Engaging the Heart
The Chaplaincy works to inspire and engage
As the fall unfolds, life at Richmond is particularly vibrant. Classrooms come alive with learning. Laboratories delve into research. Spider athletes—varsity, club, and intramural—are in play. We welcome a new class of students, and host prospective Spiders as they tour the campus with their families.

The University calendar offers an abundance of activities. The Modlin Center for the Arts, for example, has launched its 15th season with a rich schedule of programs. Many of the Center’s events feature an academic component designed specifically for Richmond students. Celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, the Weinstein-Rosenthal Forum on Faith, Ethics, and Global Society has been expanded to explore global faith traditions and engage the University community more deeply at the cross-section of faith and society. The 2011-12 season of the Jepson Leadership Forum focuses on the theme “Game Changers: How Women Lead and Change the World.” These events, among many others, all contribute to Richmond’s rich campus culture.

Always a busy time, fall was even more active this year due to a significant unanticipated event, a visit to campus by President Barack Obama (see page 2). We were proud when asked by the White House to host this part of the important national conversation about the economy.

President Obama’s visit gave us an opportunity to highlight the University before an international audience. Many others also are taking note of Richmond. As reported on page 3, the University jumped five places to No. 27 in U.S. News & World Report’s most recent annual ranking of national liberal arts colleges.

Another important development this fall is that the University’s Board of Trustees has approved a new Campus Master Plan (visit masterplan.richmond.edu). Designed to guide the development of the campus for the next 10 years, the plan positions the University to fulfill the strategic plan, The Richmond Promise. Look for an article about the master plan in the spring issue of the magazine.

The renewal that comes each fall enables the Spider community to reflect with pride on the many dimensions of this remarkable institution. This issue of the magazine spotlights two important facets of University life, the University Chaplaincy and the Class of 2015.

I am grateful to all who help advance the University’s mission.

Sincerely,

Edward L. Ayers

President’s Letter

“Points of Pride”

• Five excellent schools working together in unique collaborations.
• Nine-to-one student-faculty ratio.
• Students involved in cutting-edge research and engaged in the Richmond community.
• Perennially ranked among the best values in American higher education.
• Ranked No. 12 nationally among undergraduate business programs by Bloomberg Businessweek.
• Record-breaking number of applications (9,431) for the Class of 2015.
• Fifteen percent of our first-year students are the first in their families to attend college.
• Eighty-one percent of first-year students ranked in top 20 percent of high school class.
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The Spider Class of 2015, which arrived on campus in August, includes scholars, athletes, artists, entrepreneurs, humanitarians, and more.
On the heels of his speech to Congress presenting the American Jobs Act, President Barack Obama addressed a crowd of nearly 9,000 at the University of Richmond's Robins Center on Sept. 9, 2011.

With just a few days' notice after the White House chose Richmond as the site of the speech, the University community pulled together to organize the event. “A presidential visit is a historic event,” says University President Edward Ayers, “and we were proud when Richmond was asked by the White House to host this part of the important national conversation about the economy.”

Campus community members such as Sarah Bowers, '12, a journalism and leadership studies major, snapped up volunteer opportunities to provide day-of support. “It’s very exciting to be amidst the cameras and the national news media,” she says. “It’s an insider’s look.”

More than 100 media reporters also were in attendance, representing local organizations as well as The Washington Post, Reuters, Bloomberg News, and Politico.

“To have the sitting president make a major speech [here] is fantastic for the profile of the University,” says Tom Gutenberger, B’87, vice president for advancement. “We had a number of alumni come back and participate in the day. They were happy that the University gets to be on a national stage.”

Regardless of their political affiliations, the thousands who lined up outside the Robins Center were excited to be a part of such an important moment in the University’s history. “We have the political spectrum in this audience—some who are for him, some who are not for him—but no one who’s against the presidency,” says E. Bruce Heilman, chancellor and former president of the University. “It’s great to see the students and community have this opportunity. It’s a part of what a university ought to be.”
National experts salute Richmond’s excellence

Adding to its substantive portfolio of accolades, the University has recently received several more national recognitions.

The University jumped five places to No. 27 (a two-way tie) in U.S. News & World Report’s annual ranking of national liberal arts colleges. The overall ranking is Richmond’s highest since moving into the national liberal arts category seven years ago, when it debuted at No. 34.

The magazine also named Richmond to three special lists in its category—best value schools (No. 9), up-and-comers having the most promising and innovative programs (No. 3), and high school counselors’ picks (tied for No. 24).

The Princeton Review, publisher of test prep programs and college guides, has selected the University for inclusion in its 2012 edition of The Best 376 Colleges. In addition, Richmond was named to several of the guidebook’s lists, which rank the top 20 schools in 62 categories. Richmond is listed No. 6 for financial aid, No. 10 for best career services, No. 12 for best classroom experience, and No. 14 for best campus food and most beautiful campus. Richmond also is listed among 135 “Best in the Southeast” colleges on the Princeton Review website.

Another leading college guidebook, the Fiske Guide to Colleges, has selected the University for its 2012 edition of the 300 “best and most interesting colleges in the United States, Canada, and Great Britain.” Compiled by former New York Times education editor Edward B. Fiske, the guidebook bases its selections primarily on academic quality. Richmond made two special lists in this year’s book for having strong programs in business and international studies. Richmond has been featured by the Fiske Guide for all of the 25 years the book has been published.
Winning a highly competitive Pickering fellowship will help Abi Olvera, '12, pictured in her hometown of El Paso, start a career in the foreign service.

**FACULTY**

**UR chemists win research grants**

Two Richmond faculty members have won research support from the American Chemical Society’s Petroleum Research Fund.

Carol Parish, the Floyd D. and Elisabeth S. Gottwald Professor of Chemistry, was awarded a three-year, $65,000 grant through the society’s Undergraduate Research Grant program. Parish’s project focuses on asphaltene model compounds that are an untapped source of hydrocarbon fuel. Funds will provide summer stipends for Parish and two Richmond students.

Kristine A. Nolin, assistant professor of chemistry, was awarded a two-year, $50,000 grant through the society’s Undergraduate New Investigator program. Nolin’s research focuses on technology to enable synthesis of organic materials using catalytic methods. Funds will provide summer stipends for Nolin and three Richmond students, plus supplies and instrumentation.

**STUDENTS**

**Students earn special honors**

Two University students have won special awards.

Abi Olvera, a senior from El Paso, Texas, who is majoring in international studies, won a Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship, which provides up to $40,000 for senior-year expenses and up to $40,000 for expenses for one year of graduate school. The highly competitive fellowship—just 20 were awarded this year—is administered by the Woodrow Wilson Foundation for the United States Department of State to encourage students interested in careers representing U.S. interests abroad.

In June GayRVA, a Richmond-based online magazine, presented senior Jon Henry of Washington, Va., its Out.Spoken.Richmonder of the Year award. The cofounder of the Student Alliance for Sexual Diversity at Richmond, Henry gathered more than 1,000 student signatures and made a presentation to the Board of Trustees to help win support for the addition of gender identity and gender expression to the University’s non-
The University recognized for community service

The Corporation for National and Community Service has named the University to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. The honor roll recognizes commitment to and achievement in community service. Colleges are selected on the basis of the scope and innovation of service projects, the percentage of student participation in community service, incentives for service, and the extent of service-learning courses in the curriculum.

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Similar recognition came earlier this year, when the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching selected the University for its classification recognizing colleges and universities “that support dynamic and noteworthy community engagement.” The Community Engagement Classification is awarded to institutions that demonstrate a commitment to service and partnership with their local communities. As part of the designation, the University is recognized for its mission, culture, and leadership, as well as its ongoing activities devoted to community engagement.

Admission
Nathan A. Crozier, formerly the associate director of admission at DePaul University in Chicago, has been named as the University’s director of admission. He is responsible for attracting, recruiting, and enrolling a talented and diverse student body that supports the overall mission and undergraduate enrollment goals of the University and its strategic plan. He also will oversee the daily administration of the Office of Admission.

Crozier is a doctoral candidate in higher education at Loyola University in Chicago.

Research
Elizabeth P. Baughan, an assistant professor of classics and archaeology at the University, spent seven weeks this summer on an archaeological dig in Turkey.

Baughan served as field supervisor of the Hacimusalar Höyük Excavations in southwestern Turkey, which is sponsored by Ankara-based Bilkent University. The site was inhabited as early as the Early Bronze Age.

Baughan’s team included three undergraduate students from Richmond who had earned research fellowships, which was approved by the trustees in April.

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Baughan and colleagues excavated three houses from the Early Bronze Age that had been terraced and were built like row houses, with standard floor plans. “We found evidence for domestic activities, such as grinding grain, spinning wool, and weaving, in all the buildings,” Baughan said. “So, activities in this part of the settlement were not spatially specialized. This site therefore provides a very interesting window into early stages of urbanization.”

Baughan also spent time in other parts of Turkey, conducting research for a book on klinai, or funeral couches.

**Books**

**Faculty books win national honors**

When Janey Comes Marching Home, a book by Laura Browder, a professor of American studies and English at the University, has been nominated for a Library of Virginia People’s Choice Award.

The book pairs oral histories from women in the U.S. military who served in Iraq and Afghanistan with photographs by Sascha Pflaeging. The women share stories of work as handlers of explosive-sniffing dogs, military police, and members of the Female Engagement Team working in Afghanistan’s villages.

“These service women are pioneers, and I believe that hearing their stories and seeing their faces will change the way we think about women and war,” Browder said.

Brian Henry, professor of English and creative writing at the University, has won the Best Translated Book Award for Poetry for his translation of Slovenian Aleš Šteger’s The Book of Things. The award honors the best original work of international poetry published in the United States during the previous year.

Henry’s seventh book of his own poetry, Lessness, published this spring, has been nominated for the National Book Award in poetry. Publishers Weekly said the book “offers a powerful re-calibration of the senses, shifting our attention beneath the surfaces and skins of things.”

**Culture**

Modlin Center launches ambitious arts season

Celebrating its 15th season this year, the Modlin Center for the Arts has planned a rich mix of performances and events for 2011–12.

“We’ve worked hard to offer a line-up that includes a blend of new faces and old favorites, while maintaining the level of performance for which the Modlin Center has become known,” says Deborah Sommers, who
University names first rabbi and director of Jewish life

Rabbi Andrew Goodman, former senior rabbi of a congregation in Plattsburgh, N.Y., has been named as the University’s first director of Jewish life and campus rabbi. He joined the staff of the University Chaplaincy this summer.

“Rabbi Goodman will develop a comprehensive program for our students, faculty, and staff which will include a variety of religious, cultural, and social expressions of Jewish life at Richmond,” said the Rev. Craig Kocher, University chaplain, in announcing Goodman’s appointment.

“He also will deepen the University’s engagement with the wider Jewish community in Richmond and work with our entire Chaplaincy staff to further the diversity of religious voices on campus by creating opportunities for engagement across lines of faith traditions,” Kocher said. “He has excellent pastoral and administrative skills and brings a passion for working in a diverse academic community connecting faith, intellect, and social change.”

While serving his congregation in Upstate New York, Goodman also was adjunct instructor of Judaism at SUNY-Plattsburgh. Previously, he was a commissioned officer in the United States Navy Reserve and a chaplain candidate with the Navy’s Chaplain Corps.

Goodman, a graduate of the University of Michigan and the Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion, received a master’s degree in Hebrew literature and rabbinical ordination.

The Chaplaincy has long been a cornerstone of University life. For a comprehensive look at how this office contributes to campus vitality, see the feature that starts on page 16. Further perspectives are offered in this issue’s “Vantage Point” column (see page 52), authored by University Chaplain Emeritus and Special Assistant to Advancement David Burhans.
Limerick, Ireland, native Rebecca Barry captained Ireland’s team at the under-18 European Championships, then signed with Richmond.

Named to the Coastal Plain League 2011 All-Star Game, UR sophomore Jacob Mayers was one of 10 Richmond baseball players who saw action in summer collegiate leagues across the nation.

Baseball
Spiders make a play in A-10 tourney
Spider baseball is on the rise, and the 2011 team made that abundantly clear. Seeded fifth in the Atlantic 10 tournament, Richmond marched to the conference championship round before losing to A-10 power Charlotte, 9-4.

The Spiders reached the title round in emphatic fashion. In two must-win games on the same day, Richmond eliminated third-seeded Dayton 10-3 and then second-seeded Rhode Island 7-2 to earn the bid for the championship.

Four Spiders made the all-tournament team—senior rightfielder Mike Mergenthaler, junior catcher Chris Cowell, junior centerfielder Matt Zink, and sophomore third-baseman/pitcher Jacob Mayers. Mergenthaler and junior shortstop Adam McConnell were both selected in pro baseball’s draft. Mergenthaler was picked by the San Francisco Giants in the 32nd round; McConnell, who was forced to sit out the season because of an upper-leg injury, was selected by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 30th round.

The Spiders have improved their stats in each of their four years under coach Mark McQueen, and their 2010 record of 29-27-2 was their first winning season since 2007.

Hockey
Field hockey guns for national prominence
Striving to establish a place for itself among the national elite, Richmond’s field hockey program took a significant step in that direction early in the season with a 3-2 win over Princeton, the 13th ranked team in the country.

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Football

Spider football season gets off to strong start
The Spider football team opened the season with a 23-21 cliffhanger win on the road over bowl champion series (BCS) foe Duke of the Atlantic Coast Conference. Next, Richmond rolled to a 21-6 win at Wagner. After beating VMI 34-19, the Spiders ranked sixth.

Things could hardly have begun more propitiously for Richmond’s interim head football coach, Wayne Lineburg. The son of longtime Radford High School coach Norman Lineburg, the new Spider head man says he has "never not been around football—this is what I’ve always wanted to do." Lineburg, 37, has coached on the staffs at the University of Virginia and William & Mary as well as Richmond, where he was offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach before adding head coach duties.

Lineburg says the “mission of the University of Richmond has not changed and will not change. We want kids to come here, do things the right way, graduate, and represent the University.” Though they began the season nationally ranked, the Spiders weren’t expecting an easy time of it. The Colonial Athletic Association is widely known as a power conference for football championship subdivision (FCS) football. The Spiders were one of six conference teams among the Top 25 in an early-season FCS coaches poll. No other conference had more than four teams.

Golf

Two Spiders qualify for U.S. Amateur play
In dramatic fashion, two Richmond golfers qualified for the U.S. Amateur Championship, played in August. Junior Nick Austin was a medalist in the 36-hole sectional championship at the Country Club of Petersburg, firing a competitive course-record 8-under 64 in one round. Senior Brad Miller had to go to a playoff to make it and holed out from 85 feet for an eagle on the first extra hole at the Piney Branch Golf Club in Hampstead, Md.

Unfortunately, neither golfer qualified for match play at the highly competitive national championship at the Erin Hills club outside Milwaukee, which drew the 64 best two-round scores from among 315 competing golfers.

In the 2011 Atlantic 10 tournament, Austin finished tied for first in regulation and came home second in a playoff. The Spider golfers finished third as a team.

Pros tap Spider athletes
Richmond graduate—and now professional running back—Tim Hightower, ’08, has important reasons to be pleased about the trade that sent him from the NFL’s Arizona Cardinals to the Washington Redskins. Besides coming back to the part of the country where he grew up and is remembered for his brilliant college career, he also gets to play for coach Mike Shanahan, a running-game guru.

After rushing for 1,924 yards and scoring 20 touchdowns in 2007, his senior year, Hightower was a fifth-round draft pick. At Arizona he steadily improved as a pro running back and developed as a receiver and blocker—the kind of versatility Shanahan likes. After the trade to Washington, Hightower won the Redskins’ starting job decisively. In the season-opening win over the New York Giants in September he contributed by running for 72 yards, with a touchdown and three caught passes. In his second game, he rushed for 96 yards on 20 carries. [Editor’s note: Hightower was injured in the game on October 23 and is expected to miss the rest of the season.]

Hightower isn’t the only Spider on the move as a pro. Justin Harper and Kevin Anderson, who led Richmond’s thrilling run to college basketball’s Sweet-16 last season, have signed with a professional team in Strasbourg, France. Harper’s tenure there depends on the length of the NBA work stoppage. The 6-foot-20 forward was chosen in the second round of the NBA draft by Cleveland and was immediately traded to Orlando. When the league shut down, Harper weighed his options and decided to join his friend Anderson, a 6-foot guard, in France. He’ll come back as soon as the NBA labor dispute ends.

