, you have to surround yourself with very smart people and empower them to reach our goals,” she says. “We work as a team to create a consistent consumer experience and great content.”

Butler believes strongly in helping people on her team reach their full potential. “You want to tap into what others have to offer,” she says. “That helps you reach your goal.”

She describes herself as an “honest listener,” a skill she acquired after attending an active listening seminar when she was a rising junior at Westhampton. “I found that so valuable,” she says.

As a first-year student, Butler was shy and had a difficult time expressing her interest in leadership. Her experiences on campus helped build her confidence. “There are so many ways to step into leadership at Westhampton,” she says. “It was instrumental in helping me find my voice and my feet in leadership.”

Given that career paths for women today are much less defined than they were in the past, Butler says “that old ladder where you step up the rungs is not there anymore. You have to be flexible and look where your field is going and move with it. You have to take more ownership of your career path.”

“Tap into what others have to offer”
Amy O’Neill Richard, W’87

Amy O’Neill Richard, W’87, and her peers at the U.S. Department of State view human trafficking as “modern day slavery.” As an alumna, she is proud that the Jepson School of Leadership Studies had the insight to hold a forum on Abraham Lincoln’s Legacy of Leadership regarding emancipation. “We feel strongly that Lincoln and his legacy are really important,” she says.

The issue of human rights, especially for women and children, has always been close to Richard’s heart. She knew as a student that she wanted to pursue a career with a world focus. Her interest grew after working as a study abroad advisor and studying in London for a semester. After graduation, she spent time in Switzerland, Spain, Guatemala, and Kenya, and has now traveled to 50 countries. “Each experience reinforced my interest in people, culture, and travel,” she says.

As senior advisor to the director in the State Department’s Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Richard develops strategies to counter human trafficking, establishes public/private partnerships, and promotes research. Her groundbreaking report on international trafficking was used to support the drafting of U.S. anti-trafficking legislation.

Richard’s leadership style draws out and leverages the expertise and talents of her colleagues. She is an advocate of building consensus. “That translates to greater buy-in and sustainability over the long run,” she says.

She credits her solid foundation of writing, analytical, and briefing skills, as well as her understanding of people and cultures, to Westhampton College. “What I love about Westhampton is that it stresses the importance of being a lifetime learner and global citizen,” she says. “It instills the value of learning outside of the classroom and seeing everything as a teachable moment.”

Richard loves her work and believes that passion has fueled her success. “If you love what you do, you will want to know everything about your subject matter and become an expert in the field,” she says. “People seek experts because they possess information and can distill options and make recommendations.”

When faced with challenges, Richard grounds herself by putting things into perspective. “I really try to look for the lesson or silver lining in every situation,” she says. “At work, if I have a problem I consult a colleague. I get some additional advice and break the issue into manageable parts. When all else fails, I know I’m coming home to my husband and kids.”

She believes there is more support and recognition of strong female leaders in government today. “They are found at all levels,” she says, adding that some of her greatest heroes are female trafficking survivors who have gone on to help other women. “All of these women take such strength in feeling they are part of a movement and that they are not alone.”

“Look for the lesson or silver lining”
When she was a Westhampton student, KAREN WIMBISH, W’75, knew only one speed. “I was a very driven, motivated student,” she says. “I always wanted to get an A.”

Still a hard worker, Wimbish leads Wells Fargo Retail Retirement, part of Wells Fargo Retirement. She believes her double major in math and economics was the perfect foundation for her current position. A math major at first, Wimbish found economics to be a dry subject until she enrolled in Russell Warren’s labor economics class. “I absolutely loved it,” she says. “It helped my career. That shaped where I was going.”

Prior to joining Wells Fargo, Wimbish spent 17 years at United Virginia Bank, now part of SunTrust, and found it was difficult for women to stand out. She gained momentum when she moved to the investment side of her field. “I had to get all my securities licenses and the Chartered Financial Analyst designation in mid-career,” she says. “I picked up a lot of new technical tools. It was a great situation.”

In her current position, Wimbish focuses on implementing strategies that engage customers in retirement planning, products, and services. Her situational leadership style requires her to be a hands-on leader. “You have to lead in a direct way and go shoulder to shoulder with employees,” she says. “My job is to encourage, motivate, and lead.”

She has never shied away from stretch assignments. “It’s all about being intuitive, paying attention to what’s around you, and taking risks,” she says.

If there is a bump in the road, she leans on her support system, which includes friends she made at Westhampton. “I believe in having family support and making sure you have a group of friends that can help you see yourself more clearly in a kind way,” she says. She also believes in having a mentor at work. “A mentor who has more visibility and line of sight in the organization can help you develop your skills,” she says.

Working in the community and serving on boards is important for anyone in a leadership position, Wimbish believes. “I learned so much from being on boards. It’s all about influencing and convincing people through persuasion.”

Who you are is more important than what you do, she adds. “Don’t let yourself be defined by your job,” she counsels.

Westhampton, she says, was the launching pad to her career. “It was a comfortable place to be. I knew my professors and they knew me. I wasn’t just a name and number,” she says. “It all led to a very blessed life.”

“Encourage, motivate, and lead”
In 2012, the halls of the University abound with young women who are developing their own leadership skills. Clearly, the many future women leaders who are now studying at Richmond are following in the footsteps of the alumnae—including the six women profiled here—who blazed a path before them.

When lawyer Patricia M.C. Brown, W’82, was first tapped to be president of Johns Hopkins HealthCare LLC in 2000, she called the job a temporary career diversion. “In the last year or two I have recognized that this is my career,” she says. Brown oversees the administration of all Johns Hopkins managed care products for more than 300,000 individuals enrolled in self-funded employer, Medicaid, and Department of Defense health benefit plans. She also provides legal advice in managed care and regulatory compliance as well as health care reform in her role as senior counsel for The Johns Hopkins Health System.

She became interested in health care law when she first started working at the Maryland Office of the Attorney General, where she later served as assistant attorney general in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

A problem solver, Brown describes her leadership style as “mission and fact driven.”

“In order for me to feel confident that my decisions are good decisions, I am attentive to the facts,” she says. “I take responsibility for knowing the details of the business.”

Brown believes in delegating responsibilities to her team. “I spend a lot of time working on team dynamics,” she says. “It’s important for me to work on the culture of the organization. I take personal responsibility for that.”

Each month, she holds town-hall-style meetings to share news, introduce new employees, and recognize employees for their good work. She is known among her staff as a hugger. “We have fun and that is important,” she says. “This is what you spend the majority of your time doing. It needs to be enjoyable and fulfilling.”

A political science and sociology major at the University, Brown also took many anthropology classes, which she believes helped prepare her for a legal career and strengthened her commitment to the public. “When you are in college and have the luxury of taking courses that really interest you, it’s not unusual that those learnings would help direct you,” she says.

In 2010, Brown served as Leader-in-Residence during the spring semester at the Jepson School of Leadership Studies and was fascinated by the school’s program. “I wish it had been there when I was there,” she says.

Brown doesn’t consider herself ambitious but she is very focused and not easily intimidated. “You have to pay attention to what is going on,” she says. “You have to be thoughtful about the road you are on. I am definitely in a transition. Health care is changing and my role is expanding. As I go down the road, each corner I turn I am fully aware of where it’s taking me.”

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In the context of a university’s missions of teaching, learning, and research, presidential elections in the United States create what might be thought of as a unique living laboratory. The myriad issues that arise when our democracy elects a leader raise questions and considerations that intersect many different academic disciplines. The arc of a presidential campaign provides many inherent teachable moments.

Given that 2012 is an election year, we decided to explore presidential politics and the election now under way through the lenses of several different disciplines that are taught at the University. To provide perspective, we convened a panel of alumni who work at the epicenter of national politics.

We asked Daniel Palazzolo, a prominent professor of political science at the University, to moderate the discussion. Drawing on his expertise, for example, he asked the group about how different theories of presidential nominations might factor in the contest for the GOP nomination. Beyond political science, Palazzolo also framed questions that looked at the history,
PALAZZLO: To start out, I want to ask a general question in a way that I sometimes use with my students. When you think of the 2012 presidential campaign, what single word comes to mind?

FLANAGAN: I think “expensive.” The Republican side looks like it is going to have a long and therefore expensive primary season. On the Democratic side, if you look at how much money was raised last time versus now, the totals are on track to be even higher. Then add the money that super PACs will spend. There is no way to estimate how much money is going to go that way, but it is going to have an effect. All in all, it’s going to be a very interesting presidential race all the way.

WELLDE: Just to pick up on that, I think “expensive” is a really important word. Look at Newt Gingrich, for example, whose campaign has been boosted lately by an individual who was able to write him two $5 million checks. Judging from that one example, it’s clear that no matter what side you are on, presidential money will obviously have a huge impact. But I think people expect that. If the contest is going to be Mitt Romney versus President Obama, both sides are going to be quite well-funded. I think that money will wash a little bit. It’s when you get into Senate and House races that a disproportionate use of money can really have an effect.

THORSEN: “Expensive” is probably a good word. At the end of the day, I don’t think the election will be won or lost based on money. Obama might have an edge in fundraising, but Romney, or whoever gets the nomination, will be competitive.

PALAZZLO: Any other things come to mind about 2012? What do you think the issues are going to be?

THORSEN: The biggest issue, obviously, will be economy and jobs. We are seeing a turnaround with the economy and so I think the big issue will be who gets credit. Healthcare is also going to be a big issue. If the Republican nominee campaigns on the repeal of the healthcare law, then he will face tough questions about what he would replace it with. So I would expect that to be a big issue: What’s your solution for healthcare?

COLVIN: The two things that I’m looking at are optimism and equality. Class warfare usually doesn’t resonate with the American people, but as the wealthy have gotten wealthier and everyone else has sort of stayed behind, that’s a pretty stark contrast that could strike a chord this time around.

I think optimism, about the future and about the direction of the country, is what the election will rise and fall on. Polls about voter optimism are currently mixed. If the economy continues to improve, depending on how quickly it improves and if people give the president the benefit of the doubt, that could be a real factor.

PALAZZLO: Any other first impressions?

THORSEN: Apart from the presidential race, a lot of other names are going to be on the ballot in November. So one issue is whether the person at the top of the ticket helps or hurts those other candidates. For
example, there are super-competitive House races going on this year in states that might not be that competitive at the presidential level. Those are going to be really interesting below-the-radar races to watch because that’s where control of the House is decided. For example, California has a dramatic district map and a lot of seats in play. Those races are going to be important to watch.

**PALAZZOLO:** Redistricting is playing a big role.

**STEWART:** That’s particularly a factor when you look at the number of traditionally Democratic seats that are up for the Senate compared to traditionally Republican seats.

**WELLDE:** They are not in the best states for Democrats. Redistricting is going to be a big factor in many states.

**PALAZZOLO:** We want this conversation to be as nonpartisan as possible, but one of the things we should discuss is the negative tone of the Republican primary campaign. On a historical basis, it’s quite negative by comparison to previous nomination campaigns. What are some of the consequences of that?

**THORSEN:** Frankly, I think it could cut either way. In some respects, an ugly, bruising primary battle has the potential to make the eventual nominee a stronger candidate. In some ways I think that probably happened in Obama versus Hillary. You sort your baggage out early on, and determine what your best lines of defense are. You find out early on if a particular issue is going to be an issue or not. The process inoculates you to a lot of the general attacks that you will undergo. But that may not be the case this time because it’s getting pretty ugly. Only time will tell.

**WELLDE:** One effect is that already Romney is becoming a better campaigner. You have also seen the Romney team be able to come back from some setbacks, as they did after Iowa when he went on to win New Hampshire. Then again, it is a long campaign to get the delegates needed to win a nomination and it...
remains to be seen if Romney can close the deal.

STEWART: There is always going to be a little bit of nastiness in the primary, and whoever loses is going to have their feelings hurt for a while. But they get over it. That’s politics.

FLANAGAN: I’ve heard people say more than once that in the general election of a president, people typically vote for the person they feel is the most personable. The person they’d like to hang out with, maybe have a beer with.

STEWART: I think there’s definitely an element of that. It may be a little more important the first time you are running for president when you don’t have a four-year track record, but I still do think that’s important.

THORSEN: Polls show that voters who give a candidate a high personal approval rating can still give his job performance low marks. So, I think there is also an ability among voters to distinguish the two.

WELLDE: Pivoting back to the primaries, I think the Republican party is going to have no issue whatsoever in eventually uniting and coalescing. Republican voters are likely to turn out in huge numbers this year regardless of who their candidate is, and will forget any nastiness from the primaries. The question is whether or not they will be able to win over independent voters and right now their message is not where the majority of independent voters are.

PALAZZOLO: Political scientists have long wrestled with the question of what constitutes presidential qualities. How effective has the primary season been in helping voters understand how the various candidates would be as leaders?

COLVIN: The number of debates has been helpful in teasing that out. They have been well-watched and had huge audiences. I think that’s been helpful for democracy.

STEWART: From a political standpoint, though, the debates have not been as helpful. Every debate is an opportunity for the guy next to you to tear you down or attack you. In the future, I don’t think we’ll see as many debates in the primary again.

FLANAGAN: From working very closely with campaigns over the years, I think the way a campaign operates reflects very directly on the actual candidate. The candidate has the ultimate control in how disciplined a campaign is and what its key messages are. So, in that sense, a campaign is a reflection of the type of leader the candidate is.

STEWART: To me, one of the most interesting things about a candidate is how well organized they are. I think that really speaks to a candidate’s leadership ability.

PALAZZOLO: To what extent does the process that we use for nominating presidents enable us to get a glimpse of what these people are going to be like in the Oval Office?

COLVIN: I would argue that the process allows me to see the qualities that candidates have. Through that process, I think that leadership qualities come across fairly well. But it’s what’s underneath that I don’t think comes across very well at all.

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PALAZZOLO: What other factors are in play in Campaign 2012?

STEWART: One thing that I have found fascinating about this race is the role that has been played by social media. It has already had a large impact and I think that will continue through the general election. The use of Twitter alone has been incredible. Nowadays, many of us get almost all our news about the campaign by following Twitter. You get real-time updates of what exactly is happening on the cam-

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Campaign trail every two seconds. That has changed the way elections are run. Social media allows candidates to control their message more so than they have in the past.

**FLANAGAN:** I think it’s absolutely absurd how much money is going for TV buys. When it comes to Senate elections, and perhaps the House as well, 75 to 80 percent of the campaign budget is spent on media and on TV buys. When you are talking about a $15,000,000 election, that’s very significant. And the overall cost of media goes up in each election cycle. I would love to see an election won by a candidate who finds other, less expensive strategies and thus can weather a significantly smaller budget for media.

**WELLDE:** Campaigns are about online communication now, but they are also being driven by data. Campaigns are putting a lot of money into data analytics—for example, measuring the effectiveness of an email send, TV buy, or voter contact in general. A lot of people either used to not do that or outsourced a lot of it, but increasingly campaigns are bringing that function in-house as a fundamental operation that applies to everything from fundraising to how they talk with voters.

**STEWART:** The impact of online communications also goes beyond campaigns; it is also having an impact on the legislative process. A good example was the public opinion brought to bear on the recently proposed Stop Online Piracy Act. The Internet had a huge impact on the tabling of that bill. That’s the first time that has happened since I’ve been on the Hill, and it was fascinating to see how it played out. I know some folks are talking about how this is revolutionizing the way lobbying is done and how Congressional offices interact. It was incredible how quickly that change took root.

**PALAZZOLO:** One final question. What about the state of our democracy? Is it healthy? I will preface this by noting that we’ve seen an expansion in participation in campaigns, partly as a result of social media. On the one hand, this encompasses not only voting participation but fundraising, activism, and other dimensions of politics. On the other hand, some argue that the new activism is superficial to some extent and possibly polarizing. Given that context, what would you say about the current state of our democracy?