In other news about the Spider’s Sweet-16 team: injured while playing in Belgium, Dan Geriot volunteers at Princeton University as assistant coach; Kevin Hovde now works in athletics at Columbia University; and Kevin Smith will play pro ball in Japan.
University of Richmond President Dr. Edward L. Ayers, at the site of the First Battle of Manassas/Bull Run, a seminal fight in the Civil War that Dr. Ayers has studied in detail.
History echoes across the panorama of Manassas National Battlefield Park. Rolling fields of grass there once felt the crush of men taking their first steps into battle, saw weapons drawn and blood shed, heard the cries of families torn apart. There began the rebirth of a nation, forged through the tragedy of war.

On July 21, 2011, America marked the 150th anniversary of the First Battle of Manassas/Bull Run, the seminal battle in America’s Civil War. As keynote speaker on that historic occasion, University of Richmond President Edward L. Ayers—a nationally recognized scholar of the Civil War—both described the immediate sights and sounds of that clash and illuminated its larger context as a battle that was expected to end, not start, a war.

The following pages include a significant excerpt from Ayers’ address, delivered at the battlefield at Manassas.

—Kimberly Catley
Day in and day out, people come to this site to encounter the defining event in our nation’s history. The story told by this place is larger than the details of the battle that unfolded here, but the story must start with that battle.

It was another hot July morning, exactly 150 years ago, when the armies of the barely born Confederacy and the badly shaken United States surrounded this spot for miles around, in every direction. It was a Sunday.

The two sides faced each other across Bull Run [a stream], behind you and to your left. The Confederates were squaring off against the largest army ever assembled in North America, fighting for the United States, marching in from Centreville and down from Washington.

Newspapers on both sides had been demanding a fight for weeks. Some people thought one major battle would be the very war itself, the beginning and the end, the resolution of decades of arguing over the place of slavery in the future of the United States. Surely, Confederates thought, their new enemies would see the impossibility of defeating a people so committed to their independence; the United States would be forced to acknowledge the Confederacy’s claims to nationhood. Surely, the Northerners thought, their new enemies would realize...
they could not overcome so vast and wealthy a nation as the United States and would rejoin the union they had helped to create. A decisive battle, they thought, would kill the rebellion in its infancy.

We know now, of course, how wrong they were. After all, how could they have imagined what lay ahead, four years and 620,000 American lives, the equivalent of six million Americans today?

How, too, could they have imagined that the war they began in earnest that day would become a war that would end perpetual bondage for four million people? Such a profound consequence was far from the minds of the people on either side that day, for such a consequence seemed impossible. But had the Civil War turned out differently, American slavery, never stronger than it was in 1861, might have lived on for generations more, its survival changing the paths of world history. The significance of this battle, in other words, radiates far beyond the boundaries of this park and far beyond the limits of the single day in which it shattered this landscape.

So let’s go a little deeper into our understanding of this place, beginning by seeing what it had been before it suddenly became a battlefield. Part of this land was a farm owned by a free black man, James Robinson. Susan Gaskins, with whom he raised a family even though she was enslaved, bore eight children with James and, as Virginia law dictated, the children took the mother’s status as slaves. Susan and her daughters were freed at the death of her owner, and James was able to earn enough money to buy two of their sons, but two others were sold from this place to the plantations of Louisiana.

Another part of this land was owned by a widow, Judith Carter Henry, who had left much of the farm fallow after her husband’s death a few years earlier; it had grown up in cedar and pine. She was 85 years old, an invalid tended by her son, daughter, and a young enslaved woman, Lucy Griffith, whom Mrs. Henry hired from a neighboring minister.

Virginia tore itself apart over secession in the months before the battle here. Its delegates to a convention to decide the path the state would follow dreaded the consequences and delayed action for months, but a majority finally decided once the fighting began between North and South that they had no choice but to side with their “sister” slave states. Some Virginians had warned that battles would ravage this beautiful state, but other Virginians considered such battles a small price to pay for independence from what they saw as the tyrannical United States.

The residents of most of the counties of this area of Virginia voted for the Constitutional Union candidate in the presidential election of 1860, but this county voted for the strong Southern Rights Democrat. In the convention that finally took Virginia out of the Union, the sole delegate from this place voted for secession. He did so, he told the convention in Richmond, because a mass meeting in Prince William County resolved that Virginia should secede from the United States “as soon as possible” and join the seven states in the new Confederacy, “whose interests and social institutions are identical with our own.” Prince William voted for secession on April 4, before Fort Sumter, when delegates from counties on every side voted to stay in the Union, and then again on April 17, when Fairfax and Alexandria, with all the other counties that stretched along the Maryland border, voted to stay. Prince William, in other words, was one of the northernmost counties that voted to secede and it did so enthusiastically. Today, Manassas is part of greater Washington; in

Marking Progress

Fifty years ago, as the United States marked the centennial anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War, the nation was in the midst of an ongoing struggle—the Civil Rights Movement. Today, “we’re harvesting what we’ve learned about the depth and breadth of the injustice of both slavery and segregation,” University of Richmond President Edward L. Ayers says.

“This is the best chance to honestly reckon with this part of our past, at a time when the nation’s attention is focused on the war’s meaning.”

Over the course of the next four years, as the nation commemorates the milestones of Civil War and emancipation, Ayers hopes it will also continue to reframe the underlying story. “You can only learn that story by seeing how the different pieces connect and what the consequences are, and that can take years to play out,” he says. “I’d like to think that as people watch the story evolve and adapt over the next four years, we’ll have a much deeper, human story as part of the national narrative.”

—Kimberly Catley
1861, it was firmly in the South. Virginia’s decision to side with the Confederacy made a vast difference in the war. Without Virginia’s large population of black and white, without the industrial might of Richmond, without the supply of food from her rich farms, the Confederacy could not have fought for so long. And without the support of the people of northern Virginia, so close to Washington, Virginia could not have hoped to sustain the army and thus the Confederacy for four years.

Even before the battle here, people on both sides realized that the area around Manassas was a likely place for the first serious conflict of the war. Manassas mattered because it was Manassas Junction, where crucial railroads met, connecting northern Virginia with the Shenandoah Valley, with the rich Piedmont, and with the new Confederate capital in Richmond. Railroads, a recent arrival on the American landscape, would become the very sinews of the Civil War. Time and again, battles would rage to seize or protect or destroy a railroad. Trains brought the vast supplies that tens of thousands of men needed to live in the field for months at a time. And trains could bring the reinforcements that could turn a battle when it seemed lost.

The battle at this place would also see the first use of a system of semaphore flags to send the equivalent of Morse code, to transmit complex information across miles; one such message played a critical role in the battle here, alerting the Confederates to a surprise maneuver. In this place, too, the United States would make the first use of balloon reconnaissance, providing a glimpse of the breadth and complexity of the scenes playing out below.

Around us today soldiers first heard the rebel yell. Beside us, the most famous nickname in all American military history would emerge—“Stonewall.” And on this battlefield the Confederates would realize they must have a distinctive battle flag, time to carry news of the country’s crisis and bloodshed.

Here, too, people would first see the devastating effects of war on civilians. The Henry house provided no shelter at all for Judith Henry, unable to be moved, killed by a shell in her bed, her daughter hiding in the chimney, and her hired slave beneath her bed. That house would become one of countless places destroyed by war. Women would be critical participants in the war, becoming nurses, and community leaders, and spies, and even soldiers as the war consumed one community after another.

But all of that lay ahead on the morning of July 21, 1861. That morning, some of the soldiers where you are were praying, some were boasting. Some were hoping for a fight, some dreading the idea of either shooting or being shot.

We need to imagine, if we can, a vast array of men, gathered from all over the country, in the army for only weeks, wearing uniforms that were anything but uniform, enlisting for months rather than for years, stretched out around us here for miles, with no way to communicate quickly or effectively. You need to imagine these soldiers as young, their average age 21. You need to imagine a place of unbelievable noise, with the cannon roaring and biting and killing for hour upon hour, with men and horses screaming, with smoke obscuring every line of vision, with the relentless musket fire making it sound as if the woods...
were on fire all around. “The bursting of shells, the shrieking of cannonballs, the crashing as they splintered the trees would have filled the soul of a warrior with ecstasy,” remembered one Virginian. “Not being a warrior, but a plain citizen, I saw nothing entertaining in such a hubbub. We lay as flat as flounders.”

You need to imagine immense confusion, with mistakes and failures and brilliance and bravery all swirled together, unclear what was what at the time. On this apparently gentle landscape, small creeks with slippery banks and rutted roads with narrow bridges presented vast obstacles when thousands of men had to drag wagons and cannon and horses and mules and supplies across them.

In its most general outlines, a sketch of the fighting here is relatively simple. The United States army tried to slide around the Confederate forces to the west, to the ridge behind us, and then move south to take this flank. Although the United States had greater numbers, they were not coordinated effectivley and the Confederates were able to push them back away from Henry Hill. In the afternoon, the final reinforcements arrived via railroad from the Shenandoah Valley and overran the Union forces near here. The first guns fired around dawn and by 4 o’clock in the afternoon had fallen silent as the Union army retreated to Washington. The retreat began in an orderly way, but broke down into chaos as soldiers struggled to cross Cub Run with massive guns and Confederate artillery shells bursting above them. About 50 civilian spectators, members of the Washington elite, male and female, were engulfed by the retreat and the pursuing Confederates. One Congressman from New York was captured and sent to a Richmond prison.

At the time, this battle was understood north and south as a United States defeat, though the two sides lost roughly equal numbers of men—about 5,000 total killed, wounded, or missing. The United States was humiliated by the loss and by the ragged retreat; but Abraham Lincoln, in office for only a few months, issued calls within the next week for a million men to join the Union cause, this time for three years rather than for three months. Rallyed by this defeat, Union men flooded the enlistment offices.

During the year after this battle, Abraham Lincoln and some members of his party came to realize that destroying slavery would be essential to defeating the Confederacy. The determined efforts by enslaved people to flee to Union lines began even before this battle when three men rowed to freedom at Fort Monroe in May, revealing their desperate longing for freedom. Slowly, some came to realize that uprooting slavery might help redeem the slaughter of the war and the history of a nation that had so long been built on slavery. Eventually, as black men fought and died for the Union, some would even come to believe in something like equality for African-Americans.

But that was many battles, many lives, many defeats, in the future. That future would convert this crucial battle to First Manassas, First Bull Run. The brief Civil War imagined in 1861 would stretch on longer than people thought they could bear, bringing consequences greater than they could have imagined on that hot July morning a hundred and fifty years ago. We have inherited the national unity and the end of slavery that war eventually brought. We are all fortunate that the battle fought here did not, as so many hoped and expected, begin and end the American Civil War.

In response to the growing need to tell the story beyond the battlefield, the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission developed the Virginia Civil War 150 HistoryMobile. The “museum on wheels” was unveiled at the Manassas commemorative events and then hit the road to visit museums, parks, fairs, schools, and other sites throughout Virginia and beyond. It tells the stories of real people whose lives were shaped by the Civil War.

Amanda Kleintop, ’11, who worked as an intern for the commission, contributed research from her senior thesis project to the exhibit. Her love for history blossomed during her first semester at Richmond, when she took a class with the University’s president and historian of the South, Dr. Edward L. Ayers. “That’s when I began to understand some of the intersections between race and history and culture that made it more interesting to me,” she says.

Following graduation, Kleintop joined the commission full time and was on hand to assist the HistoryMobile’s first visitors at Manassas. “I’ve always wanted to experience [curating] a museum exhibit,” she says. “Watching the process has been a huge learning experience for me.”

To learn more about the HistoryMobile, visit www.virginiacivilwar.org/historymobile.

—Kimberly Catley
The diversity of the Chaplaincy is represented in its staff, students, and campus ministry leaders.
Engaging the Heart

The Chaplaincy works to inspire and engage.

When the Rev. Craig Kocher first arrived on campus some two years ago to lead the Office of the Chaplaincy, he met a first-year student who asked, “What exactly does a chaplain do?” Since his appointment, Kocher, a United Methodist minister, has ardently pursued the best way to articulate an answer to this question for the entire University community. Ask him that question today and his answer is encapsulated in the Chaplaincy’s mission statement: To inspire generous faith and engage the heart of the University.
“I want everything we do in this office to be inspiring,” Kocher explains. Speaking with the measured cadence of an experienced preacher, Kocher says that “faith should lift people to their best and highest ideals. I want what we do to be generous—there is too much mean-spirited judgementalism in our society that pushes people apart rather than bringing them together.”

In all of the Chaplaincy’s programs, Kocher says, the office seeks to “engage the heart” of Richmond. “I believe the University has a heart, that we’re not just a machine that takes students from incoming 18-year-olds to fully finished 22-year-olds,” he says. “This is a human process. I don’t always know where the heart is, but I always want to seek it out.”

As the University enrolls more international students and students from diverse backgrounds, religious representation on campus is more varied than ever. “As students come here from across the world, they bring their religious traditions with them,” Kocher says. “We want to welcome every student who comes to Richmond in a way that encourages them and gives them the resources to express their most sacred commitments.”

Today, Richmond’s Chaplaincy employs five full-time staff, including the University’s first campus rabbi. Its 18 campus ministries represent all five major world religions—Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, and Judaism.

This inclusivity has grown organically from the University’s beginnings as a Virginia Baptist seminary in 1830, and Kocher says those Baptist roots remain vital in the fabric of the University. “Virginia Baptists began as an oppressed religious minority in Virginia. As such, they were passionate about their own freedom to practice faith, and committed to the idea that others should be free to follow different sacred paths,” Kocher says. “That sense of particularity and freedom is essential to what we are trying to do in the Chaplaincy.”

Prior to joining the University as Jessie Ball duPont Chair of the Chaplaincy, Kocher spent six years at Duke University, where he was associate dean of the chapel and director of religious life. Earlier, he served as associate pastor at David-
son United Methodist Church and as campus minister at Davidson College. He earned his undergraduate degree in American history at the University of North Carolina and went on to earn a Master of Divinity from Duke Divinity School. A member of the University faculty, he is currently teaching in the Jepson School of Leadership Studies. He is married to the Rev. Abby Kocher, associate pastor at Reveille United Methodist Church in Richmond.

Kocher grew up in Chapel Hill, N.C. His family attended the Methodist church that stood on the campus of the University of North Carolina. He says the biggest influences on his life were education—his parents were involved in academia—and the church, and there are obvious parallels between those influences and his current role. “I love working with students at the intersection of faith, academic life, and personal discovery,” Kocher says. “This is the kind of work I feel called to do.”

Kocher says he was attracted to Richmond because “it combined the intimacy of a small college with the energy and possibilities of a much larger institution. To be a part of a school that was secular in practice yet valued religious faith and gave a platform for the Chaplaincy at a senior level within the University was an incredible opportunity.”

Moreover, Kocher recognized the strong foundation that had been established by 30 years of leadership by Dr. David Burhans, who served as chaplain to the University from...
1974 to 2004. The two men are friends and speak often. “I feel like everything I’m doing builds on the work of David Burhans,” Kocher says. “It’s difficult to overestimate the extraordinary work he did for 30 years. Without that foundation, I wouldn’t be able to do the work I am doing now.”

Alumni representatives assisted in the search that led to Kocher’s appointment, reflecting a deep interest in the Chaplaincy among Richmond graduates. “Within hours of the public announcement that I had been selected for this position I had numerous emails from alums, all of whom wanted to wish me well,” he says. Kocher enjoys the opportunity to celebrate with alumni at campus weddings and to interact with the Chapel Guild, some 60 dedicated friends of the Chaplaincy, many of whom are Westhampton alums.

The chaplain is part of the University’s senior administration, reporting directly to the president and serving in the President’s Cabinet. Burhans says that relationship was intentional from the start, and was a factor in his own decision to join the University. “When the University president says, ‘the Chaplaincy is important to me,’ it makes the Chaplaincy more legitimate as a vision for University life,” Burhans explains. (For further perspectives from Dr. Burhans, see “Vantage Point” on page 52.)

Kocher says that University President Dr. Edward L. Ayers is deeply committed to the work of the Chaplaincy. “He understands the importance of faith in people’s lives and the importance of people of faith learning from one another in order to create a better world,” Kocher says.

FULFILLING GOALS

Kocher spent his first year as chaplain developing a strategic plan. The goals of the plan emerged from the aspirations of students, staff, faculty, and the many alumni who worked with Kocher upon his arrival. The Chaplaincy’s current initiatives are all designed to fulfill the plan’s goals of including more faith traditions.
on campus, expanding multifaith initiatives, developing programming for students to pursue spiritual renewal, and providing pastoral care to all members of the University community.

The Chaplaincy has accomplished a lot in a short time. Perhaps its highest profile new initiative—and certainly its most far-flung—is the Pilgrimage Program, in which students travel to significant places of religious tension and possibility to learn more about themselves, their neighbors, and the wider world.