**FLANAGAN:** I think it is healthy to go through the presidential exercise of electing a leader. On the other hand, many who look at Congress fear that the current levels of partisanship are unhealthy.

**STEWART:** I think current conditions point to the health of our democracy. In terms of history, you sometimes hear people say partisanship is at its highest level, that it’s the worst it has ever been. But if you think about what went on in the 1800s and even in the early 1900s, you can argue that things were worse then. Early on in our country’s history there was often physical violence between members of Congress. The news media and social media may feed a perception that things are worse because they allow everybody to know everything that’s going on, and every scandal, large or small, gets detailed and discussed ad infinitum. But I don’t think it’s worse than it’s ever been.
When all is said and done, the tax bill and budget agreement that was passed almost immediately after the 2010 election will be the largest debt reduction agreement ever in the history of the United States, controlling for inflation. Yes, there was acrimony and conflict, but it got passed. The same with trade bills, which nobody is currently talking about.

COLVIN: I certainly agree that partisanship is cyclical. People forget, for example, that Gingrich and Clinton worked together on all kinds of issues. But I disagree that there are dramatically different views about where we need to go from here. In general, I think there is broad agreement about where we need to go, which is toward smaller or more managed government that does fewer things very well. Actually, if you stripped away partisanship and tax pledges and the like, I think most politicians in Washington could sit down on a bipartisan basis and knock out a grand compromise on major issues like spending, taxes, and immigration.

STEWART: I think you have an opportunity soon, whether it’s with Obama in his second term or whoever else in his first, to tackle some of these big issues. Tax reform is going to be an issue in 2013. Immigration could be an issue. Those and other issues are on the table. Then it becomes a question of tackling them.

PALAZZOLO: Legislators are measured based on whether they get anything done. If you look at this Congress, despite perceptions, important legislation was passed. When all is said and done, the tax bill and budget agreement that was passed almost immediately after the 2010 election will be the largest debt reduction agreement ever in the history of the United States, controlling for inflation. Yes, there was acrimony and conflict, but it got passed. The same with trade bills, which nobody is currently talking about.

WELLDE: There is broad public agreement on a lot of things. Everyone knows how to fix the debt crisis. Everyone agrees that entitlements need to be reformed. A lot of people believe that tax rates need to go up on certain segments of the population. People believe that we need to reform the tax code in general, lower corporate rates, and close loopholes. Immigration reform is another issue where I think there’s broad agreement.

I think people get frustrated when they see the inability—of especially Congress—to get things done that seem to a lot of voters like plain common sense. I would add that it’s worth noting that economic anxiety can be a strong driver in people taking action. When the economy is on good footing, you don’t usually see the volume of activism that we have seen in the last year. We shouldn’t underestimate how much economic strife is a driver of different movements in politics and also of more public thinking about the nature and state of our democracy.

With dinner concluded, our alumni panel disbanded and its members headed for home. Outside in the crisp winter air, the brilliantly lit Capitol served as a poignant reminder of the vitality of the American political process.
The University of Richmond campus has long been noted for its natural beauty. The Collegiate Gothic architecture and sweeping landscape of the 350-acre campus are defining and celebrated characteristics.

As the institution approaches the 100th anniversary of its relocation to the current campus, the UR community has crafted a plan to ensure the physical space evolves along with UR’s changing needs—the 2011 Campus Master Plan.

Throughout an extensive research process, hundreds of faculty, staff, students, alumni, trustees, friends, and neighbors had an opportunity to share their insights. Key opportunities for improvement include ease of navigation, a more inviting campus that better reflects community connections, improved athletic and recreation spaces, and integration of more “third places”—gathering areas outside classrooms and residence halls.

With an eye toward protecting the beauty of both the campus and the environment, while also meeting the changing needs of the community and visitors, the University is embarking on an ambitious rethinking of the physical campus over the coming decade.

For a more in-depth look at the master plan, view the video at magazine.richmond.edu.

Robins Center
A two-phase renovation plan will modernize the arena and concourse, locker rooms, basketball suites, a football office suite, and student-athlete support facilities.

Navigation and Accessibility
Central areas of campus have a rich network of walking paths, but peripheral areas can be complex and confusing, especially for first-time visitors. Grade changes, sidewalks, signage, and accommodations for vehicles and pedestrians will improve circulation and wayfinding for all areas of campus.
**Student Activities Complex**
A new student activities center will provide campus organizations space for meetings and larger events, and an outdoor courtyard area. Nonresidential cottages will be the first designated space for the University’s seven sororities.

**Outdoor Recreation Space**
A pedestrian trail wrapping around the lake and stretching to the south end of campus will offer new educational, research, and recreational amenities. Informal playing fields will meet the high demand for student use and provide an outdoor complement to the Weinstein Center for Recreation and Wellness.

**Library Renovations**
Renovations will transform Boatwright Memorial Library, adding much-needed space for reading rooms, group study, and staff offices. Phase one of the renovations will use only existing space by consolidating the library collection using compact shelving.

**Housing**
Renovations of existing residence halls and new construction replacing nine blocks of the University Forest Apartments will provide more single-bedroom units and improve community space. These improvements will better match the changing developmental needs of students.

**Welcome Center**
A new welcome center near the south end of campus will orient University visitors quickly. The new building will house the offices of Admission and Financial Aid, and the employer relations group within the Office of Alumni and Career Services.
MILITARY

ROTC proves right for this officer

Capt. Nathaniel Wylie, ’04, began his military career at Richmond, as a member of ROTC.

“ROTC is a great place to meet like-minded people and develop skills to become a future officer,” Wylie says, adding “I think ROTC helps remind others … that it is their peers who are going to war. I think that is important because it helps people humanize soldiers.”

After graduation, Wylie joined the U.S. Army 82nd Airborne Division and became a field artillery officer with airborne infantry units. His first two tours took him to Iraq in 2005, then to Afghanistan in 2007.

Currently on his third tour, Wylie is stationed in Kabul as a civil military operations and plans officer, working on “projects that develop infrastructure and improve the lives of Afghan people,” he says. Following his second tour Wylie left active duty but joined the Army Reserves. He married Stacey Duryea, ’05, moved to Miami, and started working for Hensel Phelps Construction Company as a field engineer. The company will hold his position until he redeployes to the U.S.

“I had some great mentors while in ROTC, both older cadets and military science professors,” says Wylie. “They prepared me to enter the Army and helped make me the officer that I am today.”

OLYMPICS

International games open cultural doors

When she graduated from the University of Richmond with a double major in economics and French, Michele Witcher Hattan, W’90, used her language knowledge to help land a job in Brussels. She didn’t know it then, but that was the first step in a career that would eventually see her working around the globe with the Olympic Games.

Now based in London, Hattan has worked for the last five years for Jet Set Sports, which manages hospitality events for Olympic events worldwide and is a sponsor of the United States Olympic Committee. Headquartered in New Jersey, the company handles everything from selling tickets to individuals to organizing program packages for major international corporations.

As an Olympic program manager, Hattan currently works with a major international corporate sponsor, but simultaneously juggles other responsibilities for other clients. One of the favorite aspects of her job is being exposed to so many different cultures.
Career in politics brings opportunity to connect with alma mater

As senior legislative assistant for House Majority Leader Eric Cantor (R-Va.), Wyatt Stewart, ‘06, keeps his finger on the pulse of policy issues to ensure the congressman is informed about current legislation and constituent needs. (For more perspectives from Stewart, see “Inside Washington” on page 18.)

Even with a busy professional schedule, Stewart stays involved with the University by helping to secure internship positions for current students in his office, which also is home to fellow Spider Austin Tuell, ‘09, who serves as special assistant to Cantor.

During their internships, students give Capitol tours, answer constituent phone calls, track legislation, and attend committee hearings. Stewart said that Richmond students always prove to be valuable interns.

“I always lobby hard to make sure that we have an intern from the University of Richmond,” Stewart says. “The University gave me a lot, and I think it’s important to try and help in any way that I can. I enjoy the opportunity to work specifically with Richmond students because I like getting updates about campus, and I enjoy helping the students when they have questions.”

Hire a Spider: Can you offer an internship opportunity for a Richmond student?
Visit alumni.richmond.edu to learn more.
The stories of authors who have called Cincinnati home come to life in this new book.

BOOKS

Literary Cincinnati: The Missing Chapter
Richmond Trustee Emeriti Dale Patrick Brown, W’68 and G’78, is the author of Literary Cincinnati: The Missing Chapter (Ohio University Press, 2012), her second book. The book recounts a young Samuel Clemens working in a local print shop, Fanny Trollope struggling to open a bazaar, Sinclair Lewis researching Babbitt, and many more authors who are part of the history of the Queen City.

More alumni books
Jane Curry Walker Chapin, W’77, is a co-author of Trust Not (Create Space, 2011), which documents the experiences of American military advisor William G. Haneke, her co-author, during the Vietnam War and afterwards with veterans and families.

INTERLUDE, a self-published novel by Elisabeth Edelman, ‘05 (available as a Kindle eBook on Amazon), weaves the stories of three women who live in the same house in Atlanta during different time periods.

Sean Heuvel, G’06, is the author of Life After J.E.B. Stuart: The Memoirs of His Granddaughter, Marrow Stuart Smith (Hamilton Books, 2011).

Patrick James O’Connor, ’95, makes his fiction debut with The Last Will and Testament of Lemuel Higgins (Blackbriar Press, 2012).


ARTS

This artist knows how to connect the dots
As an undergraduate, Colleen Phelon Hall, B’91, pursued dual majors in business and studio art. That combination has proven invaluable in her work as an artist of distinctive murals and wall hangings—a career that after 16 years has totally taken off in the last year.

“Exciting things are happening,” Hall reports. That’s an understatement. Through a connection with the company PoshTots, Hall completed a wall hanging for Beyoncé and Jay-Z’s baby that was recently shown on MTV. Also, Oopsy Daisy, a company that licenses Hall’s artwork, sold a “Princess Castle” image of hers to the Target chain of department stores that was expected to hit stores this spring. (To learn more, visit www.colleenhall.com.)
Colleen shares her passion for art with her husband, Jeff Hall, R’94, also an artist. He recently learned that he was one of a few painters selected for inclusion in the highly competitive juried publication *New American Paintings.* Colleen and Jeff’s two young daughters add to their artistic inspiration.

**European Concert Choir, 40 years later**
Remembering their grand tour of Europe that visited seven countries in 22 days, the 1971 University Choir met on campus this past October to celebrate that expedition’s 40th anniversary. Some 30 of the 42 original choristers attended, including two who traveled to the event from Europe. Donna Strother Deckens, W’73, and Dick Stone, R’73, report that the group had great fun remembering how they financed most of their trip by collecting Green Stamps and conducting car washes and newspaper drives.

They also enjoyed a nostalgic singing of songs from their concert repertoire, including “O Nata Lux,” “The Yellow Rose of Texas,” and “Shenandoah.” Their arrangement of the latter song, written specifically for the 1971 tour by then-choir director James Erb—also in attendance at the reunion—is now a staple of choral music worldwide. Plans are in the works for the 45th reunion in 2016.

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Class Connections

CLASS OF ‘31
Selma Rothschild Mann, W, celebrated her 100th birthday last October. Her daughter Carolyn’s husband, Tom Myers, R’73, teaches marketing at the Robins School of Business and the School of Professional and Continuing Studies. Selma’s grandson Brett Rothschild Myers, ’02, is a professor at Villanova University in decision sciences. He recently was cited in The Wall Street Journal. His wife, Jill Murphy Myers, ’93, played field hockey at Richmond for four years and went on to coach with the varsity program.

CLASS OF ‘40
William W. Farley, R, retired May 1, 2011. He had been in a pediatriic practice for 40 years and with Social Security Disability Services for 20 years. He is unable to play golf and finds himself bored, so he may find a part-time job.

CLASS OF ‘42
Reunion Reminder
June 1–3, 2012
To register for your reunion, visit UROnline.net or send an email to reunion@richmond.edu or call the alumni office at (804) 289-8030 or (800) 480-4774, option 8.

Dorothy Quinn Keeling broke her leg again and is using a cane. Her daughter, Barbara Keeling Correll, W’78, has been commuting from her Durham, N.C., home to attend Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C. Wonderful family affairs keep Dot busy. To celebrate her 90th birthday she gave her children an elaborate, printed booklet compiled from notes she had taken of her husband’s reflections on his career in medicine.

Last July Ann Pavey Garrett and her daughter enjoyed a cruise out of Providence, R.I., exploring Martha’s Vineyard, Nantucket, and the surrounding areas. Ann continues to be very active in club and church activities. Her current interest is working on scholarships for needy students.

Gene Woodfin Steussy needs dialysis but has been doing well in her assisted-living facility. She has 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. For her 90th birthday she received an iPod, which she says is her constant companion. She sends best wishes to all her former classmates.

CLASS OF ‘45
I am sorry to report that we have lost another classmate. Ruth Marie Wicker died Aug. 31, 2011. She lived much of her life in American Samoa and died on the largest island, Tutuila, where she lived with her son, Jay. Also surviving her are her daughter, Mari, and three grandsons.

Jane Wray Bristow McDorman moved to Chester, Va., to a house with three bedrooms. She likes her new “digs,” which are near her daughter, Pat. If you would like her address, contact me and I will share it with you.

Mildred Draper Atkinson and her husband are enjoying life in cloister, N.J. Mildred’s sister, Beatrice Atkinson, who was a friend of mine, died last August. Beatrice and I were members of the AAUW and in the Great Decisions discussion group. The sisters’ husbands, Frank and George Atkinson, shared the same last name but were not related.

Gladys Lowden Metz had done lots of traveling with her late husband, Arthur. She was hesitant about going “solo,” but she proudly did it in June, when she visited relatives and friends in Denver and Colorado Springs. Her traveling was temporarily postponed last fall as she recovered from spinal stenosis surgery. Rehabilitation was going well and she expected to be better soon.

Natalie Heller Barnicle also had surgery. Her right hip joint was replaced in July and she said that rehab was difficult. She is now doing well—and of course playing bridge! In September I returned to the University campus with my niece to attend the 21st annual Charter Association Celebration. We had a delightful time visiting with Jane Wray Bristow McDorman. There were delightful campus tours and special events, including a cocktail and dinner celebration, where University President Edward Ayers spoke. President Obama had visited campus that same day. We were honored, with many others, to sit in the president’s suite for the Wagner-Richmond football game. We won! Westminster Class Secretary Ruth Latimer 7101 Bay Front Drive, Apt. 500 Annapolis, MD 21403 Latimer377@aol.com

CLASS OF ‘46
Faye Clarke Randle lives in Tulsa, Okla., in the same house in which she and Jack lived with their family. One son lives 80 miles away, another 200 miles away, and her daughter is 350 miles from her. While she’s not as active as before, she has many church friends and belongs to a bridge group. Faye has had some problems with her knees, but with steroid shots she is much improved.

Amy Hickerson Dalton lives at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond. Her sister, Betty Hickerson Butterworth, W’48, also lives there. Amy doesn’t go on trips any more but is perfectly content. Both of her children live in Richmond. Her younger son and his family come to dinner every Sunday.

CONNECT ON THE WEB – ALUMNI.RICHMOND.EDU
Nancy Moore Lewis lives in Danville, Va. She has always lived in the same community and belonged to the same church. She has grandchildren and great-grandchildren and they all planned to come to her house last Thanksgiving.

Frances Newman Stevens and her husband celebrated their 60th anniversary last June. They live in southwest Virginia. Their sons live within an hour of them and their daughter lives in Maryland.

I enjoy visiting Mason, Ohio, where my son and daughter, Dowell and Martha, live. Please be in touch with me by email, phone, or mail. I realize that we all don’t have exciting experiences to report, but I’m certain it is pleasant to remember our college days together and to keep up with each other.

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Virginia Lambeth Shotwell, W, earned master’s degrees in education from Trinity College and in urban studies from the University of Hartford. She taught at Hartford, Indiana University, and in secondary schools in Connecticut. She also worked as director of the Rich Career Center, where she developed programs and taught in kindergarten through eighth grade. Her husband, the late J. Ralph Shotwell, R, is inurned next to his daughter, Donna Lynn, in the columbarium adjacent to Cannon Memorial Chapel, where he and Virginia were married. Ralph pastored churches in New Jersey, Virginia, New York, Connecticut, and Illinois, and served as a chaplain and professor at the University of Richmond. Ralph’s three younger brothers also attended the University of Richmond.

Malcolm Shotwell, R’54, had a career that was parallel to Ralph’s. He graduated from Colgate-Rochester Divinity School and went off to earn a doctor of ministry degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary and a doctor of divinity degree from Judson University. David Shotwell, R’56, retired after working for 38 years in management at Burlington Industries Textiles. Carroll Shotwell, R’62, had a 36-year career in public school education.

Then and Now

Fifty years ago, students looking for a break from their studies might have played cards, as did the Westhampton women and Richmond men pictured above in 1966. The card players had no way to predict that another diversion developed around that time—the Wham-O company’s Frisbee-brand flying disc, introduced in 1964—would be so popular with students in the 21st century. In the photo below, from 2011, students work their way around the University’s disc golf course, which opened in March 2011. Built in part in response to student requests for more outside activities, the 18-hole course is located on the Westhampton side of the campus. It weaves from near the president’s house past the WC tennis courts, around the lake, and back to the Jepson Alumni Center. The course is open to students, faculty, staff, and the Richmond community.
Martha are schoolteachers. In August, Beth and her family visited and stayed in her mother’s hometown of Dublin, Va. Before returning to Oklahoma and Texas, they drove to Richmond, where they saw the campus and Beth’s childhood home on Howard Road, and visited with family.

Last fall Beth heard from Earle Dunford Jr., R’47, He, Beth, Fletcher Stiers Jr., R, and Betty Brown Parsons, W’47, were classmates from Westhampton High School in 1943. She was sorry to hear that Betty passed away in Richmond June 25, 2011.

I’m sure you all remember Maria Carter Satterfield. Members of her family have always been associated with fundraising efforts to support Sheltering Arms Rehabilitation Hospital in Richmond. Maria was a junior board member when she was presented to society at the Bal du Bois, the annual fundraising event for the hospital. At the 55th Bal du Bois in December 2010 Maria’s great niece, Blair Mattison Carter, was one of the sponsors on the junior board for the event.

Party on, classmate! Westhampton Class Secretary

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Elizabeth Koltukian Cowles, W, lost her sister, Rose Koltukian Wallace, W’43, on Nov. 7, 2010. Rose had lived in Florida for 33 years and before that, in Wilbraham, Mass., for 30 years. She had been a member of the AAUW book club and the Unity Church in Sarasota, Fla.

CLASS OF ’50

Marjorie Parson Owen enjoyed her annual family reunion last year with “immediate family and 80 plus others.” She keeps in touch with Ellen Largent Perlman. Ellen sent her 60-year-old songbook, “Westhampton Daze,” to the UR archives.

Thank you to Janice Brandenburg Halloran, who “took the roll” at the Aug. 11 luncheon in the Heilman Dining Center, since I was unable to attend. Barbara White Balderson, Louise Cheatham Chandler, Lee Reeves Childress, Barbara Beattie Fanney, Audrey Lynn Moncure Jones, Rosa Lou Soles Johnston, Gene Hart Joyner, Helen Lampathakis Kostyal, Mary Anne Bugg Lambert, Jean Tinsley Martin, Marjorie Parson Owen, and Gatewood Holland Stoneman attended the luncheon. Suzanne Holt Bagley, W’51, came with her “baby sis,” Louise.

On the day Hurricane Irene hit, I was fortunate to fly out of Dulles International Airport with my daughter, Mary-Leslie Duty, L’88, and her husband, Michael Emmons, as we began a 17-day odyssey that took us to London, Mont Saint-Michel, and all around the UK on a wonderful cruise. I finally got to see Tintern Abbey after teaching about it for 35 years!

We extend our deepest sympathies to Mary Howard Holloway on the death of her son Edward on Nov. 25, 2011, at age 58, to Pat Kelly Jordan on the death of her husband, Alex Jordan Jr., R’49, on July 14, 2011; and to the family of our classmate, Alice Clarke Lynch, who died Oct. 26, 2011.

Did you know?

University professor Craig Kinsley was recently awarded $646,168 for research in neuroscience. For details, and news about other faculty grants, see page 2.

Do take care and please keep sending me your news. Westhampton Class Secretary

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CLASS OF ’51

We are sad to report that after a long battle with Parkinson’s disease, Ann Marie Hardin Bailey’s husband, Ben, passed away July 14, 2011, in Williamsburg, Va. Lt. Col. Benjamin Herman Bailey Jr. was retired from the U.S. Air Force after a lifelong career serving meritoriously. We express our deepest sympathy to Ann Marie and her family.

Gina Herrick Coppock and Bob Coppock Jr., L’67, are thrilled to be able to see their two grandchildren and family more often since their son moved back to the D.C. area after having lived in Denver for 14 years. Martha Carpenter, W and H’84, had fun attending the Madison County High School lunch that occurs three times a year. While there she saw Wlantene Clore, who attended Westhampton. Martha is retired but continues to see patients in one clinic a week and teaches at the University of Virginia School of Medicine.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mary Lee Moore May and her family upon the death of her husband, Clarence Edward May Jr., who died in Richmond July 25, 2011. Mary Lee was deeply touched by the large number of VMI “brother rats” who came to his funeral. After graduating from VMI, Ed served in the Marines and as an engineer. Mary has moved from their cottage into the main building at Cedarfield.

Betsy Bethune Langhorne enjoyed a trip to West Virginia to visit and they attended his graduation with their daughter and son-in-law.

Ibby Gill White was sorry to miss our reunion. She was unable to attend because she was at her grandson’s high school graduation in Kentucky. She and Don have been living at Riderwood in Silver Spring, Md., for five years. It is a big, beautiful, and comfortable retirement community. She continues teaching piano and performing both solo and as an accompanist. They have two grandchildren nearby and two in Kentucky.

Mary DoVilhiss Barton and Clarence have enjoyed traveling. In 1994 they traveled to Turkey, where they saw Bob and Betty Munsey Spatz, and in 2011 they went to Virginia to visit family. They have four children and four grandchildren. Three daughters are in Kentucky and North Carolina and their son is in Florida. Mary and I live near each other and have had lunch and lively conversation.

At the ’51 reunion, Charles Beckett, R’52, and his wife, Jeanne Plunkett Beckett, W’55, and the sister of Anne Plunkett Rosser, W and H’90, took me to their unique museum, the Center for Christian Understanding of Islam. Last fall the museum’s board of directors voted to change the name to The Beckett Center for Christian Understanding of Islam to reflect its gratitude for Charles and Jeanne’s work.

I enjoyed vacationing to Freeport, Bahamas, for two weeks in May and to Nashville, Tenn., for a week in August. I enjoy communicating with classmates and hope that you all will send news often, since your classmates want to stay in touch. What a blessing to have known each other for 64 years and still counting!

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CLASS OF ’52

Reunion Reminder

June 1–3, 2012

To register for your reunion, visit UROnline.net or send an email to reunion@richmond.edu or call the alumni office at (804) 289-8030 or (800) 480-4774, option 8.

Helen Want Miller and Stanley moved to the Woodlands Retirement Community. The Woodland’s news-
letter wrote up their arrival with wonderful photographs. They recently celebrated Helen’s 81st birthday with their daughters, Sidney and Betsy, and their husbands. After graduating from Westhampton, Helen earned a master’s degree in history from George Washington University. She taught for 18 years in the Fairfax school system and then became principal of Marshall High School and West Springfield High School. So that we can share your stories about Helen with her family, please let me know if you would like Sidney’s email.

Harriet Willingham Johnson said they had more mushrooms in their driveway garden last year. She identified them, cooked them in butter, ate them, and LIVED, saying they were “just terrific.” The Johnsons were at Battle Lake on and off last summer. They attended an Elderhostel in southern Minnesota to look for migrating swans.

I celebrated Thanksgiving with Anne Gibson Hill and her family. In November the University of Richmond Alumni Association and the Carolina Triangle Spiders regional alumni group sponsored a reception with UR’s president, Ed Ayers. He presented an update of the University that was interesting and informative and we learned of the many challenges facing the University community. If you have the opportunity to hear President Ayers, by all means go! I spoke with Ann Clarke Howe, ’64, and her granddaughter, Patricia Cherney, ’09, who is now a graduate student at North Carolina State University in landscape design. We had a nice conversation with Charlotte Babb Edmond’s daughter, Anne Edmonds Ramsay, B’81, and George.

Our reunion is June 1–3, 2012. Mark your calendars. Some have already reserved hotel rooms!

I will carry on as class secretary until our reunion. But after that, I hope one of you will be willing to carry on. Who is that person? Or, perhaps, persons?

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CLASS OF ’53
Gladys Tatarsky celebrated her 80th birthday with an event at the Jepson Alumni Center July 16, 2011. Her sister and brother-in-law, Doris and Bob Abraham of Christiansburg, Va., were the hosts. Gladys retired in 1995 from her position as a clinical social worker at MCV and is thoroughly enjoying her retirement.

I have a blog, which I get out irregularly and wonder if you have any of it one, too. I ask because it occurred to me that it might be fun and interesting to see what people are doing. Mine can be found at http://nyccnn.wordpress.com/2011/11/21/my-tiny-new-york-apartment-the-kitchen-a-box-camera/. I am retiring as class secretary and hope that one of you will take over the task of letting our class know which each of us is doing. I wish you the best.

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Dick Stevens, R’53, was the subject of a feature article, “Book Dealer,” in the August 2011 issue of Baptists Today. The article tells about Stevens’ 57 years of selling books, something he started in 1954 when he was a student at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He credits his religion professor, Solon B. Cousins Jr., for helping him learn to appreciate books when he was a student at Richmond. Having grown up on a farm in Fincastle, Va., he didn’t have the money to buy books or the time to read. He helped start the store because he wanted others to have a chance to get books and for ministers to be equipped to help others. In 2008 he sold Stevens Book Shop to Olivet University and he now sells used books through his daughter Pam’s store, Stevens Gallery and Framing in Raleigh, N.C., and through the store’s website, www.stevensbooksandgallery.com.

CLASS OF ’54
Jane Bett Schmitt moved last May to a condo at the Fairways Village at Stonehenge in Midlothian, Va.

Mary Lu Gilbert Dorsey got together with Nancy Graham Harrell and Walter and Shirley Ward Wingfield and Benjamin “Buddy” Wingfield, B’56, in Richmond last September. They ate at Mary Lu’s daughter Nell’s house. Mary Lu likes having Nell in Richmond as well as her son, Doug, and her children’s families. Shirley and Buddy stay busy with their daughters, Sarah and Shirley Anna, and their families. Nancy and Walter enjoy having two of their children, Kim and Bruce, living nearby. Kim flies her own airplane!

Mary Lu attended her high school reunion in Norfolk, Va., in October. Afterwards she visited with Ann Hanbury Callis in Virginia Beach, Va. Ann was editing her pictorial history of North Virginia Beach as it went to press. Ann spends a lot of time with her children and grandchildren.

Please send me news about yourself or your classmates.

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CLASS OF ’55
Alice McCarty Haggerty, Barbara “Bobbie” Reynolds Wyker, W and G’76, Barbara Turner Willis, Grace Phillips Webb, Jean Crettenden Kaufman, Jean Ruddle Migneault, Jody Weaver Yuhase, and I met for lunch last October at Skillionlee Restaurant in Richmond.

Carolyn Neale Lindsey and Jim Lindsey Jr., R’54, were in a Bon Air Community parade last May in their little red car, which is 38 inches tall including roll bars. They represented the University and had spiders all over the car, compliments of UR’s event department. (Carolyn said the car is really a motorcycle and that she has a motorcyclist’s license.) They had a nice surprise when they ran into Joy Winstead at their church. Carolyn and Jim are great-grandparents of two little boys. Their granddaughter lives in Washington, D.C., and they enjoy riding the train to visit.

Emily Menefee Johnston, her husband, Bill, and son, “Burt” Johnston Jr., R’81, went to New Orleans to attend Bill’s 59th Bomb Group reunion. Due to their ages it may be the last reunion for this group. Peggy Armstrong Thuzeez lost her middle daughter, Jean, from mesothelioma. Peggy has had two new additions to the family, which have brought her joy and helped to cheer her up. Her granddaughter has identical twin girls who were 15 months old in November, and as of then she still couldn’t tell them apart except by the differences in their personalities.

Peggy Hall Flippens and Ed Flippens Jr., R’56, are excited about their daughter’s new position as dean of the Louise Herrington School of Nursing at Baylor University.

Beulah Boston Thorson and Al had the whole family together for Thanksgiving. Bill attended his ship’s reunion in San Francisco, Calif., and Seattle. One of their daughters lives in Denver, Colo., and the other in Charlotte, N.C., so they had all of their children and grandchildren together.

Grace Phillips Webb went to UR for the dedication of the walk for the founders of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity (of which her late husband was a member) and was very impressed at the quality of the fraternities now on campus. They seem to be more focused on academics rather than on parties. She also went to a couple of football games and thought the stadium was great.

Pat Kantner Knick was at homecoming with her son, Van Knick II, R’88. She was also in Richmond for the Richmond Symphony Youth Orchestra, in which her 11-year-old granddaughter, Emily, played her first concert.

Jody Weaver Yuhase and her husband, Bill, attended his ship’s reunion in September in St. Augustine, Fla. He was a photographer on the aircraft carrier USS Randolph. The ship is long gone, but the reunion was well attended by many former crewmembers. On the way to this event Jody met with Ethel Smith Amacher and she looks great. Ethel looks forward to a reunion with us soon. Her daughter lives in Charlottesville and she hopes to see some Richmond folks when she visits her. Jody and Bill were among nearly 14,000 who attended the big train show in York, Pa., last October.

Burrell Williams Stultz and his wife, John Stultz, B’58, went on a New England cruise; to Hilton Head, S.C., for a couple of weeks; and then their family came from Georgia and met at the Greenbrier Resort for a wonderful visit.

Arnett Kizzie Bromell’s husband, John, had a fall and fractured his skull. He was in the hospital for a week and was at home in late November recuperating. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Alice McCarty Haggerty attended a Middle Peninsula/Northern Neck alumnas group at Marty Glenn
CLASS OF ’56
Richmond-area classmates met last October for lunch and a tour of Qeue Hall at the Robins School of Business. Pat McElroy Smith, Janet Knobel Jones, Ann Peery Openheimer, Diane Brown Higgins, Dottie Stiff Price, Helen Melton Lukhard, Edna Wagstaff Warrncke, Julia Hubbard Nixon, Joyce Still Gibson, and Helen Siner Wood attended. Thanks again to Janet for arranging these lunches.

Last May Marilyn Sorce Klumpp and her husband moved to a senior residential community in Springfield, Va., and she likes it very much.

Helen Kinnett lives in a senior community in San Diego County in sunny southern California and loves being there.