This past May, Kocher, along with Emily Cobb, director of multifaith initiatives, and Rabbi Andrew Goodman, the University’s first director of Jewish life and campus rabbi, led a group of nine Jewish, Muslim, and Christian students on a two-week trip to Israel as part of the Chaplaincy’s first Pilgrimage. They visited sites sacred to all three religions and grappled with the religious and political challenges the country faces. The trip was designed so that students would connect more deeply with their own faith, think critically about their own beliefs, and learn more about the beliefs of others.

The Pilgrimage to Israel was a “life-changing experience,” says Colin Billings, ’13. “I knew when I applied that it would transcend most academic learning that I have done.” Billings, an Episcopalian from Connecticut, will never forget the moment when the group was standing atop a hill overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem and listened to the muezzin’s call to prayer while church bells tolled simultaneously.

“It was a really powerful moment for all of us,” he recalls. “It helped us to understand why we were there.”

Dana Urban, ’14, a Jewish student from Coopersburg, Pa., had visited Israel when she was in high school. Returning as part of the Pilgrimage Program, she saw the country through different eyes. “We were told it was going to be a journey and a challenge, but when we got there it exceeded any of our expectations,” she says. “It challenged everything I thought about Israel and everything I thought about religion.”

Goodman had visited Israel numerous times but had never experienced the country from a multifaith perspective. Not only did he visit Muslim and Christian holy sites for the first time, “but more important was hearing the Christian voices and the Muslim voices in the conversation,” he says. “It complicated things, but in a good way. It meant we engaged with Israel not as a museum, but as an ongoing civilization with ongoing struggles.”

Cobb, who coordinated the Pilgrimage to Israel, shares a poignant memory about the 2011 trip. Because of travel advisories the group was not allowed to visit Muslim sacred sites during the Palestinian day of mourning marking the anniversary of Israel’s founding in 1948. This meant that the Richmond group’s Muslim student could not visit sites sacred to her religion. “For our Muslim student to have that taken from her was such a blow to her dreams of what it meant to be in Israel,” Cobb says, “and it was a blow to the group as well.”

On the last day of the trip, however, the Muslim student finally got permission to visit Al-Aqsa Mosque in the Old City of Jerusalem. Because non-Muslims cannot enter the mosque, the rest of the group waited outside while she worshipped inside. “The entire group cheered for her when she came out,” Cobb recalls. “It was an amazing moment to see students come together on that last day and understand what it means to be a community able to rejoice in our similarities and appreciate one another’s differences.”

History

The Board of Trustees established the position of Chaplain to the University in 1973 at the behest of then-president Dr. E. Bruce Heilman. The next year, the University hired Dr. David Burhans (above), a Baptist minister, as the University’s first chaplain. Until his retirement in 2004, Burhans worked tirelessly to build a vibrant Chaplaincy on campus.

Burhans, who today serves the University as special assistant to advancement and chaplain emeritus, recalls how Heilman helped convince him to leave his ministry in Huntsville, Ala., to take on the challenge of building the Chaplaincy at the University of Richmond. “He wanted this new position to serve all the University community: students, faculty, and staff,” Burhans says. “The wide reach of the position was important to Dr. Heilman.”

In 1986, the Chaplaincy was made a permanent part of University life with a $1.5 million endowment, created through a $750,000 challenge grant from the Jessie Ball duPont Religious, Charitable, and Educational Fund. “Dr. Heilman wanted an endowment to support the Chaplaincy so it would always be an important part of the University,” says Craig Kocher. This year the Chaplaincy will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Jessie Ball duPont Endowment and matching gifts that have endowed the Chaplaincy.
Upon their return, the nine students who participated in the trip formed the University’s first Multi-faith Student Council. Through local and regional visits to houses of worship, brown bag discussions, and service projects, the group will continue the discussions it began on the Pilgrimage itself.

The Chaplaincy will take another group of students to Israel next May. The Pilgrimage Program is also an umbrella for other sacred journeys. It includes a fall Renewal Retreat at Richmond Hill, a monastic community in downtown Richmond, and a spring break trip to the Taizé Christian community in France.

TOOLS FOR THE WORLD
Multifaith initiatives such as the Pilgrimage Program are an essential part of the Chaplaincy’s strategic plan. With the vast majority of the world’s population claiming a religious identity, Kocher says that “part of what we are doing is giving students the tools they need to be leaders in a world of religious vibrancy and tension.”

Cobb, who earned her Master of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York, is passionate about building bridges across faiths. She especially enjoys working with college students, who she says are “at a unique point in their development.” If the Chaplaincy can help students be more understanding and compassionate toward people with different beliefs, she believes it will have done its job.

“It’s in the rich, varied, and vibrant lives of our students where the heart of the University is found.”

Kocher stresses that the Chaplaincy’s focus on multifaith programs recognizes that the integrity of multifaith work is dependent on strong support for University community members practicing their own particular faith traditions. In that spirit, he has reinstated a weekly Christian worship service on campus, Kairos, in the Cannon Chapel each Tuesday night. Each service focuses on a theme and question that help students reflect on their lives and their relationship to God and the world around them. “The Chaplaincy is very much committed to the Christian tradition just as it is committed to other traditions,” he says. As part of his role, Kocher says, “I want to be fully who I am as Protestant pastor in a way that allows others to be fully who they are.”

This summer the Chaplaincy institutionalized its commitment to Judaism with the addition of Rabbi Goodman to its staff (see page 7). Goodman is responsible for leading the University’s Hillel and other religious, cultural, and social programming in Jewish life. “Richmond has a long tradition of Jewish life,” Kocher says. “Richmond was welcoming Jewish students back in the 1940s when Ivy League universities still had quotas. This is a natural progression for the University.”

As Richmond’s director of Jewish
life, Goodman hopes to raise the visibility of Jews on campus. “As religious minorities in the states, it is easy for Jews to want to remain under the radar,” he says. “That can be especially true when entering into a different culture like a historically Baptist institution. I want to show that UR is a welcoming place for less visible faith traditions.” He wants students to feel comfortable expressing their Judaism, whether in cultural or religious ways.

Urban, who was surprised to have the opportunity to travel to Israel at a predominately Christian school, is thrilled Goodman is part of the Chaplaincy’s team. “I only looked at schools that had a Hillel,” she says. “I wanted to have some kind of connection to my Judaism and somewhere to go on Jewish holidays. For me, Judaism has been very cultural and spiritual. Having that community and support means a lot to me.”

“I think it’s important for Jewish and non-Christian religious minorities to see they have a role model on campus, to see you can be religious and non-Christian and that’s all right,” Goodman says. He also hopes to work with prospective students and alumni to get the word out that Jewish life is vibrant at Richmond.

“That is one of the beauties of college,” he says. “College is that time where you realize that these differences are what make you interesting.”

**ASKING DEEPER QUESTIONS**

Students who come to college with a strong faith in a particular religion want to be involved and ask deeper questions about their beliefs, and spiritual formation is another of the Chaplaincy’s objectives. That’s something Bryn Bagby Taylor, ’00, director of spiritual formation, can relate to personally. She was a Virginia Baptist Scholar at Richmond, a scholarship that was awarded to students active in their church, community service, and ministry. Involved in the Chaplaincy’s programs as a student, she feels right at home as part of its staff today.

Taylor oversees many Chaplaincy programs that help students connect more deeply to their faith. In addition to coordinating the weekly Kairos service and other Christian worship services on campus, Taylor is responsible for the Chaplaincy’s One Book, One Campus program (see sidebar) and Consider This, a monthly dinner series in which three students, three faculty, and three staff members gather to discuss questions relevant to the broad purposes of higher education and the experience of living and working together at the University of Richmond.

As a Master of Divinity student at Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond, Taylor became interested in how students explore spirituality. In her role at Richmond, she has witnessed that exploration firsthand. “Sometimes our students don’t even know how to name what they are experiencing. They will tell me that they are involved in so many things across campus that they don’t have time to reflect on who they really are,” she says. “They may not identify that as spiritual, but there are a lot of students eager to make meaning out of what is happening in their lives.”

“It’s in the rich, varied, and vibrant lives of our students,” Taylor says, “where the heart of the University is found.”

For more information about the Chaplaincy, visit chaplaincy.richmond.edu.

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**One Book, One Campus**

For the past seven years, one of the Richmond Chaplaincy’s signature programs has been One Book, One Campus. This campuswide effort encourages students, faculty, and staff to read a selected book on a social justice issue. This year’s selection is *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*, by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn.

Those reading the book are invited to monthly discussions about it. People from across the University community are invited to contribute to the conversation. In November, co-author WuDunn spoke as part of the Jepson Leadership Forum.

Bryn Bagby Taylor, ’00, director of spiritual formation for the Chaplaincy, coordinates the program. Through the One Book program, she says, the Chaplaincy can “use its position to bring the wider community together around a common text that is focused on an area of great social concern and possibility.”

The Rev. Craig Kocher says the One Book program, which has proven decidedly successful, brings to life the fifth objective of the Chaplaincy’s strategic plan: Animating conversations of meaning across lines of difference to cultivate ideals of responsible living and learning. “One Book helps all of us learn more about how to live as responsible citizens in a global community,” he says.
M
embers of the UR Class of 2015 arrived on campus in August, officially kicking off their college careers and joining the proud ranks of Spiders worldwide. The class of 781 students—selected from 9,431 applications, the largest pool in Richmond’s history—is the most diverse ever to move into the residence halls. Among its members are scholars, athletes, artists, entrepreneurs, humanitarians, and more.

“The Spider Class of 2015 is comprised of some of the brightest and most talented young minds in the nation and abroad,” says Gil Villanueva, assistant vice president and dean of admission. “Just as we carefully selected them from a well-qualified applicant pool, they chose us as well from many great college options.”
APPLICATIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

APPLICATIONS FOR FALL ENTRY

Enrolled Class by Admission Status

33% Admit rate

9% Legacy students

with a grandparent, parent, or sibling connection

Regular Decision 64%

Early Decision 36%

2006: 5,423
2007: 6,653
2008: 7,970
2009: 7,880
2010: 8,661
2011: 9,431

Applications for Fall Entry up 9% from 2010

2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011
Ahalan! Ni hao! Hallo!
Bonjour! Guten Tag!
Ciao! Kon-nichiwa!
¡Hola! Zdravstvuyte!

Women 53%
MEN 47%

99% LIVE ON CAMPUS

21% U.S. STUDENTS OF COLOR
9% INTERNATIONAL CITIZENS

TYPE OF HIGH SCHOOL
PUBLIC 57%
INDEPENDENT 43%

1 out of every 8 speaks a first language other than English.
1 out of every 6 is the first in his or her family to attend college.

The “Gathering”

On August 21, as orientation drew to a close and the University prepared for the beginning of the fall semester, first-year students gathered for an official introduction to Richmond and one another.

For the first time as an entire class, the group came together in the Robins Center, where President Edward L. Ayers shared the story of the University and the people that made the school what it is today. Dr. Ayers encouraged the newest Spiders to make the most of the opportunities available to them on campus, and to get out and see what the city of Richmond has to offer. He asked them to get involved, to take care of one another, and to commit to building an inclusive University community.

The Class of 2015 then joined in their first Richmond tradition, the singing of the Alma Mater, led by three of the University’s a cappella groups—The Octaves, Choeur du Roi, and Off the Cuff. A group walk across campus, a cookout at the Jepson Alumni Center, and the signing of the class banner punctuated the day and sent the group off into the academic year.

“My welcome address focused on the history of the University because our remarkable new students are preparing to confront many of the same challenges and opportunities as their predecessors of a century ago,” Ayers says. “College life is about new beginnings and enduring traditions.”
GEOGRAPHY

STUDENTS IN THE CLASS OF 2015 COME FROM:

40 U.S. STATES AND TERRITORIES

30 COUNTRIES

U.S. state with largest representation
The Class of 2015 includes:

- 297 National Honor Society members
- 276 athletic team captains
- 55 student government and/or class presidents
- 52 editors of school publications
- 16 Eagle Scout or Girl Scout Gold Award Winners

### MBA, Law, and Professional and Continuing Studies

**Richmond MBA**
The MBA program welcomed 37 new students this fall, a six percent increase over last year’s incoming class. For the first time since 2007, women make up more than 40 percent of the cohort.

**School of Law**
The School of Law enrolled 154 new students this fall. Richmond was one of only 30 law schools in the country that had any increase in applications, and one of only 12 schools in the country that experienced an increase of more than ten percent.

**School of Professional and Continuing Studies**
The School of Professional and Continuing Studies (SPCS) admitted and enrolled 298 new degree-seeking students into its undergraduate and graduate programs for the year—a seven percent increase over last year.

- A Gates Millenium Scholar.
- A student who has been published in *The Washington Post*.
- A former intern at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, China.
- A Girls Nation participant.
- The co-founder of the Student Alliance for Homeless Youth in Chicago.
- The Odyssey of the Mind second-place winner.
- A student who served as an intern at Major League Baseball.
- A student who has danced with the Boston Ballet.
- A five-time state competition winner in piano.
- A recipient of the American Chemical Society Award.
- A student who raised $130,000 to purchase a mammography machine for her community in memory of her late mother.
ARTS
Alumni artist also is accomplished teacher
Marriott, Lockheed Martin, and the Federal Reserve Bank are just a few of the prestigious places where you might find an oil painting by Dan Bartges, G’72. A full-time artist since 1996, Bartges paints landscapes, still lifes, and portraits. His work is regularly featured in national and regional exhibitions. Among other venues, the accomplished painter has lectured on art and color at the Smithsonian American Art Museum and the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

This year, Arts and Activities, a national magazine, asked Bartges to write about what it takes to create a good painting. Entitled “Sail the Seven Cs to Better Painting,” his ten-part series will cover concept, composition, confidence, color, contrast, character, and courage. Last year, Bartges wrote a similar series on color harmony.

That earlier series was sparked by a book Bartges wrote, Color is Everything, published in 2008. Using examples of great artists’ color schemes, the book shows painters how to create color harmony whether they are working in oils, watercolors, or acrylics.

MEDICINE
Richmond neuroscience sparks M.D.’s career
Given her self-described lifelong curiosity about the human mind, it’s understandable that Frances Hardaway, M.D., ’07, decided to study psychology as a Richmond undergrad. Perhaps more surprising, however, is that she traces her journey towards neurosurgery to a favorite University professor who encouraged her to study what makes things tick.

“Neuroscience in general always fascinated me—how complex the human brain is,” says Hardaway, a first-year medical resident at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) in Portland. Dr. Craig Kinsley, a psychology professor and coordinator of Richmond’s neuroscience program, nurtured that fascination. Hardaway says that Kinsley “let me come up with my own experiments. It was a great way to get my feet wet.”

Now, Hardaway, who earned a medical degree in South Carolina after graduation, is fully immersed in OHSU’s highly selective neuroscience program. Through long days there, she’s gaining valuable hands-on surgical experience in one of medicine’s most demanding specialties.

The Florence, S.C.,

Frances Hardaway, M.D., ’07, spends long days at the Oregon Health and Science University in Portland.
Opportunities to network

We were delighted to welcome the class of 2015 and new transfer students to campus in August. This year, the University proudly enrolled 71 legacy students, who constitute 9 percent of the class of 2015.

With the admission process under way for the class of 2016, we remind those of you with high school-age children that Richmond remains committed to providing an accessible and affordable education to all students. We waive the admission application fee for children of alumni. For information on the application process or to inquire about the alumni fee waiver, contact the Office of Admission at (800) 700-1662 or via email at admission@richmond.edu.

As alumni, you have many tools and opportunities to connect with fellow Spiders and leverage the Spider network:

• Visit alumni.richmond.edu to access UROnline and search the alumni directory. You also can check out regional alumni events in your area and update your contact information to ensure you receive news and information from UR.

• Utilize the Career Development Center’s services to access the University’s job opportunity database, SpiderConnect (Law and SPCS alumni have access to separate online career services); receive industry-specific job announcements by email; connect to the greater Spider network through the UR Career Network; and have an opportunity to provide career-related advice to a student or alum.

• Show your Spider pride by registering for an @richmond.edu email address. The University will forward messages from your new richmond.edu address to your current email account.

For more about Richmond, visit richmond.edu. Go Spiders!

Gil J. Villanueva  Sam Kaufman, ’99
Dean of Admission  President
is a principal/investment banker at Dominion Partners, L.C. Hunter Allen, ’06, of Frankfort, Ky., was elected treasurer. He is a law clerk for the Hon. Danny C. Reeves in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Four new members of the URAA also were elected. Alexander Carnevale, ’95, of Dippach, Luxembourg, is vice president for global operations at Performance Fibers. Carlton Greer, ’95, of Paris, is corporate counsel for Pernod Ricard. Lisa Gable Wheatley, ’01, of Manhattan Beach, Calif., works for Life Technologies in strategy and corporate development, mergers and acquisitions. Brett Wigdortz, ’95, of London, is CEO and founder of Teach First.

Books

Alumnus pens “manual” on forgiveness

A new book by R. Scott Hurd, B’89, Forgiveness: A Catholic Approach (Pauline Books & Media, 2011), addresses the spiritual, psychological, physical, and social benefits of learning how to forgive and find peace. A priest who serves in the Archdiocese of Washington, Father Hurd also serves as executive director of the archdiocese’s Office of the Permanent Diaconate and assists at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church in Greenbelt, Md.

More alumni books

Dennis Averill, R’80, recently published his first book, Lean Sustainability: Creating Safe, Enduring, and Profitable Operations (Productivity Press, 2011). The book describes how organizations can integrate safety, sustainability, and lean production processes to achieve sustained business growth that protects people, planet, and profit. Averill works as senior manager for safety, health, and environment for the international consumer products manufacturer Unilever.

Writing under the nom de plume of Frank Troy, Frank Hanenkrat, R’61, has published his first novel, Buried: The Discernment of Pagans in Ancient Rome (available via Amazon).

Charity

Alumnus leads fundraising climb

As a cofounder and managing partner of the Englewood, Colorado, Internet-based phone company IP5280, John Scarborough, R’86, keeps busy. But that didn’t stop him from leading 175 people—and dogs—on a climb for charity to the top of Colorado’s 14,060-foot-high Mount Bierstadt, on August 12. This year’s climb, the sixth annual, raised more than $50,000 for the local Children’s Hospital and a foundation that works for the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Awards

Two alumnae win prestigious honors

Two University alumnae recently received notable...
honors in their respective fields. University Trustee Emerita Amanda DeBusk, W’78, a partner and chair of the International Trade Department at the law firm Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, has received the Lifetime Achievement Award for her outstanding service to the Association of Women in International Trade (WIIT) and its sister group, the Women in International Trade Charitable Trust. Presented in June in Washington, D.C., the award recognizes “all DeBusk has done to support women and other attorneys throughout her career.” DeBusk was Commerce Department Assistant Secretary for Export Enforcement from 1997 to 2000.

In May, Suzanne Milchling, W’80, made history when she became the first woman to be promoted into the Senior Executive Service (SES) at the U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC). The SES is an elite corps of executives, representing just .02 percent of the federal workforce, who serve in key positions just below top presidential appointees. As the ECBC’s director of program integration, Milchling manages business activities and operating processes for a research and development organization of more than 1,800 scientists, engineers, and technicians.

RegiOnal spOtlight

Prior to the Spider football season opener against Duke, Don Kent, R’60, and Philip Craig, B’60, celebrated at an alumni pre-game tailgate in Durham, North Carolina. The Spiders won 23-21.

Spiders who were in attendance at a networking reception in New York City this past summer included Makiko Matsumoto, ’05, Austin Mills, ’05, and Lindsay Morris, ’05.

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In Tampa Bay, Spiders spent a fun afternoon at a Tampa Bay Rays game. The event included a pre-game lunch and a behind-the-scenes tour with Tom Hoof, R’84, vice president for marketing and community relations for the team.

For more information about regional alumni events, visit alumni.richmond.edu.
CLASS OF ’31
Selma Rothschild Mann, W, is in good health and lives in Richmond with her dog, JB. She turned 100 on Oct. 10 and had a birthday celebration in Keller Hall on Oct. 9.

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Marjorie Wilson Glick now proudly claims twin great-grandsons. After spending the winter months in Florida, Margaret “Peggy” Vicars Early and her husband returned home in time for Mother’s Day. The Earlys have five granddaughters and one great-granddaughter. When I called Clarine Cunningham Bergren, she was in a flurry of visits from several family members. Clarine has eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Her 90th birthday was the reason for a wonderful weekend with family members in Greenville, S.C.

Rosellen Hoffman Via is doing well. Having once traveled around the world with her husband, her travels these days are limited to visiting her daughter’s family in Texas. She also has three sons. Despite a faulty heart valve that slows her down a little, Evelyn Clifton Winowary stays active, including belonging to two book clubs and taking a course on American presidents. Helen Moon Cashwell also is in good health and doing well. Her grandson received his master’s degree from divinity school in North Carolina in May.

Eunice Bass Browning takes advantage of all the activities her senior residence offers and enjoys seeing her great-grandson. Winnifred Houser Gill enjoys good health. She is very proud that her grandson, a senior in high school, played his violin with a trio in a program at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Unfortunately, Frances Calisch Rothenberg had a bad fall and was recuperating in a rehab center. Ada Moss Harlow also took a nasty tumble but was able to recover at home. Our sincere sympathy is offered to the family and friends of LaVerne Priddy Muse on her unexpected death April 12, 2011, in Arlington, Va.

Keep smiling and well.

CLASS OF ’45
Gladyd Lowden Metz reports that her favorite exercise program is working on balance. In June she visited her granddaughter in Denver, Colo.

Jane Wray Bristow McDorman attended this year’s reunion and the Boarwright Society Dinner at the University. She will move soon, but will still live in Chester, Va., near her daughter Pat.

Lottie Blanton Applewhite lives in a busy and interesting retirement center, Carol Woods Retirement Community in Chapel Hill, N.C. She left San Francisco for North Carolina and was a medical editor at Duke. She first lived in a cottage at Carol Woods, but she had a stroke three years ago and is now in the assisted living section. However, she is very active and gets around with a walker and is on the resident’s council.

In April I went to a reunion at the Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University, where I had been on the faculty. Jane Wray joined me for lunch.

CLASS OF ’46
Our 65th reunion was an exceptionally memorable weekend and those of you who were unable to come were sorely missed. Jean White Robeson and her husband, Andy, Virginia “Jinks” Booth Grabbage, Frances Anne Beale Goode, Virginia “Ding” Lambeth Shotwell, Calley Goode Jackson, and I arrived on Friday afternoon. On Saturday Nancy Todd Lewis and her daughter came from Gatesville, N.C., and Jackie Hodges Walker and her daughter came from Lawrenceville, Ga.

There are so many new buildings on campus and the University has done an outstanding job in keeping the architecture cohesive with the Gothic style of the original buildings while incorporating some modern touches that make it especially beautiful. The new stadium is outstanding and can hold 9,000 people.

On Friday afternoon several of us attended the lecture on the Civil War by the University’s president, Dr. Ayers. He dispelled many of our erroneous ideas of why the Civil War occurred. It would be interesting to read one of the several books he has written concerning the Civil War. Calley and I attended the Boarwright Dinner Friday night while others went to a Westhampton gathering at the Deeney.

On Saturday morning, after campus tours, we met at the Bottomley House for a luncheon. We were served in the elegant dining room and it was a pure delight. After that we retired to the drawing room and each of us talked a little about what we were doing now so many years after graduation and then about the news gleaned from you in the phone calls we were able to complete and the letters you had sent.

There was a party in the Deeney for those who had worked on the reunion. I went as Calley’s guest. President Ayers was there and spoke briefly about the remarkable progress the University has made.

So many new studies have been added, especially in international studies and business. I just wish we could go back.

On Sunday, there was a breakfast for our class in the old Deeney. When the additions to the Deeney were done, they left the original house as it was. We could feel Miss Keller’s spirit there. At the memorial service in the chapel after breakfast, I could almost see Mary Lou Willis Bareford playing the organ. Memories crowded in for all of us.

As for news from our classmates, Jinks Booth Grabbage continues serving as a marriage family counselor and helping men in rehab at the Salvation Army. She has joined a national grief recovery team as a facilitator, and is an inspirational speaker to groups on the subject “Celebrate Yourself.” Jinks has three sons: one in Toronto, one in Birmingham, Ala., and one in Modesto, Calif.

Jean White Robeson and Andy still take their prized antique car to gatherings. Their son Jim displays a real talent for art and Jean has made postcards and notepaper using his...
designs. He lives independently with some supervision and comes home for lunch every Friday.

Jean mentioned that Mary Lou Willis Bareford’s brother Gordon Willis, R’43, died May 7, 2011. He was 90. One of the interesting things that happened in his life was the discovery of an enormous dino-sa ur footprint where his company was excavating near Culpepper, Va. Jean’s family had a reunion at “Sherwood,” her great-grandfather’s home.

Virginia “Ding” Lambeth Shortwell lives six months and one day in Florida, where she is a legal resident, and the rest of the year in Peabody, Mass. In Florida she is active gardening and helping people who need assistance with speaking. On one occasion, she preached a sermon. She also does interviews on TV and has done some production and directing.

Frances Anne Beale Goode moved out of her home of over 50 years and into a retirement center. She has been there eight months and is happy and at peace. She still has her car and drives to her church. She has found a writers’ group and other interesting things to do.

Nancy Todd Lewis is still in Gainesville, N.C. She helps with the food pantry three mornings a week and is active in her Baptist church. Her son, Todd, preaches in a nonde nominational church.

Calley Goode Jackson said her life revolves around her four children and her work. She first retired from MCV in 1996 and then “team taught,” volunteering for two years. The folks at MCV gave her an 80th birthday party in 2005 but even then she did not leave. The chairman of her department finally said, “Calley, you are not getting another party.” Whether that ultimatum was the last straw or not, I do not know, but she has been invited back to give two lectures each March.

On their way to the reunion, Jackie Hodges Walker and her daughter Anne stopped in South Boston, Va., Jackie’s hometown when she was in college. Jackie has been legally blind since she was a child and has a continuing problem with dimming sight, but she enjoys audio books from her public library.

I am busier than ever. My children, though scattered, come fairly often. I attend many lectures, especially those that are art related, and this spring I saw the Picasso exhibit at the newly refurbished and much-enlarged Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond. I serve on the parish day school board at our Episcopal church. I also enjoy my garden, the birds, the ocean, and especially my friends. The reunion committee endeavored to reach all of our classmates. Although we did not reach everyone, we did have a chance to share news from some of our classmates.

Irene White Bain is happy to be living in Chesapeake, Va., near her daughter Catherine. She has two granddaughters who graduated from Virginia Tech. Irene enjoys reading and her yard, especially the birds at the feeder. Mary Tuck Echols lives in Fort Defiance, Va., and has an art studio in nearby Staunton.

Peggy Clark Bowdler wrote that her sister-in-law Betty Bowdler Muirden passed away Aug. 9, 2010. Betty had been in failing health for some time and had moved to Ohio to be with her younger daughter.

Peggy also wrote that several energetic younger alumnae organized a Westhampton Group for the Northern Neck and the Middle Peninsula. She attended a lovely luncheon in December in Heathsville, Va., and had a great time.

In trying to reach Jeanne Pembworth Gammon, I learned that her husband, Charles, died June 25, 2007. Jeanne is being cared for by the Methodist Manor House in Seaford, Del.

Elaine Weil Weinberg’s husband, Larry, passed away May 17, 2011. They had been married 60 years and had moved into a lovely retirement center in March. Elaine said her three children, who live nearby, are helping her cope. She sends her warmest wishes to us and I’m sure we all send our sympathy and love to her at this difficult time.

In the above, taken in the 1960s, University cheerleaders hail the Spiders during a game at City Stadium in downtown Richmond. In the photo above, their counterparts cheer the team on in the University’s new, on-campus, 8,700-seat E. Claiborne Robins Stadium during its inaugural 2010 season.
CLASS OF ’48

To me, the highlight of this year’s beautiful spring in Virginia, especially at the University of Richmond, was the scholarship donor’s dinner and the Chapel Guild’s annual meeting and luncheon April 18. I noticed in the brochure of scholarship donors that our class stood out by its absence. Should we, could we, do something about that?

Chapel Guild is always lively and informative under the leadership of Nancy Heilmann Calle, W’75. At the luncheon I learned that Jean Brumsey Biscoe, is joining Mary Cross Marshall in becoming Betty Hickerson Butterworth’s neighbor at Westminster Canterbury, where it’s lively with pleasant company, activities, and special events aplenty. Attendees included Jean and her husband, Johnny Biscoe Jr., R’52; Betty Hickerson Butterworth and Jack “Butter” Butterworth; my husband, Bob Kilpatrick, R.; and me; Reid Spencer, R and L51; Bill Magee, R., and later, Mimi Anderson Gill, W’49, and Fletcher Stiers Jr., R. It is sad to say but of the five original men, Bill Magee remains. We WC gals, however, are still alive and kicking.

I am busy with road rebuilding, finding the leak in the main pond, and getting the Portland cement out of the old, hand-made brick in Foxwood’s chimneys and Springdale’s original block.

James Emerson Suttonfield, R’49, died Dec. 28, 2010. Jackie Pin Sutterfield was at Chapel Guild and I am sure she would appreciate your kind words and thoughtfulness.

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CLASS OF ’50

Greetings to all “Nifty Fifty!” I hope that all is going splendidly for you.

Marjorie Parson Owen enjoyed a delightful seven-day cruise to the Bahamas and Key West, Fla., in January with her Senior Circle group. She was thrilled with the success URI’s basketball team enjoyed this year. She attended all the home games and is now looking forward to this season’s football at our new stadium.

Many thanks to Janice Brandenburg Halloran, who did extensive reportorial work and shared the following class news:

Gene Hart Joyner has moved to Lakewood Manor and is still playing tennis and singing in the chancel choir at her church.

Barbara Coleman Augustine visited Jean Tinsley Martin and Ray on the occasion of her husband Jim’s reunion at St. Christopher’s.

Lee Reeves Childress is proud of her two grandchildren in England; Lucie is four and Everett is seven months old.

Louise “Ludie” Hickerson Wiley cruised from Florida to Copenhagen and then visited with her daughter, who lives in Germany. From there she went to the University of Texas for her granddaughter’s graduation. Next, our busy Ludie was matron of honor at a friend’s wedding.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Charlotte Westervelt Bispahm on the death of her husband, Edward K. Bispahm, III, June 5, 2011.

Take care and please keep sending me your news.

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CLASS OF ’51

Frances Allen School’s son David’s band was honored by the Georgia state legislature for its charity work and for 25 years of concert performances. Frances spent some time in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., visiting Nancy Taylor Johnson and Betty Munsey Spatz and her husband, Bob.

Thanks to all of you who helped me with our class news during the years. Many thanks to Barbara McGeelee Cooke for taking over as our new class secretary.

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Our 60th class reunion, held June 3–5, was a big success! Many thanks to the reunion committee and also to Thomas Howard, R., for their planning efforts.

Martha Carpenter, W and H’84, Gina Herrink Coppock, Ann Rogers Crittenden, Mary Booth Davis, Charlotte Houskins Decker, Owen Priddy Donahue, Elizabeth McRae Dudley, Jean Love Hanson, Helen Clark Hensley, Paula Abernethy Kelton, Liz Latimer Kokiko, Betsy Bethune Langhorne, Maryglyn Cooper McCraw, Lee Thompson Osburn, Charlotte Herrink Sayre, Frances Allen Schools, Betty Munsey Spatz, Frances Arrighi Tonacci, Jane Lawson Willis, Bobbie Lee and Dawn Yagel, and I attended the reunion. David “Dick” Hensley Jr., R.; Robert Miller; R; Elizabeth “Tay” Musick, R; Jim Payne, R; William Shahda, B; Edwin Snead III, R; and George Taylor Jr., R., were also in attendance.

The University of Richmond Alumni Office staff planned three days of outstanding reunion events, lectures, receptions, tours, dinners, picnics, sports, awards, and even fireworks. Those who attended had the opportunity to talk with many alumni as well as to see older buildings that had been renovated and spectacular new construction.

The Class of ’51 enjoyed each other’s company at the F.W. Boarwright Society annual banquet and the alumni picnic on Lakeview Lane. The Saturday night reception and dinner took place in the beautiful Jepson Alumni Center. The pictures taken by a photographer of different small groups can be found at alumni.richmond.edu. (Click through for information on reunion weekend and you will get to a page that has a box with an arrow to start the slide show. It says, “Pictures from 2011.”) After the excellent meal, the alumni were invited by encece Jim Payne to share anecdotes and stories. What fun and laughter!

Gina Herrink Coppock, along with previous class secretaries, was congratulated for her service. Gina’s past 10 years as class secretary have been exceptional. The position was delegated to me and I will give it the old college try!

At the memorial service on Sunday at Cannon Memorial Chapel, 49 alumni from 1951 who died during the past five years were listed. Six of these were Westhampton classmates: Rose Setien Blanchard, Jane Babb Edmonds, Charlotte Westervelt Bispham, Bill Magee, R, and George Butterworth, R.

Several of you have asked for the correct name of our scholarship fund. It is the Westhampton College Class of 1952 Scholarship and Fund.

Charlotte Babb Edmonds surprised me by calling in March. We went to dinner with her daughter Anne Edmonds Ramsey, R’81, and her husband, George. Charlotte was on a long drive from Onancock, Va., to south of Atlanta to see children and grandchildren. Barbara Cawthorne Clarke and Herb visited several members of their family in Durham, N.C., and stopped to see Anne Gibson Hill.