Edna Wagstaff Warrncke traveled to Argentina and Chile in September.

In October Diane Brown Higgins and her husband, Charlie, traveled to Emory & Henry College for his 55th reunion. That same month I attended the University of Richmond homecoming. I saw lots of old friends, but the only ones from our class were Joyce Still Gibson and Harold Gibson, R. It was a beautiful day but a sad ending to the game. I also returned to Finland in August and September to meet with my Finnish research colleague. The Journal of Aging and Physical Activity has accepted our research article for publication.

Keep the news coming! Pat will be writing the next letter. Ciao!

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Taylor and Cacky’s home on the Rappahannock River last June. She also visited Virginia “Ginnie” Swain Saunders for a week and saw Ginnie’s older son and his children and her younger daughter and her boys.

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Lucy Burnett Garmon, W and G’, 60, and her husband, Jerry Garmon, R’,56, took a cruise along the coast of southeast Alaska in May 2011.

Jackie Randlette Tucker finally realized her dream of going to Peru last July. The trip was one of the best she has ever taken. She and a friend visited Lima and Cuzco, Aguas Calientes, and explored Machu Picchu.

Katie Parr Jenkins went to Tyrone, Pa., to celebrate her older granddaughter’s high-school graduation last spring. Her grandson returned from his spring semester at St. Andrews in Scotland just in time for the ceremony. In May, Katie enjoyed visiting the UR campus when she came for a concert. She kept busy last summer with her younger granddaughter, going to the beach. Little Gym camp, horseback riding camp, summer school, a music concert, and the pool. During the school year she has a “full-time volunteer job” at the school her younger granddaughter attends.

Pat Harper Winston claims there isn’t any new news to share. She is now more than two years out from heart surgery that replaced her aortic valve, and she is grateful that all systems are doing well. She hopes everybody else is doing equally well.

Lee Field Griffiths’ son Jim’s children, ages 10 and 12, spent a week with her last June. For several days in August, she joined daughter Virginia Griffiths McConnell, W’84 and URB, and her family in a roomy oceanfront rental on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. In between, there were various visits to and from children. She visited her sister and her husband in July at their new retirement home at Westminster Canterbury in Virginia, Va., where she learned that Lovey Jane Long lives across the road from Westhampton College and shares a mayor friend with her sister. Lee enjoyed a telephone conversation with Lovey Jane while she was there. She is looking forward to seeing classmates at our reunion this June.

After nine years of traveling back and forth between a home in Kentucky and their log home on Signal Mountain, just north of Chattanooga, Tenn., Beverley Ambler Richardson and Charlie have finally settled back in his home state of Tennessee. Their only son and grand-children are there, as well as friends from when they lived there in the 1970s. Beverly and Charlie’s oldest granddaughter was accepted to the Savannah College of Art and Design. Their younger granddaughter attends Baylor School, a private school in Chattanooga. Their son worked at U.S. Xpress Enterprises’ corporate office in Chattanooga, Tenn., for 15 years. Beverley says that she and Charlie are still upset, but they have some age-related problems. She doubts that she will be able to attend the reunion.

Last summer I took a tour to western Turkey in a group of about 20, led by a retired New Testament scholar from Harvard Divinity School. Istanbul, Troy, Pergamon, Hierapolis, Aphrodisias, and Ephesus were among the sites we visited. One of the participants produced a blog with commentary and photographs. If you contact me, I will be happy to share the blog’s address. I’m looking forward to our 55th reunion, where I hope to see many classmates.

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Suzanne Stutts Hicks, W, helped establish the Adult Genetic/Down Syndrome Clinic at the University of Arkansas Medical School in 2004. The clinic is for adults with genetic disabilities, primarily for but not limited to Down syndrome, and serves families from across the United States. Suzanne and her husband, David Hicks Jr., B’58, raised six children, including a son who died last year at age 61. David drove from Arkansas to attend UR’s homecoming football game last fall.

CLASS OF ’58
I am sorry to report the deaths of...

Eddie Knipling Lake’s four children, Lacy Dickinson died June 8, 2011. She was married to Roger Dickinson, R. A long time ago they became a host family to UR international student Rodrigo Pinto, ’02, who is from Brazil. He was a welcome visitor in their home and even held a graduation party there. Their friendship with Rodrigo continued and they attended Rodrigo’s wedding and, more recently, they saw Rodrigo’s newborn son. Because he could not attend Suzanne’s memorial celebration, Rodrigo sent a beautiful message that was read at Suzanne’s service. He remembered his more than 12 years as a host son and adopted nephew of “Tia Sue,” as he called her. Numerous alumni attended the celebration, including Peggy Ware, Carolyn Moss Hartz, and Ransone Hartz, R.

June Gray died Oct. 4, 2011. June was director of Camp Wawenock in Raymond, Maine. She began her association with Wawenock the summer of 1956 when she and I went off to become camp counselors. In all the years since, she missed only two summers for graduate school. She became Wawenock’s director in 1971, working alongside the long-time owners until their deaths. June was very active in state, regional, and national camping associations and received numerous awards for her contributions. She loved camping and Camp Wawenock and played a huge role in the camp’s recent 100th-year celebration.

Eddie Knipling Lake’s four sons threw a 75th-birthday party for her at the Morven Park Carriage Museum in Leesburg, Va. Among the 50 guests were Shirley Hill Bishop and Eddie’s sister Anita Knipling Scott, W’59.

Nancy Jane Cyrus Bains visited her son David and his wife, Martha, in their home near Sanford University, where David is a religion professor.

Gail Carper Russell and Glenn have a new granddaughter, Virginia “Ginny” Frances, born to son Wesley and his wife, Kathryn.

Connie Booker Moe and Don celebrated their 50th wedding anni-

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versary with travel. They went to New Orleans and Branson, Mo., then went to the beach for two weeks. Later they drove to the West Coast by way of Toronto and took a Holland America cruise to Hawaii. Connie retired from the YMCA again but is still teaching an exercise class at church twice a week.

Eddie Mierke is leading an investment interest group in the University’s School of Professional and Continuing Studies through the Other program. It has many participants. Peggy is vice president of the F.W. Boarwright Society. Other members of the class serving on the board of directors are Suzanne Kidd Bunting, Cora Sue Elmore Spruill, Jean Hudgings Frederick, and myself.

Shirley Hill Bishop, Anita Knipping Scott, W’59, Fred Scott, R, Eddie Knipling Lake, and a friend of Shirley’s toured Skyline Drive and enjoyed lunch at a delightful little restaurant in Sperryville, Va. Shirley said that Eddie’s new home is absolutely perfect for her.

Margaret Williams Ketner and Bruce are still traveling around in their RV. They were in Forest City, Iowa, for the National RV Rally and then went on to the Black Hills of South Dakota, where they visited Mount Rushmore. They spent three days in the Asheville, N.C., area and then were off to Chatanooga, Tenn., for a week. They saw Ruby Falls, Rock City, and the Tennessee Aquarium.

Jean Hudgings Frederick and Louis “Arnold” Frederick, R’56, have moved into a spacious home at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond. It is almost the same size as their home of 38 years, so there is room for all the wonderful furniture that Arnold has made, the paintings they have collected and those painted by Arnold, plus other family treasures.

Jean and Nancy Prickett Yarbrough spent a long weekend with Nancy Nelson Tweed in her adopted city of Charleston, S.C. They went on a house tour and visited many beautiful spots in and around the city. They also enjoyed wonderful southern cuisine both from Nancy’s kitchen and local restaurants. Carolyn Smith Yarbrough joined them one evening for dinner.

Jean and Arnold were guests of Jean Anderson Farmer and Peyton Farmer, R’56 and L’59, in their wonderful home in Bowling Green, Va. Nancy Prickett Yarbrough and her husband, James Ireland, R’55, Cora Sue Elmore Spruill, and Joe Spruill Jr., R’55 and L’58, joined them. They enjoyed a wonderful dinner and got to see Jean’s garden, which was part of a tour this past spring.

Dawn Irene Freese and Jack spent the summer in their home in West Palm Beach, Fla., went to Virginia to take a peek at the autumn leaves, and then stayed five weeks in their home in Afton, Va. Back in Florida, Dawn organized a surprise 80th birthday celebration for Jack. Her post-cancer checkups have gone well and she is now on a yearly schedule.

Sarah Ashburn Holder stayed with her brother and his family in Williamsburg, Va., for a week when her brother’s granddaughter was married at Fort Monroe in Hampton, Va. Sarah’s oldest niece is married to Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell’s brother, so they were invited to the wedding. Sarah met their whole family, was given a tour by the first lady, and had her picture taken with the governor.

A feature article about our modern dance teacher, Frances Wessels, appeared in the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Miss Wessels, as we knew her, is 91 years old and is still dancing in big productions. She also was featured in an all-nude women art exhibition at the Richmond Cross Roads Art Gallery. The painting gave me quite a jolt.

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CLASS OF ’59

Jo Edwards Mierke and a child–friend went on a Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) program to Quebec, where locals introduced them to the area’s food, arts, culture, and history. She and her husband, George “Ed” Mierke Jr., R’60, have a new grandson, James Edward Mierke-Fyfe, born May 21, 2011, to their son, Ken Mierke, and Laura Fyfe. This is their fourth grandchild. Their grandchildren range in age from a few months to 26 years old. Jo cares for James a good bit while his parents work and says he is a joy.

Jeanie Rice Hodder had a great summer with her daughters and their families. She spent almost two weeks in southern California in Dana Point and San Diego and decided it was good to be away from North Carolina’s summer heat. In September, she spent several days in Blowing Rock, N.C., enjoying cooler weather, hiking, and tennis.

Pat MacDonald Allen had a busy 2011, but July was probably the highlight as they brought their son and two grandsons (ages 12 and 9) back to Virginia to see where Grammy Allen grew up. Highlights of the trip included seeing Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Richmond, where they visited with friends and family. Elizabeth Ramos Dunkum and her husband, Ellis Dunkum, R and GB’69, gave them a special tour of the beautiful UR campus. They concluded their trip with an extensive stay in Arlington and Washington, D.C., where they enjoyed visiting with Anita Knipping Scott, her husband, Fred Scott, R’58, and their family. They enjoyed special tours of the White House, Capitol, museums, monuments, and took in a Nationals baseball game.

Eleanor Dickson Campbell has five granddaughters, two of whom live in North Carolina. Adrienne is a junior at Duke and Lindsay has been accepted at Wake Forest. The others live in Hanover County, Va., and are ages 12, 10, and 7. All are horsewomen. Because of her 99-year-old mom and work schedules, Eleanor and her husband, Gordon, enjoy only weekend trips away, visiting such places as Georgetown, Middleburg, and other Virginia locales.

Marian Gates Breeden and her husband enjoyed Thanksgiving at their daughter Carlie’s in Glen Allen, Va. They enjoy smoking their Thanksgiving turkeys.

Mary Ann Williams Haske had a wonderful time on a cruise in May to the Caribbean with members of her Post-Polio Support Group. She was able to meet her two new granddaughters this summer. Amelia is the daughter of her son Jim, and her wife, Liz, and Marea “MaiMai” (which means little sister in Chinese) is the daughter of son David and his wife, Jenn. Mary Ann also was able to enjoy her youngest grandson, Owen, 3, who is MaiMai’s big brother. Her entire family was together last summer, which does not happen often.

Barbara Dulin Polis has a new granddaughter, Aubrey Brylyne, and her family was in Wisconsin for a week. Youngest daughter, Sherrie Wirtz, and her husband, Chris. This is Sherrie’s first child and Barbara’s fifth grandchild. They live an hour away from Barbara in Tampa, Fla. Twelve of Barbara’s family enjoyed a fun vacation last summer at Reunion Resort in Orlando. Her oldest grandchild, Sarah Smith, sang the national anthem at her high school football game. She especially wants Sue Kaufman Wilson to know that. Sue was our class song leader for three of our four years and told Barbara and her sister, Peggy Dulin Crews, not to open their mouths while they were in the West Hampton song contests. Barbara says we all know her granddaughter’s talent was not from her or Peggy.

Eileen Cordle Harris and Ed had three nice trips last year. They went to the Grand Canyon in Arizona in April to celebrate their 42nd anniversary. In July they were in Wisconsin for a week of Bible school. In August they traveled with Ed’s brother and his wife to celebrate his sister and brother-in-law’s 50th anniversary. They’re grateful that they’re still able to travel and enjoy seeing so many friends and relatives.

Nancy Hopkins Phillips’ grandson Hunter deployed to Afghanistan in December. He is her daughter Susan’s son. Hunter’s sister, Meredith Gleason, ’10, is in graduate school at the University of Texas at Austin. Nancy and her husband, Bill Phillips Sr., R’58, took an enjoyable transatlantic cruise to Ireland, England, France, Belgium, and Holland this past summer.

Shirley Satterfield Flynn and her husband, Les Flynn, R’61, enjoyed a week-long cruise on the world’s longest cruise ship, the Allure of the Seas. Their three sons live less than four hours away in Florida and Shirley and Les looked forward to spending the holidays with them and their three grandchildren. Shirley’s sister lives next door, but lots of relatives and friends are in Virginia, and they would love to return more often.

When their son Rick died in
2008. Ann Copeland Denton Ryder and Gene Ryder, R., asked that any memorials be made for an art ministry at First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, N.C. Open Doors to the Arts opened in 2009, with the first class led by well-known local artist Linda Weaver. Various artists continue to teach there and while they volunteer at first, they are now given a stipend from a grant written by The Adaptables, an agency for the handicapped with whom Open Doors to the Arts partners. An exhibit of works by teachers and students was held last November. Ann and Gene hope the ministry will continue for a long time. Ann would welcome a visit from any of our classmates if they are in Winston-Salem. Please contact me if you would like her phone number.

Cary Hancock Gilmer and her husband, Don, are enjoying the convenience of their one-floor living in Roanoke, Va. With Don's help and the use of a walker, Cary is still able to be out and about with a fair amount of independence. Thankfully, her mobility problems have stabilized for the present.

Sylvia “Sibby” Haddock Young and her husband, Paige Young, R, had a super 2011. All 11 of their family members spent a week in Nags Head, N.C., and several days together at the river. They spent several days with their son, Allan, touring the Atlanta headquarters of his new business, ShellGenie, and were very impressed. He started this business only a few years ago after returning from the Middle East and it operates all over the United States. Sibby and her former suitemate Eleanor Dickerson Campbell and Ruth Adkins Hill, W and G’85, had a great lunch at the Hanover Tavern. She also saw Bonnie Lewis Haynie and her husband Robert “Jerry” Haynie, R, at the last UR football game of the season. Earlier this year Sibby and Paige visited The Biltmore and spent a week in Branson, Mo. On the way home they stopped to visit with Ann Denton Ryder and Gene Ryder, R.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Pat MacDonald Allen, who lost her husband to cancer in November. Virginia “Ginger” Morgan and I attended his lovely memorial service in Mineral, Va. Ginger still lives in the “homeplace” in Montpelier, Va.

We also extend our sympathy to Walter Linwood Daniel, R’61, whose wife, Peggy Powell Daniel, passed away Dec. 10, 2011.

Last June Katharine Schools Covington and Bill went to see their son, Mark, and his family in Minneapolis, interrupting their trip with a Road Scholar program in the north woods. Mark and his wife had a preemie baby, Ben, last year but he is doing just great now. Katharine and Bill are looking forward to seeing both him and granddaughter Zoe in person, instead of via webcam. Katharine says that webcam communication is wonderful, and they look forward to it nearly every weekend for virtual visits with the family. At the end of September, Bill and Katharine took two back-to-back Road Scholar trips to Arizona.