Harriet Willingham Johnson and Cork flew to Raleigh, N.C., on their way to attend an Elderhostel at the North Carolina beach in late March. They stopped to see me and it was a wonderful visit. They also visited Anne Gibson Hill in Chapel Hill.

I wrote to Harriet Willingham Johnson that I had just listened to NPR and heard a program on Somali cooking that had a recipe for camel burgers. The cook said they had just opened a new restaurant in Minneapolis with one brother cooking during the day and another cooking at night. Harriet, who lives in Minneapolis, answered, “We have a Somali community of 10,000 here, so I am not surprised about the camel burgers. From lese to camel burgers!”

Addie Eicks Comegys and her daughter Lee had a marvelous five-day vacation in Captiva, Fla.

Anne Gibson Hill attended graduation ceremonies at the Hill Center last spring. Schools modeled on their programs are being built in the United States and in Switzerland.

Sue Easley Candler is keeping us apprised of the flooding of the Mississippi and other rivers close to her. Henrietta Dow Vinson and BC
visited North Carolina for their grand-son’s wedding in May. They returned from Florida to be at home in Newport News, Va., for the summer.

I was busy in early summer preparing for a trip to Brazil in July. We anticipated having Daniel de Granville with us—he is our wonderful, most competent guide, photographer, and brother.

Be sure to keep the reunion date open for the Class of ’52. It will be June 1–3, 2012. Westhampton Class Secretary Harriet Singleton Stubbs 601 Blenheim Drive Raleigh, NC 27612 stubbs@nc.rr.com

CLASS OF ’53

Several Westhampton classmates attended an 80th birthday party in March for Joyce Brock Bennett, W and G’77, that was hosted by her children. She retired after working in real estate for 15 years, but she still serves on the Appomattox (Va.) Town Council, as she has done for 10 years.

Faye Kilpatrick Gillespie edits and produces a newsletter for her church’s senior citizens’ group and delivers Meals-on-Wheels. She and Arthur looked forward to spending a good deal of time this year at their home in the Smoky Mountains, including a family reunion there in June.

Gerrie Kantner Jones, W and G’77, and Harvey Jones, R’52 and G’75, have been leading the quiet, rural life on eight acres in the mountains of north Georgia since 1991.

Margaret “MJ” Anderson Morris has lived in Conyers, Ga., for 28 years. She dabbles in art and teaches English as a second language.

Barbara Warren Reardon and her husband, Jack, have lived on 10 acres in Rockville, Va., since their retirement in 1989. Their four sons and two daughters have all graduated from college, as have three of their 17 grandchildren; six more grandchildren are currently in college. Barbara is still active after having surgery in 2009.

Last October, Jane Wilson Rolston and a friend took a PBS tour of Italy, including a visit to Pompeii. In April she and Holmes spent a week in Paris, where he was lecturing on his recent book, Three Big Bangs: Matter-Energy, Life, Mind, published by Columbia University Press.

Peggy Dietrich Shackelford has been living in an apartment in Suffolk, Va., since 2003. It affords her opportunities to exercise daily, travel, and do volunteer work. She clerks in the gift shop one afternoon each week. Peggy enjoys a summer RV trip with friends through the national parks.

Patti Thompson Story and Dut recently cruised abroad a Holland America ship in the Western Caribbean.

Jane Sheema still lives in the same house that she died in her college days and has worked 23 years in an after-school program. She is in her 20th year of working at Kings Dominion, which she does in order to have something to do in the summer after 40 overnight camping. Last summer she had a hip replacement but she continues to do her own yard work and says her dog, a mini dachshund, “takes me for walks.”

Despite serious back problems, Betty Montgomery Marsh is able to walk, albeit slowly. Two grandchildren have lived with her since the death of her daughter six years ago. One is a junior at the University. Betty works with UR’s Chapel Guild. She says the University is in a great time and encourages anyone who hasn’t been to campus in years to come and see the wonderful buildings.

The Chapel Guild, founded in 1982, is composed of alumni and friends of the University. It supports the chaplaincy in enhancing the programs of ministry and the physical beauty of Cannon Memorial Chapel. Betty learned about it from Harriet Wheat Fralin, who was a member for several years. The Guild works to help fund many things, including the magnificent presentation of the Messiah by the University’s music department. This event takes place every other year along with a holiday house tour some time before Christmas. The Guild meets several times a year and often hears speakers from other areas of campus.


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CLASS OF ’54

Billie Bryan Mackey spends most of her time at her home in Belhaven, N.C., where she enjoys a slower pace than in the Washington, D.C., area, although she makes regular trips back to Falls Church, Va. Billie had both hips replaced last year, but after an extensive recovery is doing much better.

Claire Millkiser Rosenbaum, W and G’73, spent some time at the beach last summer. She continues to contribute her time to the University of Richmond and was elected an emerita trustee for another four years. She has focused her involvement in student development.

Cos Washburn Barnes says she is “downplaying” these days. She finished a 10-year term on the board of Weymouth Center for the Arts and Humanities. She continues to write for a local magazine Pinestraw, which has expanded to Greensboro, N.C., from Southern Pines, N.C.

Carol Jones McNamara and Jay spend most of the winter months at Hathaway Towers in Richmond. They spent a couple of weeks in the spring at the beach at Pawley’s Island, S.C., and traveled to Maine in early summer. They have a cottage on one of the tidal creeks just outside of Urbanna, Va.

Please send any news about yourself or your classmates by Nov. 22, 2011. Send to my email address or regular mail address. Thanks!

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CLASS OF ’55

We extend our sympathy to Emily Menefee Johnston, who lost her oldest sister, Jan Freeman of Albany, Ga., May 13.

Even with a back brace, Pat Minor Hoover is still weaving. Her mother, who lives with them, fell in October just before her 100th birthday and fractured her pelvis in three places. She is on the mend and gets around with a walker.

Joy Winstead is designing a new brochure for the Friends of Boatwright Memorial Library.

Burrell Williams Stultz’s husband, John Stultz, R’58, has had a rough six months with ups and downs involving heart stents and a five-veas bypass. His rehab has been working wonders and he is doing much better. He is back to doing some cooking, driving, and things he enjoys.

Ann Pettit Gets and family had a reunion on the Outer Banks of North Carolina at the end of June. All five children were expected to be there, as many as the house can hold and many of the grandchildren.

Bobbie Reynolds Wyker, W and G’76, and Virginia “Sunshine” Murden have found that meeting in Newport News, Va., works well for both of them. Bobbie wrote that while Urbanna, Va., escaped a tornado in late spring, Delaville and Gloucester did not, but they have started rebuilding.

Carlene Shuler Saxton and her husband, Harry, were housebound for about six months. Her problems stemmed from genetic osteoporosis and back surgery and Harry’s came from arthritis and heart problems. They are much better now and are back to driving and participating in a few activities.

Myra Embrey Wormald’s grandson worked at the University of Richmond doing research in microbiology this summer and is a sophomore there this year. She and Bob attended the first college graduation of their grandchildren when grandson Ben graduated from Georgetown University in May. On May 27 the couple headed to Paris, where they joined a Young Life group to visit the beaches of Normandy.

Janice Boyer Baldrige and her husband, Bob Baldrige, R, stay busy with volunteer work. They were selected as 2011 Volunteers of the Year at Givens Estates United Methodist Retirement Community in Asheville, N.C., where they reside for almost six years.

On April 29 our alumni band performed at the historic Byrd Theatre in Richmond’s Carytown. The band prepared a special program including a performance by Jody Weaver Yuhase on the Mighty Wurlitzer organ. Her father, Eddie Weaver, was the house organist at the Byrd Theatre from 1961 to 1981.

Jackie Kilby Brooks had two-week driving and flying trip to visit friends and a relative.

I went to Florida in April to visit Ruth Owen Batt. She is thrilled that her son, Chris, is home from
Dranchak Martin, Edna Wagstaff Warncke, Ann Peery Oppenheimer, Pat McElroy Smith, Helen Melton Lukhard, and Anne Jennings Vaughan carpooled from Richmond. It was such a beautiful and fun afternoon. Janet does a great job of arranging these lunch meetings. She received regrets from Marilyn Sorce Klampp, Edith Borjes Green, Nancy Saunders Burner, Barbara Pratt Willis, Julia Hubbard Nixon, and Sylvia Grigorowitsch Dickerson, W & G’57. We were saddened to hear of the death of our classmate Jeannette Brain in March 2011.

More news about those at the luncheon and the Saturday night dinner with the Richmond College Class of 1956 will come from Pat McElroy Smith in the winter issue of the alumni magazine!”

Did you know? The University jumped five places to No. 27 in U.S. News & World Report’s annual ranking of national liberal arts colleges. See page 3.

CLASS OF ’56

What a beautiful weekend we had for our 55th class reunion. It was wonderful to see so many of our classmates looking so good! Our luncheon in the Westhampton Center included 27 of us, all kinds of good food, and great fellowhip. Traveling the greatest distance to be with us was Ellice “Lisa” Simmons Smart, who came from Dallas. She has written a delightful children’s book, Whiskers, which is for sale in the UR bookstore. Also traveling quite a distance were Gwen Haley Gregory from Atlanta and Thelma Flynn Helm from Nashville, Tenn. Helen Siner Wood visited friends recently in St. Andrews, Scotland, and Jean Burroughs Matthews and her husband, Larry Matthews, R’54, led their sixth Celtic Christian pilgrimage.

We were all happy to see Eliza Hubble Severt looking so well. She is chair of the Martinsville (Va.) Area Community Foundation, which in five years has taken its budget from $3.5 million to $14 million.

Ann Carol Yeaman Malcolm is still doing custom miniatures and Susan Quinn Wagner still volunteers for the Virginia Beach SPCA.

Helen Melton Lukhard and Dee’s first great-grandchild was born in May to their granddaughter Rebecca Nicholle Louick, 01.

Janet Knoble Jones is the volunteer coordinator of LAMB’s Basket, a local food pantry. She also continues to enjoy traveling.

Jane Bowles Hurt, her husband Ira, and I spent alumnae weekend with Anne Jennings Vaughan and her husband, Jud. We had great fun reminiscing about old times.

In April Anne Pope Kitchen hosted 12 members of our class in her lovely home in the countryside. I drove from Surry, Va., and Joyce Still Gibson, Diane Brown Higgins, Doris Huffman Moore, Dottie Stiff Price, Janet Knoble Jones, Rose Westhampton Class Secretaries Phyllis Gee Wacker, W and G’65 252 Riverside Drive Surry, VA 23883 mimiwacker@aol.com Pat McElroy Smith 9105 Burkhardt Drive Richmond VA 23229 804 754-0194 patmsmith54@comcast.net

John E. Brooks, R’56, has retired from active leadership in Boy Scouts. His 36 years of service included various roles in his district and council, serving on the national staff of seven national jamborees, and on the staff of 13 Wood Badge courses. Brooks was honored with the District Award of Merit and the Silver Beaver, the National Capital Area Council’s highest award. He also was tapped for the Order of the Arrow (OA), earned the Brotherhood Award in the OA, and was selected for the prestigious Vigil Honor. He and his wife, Bess Burrus Brooks, W’62, enjoy traveling, staying active in their church, and volunteering weekly at their local hospital.

CLASS OF ’57

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Nancy Archbell Bain took a wonderful trip to the Holy Land in February. They had to cancel going to Egypt, but instead spent two weeks in Israel and Jordan with a group from their church. She said it was a great learning experience as well as a tremendous blessing.

Jackie Randel Tucker completed another rewarding year as a teacher of advanced English in the ESL program at Second Baptist.

Katharine “Kitty” Clark Kersey continues to stay busy in her job at Old Dominion University. Last year she presented at two national conferences. She has published a number of books on parenting and teaching and is under contract to publish another book in early 2012. She was honored recently by Children’s Harbor with the Anchor Award for her years of service and devotion to the causes of young children.

Anne Byrd James and her husband, Russ, were on a trip to Charleston in early April when a storm did major damage on their street in Atlanta. Their garage, which is separate from the house, took a hit from a healthy white oak tree that was about 200 years old. Fortunately their car was not in the garage at the time. Their house also was spared.

Lee Feild Griffiths enjoyed a trip to Orlando, Fla., with her son Richard and his family. Lee then visited her daughter Mary Helen in New Jersey to attend granddaughter Maggie’s dance recital. Lee said it felt good to be out and about again after having been pretty much confined following a knee replacement and cataract operation.

CLASS OF ’58

Shirley Hill Bishop is the busy vice president/social chairman of a very involved organization. With six grandchildren, she is always scheduled for sports games, dance recitals, school activities, etc. She is in a choir, is active in her church, and finds that living in Northern Virginia offers her many interesting places to go and things to do.

Dawn “Tomi” Irvine Freese and Jack walk two miles each day along the Intracoastal Waterway, a block from their home in West Palm Beach, Fla. Dawn is still involved with the preschool programs at her church. Dawn and Jack often travel to Afton, Va., to visit family and friends. They hosted a reunion of Jack’s 1st Computations/Technical Squadron in Waynesboro, Va.

Margaret Williams Ketner and Bruce continue to travel in their RV and recently went to Stone Mountain, Ga. Grandson John Lee attends the University of Miami Medical School. Grandson Luke is in high school and granddaughter Meghan is a student at the University of Florida. Son-in-law Greg Lee is now a full colonel flying out of Arizona.

Carolyn Naumann Robertson took off to Italy for 12 days in May with her youngest brother, Douglas Wayne, on a clipper ship.

Lovey Jane Long continues to enjoy Westhampton Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula gatherings. The Westhampton alumnae and their spouses planned a wine and cheese party in June at the home of Margaret “Marty” Glenn Taylor, W’55, and her husband, Cacky. It has been suggested that the group call themselves either “Bay Spiders” or “River Spiders.”

Nancy Day Haga’s husband of 25 years, Ralph Haga, passed away May 6, 2011. Our hearts go out to Nancy and her family.

I continue to work on the editorial staff for the Physical Review. In March I attended two work-related conferences—the Biophysical Society meeting in Baltimore, Md., and the American Physical Society meeting in Dallas.

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Susie Prillaman Wiltshire, W and G'69, teaches French for the Shepherd’s Center of Richmond, an organization for senior citizens. She is a member of the center’s board and chairs its public relations committee. She also helps plan the center’s Open University, in which many current and retired professors participate.

June Grace received a Distinguished Service Award from the American Camp Association, New England. It is the group’s highest honor and is awarded to an individual who has given outstanding leadership and service to ACA New England for at least 10 years.

While visiting New Mexico for her grandson’s graduation, Jean Hudgins Frederick and Arnold Frederick, R'56, spent a week visiting the sights in Santa Fe and Taos.

Ann Copeland Denton Ryder, W and G'66, and Gene Ryder, R’59, enjoy their retirement community, Salemtowne, N.C. They are active in their church and in the larger Winston-Salem, N.C., community. Gene continues to improve since his pacemaker operation, so they are planning a travel, including a trip to Alaska with family.

Peggy Williams Lowe officially retired many years ago but still tutors 3rd- and 4th-grade math. Every Monday she meets with a group of ladies at church to crochet and knit for charity. She and her husband enjoy bowling a couple days a week with Janet Harwood Collins, W’61, and Cliff Collins, R’59 and G’68.

Nancy Jane Cyrus Bains enjoyed a visit from Nancy Goodwyn Hill and Jack. They enjoyed a seafood feast, which was a fundraiser for the Hampton History Museum. Nancy Jane flew to Houston to visit Anne Owen Huband. (They had not seen each other since 1964!) She then went on to see her son David and his wife, Martha, in Birmingham, Ala.

Jo Anne Garrett West and her husband made two trips to Jacksonville, Fla., the first for son Edward’s Navy retirement and the second for the high school graduation of their oldest granddaughter, Garrett, who attends Hilldale College. Jo Anne continues to teach piano and occasionally substitutes on the organ.

Mary Jean Simpson Garrett, her sister, and her sister’s husband, spent a long weekend in Savannah, Ga.

Libbie Jarrett Burger and Wilbur spent two months in Florida during the winter. At home they are fortunate to live close to their son, France, his wife, and their daughter, Hundley. Carolyn Smith Varbach has had quite a year. In December she broke her left femur. After a rod was put in, she spent two weeks in rehabilitation. While she was in the hospital, they found a stress fracture in her right leg. In February she went back to the hospital so they could put a rod in that leg. Then it was back to rehabilitation. She has recovered and went to Italy in April, returning in time to prepare the flowers for Easter at church. Later in the spring she went to Greenville, S.C., to attend her oldest grandson’s high school graduation.

I continue as a volunteer at Children’s Hospital on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Recently I met my sister in New York City for a fine long weekend. I have time to spend with family and friends and my favorite hobby, reading.

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CLASS OF ’59

Barbara Kriz Anderson had band surgery but is feeling well. Her son John was married in March. She spent a day with Virginia Morgen in May and they had a great get-together.

While visiting her sister in Richmond in May, Beverly Brown Peace enjoyed a visit from Ruth Adkins Hill, W and G’85.

Eileen Cordle Harris and her husband, Ed, spent a wonderful week in Arizona in April to celebrate their 42nd anniversary.

Susan Payne Moundalex’s daughter Elizabeth and her husband had a baby girl, Lyla, on May 16, 2011, in Pullman, Wash. Elizabeth is in veterinary school.

Martha Jordan Chukinas spent 10 days on the Outer Banks of North Carolina at Easter. She visited her daughter and family in Nashville, Tenn., and traveled to Philadelphia to visit her son and his family.

Katharine Schools Covington enjoyed a great trip to New Mexico. In March, Barbara Dulin Polis and her friend Glenda went to Miami for a visit with Barbara’s brother-in-law, her nephew, and family. Barbara wrote that this trip was bittersweet, since it was her first visit back to Miami after the April 2010 death of her twin sister, Peggy Dulin Crews.

In April Mary Biddulph Lindquist was elected president of Dunlora Woman’s Club. She hosted a board meeting and luncheon for both the outgoing and new board members in her lovely home in Goochland County, Va.

I enjoyed spending Easter with my daughter, Carol, and her husband, Bob, in Purcellville, which is in Northern Virginia. Carol spent Mother’s Day with me.

Please send me your news by Nov. 28, 2011, for the spring 2012 issue of the alumni magazine.

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CLASS OF ’60

Thanks to all of you who have sent news. I’ve enjoyed hearing from each and every one of you.

I’ve heard from so many who are still thinking about the 50th reunion and what a great time we had, including Lynn Mapp Wiggins, who is celebrating her own 50th wedding anniversary this year. She and Ben plan to take the family on a Disney Cruise, which will be especially exciting for their five grandchildren, whose ages range from 7 to 12.

Suzanne Hatcher Rooney still remembers the reunion. She was with us at Westhampton for the first two years and says it has been wonderful seeing her classmates again. Suzanne has been busy traveling in Virginia and across the country. She and her husband, Rob, spent a week in Bath County, Va., with members of her family and enjoyed the Garth Newel Music Center in Hot Springs. Then they traveled to Ketchum, Idaho, Jackson Hole, Wyo., and Santa Barbara, Calif. She’s now settled back home in Washington, D.C., where she plays tennis and has taken up bridge again after 50 years.

Sarah Hudgins Brown and her husband spent March in Florida. They keep busy delivering Meals on Wheels and volunteering at two museums. Sarah is on the city library board and stays busy with her club work. Her granddaughter finished her first year at the Coast Guard Academy close to the top of her class. Sarah has a grandson who entered Davidson in September. She says there’s almost always a birthday to celebrate, as they have 10 grandchildren between them.

Mary Frances Gibbs Irvin leads a busy life in Coral Gables, Fla. Her son and daughter and their families live there, too. Her daughter, a baby girl April 20, Mary Frances volunteers with the American Red Cross and belongs to the Tiffany Circle. Tennis is still an important part of her endeavors and she plays on a team for her country club. She loves to entertain and has helped to write a cookbook. She and her husband spend part of each year at their home in N.C. Seven of us from the Class of 1960 enjoyed a mini-reunion and a delicious lunch at Orso in Manhattan in May. We are grateful to Ruth Greenfield Byrne, who made all of the arrangements. Judy Cyrus Johnson, Laurel Burkett Lonnies, Joan Silverstein Oberman, Elizabeth Thompson Zimmermann, Jeanette McWilliams Welch, Ruthi, and I made up the table. Most of us had traveled with Jack Welch, R’60, to New York on the Shepherd Center of Richmond tour. We saw four plays, all of which were different and enjoyable. We had a great tour of Lower Manhattan and managed to get out of the way of another visitor that day. President Obama.

Jeanette McWilliams Welch and her daughter, Murray, planned a tour of Ireland in August. Jeanette and Jack did not get to Egypt because of the unrest there, but they hope to reschedule this fall.

Roberta Huffman Davis enjoys gardening but finds it a little harder than it used to be. She and her husband, Dick, enjoy grandparenting and participating in church activities. They are thankful to be in good health and love to spend time at their place in Tappahannock, Va.

Last December, seven of us met at the He kim Dining Center on campus for First Friday breakfast. This is a program that encourages alumni to stay in touch with the University and its activities. Jeanette McWilliams Welch, Judy Cyrus Johnson, Joan Batten Wood, W and G’70, Laurel Burkett Lonnies, Mary Eakle Adams, Nancy “Jenks” Jenkins Morrow, and I enjoyed the delicious food and talk by the coach of the girls’ basketball
Elizabeth Thompson Zimmerman took her children and grandchildren to New York after Christmas. The airport at Newport News, Va., was snowed-in, so they took two SUVs and headed north. She says that they were among very few on the highways and that although there was a lot of snow and slush in New York, they had a great time, saw a ballet and a play, and took tours.

Lanetta Ware has been busy taking breads and sweets to food pantries twice a week. She is on the board of the Hollins Communications Research Institute, which helps people with speech difficulties to become more fluent. She also has been helping a friend who is a double amputee with golf lessons.

Phyllis Jenkins Polhemus has finished chemo and is working on feeling better, getting the chemicals out of her system, and exercising. She says if anyone needs a friend to talk to about cancer, she is certainly willing, as her friends and family have pulled her through this.

Mary Lou Walden Wagner was elected president of the Williamsburg chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy last spring. She has attended both the Virginia division and the national conference. She and her husband, Scott Wagner, R’59, visited his brother in Maryland earlier in the year. With visits from family and friends and our wonderful reunion last April made 2010 a great year for the Wagners.

Benja Vudhiporn Assanaen is a pediatrician in an international hospital in Bangkok. She was married to a physician and practiced in Pennsylvania for 40 years. When her husband died, she moved back to Thailand and is working now part time. She has two sons. One is a pediatric oncologist in Florida and the other is in business in Bangkok. Finding Benja was a bit of detective work for the Class of 1960 and we have Millie Bagley Bracey to thank for that. She contacted a physician in South Hill who is from Thailand and has a relative who is a member of a medical society there. Benja could not come to our reunion because her son, daughter-in-law, and grandchildren from Florida were going to be in Thailand at that time for her 70th birthday.

Paula Williams Davis is teaching two math classes at Coker College in Hartsville, S.C. She says that some of her students were in her classes when she taught high school. Paula and her husband, Joe, have a daughter in Brevard, N.C. Their granddaughter is in nursing school and their grandson, a pitcher on the baseball team at his high school, is looking at colleges and is studying to be a doctor.

My husband, Wayne Key Jr., R’60, and I went to Atlantic City, N.J., for the A-10 Tournament to see the Spiders win the basketball championship. It was exciting and loads of fun. Since the team made it all the way to the Sweet Sixteen, it is indeed a good time to be a Spider! In May, we went to my husband’s 55th John Marshall High School reunion, where I caught up with Meurial Webb McLain and Mary Lou Walden Wagner. Meurial and Bill are busy with their three grandchildren: a second grader, a preschooler, and a one-year-old. Meurial has had lots of experience because she taught the second grade when she lived in Richmond. Mary Lou is busy as president of the Daughters of the Confederacy in Williamsburg, Va.

Please write, email, or call me with news. I love hearing from you and we do want to hear from and about everyone in the Class of 1960. Westhampton Class Secretary

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CLASS OF ’61
The Class of 1961 is great: We won weekend trophies for the highest percentage of classmates returning and for the highest participation of donors. We had 167 participating donors (56.6 percent), and the grand total raised (annuities, scholarships, endowments, and annual fund) by the Class of 1961 was $189,110, exceeding our goal. That’s what class spirit is all about!

When we were registering early Friday morning, a young lady working the desk marveled that we had graduated so long ago, yet we were already having such fun with each other. The weekend went up from there. Being inducted into the Boatwright Society (which officially declares us “old”) was quite impressive since we entered between two columns of bagpipers.

The memorial service on Sunday morning was emotional. The walls of the chapel reverberated with the talents of Suzanne Kidd Bunting, W’58, at the organ. The message of University Chaplain Rev. Craig Kocher was geared to the sense of loss that the members of the classes represented felt. Two of his statements struck a nerve with me. He said that those deceased “looked at the world and did not see it as it was but as it could be,” and he challenged us by asking what we are doing to celebrate the lives of those who have gone before.

We owe a major debt of gratitude to Joyce Smith Allison and Ed Allison Jr., R, and to numerous UR staff members who spared no effort to make our reunion a beautiful weekend from start to finish.


Kathryn Gill Langley and Carl Langley Jr., R, live in Florida and enjoy “adult Disney World.” She plays golf, teaches “Cloq for Fun,” and is a Red Hatter. They have three daughters (in Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Indiana) and seven grandsons.

Anne Pultz Roesch has one daughter who has three daughters and a son. Gordon has three daughters, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. They stay very busy with family and have traveled a lot to Europe, South America, and on cruises. Anne’s main volunteer experience is with Children’s Hospital, where she serves on the board of directors.

Sheila Rector Fahmy retired as a social worker from the Department of Children and Families in Florida. She moved to Georgia to be near her daughter and is involved in several volunteer projects at church and at the Atlanta Mission Thrift Store. In addition to a lot of traveling, she gardens, golfs, and goes to yoga. She and her daughter have begun researching their genealogy.

Ann Jones Stribleing enjoys gardening, watercolor painting, and traveling. She and Bill looked forward to going to Glacier National Park, the beach, and to a 50th anniversary celebration, which was planned by their children.

Polly Thompson Marshall and Robert Marshall R, planned to celebrate their 50th anniversary at the Homestead Resort with their four children, their spouses, and seven grandchildren (two boys and five girls ranging in age from 6 to 22). She and Robert traveled for two weeks in March to Jordan and Israel with their church group. They anticipated going on a mission project to southwestern Virginia for five days of rebuilding and restoring structures and homes and conducting Vacation Bible School in an impoverished area.

Patricia Chandler Smith had a new experience reunion weekend: a town student during her Westhampton days, she finally got to stay in a dorm and had Barbara Spiers Causey a suitemate! Barbara retired from teaching middle school science in 1999 and moved to Williamsburg, Va. She is active at her church, Bruton Parish, and with Kingsmill Women’s Club. She plays bridge and golf and has worked several LPGA tournaments there. Daughter Bonnie has two daughters, 11 and 13, and a son, 8, and lives in Norfolk, Va. Her son Andy has a three-year-old son and lives in Massachusetts. Robert
has a son, 4, and daughter, 1, and is in the process of moving to Hanover County, Va.

Ann Robinson Warner could not attend our reunion because her son had planned a family vacation for her birthday. Ann has memberships in art organizations, including at the national level. She works in watercolor, oil, pastel, and digital media. She delights in her grandson Bishop, 4, whom she sees each day. She and Jim live in and are restoring a house that was built in 1850. The flooding in Memphis last spring was terrible and Ann worked in the shelters and gathered food and clothes for those in need.

Betty Pritchett White and Ray have moved to a retirement community. Charlotte Epps McLeishon and Wayne left Richmond after the reunion to take a week’s cruise with their daughter from Texas.

Anne Mills Sizemore is president of the Kansas City Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century. She is enjoying her “second career” as a genealogist. Jennie Stokes Howe also enjoys her ventures into genealogy.

Dona Spencer Link and Walter recently celebrated their 50th anniversary with a party given by their two children and eight grandchildren, followed by a two-week Mediterranean cruise. Their oldest grandson, Caleb, traveled on an enrichment voyage, “Secrets of Passage: Central America and Panama Canal as well as visits to ports in Costa Rica, Guatemala, Belize, and Mexico.”

Gwynn Barefoot Litchfield lives in Rye, N.Y., and helps care for the children of her youngest son, whose wife died. After the reunion, Suzanne DuPuy Black planned to do a bit of visiting in “old roots” areas before returning to Georgia and Mary Burks Pipes planned a shopping trek to Green Front in Farmville, Va., before returning to Memphis, Tenn.

Laura Colgin Bukovsans looks forward to spending Christmas in Australia with her son and his family. Louise DeCosta still enjoys the three loves of her life—her practice, her teaching, and her dancing. For her 79th birthday, she returned to her home of Madeira, Portugal. It was quite a moving experience.

Suzanne Foster Thomas spent the summer in Montana. Last spring Barbara Ross Cobb toured with her choir. They visited many cities, including New Orleans. Mary Catherine Sellers Dunn and Jeff celebrated their 50th anniversary with Richmond family and friends.

Joyce Smith Allison and Ed Allison Jr., B. took a 15-day trip through Scandinavia. After the reunion, Bob and I left for Hilton Head to help with our one- and three-year-old grandchildren while our daughter-in-law and older son were busy at a conference.

Our reunion was marvelous, so I apologize for completing our class news on a somber note. We need to remember Linda Frazer Sharp, who died April 20, 2011. Her obituary read: “Linda was a hero to those suffering with Parkinson’s disease—she bravely volunteered to undergo new brain surgery treatment through UCSF to reverse the late-stage effects of the disease. The surgery worked, and she was able to enjoy long walks again with her husband. This breakthrough will be instrumental in helping others to reverse the devastating impact of the final stages.” In keeping with her husband John’s request, I have sent a check in her memory, in the amount of $61, to the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

Thanks for all the news items this time. Please send them to me as you think of/experience them so we can continue to keep in touch.

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CLASS OF ’63
Our thoughts and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of our beloved classmate Nancy Delano Moore, who died May 25, 2011, after a long illness. After graduating from Westhampton, Nancy earned a master’s degree from VCU and became accomplished in the field of education, teaching literature and writing in Albermarle County, Va., and in the Richmond area. She created the Johns Hopkins University’s Center for Talented Youth that serves 3rd- through 6th-grade students studying mathematics and writing. She also served as coordinator of Virginia’s Governor’s Schools and developed the Virginia Governor’s School for Medicine at the Medical College of Virginia. Her illustrated children’s book, Kermari Jam, won a bronze medal in the 2007 Moonbeam Children’s Book Awards. She also co-authored a very successful instructional book for those teaching middle school writing. These are but a few of her accomplishments. She is survived by her husband, Hullihen Moore; her daughter, Sara, and her partner, William Bintz; her son, Frank, and his wife, Amy; and three grandchildren.

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Mike Foreman, R’63, is among 17 people profiled in the book Local Heroes: Winchester, Virginia, 2000–2010, by psychologist Bernard Lewis. Foreman is a retired clerk of the Winchester Circuit Court.

CLASS OF ’65
Barbara Vaughan continues to heal after hip surgery, a process that should continue for a few more months.

Jackie Branch Rocca is doing well and enjoyed hosting a 70th birthday party for a friend. Her 50th high school reunion was held in May in Norfolk, Va.

Susan Darden Schneider is enjoying retirement and having time to “give back.” The light of her life right now is her CASA baby, for whom she serves as court advocate. After 10 years on her local hospital board, she will serve as chair for two years beginning in January, a challenging undertaking.
because of all the changes in health care. Susan also spends a few hours each month as a family and school mediator for her county court system. Having more time with her three grandchildren, Riley, Jacob, and Keira, is another bright spot in her life. Larry and Susan had planned an October dream trip to Egypt and Jordan before all the changes in health care. Larry is still working as a financial advisor for Ameriprise.

Carrie Elizabeth “Liz” Morris Meador continues to write a language column for the local paper and teach part time for Wayne Community and North Carolina Wesleyan colleges. She planned a September trip to Toronto to see Titus Andronicus and My Fair Lady at the Shakespeare and Shaw festivals. She and her husband, Dave, looked forward to the arrival of her brother from Australia in June.

Linda Webb Taliaferro has been retired for a year. She still tutors and is enjoying “time to smell the flowers,” her book club, and babysitting. Barbara Vaughan, Janet Wooden O’Reilly, Margaret Brittle Brown, and Linda planned a pre-Labor Day luncheon and hoped that more 1965 ladies would join them. She and Bill Taliaferro, R’64, have three children and five grandchildren within a two-hour drive, so they are blessed with frequent visits.

Margaret Brittle Brown resigned from her position at Chelmsford Public Library after more than 16 years. In August, her husband, Bill, retired from MIT Lincoln Lab, where he has worked for more than 42 years. He plans to do some part-time work there following retirement. Margaret and friends planned their annual assault on Bethany Beach in September.