Class of ’60

Nancy McCallbock Pickands has a busy life in Wayne, Pa., and Chico, Calif. Her daughter is a school principal and lives in Chico with her two teenage children. Nancy goes to Chico twice a year and stays four to five months to visit with them and attend their many activities. She considers herself biocoastal and loves being in a university town in California. She says she’s made many good friends there but remains anchored to her interests and activities in Pennsylvania. She plays tennis as much as possible in the six warm months she has there and has discovered cooking as a new interest. She works for the Democrats during election seasons and is a devoted Phillies fan. Nancy loves when her grandchildren visit her as they too are Phillies fans. They always enjoy an outing to the Jersey shore and a day in New York or Washington.

Millie Bagey Bracey traveled out west with a group from the community college in Mecklenburg County, Va. They visited Las Vegas and the Grand Canyon. I heard from a classmate of Millie’s that she organized a wonderful high school class reunion last summer.

In September Ruthi Greenfield Byrne came to Richmond on business and Phyllis Jenkins Polhemus, Jeanette McWilliams Welsh, Nancy Jenkins Morrow, Nancy Rae Taylor Owen, Laurel Burkett Lennes, Judy Curtis Johnson, and I met her for dinner.

Betty Brown Creech and her husband, Frank, were invited to make a presentation at the Corning Museum of Glass. They did a condensed history of glass for a meeting of Carder Steuben glass collectors. Betty illustrated the talk with examples from her antique bottle collection. She and Frank still attend an occasional glass auction and belong to several glass collecting groups.

Judy Cyrus Johnson and I met Elizabeth Thompson Zimmerman and Martha Pugh Woods in Williamsburg, Va., for lunch last fall and enjoyed visiting and doing a bit of shopping. Martha and her husband, Bill, traveled to England, Scotland, and Wales in August and were looking forward to a trip to the Caribbean this spring.

Let me know what’s going on in your world. Send me your news by email, snail mail, or phone. We need to hear from everyone. I hope 2012 brings health and happiness to all of the Westminster College Class of 1960.

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CLASS OF ’61

Mary Levering Evans still lives in Oxford, Ohio, home of Miami University, where she worked for nearly 30 years. Mary is active at her local hospital, church, community foundation, and Rotary club. She also serves as “staff to two very determined and willful cats.” Is there any other kind?

Gwynn Barefoot Litchfield, W and G’76, and Dave went on a sailing cruise on the Royal Clipper in the Caribbean last fall. Gwynn is completing a four-year term on the King and Queen school board. She and Dave have three grandchildren who are college freshmen.

Barbara Spiers Causey’s son and his family moved out of her home and into their new home shortly after our reunion. Barbara is president of her nine-hole group at Kingsmill, so she had a busy summer. In August, she kept three of her grandchildren. They celebrated her grandson’s ninth birthday at the Air and Space Museum in Hampton, Va., when the earthquake hit. Barbara attended the UR vs.

Did you know?

Kiplinger’s Personal Finance magazine recently named the University 12th on its list of 100 best values in private universities. Read more on page 3.
William & Mary game with Archer Randlett Parkerson, W'63, and her husband, Terry Parkerson, GB'70.

Shirley Southworth Saunders and Bob Saunders, R'60 and G'62, celebrated their 50th anniversary with family at Wintergreen in August. Afterwards, they enjoyed a trip to central France that began in Paris. They toured the grand Canyon, Kanab, Utah, and Bryce Canyon national parks. They have been a part of this endeavor for 30-plus years. Bob is recovering from surgery for his heart, but continues to work actively for various organizations.

Betty Wade Blanton Jones and Jerry Jones, L'65, spent Betty's birthday weekend visiting their daughter in Seattle and spent Thanksgiving with their son in Boston.

Patty Dozier Mudd actively supports a drive by volunteers from Children's National Medical Center representing Be The Match Foundation for a registry of bone marrow or stem cell donors. Her local chapter of the drive for donors is actively recruiting for volunteers.

Barbara Bertsch Cox and Bob had a wonderful summer at Camp Strawderman, a rustic residential girl's camp in the Shenandoah Valley. They have been a part of this endeavor for 30-plus years. Bob is recovering from surgery for his heart, but continues to work actively for various organizations.

Jennie Stokes Howe and Bob enjoyed a visit from Elizabeth Clarke Clark and Ludlow, who drove from Greensboro, N.C., to visit the home of Ludlow's great-uncle, wildlife artist Roland Clark.

Mary Catherine Sellers Dunn and Jim enjoyed having friends and relatives visit during their laid-back summer at their family home in Maine. Grandchildren continue to be the loves of their lives.

Bob and I drove to Colorado last fall to attend my nephew's wedding. It was wonderful visiting my sister in Colorado Springs after the festivities concluded. The Colorado foliage was beautiful but on our return trip it was surpassed by the beauty of the mountainous western Virginia mountains. There's no place like home!

Whenever we give thanks for all we have, let us not forget Westminster Abbey and the joys it has afforded all of us. Westminster Class Secretary Daphne Shepard Mason 201 First Avenue Farmville, Va. 23901 mason@moonstar.com

Jessica Scarborough Burmester and her husband, Ryan, received the 2011 Governor's Outstanding Family Volunteerism and Community Service Award for their 20 years of leadership in the Coalition for Virginians with Mental Disabilities.

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The Hon. Paul Brickner, R, was elected to a four-year term as a member of the Willoughby-Eastlake City (Ohio) Board of Education. He is a retired U.S. administrative law judge. His 31-page book review of Melvyn Orlotsky's Louis D. Brandeis: A Life was published in the Albany Government Law Review.

CLASS OF ’63 Last spring Margaret Brower Almond and Hilton Almond, R’61, took their entire family on a trip to Costa Rica.

In June Archer Randlett Parkerson and Terry Parkerson, GB’70, went on a river cruise from Paris to Normandy and back. Josie Rogers Cuffe and Frank had a grand time at Frank's family reunion at Mille Lakes Lake in Minnesota last year. They attended a great-nephew's graduation from the College of Charleston in May and vacationed with Frank's daughter's family in the Florida Panhandle. When they are not traveling, Josie and Frank stay busy volunteering for various organizations.

My husband, Jim Davis, L'64, and I spent a week last July with friends in Vail, Colo., during the annual New York Philharmonic Week. Concerts were held in a covered outdoor pavilion with views of the snow-capped Rocky Mountains in the background. For music lovers, it is a grand experience.

Congratulations to Bill and Carolyn Anthony Powers, W and G’66, on the birth of their newest grandson, Av Lilian Powers, on May 18, 2011.

Westampton Class Secretary Ann Cady Davis 4215 Kingsway Parkway Richmond, VA 23221 anncdavis@msn.com

Maj. R. Wayne Harmon, R, and his wife, Nancy, attend the AKC/Eukanuba National Dog Show in Orlando, Fla., in December, where their AKC-Grand Champion Border Collie, Keppie, competed. Keppie also competes at the excellent level at AKC agility trials and spends time visiting schools and nursing homes as a certified therapy dog.

CLASS OF ’65 Our deepest sympathy is extended to Dianne Minter Vann, whose husband, R. Brent Vann, R’63, died Aug. 20, 2011.


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CLASS OF ’66

It’s a small world. I learned in a note from Betty Wells Achsley that my aunt was her fourth-grade teacher in Farmville, Va. Betty has health problems, including osteoporosis, Parkinsonian ataxia, and heart congestion, but she is pursuing physical therapy to combat these problems.

She was excited about meeting her new grandson, Will Achsley, at Thanksgiving. He and his brother, Nathan, live in New Jersey. Betty’s other two grandchildren, Noah and Emily, live in Ashland, Va. She enjoys hearing from roommate Lynne Griffith Marks. She last saw Lynne in 2001 in Greeneville, N.C., where Lynne lives. Betty had been there when her son received his master’s degree in audiology from East Carolina University.

Millie Kaiser Fleetwood’s son Seth was married last year at Disney Boardwalk and she became an instant grandmother to two little boys, 4 and 7. She had a marvelous experience of going on the “It’s a Small World” ride with her 20-month-old grandson Ethan. Millie retired Dec. 31, 2011, which was perfect timing, as her first granddaughter, Ashlyn Ryan Deivert, was born on Jan. 1, 2012, to her daughter, Stephanie, and her husband. Millie is excited about shopping for little-girl clothing.

It was incorrectly stated in the Summer 2011 issue of the magazine that Kay Land Lutz had passed away. Kay is alive and well. The magazine apologizes for this error to Kay and her family, as well as to her classmates. Kay and her husband, Glen R. Lutz, ’64, actively serve churches even with their three daughters, Julie, died in 2007 of cancer. Kay and Glen have five grandchildren and travel frequently between Yorktown, Va., and Fredericksburg, Va., to enjoy spending time with them.

I was the keynote speaker at a convention in California last fall on how to start a statewide agrotourism organization for farmers, extension staff, and other rural service providers who sponsor rural tourism. I have been invited to Florida, Tennessee, and North Dakota to help those states as they give more support to agrotourism farmers. I continue to serve on the board of directors for the North American Farmers Direct Marketing Association, which held its annual convention in Williamsburg, Va., in February.

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CLASS OF ’70

Jo Ann Russell Nicholson and her husband, Bill, and Kevin and I enjoyed another season of Spider home football games. Shirley Jo Beck Unger and Don joined Jo Ann and Bill for a game when Kevin and I were away.

Annie Lee Jacobs’ “baby” is now attending UR in the class of 2015. Annie has practiced law in Charlottesville, Va., for 36 years, and her husband teaches at Hampden-Sydney College.

CLASS OF ’71

Greetings to all of our classmates! Yvonne and I need help locating several people for whom we do not have the correct contact information. They are Sandra Throckmorton Alexander, Susan Finch Campbell, Anne Taylor Greger, Beverly Dalton, Deborah Ann Powell Mandyck, Mary Katherine Morkis Mitchell, Nancy Osgood, and Mary Manning Sparrow. If you have information about how we can contact any of these class members, please let us know.

Our class had nine other people who attended our 40th reunion but were not included in my last column. Their news follows.

Patricia Burton Temples’ photography hobby has become a more serious endeavor for her. She frequently finds herself in the Shenandoah National Park, which is only 15 minutes from her home in Stanardsville, Va. She has friends who like to explore the state parks and other notable locations in Virginia, so she is “on the go,” camera in hand, as often as possible. She loves retirement!

Adelle Affleck Medved and Mel Medved, R, took a fall trip to the Black Hills, Badlands, Yellowstone, and Grand Teton national parks. She now has a $10 lifetime pass to the national parks and wants to make sure she sees many of them. Although she never thought she would be grateful for living in one of those tiny rooms on the fourth floor of North Court her freshman year, as time has passed she has found that many of the people who lived on that hall became and have remained her very good friends.

Margaret League St. Clair, W’72, lives in Houston, where she often babysits for her two grandsons, Lincoln and Sawyer. She belongs to a tennis team and enjoys playing in matches and taking clinics. Her team won their division last season. She and her husband, Rick St. Clair, R’70, are working with UR alumni in the Houston area to get a group going there.

Did you know?

A wall hanging designed by artist Colleen Phelon Hall, B’91, for Beyoncé and Jay-Z’s baby was recently shown on MTV. Read more on page 30.

CLASS OF ’67

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CLASS OF ’68

Jim Dellingler, R, lives in Port Saint Lucie, Fla.

CLASS OF ’69

Ed Sobey, R, visited northernmost Sweden in February to work with the Technichus science center and gave a series of hands-on workshops to science teachers throughout Arctic Sweden over a three-week period. The Institute for International Education and Fulbright Scholarship Board funded the trip. During the past year, he has given teacher workshops in Sri Lanka, Singapore, Austria, Iceland, Malaysia, Sweden, and the U.S. In 2011, five of his books were published, including Unscrewed: Salvage and Rescue Motors, Gears, Switches, and More From Your Old Electronics. The others are science activity books for middle school students and are available at amazon.com.

Since Penni Chappell Westbrook’s passing, Sally Andrews Godus and I have joined forces with Penni’s brother Skip, our two husbands, Steve and Kevin, and Steve Buckingham, R’71. We have gathered in the Outer Banks, at our beloved Palm’s Continental Lounge, and at the Jefferson Hotel with our seasonally decorated tri-cornered Colonial hats from Williamsburg, Va., where Skip lives. I am sure Penni is laughing from above at some of our antics, but Sally and I have truly enjoyed the connection!

Ann Marie Pearson Wood and Reggie Wood, R’69, went on a dream trip cruising the Mediterranean. Other places they’ve traveled to include New York City and Key West, Fla. They are truly enjoying their retirement!

It has been a long time since I last wrote, but I have not heard much news from you. I know everyone is busy with work, parents, grandchildren, and travel, but even as life is rolling on, let’s keep each other informed of our fun times as well as all that is going on in our lives. Hold dear the friendships made and enjoyed over the years. Carpe diem!

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Sara Bridges Metz continues to teach dual enrollment and English 12 for Chesterfield County schools and plans to work another four years. She also plays snare drums in a Scottish pipe and drums band. They play the Churchill Irish Festival each year, the Highland Games, and other major Celtic events around the Richmond/ Hanover area.

Kathy Neal White is doing some consulting in New York for the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. During these trips she visits schools and works to reinforce the message of rigor and using primary sources and works to reinforce the importance of dual enrollment and English 12.

Annie Allport has returned to her home in Midlands, Va., where she lives in late fall, winter, and early spring. During the summer she lives in Maine to avoid the Richmond heat.

Suzie Stansbury Leslie is a full-time coordinator of academic advising for the College of Natural Resources and Environment at Virginia Tech. She and her husband, Philip “Randy” Leslie, B, spent many hours in their yard last year because their home was on an annual regional library system fundrais- ing tour. The tour program says of their yard, “The conversion of a formal yard dominated by stately trees, boxwood, and lawn to a natural retreat in the heart of Blacksburg began when Randy and Suzie bought their home 11 years ago.”

Jane Houston Westbrook works part time at a jewelry store and volunteers as a tutor at Hermitage High School in Richmond. She began teaching a software class for students of other groups during the past few months. On our last trip to visit with our families in Virginia and North Carolina, we stopped in Hardy, Va., and had lunch and a wonderful visit with Yvonne Olson and Charlie Hall.

Martha Rothenberg Replane recently returned from England, where she and Chuck lived for several years in the small village of Wanborough, which is about an hour west of London. On weekends they would get into the car and “get lost,” during which time they would find all sorts of wonderful tiny villages and historic sites. They have returned to Waynesville, Ga., where Martha vol-unteers with several organizations and she and Chuck keep busy with daily workouts, golf, and travel. They have three grandchildren.

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W. Joseph Owen III, B, a founding partner at the law firm of Owen & Owens, has been voted by his peers for inclusion in the 2011 edition of Virginia Super Lawyers.

CLASS OF ’73
The effects of Hurricane Irene were felt by several of our classmates last August. Sam and I were lucky that we lost power for less than a day. We weren’t as lucky with our phone and Internet service.

Nancy Martin Jett and Barry Jett, R’72, have some damage at their river home in Deltaville, Va. They lost the end of their pier and lots of walkway boards and had some deck damage. They had only minor cleanup at their home in Beaverdam, Va. I have enjoyed seeing pictures on Facebook of Nancy’s two grandsons, Noble and Addley, the beautiful redhead children of Maureen Jett Gladden, ’01.

Trees fell over the lines during the hurricane near Peggy Peters Stalnaker’s home in White Stone, Va. They lost power but a generator kept them going. Agnes Mobley Wynne shared a wonderful article about Peggy’s retirement from the Library of Virginia Foundation’s board of trustees. Peggy was appointed to the State Library Board in 1986 by then-Gov. Gerald Baliles and joined the foundation in 1996. She served in various leadership positions in both groups and as director of the Chesapeake Public Library from 1985 until her retirement in 2008. In Germany, Chapman Brown was not lucky with the hurricane. One end of her house had to be rebuilt after being hit by a 36-inch red oak. Drew is work- ing with Blue Water Baltimore, the local watershed group, to incorporate rain gardens and conservation landscaping “after the dust settles and the machinery leaves.” She is on the board of the Maryland Native Plant Society and received a certificate in environ- mental restoration in December.

Sharon Foster Burdick and Rick traveled to Ontario last summer to move their daughter, Madeline, into a house where she is living while attending medical school at McMaster University. Sharon has been enjoying visits with her granddaughters, Ginny Grace and Scarlett.

Jeanie Nicholson Veith traveled from Germany for the 40th reunion of the UR European Concert Choir. She enjoys having both of her sons in Germany. Joe is operating Airbus 320s for Condor Airlines while Jerome is studying at the University of Freiburg on a Fulbright Scholarship. Also attending the reunion last year were Donna Strother Deckens, Barbara Baker, Agnes Mobley Wynne, and Nancy Bendall Emerson (who catered the luncheon) and her husband, Ben Emerson, R’73 and L’84. A couple of days before the luncheon, Donna went to the reunion of her father’s WWII battle- ship, the USS New York BB-34. She was invited to speak to the veterans. She shared excerpts of the diary her father kept aboard ship, toured the USS New York (LPD 21, the ship that was built with steel from the World Trade Centers), and sang the National Anthem for a wreath-laying ceremony.

Barb and her sister, Carol Baker, celebrated their 60th birthdays with a 12-day tour of Greece with John Hall, R’73, and his wife, Gisela. Carol and Barb enjoyed lunch last fall with Maryanne Ryczak Casterline and Laurel Faile Scarry.

Kathy Neal White is doing some consulting in New York for the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. During these trips she visits schools and works to reinforce the message of rigor and using primary sources and works to reinforce the importance of dual enrollment and English 12.
His daughter, Caroline Hudgins Naxon, ’08, is an ESL teacher in Stafford County, Va. Caroline’s husband, Josh, is a captain in the Marine Corps and is stationed at Quantico, Va. Carter is head of the graduate program in Historic Preservation in Charleston, which is jointly run by Clemson University and the College of Charleston. Donna continues as a librarian at the University of Mary Washington while their Fredericksburg, Va., home is on the market. They visited Jamaica and the Lake Erie area of New York last summer.

Kelly Hardy is enjoying retirement. She is working a couple of days a week for a friend who has a store selling virgin olive oils, aged balsamic vinegars, olive oil-based skin products, and foods to complement olive oil and the vinegars. Her husband, Jack, says it is the perfect job for Kelly because she “can work and talk at the same time!” Westminster Class Secretary Spring Crafts Kirby 11735 Tripke Natch Terrace Richmond, Va. 23233 (804) 364-3787 SKIRBY451@aol.com

CLASS OF ’74

Leslie Lilley Kellenberger is delighted with the restoration and preservation work completed on her family’s 1812 home in Sussex Courthouse, Va. Chris Daly, the son of Carol Schreffler Daly, B, and Bill Daly, B, did the work. Bill, Chris, Carol, and Leslie’s parents were all there for Leslie’s Thanksgiving family reunion.

Tina Marston Kurys and her husband, Dan, and their daughter, Julia (who is a high school senior), were in Virginia in August for Tina’s father’s 90th birthday celebration. The occasion was made even more memorable because it was the weekend Hurricane Irene blew in! When Tina wrote to me, she was on the verge of turning 60 years old, like so many of us. But remember: 60 is the new 40!

Sandra Sperry continues to work two days a week for her sister, who is a pediatric speech pathologist. Beyond that, her time is spent mostly with in-town and out-of-town family. She has not fully recovered from the ruptured eardrums and hearing loss she experienced after flying with congestion early last year, but she has learned how to stop and smell the roses and is enjoying life.

Julia Habel Thompson was rated a Highly Effective Teacher in the system set up by Michelle Rhein in Washington, D.C., and received the award at the Kennedy Center last fall. She has been named a Claes Nobel Distinguished Educator for the second time, although she was unable to travel to the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library in Georgia last November to receive the award. She teaches advanced placement British and world literature at Woodward Wilson High School in Washington, D.C. The school is ranked 100 out of 37,000 high schools in the U.S.

Julia’s daughter, Rachel, was married to a British/American man last June and lives in Oxford, England, where he is doing his postdoctoral studies in astrophysics. Rachel is becoming a British citizen and plans to go to grad-school to be “Mama” to grandkids Nathan, 7, and Nadia, 4, who keep her increasingly busy. She cheers Nathan on in baseball and attends Cub Scout den meetings with him. Nadia is in gymnastics and both are active in their church’s children’s activities and service projects. They, along with Mary Ann’s other grandson Andrew, have taken trips to the beach and mountains, and several spur-of-the-moment trips to Washington, D.C. Mary Ann is a volunteer encourager for Fresh Start, a community outreach mission for single mothers and their children.

Susan Lindler Stephenson sends birthday greetings to all her Westhampton classmates. She and Thomas “Ned” Stephenson, R’76, are living their dream, as they recently found a fixer-upper river house that

Did you know?

Danny Rocco said Richmond’s reputation for academic excellence helped him decide to become the Spiders’ new football coach. Read more on page 9.

Sara’s daughter, Kelly Hardy, has lots of potential, beautiful river views, and a sandy beach. They hope to be able to reside there this spring and to have lots of friends share the experience! Grandparenthood continues to provide sweet memories and moments of delight for them.

Becky Massie Dale lives in Arlington, Va., and cares for her granddaughters, Rowan, 4, and Lucy, 14, while her daughter Jenny and son-in-law, Nare, work. She’s been there since fall 2010 and will return to Richmond in fall 2012 to be retired with her husband, Michael Dale, R’73. She travels back and forth to Richmond on the train to spend time with Michael. Their daughter Becky lives in Savannah, Ga. Becky’s mother died in August at age 94. She had lived with and been cared for by Becky since 2001.

Donna Higginbotham Rosser and Aubrey Rosser Jr., R and L’77, celebrated their son Jay’s wedding in the walled garden at the Biltmore Estate on Oct. 1, 2011. It was a glorious time.

Her daughter, Allison Rosses, ’09, was a bridesmaid. Jay and his wife, Nicole, live in New York City, where Nicole practices law and Jay works for Northwestern Mutual. Allison lives in Seattle and works for World Vision in the microfinance department.

Janet Ferrell and her husband, Mark Bearden, and their daughter, Meredith, included great times at both Carolyn’s and Sarah Hopkins Finley’s homes at “the Rivah.” Tina Marston Kurys and Dan and their daughter, Julia, joined the crowd at Sarah’s for New Year’s Eve, which was a real treat. Betsy Ray Cobb and Janet visit-ed with Tina when she was in Virginia to see her parents.

John M. Daniel III, R, and his wife, Princess, invited Janet and Mark to multiple UR football and basketball games. Many friends attended tailgates hosted by Pat Kelly, B, and his wife, Patricia, including Judy Forrest Newlin, W’75; Carol Goode Nugent, W’75; and John Nugent, R; Don Kizzar, C, and Gala; Kathryn Schutz Amrhein, B’75, and Edward Amrhein, R; and Thomas Costello, B. Janet is quite busy with multiple organizations including an artists’ group, the DAR, a tennis team, a garden club, and two Women’s Clubs, where she gets to see many local Westhampton friends, including Martha Poston Turner, W’73; Clemmie Williams Lankford; Nancy Heilman Gale, W’75; Bever Tisdale Ken, W’75; Carole Dykes Hill; W’75 and G’76; Suzanne Heffner

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CLASS CONNECTIONS
Quintessential Entrepreneur

John Scarborough, R’86

John Scarborough, R’86, always considered himself a big-company guy. Indeed, he started working with MCI after graduation and stayed there for 13 years. Today, though, now that Scarborough has created and sold his third boutique communications company, a better label might be entrepreneur.

Scarborough and his business partner just sold IP5280—an Internet phone or Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) company—to MegaPath, a half-billion dollar corporation specializing in voice and data communications. Another company he co-founded was sold to Cisco in 2010.

“We are very proud of how we have been able to build three companies and sell them to larger companies,” says Scarborough. “I enjoy the start-up environment because of the constant sense of accomplishment and the opportunity to build great teams.”

Scarborough keeps close ties with Richmond, and celebrated his 25th reunion at the University this past June, with the majority of his Theta Chi pledge class in attendance.

This past year Colorado Magazine named IP5280 the “Best Company to Work For.” For the past six years, the company has sponsored Climbing for Kids, where employees, families, and friends actually climb a fourteener—a mountain with an elevation of at least 14,000 feet—to benefit the Children’s Hospital of Colorado and the Kempe Foundation.

Scarborough was just appointed to the Children’s Hospital corporate board. It’s a charity close to his and wife Kelly’s hearts, as one of their sons needed two operations from a doctor with specialized surgical skills. In fact, the Scarboroughs followed that surgeon to Colorado, where John took a job with Qwest and later EchoStar’s DISH before starting his first company in 2005.

While Scarbrough plans to work for MegaPath after the acquisition of IP5280, we wouldn’t be surprised if there’s another entrepreneurial venture sometime in his future.

—Melissa V.P. Rossow
Ed enjoy traveling and occasionally get back to Richmond to enjoy the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. It’s hard to believe we’re coming up on 32 years since graduation! Don’t let another one go by without sharing your news. Keep in touch.

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G. Peyton Neatour, R, earned his medical degree from the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He and his wife, Leslie, and their three children, Katie, Greg, and Kristen, spent 10 days last summer on a healthcare mission to the Philippines. They collected patient data, delivered training to vision care providers, and provided clinical care to patients on behalf of Physicians for Peace, an international nonprofit headquartered in Norfolk, Va.

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CLASS OF ’83
Don’t miss the profiles of Melanie Healey, B’83, and five other alumnae who are distinguished leaders. See page 10.

CLASS OF ’84
Financial industry veteran Michael Sahakian, B, is director of client service and a partner at TAMRO Capital Partners in Alexandria, Va. He has two children, Elaina, 9, and David, 7.

CLASS OF ’86
Rich Cobuzio, B, is executive director in the tax technology department at KPMG, where he has worked for 25 years. His wife, Monica Manno Cobuzio, B, also celebrated her 25th anniversary with KPMG last fall. She is a senior manager in the firm’s international executive tax services department. They live in Bloomingdale, N.J., with their three children: Matthew, 18; Michael, 14; and Marissa, 14.

Mary Burkey Owens, L, of the law firm of Owen & Owens, has been voted by her peers for inclusion in the 2011 edition of Virginia Super Lawyers.

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CLASS OF ’88
Don’t miss the story about how Richmond hoopsters from 1988 finally got their Sweet 16 rings. See page 8.

CLASS OF ’89
Kathryn Tanner Wilborn, G, has a granddaughter, Chloe Ann Marie Wilborn, who was born June 25, 2011, to her parents, Eric Mitchell Wilborn ’00, and his wife, Kristin. The family lives in Portland, Ore.

CLASS OF ’90
Richard E. Garriott Jr., R and L’96, is a Fellow in the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He also was selected for the “2011 Legal Elite” by Virginia Business Magazine in the family/domestic relations category.

CLASS OF ’91
John R. Winniewski, B, lives in Point Pleasant, N.J., and was elected to serve on the town council for a three-year term that began Jan. 2, 2012.

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CLASS OF ’93
Jennifer Clarke and her husband, Craig Foster, welcomed a son, Gibson Ellsworth Foster, on June 20, 2011. Big sister Langley is 2. The family lives in Colorado Springs, Colo., where Jennifer is an assistant professor at UC-Colorado Springs.

Julie Kyse recently joined Expedia’s services group as vice president, transport Americas. She and her team are responsible for managing relationships with airlines in the Americas on behalf of the Expedia brands. She joined Expedia following a 16-year career at British Airways and continues to reside in Miami.

Eric Sugarman, G, the head athletic trainer for the Minnesota Vikings, was inducted into the Hazelton (Pa.) Area Sports Hall of Fame on Sept. 18, 2011. Sugarman began his NFL career in 1997 with the Chicago Bears and from 2000–2005 worked with the Philadelphia Eagles. He is in his sixth season with the Vikings. In 2009 ESPN Magazine named him the “NFL’s Most Irreplaceable Athletic Trainer” and in 2010 he and former Vikings head coach Brad Childress were co-winners of the American Optometric Association’s Eagle Award. He and his wife, Heather, have two children: Jacob, 9, and Benjamin, 6.

CLASS OF ’94
Stephanie Nolan Deviney, a partner in the Exton, Pa., office of Fox Rothschild, has been named one of 27 Pennsylvania “Lawyers on the Fast Track” for 2011 by The Legal Intelligencer.

Stephen Kazanjian and his wife, Jen, welcomed a son, Isaac John, on Sept. 22, 2011. Isaac joins big sisters Monica and Ellie. The family lives in Dumont, N.J.

CLASS OF ’96
Jennifer Strebel Schrafth and her husband, Zachary, had a daughter, Virginia James, on Nov. 13, 2011. They live in Portland, Ore., where Jennifer is a fourth-grade teacher.

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George Fearnow and his wife, Lisa, welcomed Abby Elizabeth on June 9, 2011. She joined big sister Lillie Hope, 2.

Christine Newman Otis and her husband, Jeff, had a daughter, Finley Anne, on June 2, 2011. Alex, 5, and Evan, 3, are her big brothers. Christine is director of global serology marketing for Immucor Inc. The family lives in Johns Creek, Ga.

Chad Stoinski and his wife, Jill Alden, welcomed their first child, William J.A. Stoinski, on Aug. 29, 2011.

CLASS OF ’98
Adrienne Capps is assistant dean, development and external relations, at the University of California-Davis School of Education. Previously she was senior director of development at the UC-Davis Graduate School of Management. She is an editor of The Nonprofit Guide to Going Green and authored the first chapter, “Raising Green By Being Green.”
**Satellite Expert**

**Kay Sears, W’88**

When Kay Sears, W’88, attended the University of Richmond, she dreamed of becoming a marketing executive. Instead, her career took a different path. It all started with an interview at the Career Development Center.

During her senior year, a recruiter from the Department of Commerce came to campus and interviewed Sears for a job auditing major weather satellite programs. She took the position, and it was that first job, she says, that showed her the possibilities inherent in the world of satellites.

Sears switched to the private sector in 1990, and worked her way up the ladder at various communication satellite companies. Since 2008, she has been president of Intelsat General Corporation. Starting with the Gulf War conflict, Sears turned her satellite knowledge toward supporting the U.S. government and military. She has become one of the leading satellite experts in this community, a unique market both in terms of its requirements and how it contracts for services.

“The fact that the users we support are serving our country is a very rewarding part of my job,” Sears says.

When she is not working, Sears enjoys spending time with her family, including husband Nat, R’88, whom she met at UR, and their children, Ellie, 16, and Grant, 13. After kicking the soccer ball around with Ellie, Sears decided to learn more about the game. Ever since, she has been addicted to soccer and plays on a league two to three times a week. She also volunteers as a mentor to young women.

“I have truly been blessed with bosses and mentors and leaders who have been genuinely interested in my career,” Sears says, “and the University of Richmond was a fundamental building block in preparing me for the business world.”