I have been busy with church work and serving on the boards for the Cancer Support Community and the Salisbury University Foundation. Katie, my youngest daughter, recently moved to Columbia, S.C. With all three children in different states, I have more places to travel. I spent all of April in Naples, Fla., where my daughters and their children joined me for their spring breaks. In July we gathered on the Outer Banks for a family reunion.

Our sympathy goes to the family of Jessica Vaughan Pearson, who died June 16, 2011, after an eight-year battle with lung and brain cancer.

Jessica was a town student in our class. She is survived by her husband, James, a son and two daughters, and four grandchildren. Westhampton Class Secretary
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Gray Broughton, R’65, is serving a two-year term as president of the American Board of Vocational Experts, for which he is a Diplomate and has served as a board member and treasurer. He testifies in court cases as to a person’s employability, ability to be placed, and earning capacity. He enjoys spending time with his five granddaughters, ages 20, 7, 6, 3, and 1.

Class of ’66
Classmates who attended our 45th reunion reported that it was wonderful. While I was unable to attend, I’ve been told that when the laughter let up, sharing and caring seemed to predominate discussions. Anne Dixon Booker, Carol Hinrichs Buskirk, Quita Tansey Collins, Millie Kaison Fleetwood, Mary Ann Biggs Furniss, Trisha Grizzard Tetrault, Caywood Garrett Hendricks, Joan Miller Hines, Janice Mays Kaylor, Lynne Griffith Marks, Leora Lawrence Porter, Elayn Parsons Powell, Genie Henderson Schutt, Charlotte Grove Smith, Faye Dixon Taylor-Hyder, Patricia Carol Simpson Todd, Harriet Mann Tomlinson, Judy Mitchell Voye, JoAnn Jamison Webster, and Beth Booker Wilson attended all or some of the reunion events, starting with Friday night’s Class Night. Special thanks go to Lynne Griffith Marks and her husband, Richard Marks, R’65, for taking pictures for an Internet album shared with classmates whose emails we have. Send me an email at the address below if you would like me to send you the link.

Lynne Griffith Marks is amazed at how the University has grown, with its beautiful new buildings, student services, and opportunities. She loved walking around campus visualizing lantern parade, May Day, convocation, baccalaureate at the Greek Theatre, singing before dinner in the North Court courtyard, and writing. She could picture meals in the North Court dining room beside the courtyard because it had changed so little. Other things have changed, though. South Court is now a men’s dorm, the swimming pool in Keller Hall is now a storage area for the arts department, the Tea Room is a dorm room, and North Court is being renovated. Lynne and other classmates had a great time sharing what life was like when we were there with current students.

Trisha Grizzard Tetrault, who is recently married, liked the way Elyan Parsons Powell kept table hopping at the reunion dinner. She said the environment was energizing, the company sublime, and the conversations and sharing were totally interesting. Trisha taught fourth and sixth grades in Prince Georges County, Md., for 30 years, and has volunteered at the SPCA, Maymont Foundation, First Baptist Church, and the International Mission Board in Richmond for more than two years. She plans to submit a novel, Everything but the Man, for publication soon.

Caywood Garrett Hendricks has fond memories of Miss Bell, who saw to it that her senior ring, as well as her initiation fee to Phi Beta Kappa, were paid for by an alumnae fund when she couldn’t afford them. She remembers writing to roommate Millie Kaison Fleetwood: “Party Ever After” initiation poem. Caywood says Westhampton gave us a good education, a good environment that was safe and supportive, and good memories, all of which have contributed to who she is today. She mused that maybe her fond memories have something to do with the fact that her mother and grandmother went there as well, which is a very special legacy.

Leora Lawrence Porter says the reunion dinner was delightful. She appreciated comments and information about end-of-life issues by Lynne Griffith Marks and Millie Kaison Fleetwood, as their comments have given her increased confidence to push forward through the challenge of supporting a friend who is terminally ill. Leora enjoyed seeing the albums that some classmates shared and hopes that more of us with mementoes, photographs, and other items will bring them to our 50th reunion in 2016.

Mary Ann Biggs Furniss, W, and her husband, John, live near Wilmington, N.C. She continues to enjoy personal coaching to help others through major transitions in their lives and careers, and she is active in volunteer counseling and advocacy work with people who have mental health problems and substance abuse issues. She enjoyed our 45th reunion and was struck by how her classmates’ lives have consistently been ones of giving back, whether through critical research, teaching, social work, medicine, starting businesses to employ others, raising wonderful families, volunteering, caring for aging parents, or a combination of these things. She looks forward to the 50th reunion of the class of 1966.

Lynne Griffith Marks, W, her husband, Dick Marks, R’65, enjoyed attending the reunion and hearing about our classmates’ life journeys since graduating 45 years ago. She was amazed by the University’s growth and enjoyed talking with current students about what life on campus was like in the 1960s.

Class of ’67
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June 1–3, 2012
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To Think and Dream

John F. Benton II, R’73

With its focus on research and scholarship, the Smithsonian Institution is akin to the University, says John F. Benton II, R’73, in that “both exist to educate and challenge people to think and dream about the future.” Benton should know: With the title of associate director of management and public programs, he manages day-to-day operations at the Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum.

“Americans have an affinity with flight and with space,” Benton observes, noting that the museum’s campuses on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., and at the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center near Washington Dulles International Airport welcome up to 9 million visitors a year.

“Never in my wildest dreams did I think one day I would be working here,” he says. Before joining the museum 11 years ago, Benton worked at the U.S. Treasury Department, the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

A Richmond native from a family of modest means, Benton did not expect to go to college. “Because of scholarships and support—I worked in the men’s infirmary at the University—I was able to attend, and it changed my life,” he says. “It gave me an opportunity to get where I am today.”

At the Air and Space Museum, Benton works amid some of the world’s most inspired—and inspiring—flying machines. His favorites include the iconic 1903 Wright Flyer and the space shuttle Enterprise. But he says one of his proudest achievements was finding donors to enable the museum to reopen the gallery at the far end of the Mall building, which among its 4,600 pieces includes five Norman Rockwells and a Warhol. “It’s a great place to go and sit if you want to get away from the crowds,” Benton says.

—Marilyn J. Shaw

Sally Andrews Gudas and Steve at their cottage in Southern Shores. They were blessed by her mom, her sister, and their two kids, Skylar and Jason, with a perfect family vacation. Please continue to keep me in the loop of all that is happening in your busy lives.

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John G. Kines Jr., R., has been appointed by Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell to the Virginia Commission on Local Government, a five-member statewide body that oversees the relationship between the state and its local governments. He has had a 35-year career in local government and is a life member of the Virginia Local Government Management Association and the International City/County Management Association.

Leslie Baum Hopper, W, director of the Court Improvement Project of the Supreme Court of Virginia’s Office of the Executive Secretary, was awarded the Family Law Service Award by the Virginia State Bar’s Family Law Section. The award recognizes those who have improved family, domestic relations, or juvenile law in Virginia.

CLASS OF ’71

The 40th reunion for our class was a wonderful time for us to get together and see each other again. Many thanks to Margaret League St. Clair, W’72, our alumni president for the past five years, to Jane Houston Westbrook, who hosted a party Friday night of reunion weekend for our class, and to the UR Alumni Office for planning our reunion events.

Jane Alphin, who lives on Falling Creek Reservoir in Richmond, was among 25 people who attended the party at Jane’s. She previously lived and worked in Tennessee at a K-8 school where she was an administrator/counselor and worked with students with learning differences and ADHD. Jane has two grown sons.

Janet Thornton Rust and her husband, Steve, still live in Annandale, Va., where she teaches Sunday school. They recently returned from a trip to the Southwest.

Kay Brasuer Loving continues
Anne Cooley Yamada retired from her work as a school administrator in Chesterfield, Va., and works at UPS in accounting. She has a grandson who was born in June.

Linda Fries Weirich continues to work as the director of music and arts at a church in Crozet, Va. Linda and Jane Alphin, who were roommates at Westminster, often talk with each other. Linda’s daughter married last September.

Metta Harris Nickerson continues to teach Latin at a school in Richmond. Her son, Stewart, recently married Alison Kresovsky, ’05.

Mary Lee Watson Brazell lives in Davidson, N.C., and is a retired college counselor. She has six grandchildren.

Cheryl Blankenship Jenkins enjoys singing with a volunteer group from Richmond. They sing in senior citizen centers once a week.

Ann Hodges had been a mental health counselor in Fairfax County, Va., but has moved back to Madison, Wis. She had lived there 18 years before moving to Virginia, so she was happy to rejoin old friends.

Margaret Williams lives in Culpeper, Va., and plays the organ at the Culpeper Baptist Church. Margaret, Patricia Burton Temples, Janet Thornton Rust, Lindsay Struthers Bell, Anita Walbeck Edmunds, and I had a very enjoyable dinner at a restaurant prior to the reunion party at Jane’s house.

Alice Presson Higgins has retired from her job as a policy analyst. She and her husband, Chuck, live in Richmond and enjoy working in their three gardens, where they grow many types of fruits and vegetables. Alice swims five miles early each morning.

Lelia Baum Hopper, ’70, continues to work in juvenile and family law at the Supreme Court of Virginia in Richmond. She has two grown sons.

Lindsay Struthers Bell, who lives in St. Petersburg, Fla., works part time in her gynecology practice. She and her husband, Tom, recently made a month-long trip to Bhutan, where they did a lot of hiking and bird watching.

Linda Yeatts Brown and her husband, Max, stayed at Anne Yamada’s home reunion weekend. Linda and Anne have been friends since elementary school when they both lived in Chatham, Va., and Anne’s father was the minister at their church.

Bet Harrell Neale planned to attend a legislative summer conference and to vacation in July in the mountains, where she and her husband looked forward to seeing their daughters and their husbands, and their twin 19-month-old grandsons.

More reunion news will be in the next class secretary’s letter. There were nine other people at the Friday night reunion party, and they will be featured then.

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After teaching art for 30 years to students in elementary school through college, Janet Uley Wimmer, W, began a second career as a self-employed artist. She also teaches students in her home studio. In celebration of the Blue Ridge Parkway’s 75th anniversary, she completed one parkway painting a day for an entire year. She is now painting three scenes a week and plans to continue until she feels she has thoroughly covered the parkway’s 469 miles. Her work can be found at janetwimmer.blogspot.com.

CLASS OF ’73

The Wonderful Westminster

Women’s big birthday celebration was a huge success! Eighteen of us descended on Charleston, S.C., for three days of wonderful conversation, beautiful weather, delicious food, and fabulous tours. We could not have chosen a better place to celebrate. We even managed to keep up with UR’s basketball game during dinner the first night!

I started the weekend early, traveling to Falls Church, Va., to stay with Kelly Hardy and her husband, Jack. They are a real treasure, putting up with our dinner conversation and then driving Kelly, Sharon Foster Burdick, and me to the airport at the crack of dawn. Kelly has retired. She and Rick want to build a home in the Pinehurst, N.C., area. Sharon had all kinds of fun stories about her granddaughter, Ginny Grace, who lives in Birmingham, Ala., with her parents, Emily and Sam. Amanda and her husband live in Tallahassee, Fla., where Amanda works for the Florida secretary of agriculture. Madeline continues to live in Washington, D.C.

Carol Reeder Throckmorton traveled the farthest to be with us. Carol and Dave Throckmorton, R, live in Houston, Texas, where Carol works for a community college. Their daughters are nearby; one is a physical therapist and the other is studying to be a physician’s assistant. Carol arrived a day early and met up with Betsy Davis Buchsak, who drove down from Mechanicville, Va. Betsy has been working hard and enjoying some wonderful trips with her husband, Bob Buchsak, R’71.

Gayle Goodson Butler came from Des Moines, Iowa, by way of Puerto Rico. She continues to be at the helm of Better Homes & Gardens magazine. Daughter Sarah and family live in Des Moines where Joel is managing a hotel, and Jack delights Gramma and Grampa. Ellen is in Ann Arbor, Mich., where she is a media office manager.

Temple Adair Glenn, Martha Poston Turner, W and H’81, Nancy Martin Jett, B, and Betty Rodman Harris got together and drove down, making stops in all of the important places like South of the Border and Martha’s birthplace. Temple and Barry live in Culpeper, Va., where she has been working as his administrative assistant and grant writer at Jobs for Virginia Graduates, a nonprofit serving disadvantaged and at-risk youth in graduating from high school and transitioning from school to work. Son Thomas is living in Rockville, Va., and working for a Canadian scoreboard company. Adair lives in Richmond and works for the Prince Edward County Department of Social Services in Farmville, VA. Charlie is a physical therapist in Culpepper.

Martha Poston Turner traveled from Richmond. She works for her husband, Pat Turner, R’72. Both of their daughters live in Richmond. Maribeth works at the Virginia State Senator Drayton Hall, where he works. Sandy and her husband, Mike, have a beautiful beach home where they would like to eventually live part time. Their son, John, just returned from India, where he worked for a solar company. Daughter Molly teaches in a charter school in Washington, D.C.

Agnes Mobley Wynne and Pam Minter Melson drove to Charleston together. Agnes and David live in Portsmouth, Va. Their son, Clinton,
is a chef in New York and daughter, Laurel Cadmus Fuller, ’05, has finished four novels and continues to write. Pam and Butch live in Chesapeake, Va., where Pam teaches school. Her son lives in Harrisonburg, Va., and her daughter lives in Northern Virginia.

Rosanna Painter Myers came from Roanoke, Va., where she is a school librarian and she and Bobby are building their dream house. Daughter Caroline, the mother of Rosanna’s two grandchildren, and her husband live in Charlottesville, Va. Their son McDowell and his wife, Ellie, live in New York, and son Livingston lives in Roanoke.

Polly Winfrey Griffin took advantage of her son’s plan to travel to Charleston to hitch a ride. Polly is the registrar at Princeton University.

Unfortunately, Meg Graham Kemper had to cancel her plans to be with us when her husband broke his arm and leg in a fall a couple of weeks before the celebration. Meg is staying busy with her flowerpot garden. She was planning a trip to Phoenix, Sedona, and the Grand Canyon in May. Her daughter, Susan, lives in Nashville, Tenn., and her son, Will, lives in San Francisco.

Peggy Peters Stalnaker was unable to join us because her son was getting married the following weekend in Washington. Peggy shared some beautiful pictures from the wedding on Facebook.

I am thrilled to announce that I have a new granddaughter! Avery Lee West was born April 12, 2011, to my daughter, Lee Kirby West, ’00, and her husband. She joins siblings Hannah and Peyton in a wild and crazy household. Our family also is excited that her husband. She joins siblings Hannah and Peyton in a wild and crazy household. Our family also is excited that her husband. She joins siblings Hannah and Peyton in a wild and crazy household. Our family also is excited that her husband. She joins siblings Hannah and Peyton in a wild and crazy household. Our family also is excited that her husband. She joins siblings Hannah and Peyton in a wild and crazy household. Our family also is excited that

Building a household brand

Cammy Dunaway, B’84

Working for well-known consumer brands like Doritos and Yahoo!, Cammy Dunaway, B’84, has lived a marketing major’s dream. Now, in a new challenge, she’s testing how much farther her marketing skills can take her.

Last October, Dunaway joined the firm KidZania as its U.S. president and global marketing officer. While not yet a household name in the United States, KidZania could be positioned as the children’s edutainment phenomenon of the 21st century.

KidZania builds “family entertainment centers” where kids pretend to be adults in a replica of a city. There, kids can play at being surgeons, chefs, police officers, and news reporters, among many other possible roles. They can hop a bus or a plane, or even rent a car. KidZania marketing partners—including Sony, Dunkin Donuts, Chevrolet, and Coca-Cola—help make the locations brand-authentic.

Started in Mexico, KidZania opened its first park in 1999. Since then, eight KidZania facilities have welcomed 6 million visitors in Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Portugal, and the United Arab Emirates. “In 48 months, there will be 13 other locations,” says Dunaway, who is scouting potential sites in New York City and Chicago with hopes of opening a U.S. center in 2013.

“My job will be putting [KidZania centers] here in the U.S. and building the brand around the world,” Dunaway says from her San Jose, Calif., office. “Now I have an unprecedented chance to build a brand into a household name. That’s what marketing is all about. That’s what Professor [Harold] Babb taught me.”

“If I reflect back on my experience at the University of Richmond,” Dunaway says, “it opened doors for me, helped me with my confidence, and built skills so that anything I dreamed I could achieve. KidZania inspires that same passion and desire in kids.”

—Marilyn J. Shaw
Theological Seminary in Richmond in May with a master of divinity degree and a concentration in biblical interpretation. Before seminary, Kam spent 21 years as a foreign language teacher in Virginia public schools. Of her future in ministry, Kam is hopeful for opportunities for preaching, teaching, and writing. She feels called to work with incarcerated and local immigrant populations.