—Melissa V.P. Rossow
Anthony James Baltz, on Nov. 23, welcomed a son, teacher at Catalina Foothills High School in Tucson, Ariz. Catherine Caldwell Parker is in the fourth year of her five-year general surgery residency at Louisiana State University-Shreveport. She was selected as the representative for the 2011 Resident Exchange Program with the First Affiliated Hospital of Chongqing Medical University in Chongqing, China. The program promotes and enhances cultural and academic interactions between the two institutions. Catherine spent several weeks immersed in the Chinese surgical training process and gained insight into their healthcare delivery system. She presented her research work (the use of chemokine receptor CXCR4 as an independent prognostic marker in node-positive breast cancer) at the Society of Surgical Oncology in March 2011. She was pleased that her research article entitled "Is breast conservation therapy a viable option for patients with triple-receptor negative breast cancer?" was published in the journal Surgery.

In August 2011 Donelle Robinson graduated from Ohio University with a Ph.D. in biological sciences and a concentration in ecology and evolutionary biology. Mark Rosa is director of research and development at HFObserver, a hedge fund career network based in midtown Manhattan. He lives in New York City.


Renee Szynamik Verrone and her husband, John, had a son, Eric John, on Oct. 27, 2011. The family lives in New Jersey.

Stephanie Williams married Jon Snyder on Sept. 10, 2011, in her hometown of Rocky Mount, N.C. The ring bearer was Lincoln Beck, the son of Matt Beck and Day Freeze Beck, ’04. Stephanie and Jon live outside of Philadelphia.

Donnie Berkholz is an IT industry analyst with RedMonk. He and his wife, Noel, and their two children live in Rochester, Minn.

Leslie Bishop Brewer and her husband, Chris Brewer, ’03, welcomed a son, Fount Christopher Brewer, on Aug. 6, 2011. They live in Chilhowie, Virginia.

Kali Dawn Foxman Brodsky was married to Phillip Andrew Brodsky in Bolton, Vt., on Oct. 23, 2011. Elyssa Loren Covieo was a bridesmaid.

Phillip is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill and Brandeis University and works at The David Project, an Israel education nonprofit. Kali works at Brandeis as a communications specialist. The couple lives in Boston.

Laura Liefer Dillon and her husband, Sean, welcomed a son, Luke Patrick, on May 20, 2011. Laura is a Ph.D. student in biological sciences at the University of Maryland-College Park and Sean works as a financial analyst in Columbus, Md.

Mary Hulsebus married Brian Dolan on Sept. 30, 2011, in Boulder, Colo. Meredith Costello, Becky Klarzkin, Baylor Miller, and Stephanie Spear, ’05, were included in the wedding party.

Katie Penza Italiano and Phil Italiano welcomed a daughter, Claire Elizabeth, on July 2, 2011. The family lives in Wynnewood, Pa.

Christopher Dyman and Anna Kukelhau were married April 30, 2011, in Washington, D.C. Stephanie Kehntruff, Andrea Donovan Burinescu, Courtney Connors Tognarelli, Katie Klement, Lindsay Fisher, William Bave, Sebastian Lombardi, John "Jay" McCormack IV, and Jeff Chmielinski were included in the wedding party. Anna works at the National Geographic Society in Washington, D.C., and Chris, a graduate student at Georgetown University’s McDonough School of Business, works at Computer Sciences Corporation in McLean, Va. The couple lives in Washington, D.C.
University; and Matt Improta, ‘07, from Richmond. Justin Collins, ‘07, planned to attend, but was unable to due to a military commitment.

Kimberly A. Skiba has been selected by her peers for inclusion in the 2011 issue of Virginia Super Lawyers as a “Rising Star.” She is an attorney at Owen & Owens.

Rachael Garcia Thompson earned an MBA from James Madison University in August 2011. She was named the Outstanding MBA Graduate of her class. She is director of regional accounts at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Va. She and her husband, Bryan, live in Covington, Va.

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Joseph Ali married Alison Kelleher on Oct. 15, 2010, in Rye, N.Y. The couple lives in New York City, where Joe is an accountant and Alison is a speech pathologist.

Michael Barry and Xiao Fu were married at the University of Richmond on Oct. 8, 2011. Balu Chandrasekaran, Michael Lerner, Joe Morrison, ’06, Phil Hazapis, ’06, and Elizabeth Barry, ’09, were included in the wedding party. The couple lives in Arlington, Va., and planned to travel to China in early 2012.

Erin Higgins received her Ph.D. in cognitive psychology from the University of Illinois. She returned to the East Coast and works as an engineering research psychologist with the Federal Aviation Administration. She was married in April 2011 and lives in Mays Landing, N.J., with her husband, who also is an engineering research psychologist.

Rita Kaali earned an International Organizations MBA (IOMBA) from the University of Geneva, Switzerland. While attending school she organized the program’s annual Geneva Forum on Social Change (www.gfsc.ch).

Lisa Warner married Adam Pfeifer on June 11, 2011, in Chapel Hill, N.C. Lisa is studying genomics at Duke University and Adam is studying pathology at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Staying Connected
Brian Gibbs, B’90

When Brian Gibbs, B’90, went to an alumni event in Charlotte, N.C., ten years after graduation, he didn’t know how life-changing it would be. But it was there that he met Suzanne LaVigne, W’90, who in 2003 would become his wife.

While that shared connection with Richmond proved truly transformational for the couple, Gibbs has other strong links to the University. As one example, he helped create the Accounting Opportunity Fund.

“The reason behind starting the fund,” Gibbs says, “was to recognize two professors who have dedicated their careers to building an exceptional accounting program, while encouraging students to be well-rounded and take advantage of the liberal arts experience. Joe Ben Hoyle and Ray Slaughter have influenced students to be well-rounded and take advantage of the liberal arts experience. Joe Ben Hoyle and Ray Slaughter have influenced students to be well-rounded and take advantage of the liberal arts experience. Joe Ben Hoyle and Ray Slaughter have influenced students to be well-rounded and take advantage of the liberal arts experience.”

Gibbs, who was recently appointed to the Robins School of Business Executive Advisory Council, also is a member of the UR Accounting Advisory Board.

As a partner with Deloitte & Touche LLP, Gibbs leads the firm’s services to PG&E Corporation. He also is the professional practice director for the North Bay offices. Gibbs has been with Deloitte & Touche since graduation. He currently lives in San Francisco with Suzanne and their 3½-year-old son, J.P., whom they adopted from South Korea.

The Gibbs are in the process of adopting another son, J.P.’s biological half-brother Eli. Professor Hoyle, who also has adopted children, has been a source of encouragement along the way as the Gibbs have weathered the adoption process.

For Brian Gibbs, connections with the University of Richmond go far beyond his accounting education: They have nurtured the most important relationships in his life.

—Melissa V.P. Rossow

CLASS OF ’08
Jared Husch lives in Miami and recently started his own social media website, www.theigroupthink.com. It is about giving and getting advice from your inner circle of friends on everyday life decisions.

Jennifer Bernard Merkowitz and her husband, David, welcomed a son, Isaac Bernard, on Sept. 9, 2011. The family lives in Westerville, Ohio, where Jennifer teaches music theory and composition at Otterbein University.

CLASS OF ’09
Katelin French Hansen was awarded a three-year NIH NRSA fellowship from the National Institute of Mental Health. The pre-doctoral grant supports promising doctoral candidates who will be performing dissertation research in scientific health-related fields. Her proposal was titled “miR132 regulation of neuronal plasticity, learning, and memory” (microRNA132 is a genetic molecule that is readily expressed in the brain, but its effect on cognitive capacity remains poorly understood). Her project will examine the regulatory consequences of miR132 in neurons and its role in facilitating learning and memory.
after working in management for the Reynolds Metals Co. packaging divi-
sion and for Dupont, where he was chemical engineer in the film depart-
ment's cellophone technical section and developed the first polyethylene-
coated cellophane. He served in the Navy during World War II.  
1941 / John M. Bloxom III, R. of Richmond, Aug. 5, 2011. He served in the Navy as a medical offi-
tier, then was a board-certified general surgeon at Peninsula Regional Medical 
Center. He was a member of Bethel Methodist Church.  
1941 / Louise Morrissey Moyer, W. of Baltimore, July 1, 2011. She taught 
school and worked for IBM before her marriage and was active in civic organizations, 
including the League of Women Voters, and in St. Ignatius Catholic Church.  
1942 / Louise Holland Coward, W. of Richmond, July 14, 2011. An Episcopalian, 
she served on the South Carolina diocesan board and was a church volunteer. 
After moving to Richmond, she was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.  
1942 / Leonard A. Purdy, R. of Richmond, July 22, 2011. He worked 
as a chemist at Reynolds Metals Co. During World War II, he served in the Navy in the South Pacific. He was a 
member of Trinity United Methodist Church.  
A construction engineer and project manager, he said that his work on the University's Robins Center was his 
favorite project.  
He served as a Navy recruiter before World War II and was a lieu-
tenant commander in the Navy dur-
ing the war in both the Atlantic and 
Pacific theaters. A research scientist, 
his work for various corporations, 
retiring from Union Camp Corp. 
He was a volunteer with Meals on 
Wheels. He was a Freemason and 
was a member of the Presbyterian Church of 
Lawrenceville.  
He was a physician. During World War II, he was a doctor on 
Navy destroyers in the North Atlantic.  
owned Page Andrews Consultants 
for the Baptist World Alliance.  
1947 / Robert K. Coats, R and L'50, of Richmond, Aug. 9, 2011. He was an attorney: A B-24 pilot, he 
attempted the rank of first lieutenant, 
in the Army Air Forces during World 
War II.  
public accountant, he was an owner and secretary-treasurer of 
H.M. Gleason and Co. He was a 
member of First Baptist Church and served as a lay minister for more than 
60 churches. He served in the Army 
during World War II.  
1948 / William L. Flewes, R. of Richmond, July 18, 2011. His 
college career was interrupted by 
service in the Army Air Forces dur-
ing World War II. He later worked at the Virginia Department of Health. 
He was a member of Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church.  
worked as a hospital administrator, 
becoming a Fellow of the American Hospital Association. A World War 
II combat veteran, he received the Bronze 
Star and Purple Heart. He was a 
member of Revelle United Methodist 
Church.  
1949 / Rawleigh G. Clary, R. of Virginia Beach, Va., Oct. 15, 2011. He was a Navy veteran and was 
county executive director of USDA. He was a Ruritan, past master of 
the Lawrenceville Masonic Lodge, 
and in other civic groups. He was a 
founder and president of the 
Brunswick Volunteer Rescue Squad, 
and a member of Thalia United 
Methodist Church. He was a part-
time auctioneer. He performed with several 
choral groups.  
1949 / William C. Colleran Jr., 
R. of Virginia Beach, Va., June 12, 
2011. He served in the Army dur-
ing World War II. He worked as an 
accountant.  
1949 / Lloyd Alexander "Alex" 
Jordan Jr., R. of Martinsville, Va., July 14, 2011. He served in the Army Air 
Forces during World War II. He 
worked as a mortgage banker, retir-
ing from the Mortgage Company of 
Virginia, and was a member of the 
Virginia State Bar Association. He was a 
member of First Baptist Church.  
1949 / Carl D. Lunsford, R and
Jean Louise Neasmith Dickinson, W'45, who was 90 years old when she died on November 25, 2011, had a lifetime of “firsts.” She was the first woman to major in psychology at Westhampton College, where she earned her undergraduate degree, and the first to pursue graduate studies in psychology at the University of Rochester, where she earned her master of science degree in clinical psychology. She was the first woman to serve as clinical psychologist at the Medical College of Virginia and later at Tucker Hospital.

Born in Buffalo, N.Y., Dickinson graduated from Bronxville High School (N.Y.) before enrolling at the University. She was the first woman to serve on the faculty of the University’s Department of Psychology, which she joined in 1960. She was subsequently named director of the Center for Psychological Services. She retired in 1979 and was named emerita director of the Center for Psychological Services and assistant professor of psychology emerita. She received Distinguished Alumna Awards from both Westhampton College in 1973 and from the University in 1991. She was a past president of the Boatwright Society.

G'50, of Glen Allen, Va., Nov. 5, 2011. He served in the Army during World War II, then was employed as a research chemist at A.H. Robins, retiring as senior vice president of the research and development division. A holder of numerous patents, he was a Life Member of the American Chemical Society and received the Virginia Service Award from its Virginia Section. He enjoyed fishing and boating and was a past Commander of the Richmond Power Squadron, also serving on the district and national levels.

1949 / Harriet Smith Powell, W, of Newport News, Va., July 10, 2011. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church and served as a deacon and church treasurer. She was also involved with the Newport News Medical Society Auxiliary.


1950 / Anthony Longo, R, of Richmond, July 22, 2011. He served in the Navy and worked as a chemist at The American Tobacco Company. He was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church.

1950 / Alice Clarke Lynch, W, of Richmond, Oct. 26, 2011. Elected secretary of the Third District Republican Party in 1952, she later became Richmond’s voting registrar. She worked to increase voting among African Americans and to make voting places more accessible for individuals with disabilities. She was a member of the American Association of University Women and received recognition from the Crusade of Voters, the City of Richmond, and the Virginia Senate.

1950 / Mary Sue Mock Milton, W, of Davidson, N.C., Nov. 26, 2011. She served in the Marine Corps, where she was executive officer of the women’s recruitment training battalion. Later, when she was 32, she became the youngest person to be awarded the rank of major. She served on the board of directors of the Charlotte History Museum and also was a member of Myers Park Presbyterian Church.

1950 / Marion B. White Sr., R, of Aiken, S.C., Oct. 26, 2011. He served as a naval aviator in the Pacific during World War II. He practiced dentistry in Tappahannock and was a lifetime member of the Virginia Dental Society.

1951 / Jean Booth McKenney, W and G'56, of Irvington, Va., Sept. 2, 2011. She taught at St. Catherine’s Episcopal School for Girls in Richmond and in Northumberland, Cheshire, and Fairfax counties in Virginia. She was a member and served in elected positions in groups including the Daughters of the American Revolution, National Society of Colonial Dames, and United Daughters of the Confederacy, and was active in many historical organizations. She was a lifetime member of St. Mary’s Episcopal Church Plonk, W, the church where she was executive officer of the women’s recruitment training battalion. Later, when she was 32, she became the youngest person to be awarded the rank of major. She served on the board of directors of the Charlotte History Museum and also was a member of Myers Park Presbyterian Church.

1952 / Donald G. Burnett, B and GB'57, of Richmond, Oct. 31, 2011. He worked at the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, retiring as a senior vice president. He served as a director of several civic organizations, including the Metro Richmond Chamber of Commerce and Junior Achievement of Richmond. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

1952 / David G. Burnette, B and GB'57, of Richmond, Oct. 31, 2011. He worked at the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, retiring as a senior vice president. He served as a director of several civic organizations, including the Metro Richmond Chamber of Commerce and Junior Achievement of Richmond. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

1952 / Roy J. Harris, R, of Sturgis, Mich., formerly of Richmond, Sept. 30, 2011. He was a Southern Baptist minister in Virginia and North Carolina and served in the Army during World War II.

1952 / Hugh R. Rankin, R, of Richmond, Aug. 27, 2011. He served as a captain in the Army and the Air Force. He practiced dentistry and was an instructor in dentistry at the Medical College of Virginia. In addition to professional and civic involvements, he was a member of Grace Baptist Church and the International Order of St. Luke the Physician, a worldwide healing ministry.

1953 / Cary A. Carrington Sr., R, of Richmond, Oct. 6, 2011. He was vice president of Richmond Office Supply Co. At the end of World War II, he served in Japan as an Army surgical technician. He was a founding member of the Jungian Venture of Richmond.

1953 / Lawrence R. Pinneco, R of Boulder, Colo., Sept. 29, 2011. A psychologist and neurophysiologist, he worked in a variety of academic settings, including Louisiana State University in New Orleans and Tulane University. He served in the Coast Guard, Army, and Air Force, including service during World War II.

1953 / Carolyn Orange Watkins, W, of Hanover, Va., July 12, 2011. She taught Latin and biology in Arlington County and Virginia Beach school systems.

1954 / G. Norris “Whitey” Watson, R, of Wilmington, N.C., July 2, 2011. He practiced law in West Virginia, then joined the Internal Revenue Service Chief Counsel’s Office in Washington. He worked as Counsel to the Chief Judge of the U.S. Tax Court and later retired from government service to practice tax law. In Wilmington, he was founder and commissioner of the Braddock Road Youth Club and was a member of Masonboro Baptist Church.

1957 / Joseph E. Geiger, B, of Richmond, Oct. 21, 2011. A certified public accountant, he was a partner in the accounting firms of Dalton Pennell and Co. and Cherry, Bekaert & Holland. After retirement, he continued working with selected clients. He served in the Army. He was a past president of the Richmond Chapter of the Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants. He was a member of Epiphany Catholic Church.

1957 / Larry D. Moore, R, of Pine Knoll Shores, N.C., Oct. 20, 2011. During the Korean War, he served in the Air Force in Texas and Greenland. He worked as marketing director of The Jewel Box Corporation, developed one of the first one-stop ear-piercing instruments and introduced other improvements in production and marketing of jewelry. He also had his own marketing company. An avid sailor, he participated in local and international races. He also was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Morehead City, N.C.

1957 / Nancy Marie Moore Piont, W, of Martinsville, Va. She was an associate professor of English at Eastern Shore Community College.

1957 / Arthur E. Taturn, B, of Roanoke Rapids, N.C., Sept. 13, 2011. He served in the Navy before and during the Korean War and was
a member of Disabled American Veterans. He was a member of First Evangelical Methodist Church. 1958 / June W. Gray, W. of Raymond, Maine, Oct. 4, 2011. She was director of the nationally recognized all-girls Camp Wawenock, which has more than 100 campers and 40 staff members. She also taught physical education and was an assistant principal at the elementary school, high school and college levels in Richmond.

1959 / Pegcy Ann Powell Daniel, W. of Salem, Va., December 10, 2011. She was a member of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church.

1959 / Gloria Strickland “Ginny” Holloway, W. of Richmond, June 28, 2011. She had an accomplished business career. She was an avid tennis player and umpire in the Greater Richmond Tennis Umpires Association.

1961 / Arthur G. D’Agostino Sr., R. of Bridgeport, N.J., Aug. 6, 2009. He worked in retail and finance and was a founder of ADCO Financial Mortgage Services. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church.

1961 / George D. Fallowers Jr., R. of Richmond, Sept. 16, 2011. He worked as a laboratory supervisor at the Virginia State Health Department and was a member of Discovery United Methodist Church and numerous civic and veterans’ groups, including Disabled American Veterans. He served in the Navy during World War II.

1961 / Sidney H. Greer, R. of Vero Beach, Fla., July 24, 2011. He worked in the legal profession and also served as a governor’s appointee on regulatory boards. He was a member of numerous civic groups including Rotary and Police Auxiliary of Vero Beach. He also was a member of the Society for the Preservation and Enancement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America.

1961 / Francis G. Lang Jr., R. of Atlanta, Sept. 30, 2011. He served in the military during the Korean War and the Vietnam War. His decorations for his military service include two Purple Hearts. He was an artist.


1962 / Thomas J. Ferrell, R. of Richmond, March 31, 2011. He was a Southern Baptist pastor.


1963 / Jackie E. “Jack” Hodges, R. of Salisbury, N.C., Oct. 5, 2011. He was a claims adjuster for State Farm Insurance and, before that, a social services caseworker. He served as youth director for Bon Air Baptist Church in Richmond. He was a musician. As president of the Yadkin Valley Folklore Society he helped organize community festivals.

1963 / Raleigh Brent Vann, R. of Fieldale, Va., Aug. 20, 2011. He was an educator and retired as principal of Fieldale-Collinsville High School, where he coached football. He served as a member of Fieldale Baptist Church.

1964 / Richard M. Foutz, R. of Rocky Mount, Va., Aug. 24, 2011. He served for 10 years as head football, track, and junior varsity basketball coach at Franklin County High School, then became the school’s athletic director. He later taught physical education at Burnt Chimney Elementary. He was involved in many youth sports leagues in Franklin County. A guitarist, he performed with friends on stage at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville on several occasions. He was a member of Franklin Heights Baptist Church.

1964 / Henry Carlton Townes, B. of Hopewell, Va., Dec. 2, 2011. He was vice president-finance for A.H. Robins Co., a certified public accountant, and a member of the Virginia state bar. He was treasurer of St. John’s Episcopal Church. He served in the Army.

1965 / Read E. Goode, B. of Naples, Fla., formerly of Richmond, Midlothian, Va., Powhatan, Va., White Stone, Va., and Virginia Beach, Va. He was a leader in the financial planning and insurance industries and in the real estate development business. He was managing director of BCG Companies. He started the James River Group estate planning and executive benefits insurance agency and founded Goode, McGuire, Gruber & Associates. He was a member of the M Financial Group, vice president of Wheat Insurance Services Inc., and an agent for New England Life. He served on several civic and industry boards, was a fundraiser for the Republican Party and was a supporter of Needle’s Eye Ministries.


1966 / Henry E. Campbell, R. of North Wales, Pa., June 19, 2011. He worked as a pharmaceutical research chemist, later finding a second career in the hospitality industry. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

1966 / William F. Cozens Jr., B. of Richmond, Nov. 6, 2011. He was the owner and president of AlpahGraphics-West End, and before that worked for First Health Services and The Computer Company. He was a member of Third Presbyterian Church.

1966 / Thomas A. Garrett Sr., B. of Scottsville, Va., Dec. 13, 2011. He worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. in Georgia and Tennessee, and in retirement had a career in real estate. He was an accomplished dog trainer. He served in the National Guard during the Vietnam War.

1966 / Robert H. Grizzard, R. of Normal, Ill., June 21, 2011. He was a pastoral counselor at Twin Cities Behavioral Health and a member of First Baptist Church, Bloomington.

1966 / Richard J. Ritchie, G. of Gettysburg, Pa., Nov. 16, 2011. He was a visiting professor at Gettysburg College and taught at the University and several other colleges. He worked as an independent consultant, as director of leadership assessment programs for AT&T, and for Exxon Corp. He was a member of the St. James Lutheran Church.

1966 / James Potter Tucker Jr., R. of Huntington Valley, Pa., and Earleville, Md., Dec. 12, 2011. A doctor of quantitative psychology/statistics, he was a faculty member at Purdue, Temple, and Villanova universities.

1967 / Owen Morris Jr., C. of Richmond, Nov. 20, 2011. He was purchasing agent for Tasty Baking Co. and worked for Whitman’s Chocolates in Philadelphia, and worked for C.E. Sauer Co., Eskimo Pie, and American Tobacco Co. in Richmond. He was a member of St. James’ Episcopal Church. He served in the Army.

1967 / Frederick B. Smith, G. of Richmond, Oct. 2, 2011. He taught, then became an administrator, in Richmond Public Schools. He served in the Marine Corps in the Pacific during World War II. An Eagle Scout, he was a lifelong supporter of Scouting and a community volunteer.

1967 / Clyde M. Thompson, G. of Richmond, Aug. 22, 2011. He taught marketing at Virginia Commonwealth University and John Tyler Community College and worked in restaurant marketing at The Restaurant Company. He was a member of two Lutheran churches.

1967 / Thomas A. Garrett Sr., C. of Palestine, Tex., Nov. 26, 2011. He was a member of the Illinois state bar, a former president of the Property Tax Co., and a member of the International Association of Assessing Officers. He served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War.

1969 / Raymond D. Vaughan, C. of Richmond, July 14, 2011. He worked in the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, holding positions including Deputy Commissioner. He received cabinet appointments as Deputy Secretary of Economic Development under Govs. Gerald Baliles and L. Douglas Wilder. He volunteered with the Virginia Credit Union, serving as a board member and officer, and with charitable organizations. He was a member of Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church.


1971 / John K. Sherranan, C. of Richmond, Sept. 11, 2011. He worked in finance, retiring from SunTrust Bank, and worked for Virginia Commercial Finance. He was active in Big Brothers Big Sisters and was a member of Second Baptist Church.


1976 / Barbara Worom Adams, W. of Emporia, Va., June 23, 2011. She was active in civic organizations and was a member of Chior Anglican Church.

1978 / James S. Bloker, C. of Farmville, Va., Aug. 3, 2011. He...
alternated serving as a Lutheran minister in North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland with missionary work in the Czech Republic and in Ghana, where he established a seminary.

1980 / Alfred W. Gross, GB. of Richmond, July 28, 2011. He was a professor of German at Kalamazoo College and Virginia Commonwealth University. He then worked at the Bureau of Insurance, a division of the Virginia State Corporation Commission, retiring as Commissioner of Insurance. He was a member of St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church.


1982 / Stuart Chase Turner, R. of Roanoke, Nov. 16, 2011. He was marketing manager for Homestead Materials Handling Inc. He was an animal photographer and a longtime supporter of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.


1986 / Carolyn Surette Moeller, W. of Henrico, Va., Aug. 14, 2011. She worked as a substitute teacher in Henrico County elementary schools and as an instructor at the Tuckahoe YMCA.

1988 / Donna Dubb Lane, W. of Richmond, Nov. 11, 2011. She worked at Rainbridge Baptist Church.

1993 / Kevin G. Neenan, G. of Swarne, Ga., Nov. 16, 2011. He was general manager of Commercial Metals Corp.

1996 / Willbur Joseph Smith Jr., GB. of Columbus, Ga., Nov. 17, 2011. He was second vice president for the Center of Excellence, ABLAC.

TRUSTEES

Elmon T. Gray, of Richmond, formerly of Waverly, Va., Sept. 27, 2011. He was a University trustee and was awarded an honorary degree. He served for two decades in the Virginia state senate, representing Southside Virginia in the seat his father had filled for three decades before him. He had extensive business interests and was chairman of GrayCo, the family company that included Gray Lumber Co. and related entities. He served on numerous industry and civic boards. He served in the Navy during World War II.

David Parham Reynolds, of Richmond, Harbor Springs, Mich., and Delray Beach, Fla., formerly of Bristol, Va., August 29, 2011. He was a University trustee. He was chairman and CEO of Reynolds Metals Co. A winner of many industry awards, he was a leader in new-product development and consumer aluminum recycling. He served as chairman and CEO of Eskimo Pie Corp. and chairman of Robertsaw Controls Co. He was owner of the thoroughbred horse Tabasco Cat, winner of the 1994 Preakness and Belmont Stakes. He served as president of the Richard S. Reynolds Foundation and the Missionary Fund. The Reynolds family established the Richard S. Reynolds Graduate School of the Robins School of Business in honor of his father, and their generosity recently supported the Reynolds Boardroom in Quelly Hall.

Henry Fleishman Stern, of Richmond and Key Largo, Fla., Dec. 27, 2011. He was a University trustee. He was a builder and developer who was a partner in the creation of the Innbrook Corporate Center and helped develop several major residential apartment complexes and residential neighborhoods in the Richmond area. He served in the Pacific in the Navy during World War II. He served on many civic and educational boards, including those of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, the Boy Scouts of America, St. Christopher’s School, the Virginia Historical Society, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the National Steeplechase Association and Ducks Unlimited. He was a member of Congregation Beth Ahabah. On campus, the Stern Quadrangle, made possible by the generosity of Mr. Stern and his wife, Ann, connects Jepson, Ryland, and Weinstein Halls.

FACULTY

D. Ferrel Atkins of Charleston, Ill., September 16, 2011. He was a professor and department chairman at the University from 1952 to 1958. He returned to his alma mater, Eastern Illinois University, retiring in 1988 as Professor Emeritus. He was a member of several academic and social fraternities, including Phi Beta Kappa, and was a Ranger Naturalist at Rocky Mountain National Park in Estes, Colo., for more than three decades.

N. Gayne Edwards, of Richmond, February 8, 2012. He joined the University in 1968 as a faculty member in the economics department and retired as professor of economics in 2000. He was awarded emeritus status upon his retirement.

Vincent R. Brown, of Hempstead, N.Y., formerly of Richmond, Seattle, Golden Valley, Minn., and Los Alamos, N.M., August 13, 2011. He was a member of the University faculty and the faculties of Hofstra University, the University of Texas, and Clarkson University.

Charles T. Burke, of Leesburg, Va., formerly of Richmond and Norfolk, May 24, 2011. He was a maritime expert and diplomat who served five presidential administrations, a former CEO of several port authorities, a former associate professor at the University’s School of Continuing Studies and at the International Maritime Institute at Old Dominion University.
Changing the World

By Sandra J. Peart

At the Jepson School of Leadership Studies, one of our points of focus during 2011–12 has been the role of women as leaders in society. We have explored this theme in presentations and discussions offered under the aegis of the distinguished Jepson Leadership Forum, which this year has been titled “Game Changers: How Women Lead and Change the World.”

Forum speakers this year have come from many walks of life. We have heard from C. Vivian Stringer, the coach of women’s basketball at Rutgers University, and from Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Sheryl WuDunn. We explored gender, work, and family with Joan Williams, a nationally renowned expert on those issues. Historian Barbara Ransby spoke about civil rights activist Ella Baker, and Karlyn Kohrs Campbell and Kathleen Hall Jamieson rounded out our series.

While these women come from diverse fields, they share a passion and a commitment to working to change perceptions about the roles of women—in the home, the workplace, and community; in global society; and indeed throughout the very fabric of contemporary culture. They demonstrate exemplary qualities of leadership through their accomplishments and journeys to success.

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At the Jepson School, which turns 20 this year, we often say that leadership moves the world. That’s why leadership is important, why we study it, and why we strive to do it well. A Jepson education investigates leadership not only as a position but also as a process and a relationship among people. Students at Jepson look at leadership as it was, as it is, and as it should be, and they learn about how best to navigate the ethical challenges that leaders inevitably face.

In today’s increasingly complex world, citizens must have the knowledge and imagination to anticipate, adapt to, and drive change. Modern democracy requires people who can think critically, reason ethically, and participate effectively in determining their future path and policy. Successful organizations must be populated by people who understand group processes and how to guide them while maintaining the proper respect for all participants. As our record at Jepson clearly shows, women have played and will continue to play an undeniably important and central role in that vital work.

Sandra J. Peart is dean of the Jepson School of Leadership Studies, one of the five schools that comprise the University of Richmond.
Believing in Richmond

Ellis and Elizabeth Dunkum

Ellis, B’59 and GB’69, and Elizabeth, W’59, Dunkum believe they wouldn’t be where they are today without the University of Richmond—and without the scholarships that allowed them to attend.

“There’s no question in my mind that getting my degree at the University of Richmond made all the difference in my life,” Ellis said.

Their association with the University isn’t a distant memory, though. From teaching accounting classes and hosting exchange students to attending Modlin events and cheering on the football and basketball teams, the Dunkums are a regular presence on campus.

They want to ensure future generations of Spiders benefit from the same financial assistance and quality education they received more than 50 years ago. That’s why the Dunkums have supported a variety of University initiatives and even endowed two scholarships—one for accounting students and one for a woman majoring in the arts.

“I always say that the value of my degree has grown along with the University’s reputation, and it’s important to say thank you,” Elizabeth said. “People support what they believe in, and I believe in the University of Richmond.”

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