Stay in touch!
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Peter Folaros, R, is a retired high school principal and has been teaching English composition at Southwest Florida College. His daughter, Anna, graduated from Florida State University in April. He stays in contact with Peter Woolson, R, Herb Hill Jr., R, and Jane Morris Garland, L’80.

CLASS OF ’75
Sharen Enscore Gromling, W’75 and G’78, is among 17 people profiled in the book Local Heroes: Winchester, Virginia, 2000–2010, by psychologist Bernard Lewis. The executive director of Our Health Inc., she was the first female department head in the Winchester City government, as well as the first female member, and later president, of the Winchester Rotary Club.

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Charlie Reynolds, R, is the religious advisorship chaplain for Gen. Lloyd Austin and the U.S. forces in Iraq. He meets with local religious, human rights, political, and minority group leaders and has offices in the American Embassy, where he serves on the minority and reconciliation working groups.

CLASS OF ’80
Hats off to our very own Cynthia Bolger Deffenbaugh, W and GB’88, who was featured in a wonderful article in the spring 2011 issue of the alumni magazine in her role as UR’s director of financial aid. If you missed it, check it out at http://magazine.richmond.edu/spring11/feature-3/meet-cindy-deffenbaugh.html.

Mike Nation, R, attended UR’s Sweet Sixteen game versus Kansas in San Antonio, Texas, where he met up with Todd Miller, R.

Julie Wyatt Patterson, is a part-time nursing instructor at Piedmont Community College. Her son, Wyatt, graduated from high school and entered the University of Virginia this fall. Julie and Bunny Wilks, Anne Stanton Britt, and Kathy Wormley Barret, all B, keep up with each other. They see each other a couple of times a year, most recently at a “Phil’s” reunion before the famed UR hotspot closed at the end of June. Many happy memories were made at Philip’s Continental Lounge in our college days and beyond, and I heard of several people who made a point to get there one last time before it closed its doors June 30.

Jada Pardew Banks also was planning a mini-reunion at Phil’s when Susan Emig Woodend came to town. Jada keeps a busy schedule teaching a couple of classes at the University and other workshops on leadership, communication, and writing skills around Richmond.

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Last December, Kathleen Stewart-Taylor, W, graduated cum laude with a master’s degree in library science from North Carolina Central University. She concentrated in public libraries, children’s services, and school media and studied under Dr. Paulette Bracy, who has chaired the Coretta Scott King Book Award. Stewart-Taylor also is a show horse breeder and has several American Saddlebred mares. She remains close friends with her Westhampton roommate, Mary Harris Todd, W.

CLASS OF ’83
Ron Wiley Jr., L presented “Much Ado About Nothing? The Foreclosure Crisis’ of 2010–2011 (And Beyond)” at the 15th Annual Advanced Real Estate Seminar cosponsored by the Real Property Section of the Virginia State Bar and Virginia CLE. He is of counsel with MartinWren in Charlottesville, Va., and is a frequent and popular continuing education teacher for real estate professionals.

CLASS OF ’86
Timothy Coyne, L, is among 17 individuals profiled in the book Local Heroes: Winchester, Virginia, 2000–2010, by psychologist Bernard Lewis. He is a former Winchester City Council member and head of the public defender’s office for Virginia’s Frederick, Clarke, Warren, Shenandoah, and Page counties and for the city of Winchester.

Tracy Jones II, R, is a major account executive with Richmond-based SnagAJob.com.

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CLASS OF ’89
Stephanie “Stevie” Falk, G, has closed her private practice after 14 years and has accepted a position with Lebanon Valley College as director of counseling services.

CLASS OF ’90
Susan Somerfeld Rusch, W, and her husband, Mick, welcomed a daughter, Hazel Grace, on Sept. 2, 2010. The family lives in Marshall, Wis., where Susan is a financial services manager for Trek Bicycle Corp.

CLASS OF ’91
Richard E. Garriott Jr., R and L’96, a partner at the law firm of Clarke, Dolph, Rapaport, Hull, Brunnick & Garriot, has been named in the 2011 edition of Virginia Super Lawyers.


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CLASS OF ’93
Shawn Burke has been recognized by Allestate Insurance Co. with the Chairman’s Inner Circle Conference award for high standards in customer satisfaction, customer retention, and profitable business growth. His agency, The Burke Family Agency, in East Brunswick, N.J., also was recognized as the top-performing agency in the country.

CLASS OF ’96
Thomas Walsh is a vice president in global execution systems at Bank of America in New York City. A Cub Scout pack committee chairman, he
led a team for the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life in June. He and his wife, Lindsay, live in Hazlet, N.J., with their three children: Emily, Gregory, and Harrison.

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Reginald Skinner is a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, in Washington, D.C., and is serving a part-year term at the White House as deputy associate counsel. He earned his law degree from Harvard Law School and has two children, Jonah, 11, and Evelyn, 1.

CLASS OF ’98

Christopher Smith is director of policy and regulatory affairs with the National Community Pharmacists Association. He recently published “Polarized Circuits: Party Affiliation of Appointing Presidents, Ideology, and Circuit Court Voting in Race and Gender Civil Rights Cases,” located at 22 Hastings Women’s L.J. 157; “I Fought the Law and the Law Lost: The Case for Congressional Oversight Over Systemic Department of Justice Discovery Abuse in Criminal Cases,” located at 9 Cardozo Pub. L. Pol’y & Ethics J. 85; and “The Skeleton Key: Will the Federal Health Care Reform Legislation Unlock the Solutions to Diverse Dilemmas Arising from the State Health Care Reform Laboratories?” located at 24 J.L. & Health 79. Last year he completed a legal fellowship with the Senate Committee on Crime and Drugs.

CLASS OF ’99
Nancy Jo Ukrop Kantner and her husband, Chris, welcomed Abbie Kathryn on May 25, 2011. She joined sister Emily, 6, and brother Noah, 4½.

CLASS OF ’00
Keith Donohue is the founder of Positive Present, an organization devoted to positive affirmations and making a positive impact through philanthropy. He began a five-month project in February called “50Give,” in which he trekked cross-country to volunteer in each of the 50 states as well as Canada, Mexico, and the District of Columbia.

Margaret Lynch is studying to become a physician’s assistant at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, Va. For 10 years she had been a certified athletic trainer at Davidson College, Appalachian State University, and at two high schools in Charlotte, N.C.

Kevin Miller and his wife, Ellen Harris Miller, ’93, had a son, Conner Price, on May 13, 2011. The family lives in Richmond.

Nancy Annett Peters and her husband, Doug, had a daughter, Alexis Annett, on June 4, 2010. The family lives in Vienna, Va.

Lee Kirby West and her husband, PJ, welcomed a daughter, Avery Lee, on April 12, 2011.

Allison Dolan Windsor graduated in March from the University of Chicago with her M.B.A. She is a senior manager with Zurich Financial Services Group, focusing on new product development and launch. She also serves as the regional leader for the University of Richmond’s Alumni Association in the Chicago area. She and her husband, Robert Lighburn Windsor, live in Barrington, Ill., with their two children, Maggie, 2, and Clayton, 6. Robert was elected to a four-year term on the board of trustees in Barrington, Ill. He is an assistant state’s attorney for McHenry County, Ill., where he focuses on review of felony charges and grand jury investigations.

Dividends of the Liberal Arts
Joseph Osha, B’87

Students from the 1980s may recall the mellifluous voice of Joseph Osha, B’87. He gave WDCE audiences a jolt of jazz on Sunday afternoons. In addition, readers of The Collegian may remember his byline on its editorial pages.

Both extracurricular activities paid off for Osha, who today trades in different kinds of dividends as a stock analyst for 16 years with Merrill Lynch & Company, Inc.

“The thing that landed me my first job was my DJ-ing,” Osha says, recounting that the interviewer wanted to discuss music. Writing a weekly newspaper column proved another career building block, he says, noting that the “expression of an idea in a coherent manner is really important 20 years later.”

Now based in San Francisco, Osha returned to the United States this summer after living in Hong Kong as head of market research on companies in the U.S. and China. Prior to his current specialty, Osha focused on semiconductors. His research helps inform the benefits of the liberal arts continue to pay dividends in Osha’s work. For example, he says, the solar energy business requires a global overview. “A large part of solar cell manufacturing is in China, the biggest demand so far is in Europe, although the U.S., China, and India are going to get much bigger,” he says.

While technical analysis has its place, so called softer skills also are invaluable, Osha believes. “What you hope to bring out in a liberal arts education is the ability to analyze,” he says. “A good analyst shouldn’t second-guess whether the Intel or AMD microprocessor design is better, but focus on the application of the product itself.”

—Marilyn J. Shaw
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IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI
1928 / Hazel Anderson Carpenter, W., of Lynchburg, Va., May 11, 2009. She taught fourth grade at Westend School and worked for the YMCA in Lynchburg and Nashville.
1931 / Julia Alderson Fletcher, W., of Alderson, W.Va., May 28, 2011. She was secretary to the West Virginia Adjutant General.
1933 / Elizabeth Virginia Atkinson Napier, W., of Wallingford, Conn., Aug. 5, 2010. She worked for the Scarsdale Public Library.
1934 / Mildred Clay Green, W., of Sutherland, Va., Aug. 8, 2009. She was a librarian for Midway School.
1936 / Samuel B. Ball, R., of Aylett, Va., March 12, 2011. A retired sawmill owner and farmer, he was organist at his church for more than 50 years.
1937 / Katherine Bryoles Kerr, W., of Charleston, S.C., March 6, 2011. She was a schoolteacher in Virginia and Michigan.
1938 / Johanna Fisher Baldwin, W., of Glencoe, Md., Dec. 6, 2010. She owned an antique store and was a secretary and teacher.
1939 / George K. Brooks Jr., R., of Richmond, Feb. 21, 2011. He was chief of psychiatry at Richmond Memorial Hospital and Saint Mary’s Hospital, of Richmond, Feb. 21, 2011. He was chief
1940 / Helen Jane Smith Moss, W., of Richmond, July 2, 2011. Having studied dance under Martha Graham and Charles Weidman in New York, she taught a choreographed exercise course at Tuckahoe YMCA. She also danced with the Betty Carter Dance Group. She had been a stenographer for the city, state, and federal governments.
1940 / Seabury D. Stoneburner, R., of Jacksonville, Fla., June 22, 2011. He was president and chairman of Koger Equity and worked as treasurer for the Sr. Joe Paper Co.
1941 / Louise Morrissey Moyer, W., of Baltimore, July 1, 2011. She worked for IBM and earlier was a schoolteacher. She established a lending library at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Oxon Hill, Md.
1941 / Lester M. Sauer, R., of Richmond, Jan. 19, 2011. He was a senior vice president for Sovran Bank and an executive with First and Merchants Bank. A natural right-hander, he lost his right arm at 16 but became an accomplished tennis and softball player and was executive director of the Richmond Softball Umpire Association.
1942 / Shirley Kipp Graves, W., of Sunderland, Mass., June 23, 2011. She taught piano and organ and was a church organist and choir director. She was a trustee of the Graves Memorial Library and was instrumental in the establishment of the Sunderland library and the Sunderland Veterans Memorial.
1942 / Willis D. Holland, R., of Sammamish, Wash., March 19, 2011. After teaching math at the University of Maryland, he served in the Army as a physicist in nuclear medicine.
1942 / Robert S. Murphrey, R., of Richmond, Dec. 8, 2010. He was a research chemist and senior vice president of A.H. Robins Co.
1942 / Elizabeth Laverne Pridy Muse, W., of Arlington, Va., April 12, 2011.
1943 / Moreland R. Irby Jr., R., of Richmond, May 27, 2011. He was a partner and senior vice president with Wheat First Securities and an investment advisor for Wheat Advisory Services Inc. During World War II he was involved with the Manhattan Project at the University of Virginia.
1943 / Louise “Cory” Carothers Long, W., of Richmond, June 4, 2011. She was executive secretary and director of alumnae relations for the Westhampton College Alumnae Association. She was a research analyst and supervisor for the Intelligence Service in Washington during World War II and afterward. She also worked for State Planters Bank and as a translator for the export department of the Richmond Chemical Products and Chemical Corp.
1943 / Joseph B. Michaelson, R., of Los Angeles, Jan. 25, 2009. He worked for the federal government in information/communication security. He was a scientist and president and owner of Applied Biological Sciences laboratory.
1943 / Julian P. Todd Jr., R., of Richmond, March 4, 2011. A dentist, he also worked to help the homeless and played guitar for the Pea Pickers Band.
1943 / Rose Kolukran Wallace, W., of Sarasota, Fla., Nov. 7, 2010. She was a copy artist for Richmond newspapers and also worked for a department store in Springfield, Mass., and for churches in Massachusetts and Florida.
1943 / A. Gordon Willis Jr., R., of Culppepa, Va., May 7, 2011. He was president of Culppeper Stone Inc. and chairman of Fibercrete International. He was a bank executive, and earlier ran the family farm. He established the Willis, Gordon, Garnett and Allied Families Scholarship at the University.
1944 / Louise Walters Nelson, W., of Richmond, Feb. 15, 2011. She was an Internal Revenue Service agent and later a bridal consultant at Thallimers Department Store in downtown Richmond.
1944 / John P. Oliver Jr., R., of Richmond, April 13, 2011. He was pastor of First Baptist Church, Front Royal and three other Baptist churches in Virginia.
1945 / Cora Lynn Chaffee Goldsborough, W., of Madison, Wis., Feb. 16, 2011. She was a child psychologist in Washington, D.C., and Northern Virginia.
1947 / Burrell E. Lucas, R., of Raleigh, N.C., Feb. 6, 2008. He was a Baptist minister who served several churches.
1948 / Barbara Freed Roberts, W., of Albuquerque, N.M., Jan. 25, 2009. Among her occupations were teacher, reading therapist, oil painter, and actress.
1948 / Elizabeth Wood Rootrock, W., of Franconia, N.H., March 21, 2011. She was a secretary for Crown Worrists Mills Inc., the Harvard University department of chemistry, and a Boston law firm.
1949 / Harold W. Tribble Jr., R., of Long Beach, N.Y., July 9, 2007. He was a pastor for the United Church of Christ.
1949 / Donald G. Edel, B., of Richmond, March 28, 2011. He was chairman of the board and managing director of Kmart Far East Ltd., Hong Kong.
1949 / Marbury M. Hutchison, W., of Callao, Va., May 8, 2009. He was a dentist.
1949 / Thomas A. Johnson, R and O’63, of Richmond, Sept. 5, 2001. He conceived of and was the first editor of The Army Logician, a magazine with worldwide circulation, during his tenure as a civilian instructor, historian, publications writer and military analyst at Fort Lee. He also taught political science at Virginia Commonwealth University.
1949 / H. Stuart Massie Jr., R., of West Hartford, Conn., May 17, 2011. He was manager of the Hartford Sulphur Co. and Virginia-Carolina Chemical Corp.

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office of Travelers Insurance Corp. and earlier was a sales representative for Proctor & Gamble.

1949 / Charles D. Mattox Jr., R, of Pawleys Island, S.C., May 16, 2011. He was a sales and marketing executive for Dairymen Inc. and had worked for Ralston Purina. After playing baseball, football, and basketball at Richmond, he played some professional baseball.


1949 / Clyde Willard Norwood, R and USM, of Richmond, March 15, 2011. A lawyer, he also was active as a church trustee.

1949 / James R. O’Brien, R, of Albuquerque, N.M., March 31, 2011. He was a retired Air Force lieutenant colonel who served during World War II and the Vietnam War. After his military service he taught math in Albuquerque and was a docent at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History.

1949 / Conrad Frederick “Connie” Sauer III, R, of Richmond, May 14, 2011. He was president of the C.F. Sauer Co. for four decades, the third of four generations of his family to hold that post. He was awarded the Purple Heart after suffering shrapnel wounds during the Battle of the Bulge in World War II.

1949 / Sara Solis, W, of McAllen, Texas, May 6, 2011. She was a teacher.

1949 / Catherine Wyatt Townes, W, of Danville, Va., April 21, 2009. She worked as a math teacher and was active in the Baptist Women’s Missionary Union and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

1950 / Joseph H. Cordle Jr., R, of Richmond, July 17, 2010. He was a teacher at Douglas Freeman High School and had been a quality control chemist for A.H. Robins Co.


1950 / Charles I. Hilzheimer, R, of Charlotteville, Va., June 29, 2011. He was CEO of Sea Land Industries Investments Inc., held major executive positions elsewhere in the transportation industry, and was president of a consulting firm.

1950 / Maurice A. Timberlake, R, of Fredericksburg, Va., Sept. 30, 2007. He was pastor emeritus and minister of outreach for Spotwoods Baptist Church and had started and served several churches.


1951 / Piret Koljo Cruger, W, of Burlington, Vt., Oct. 14, 2008. She worked for the Vermont Children’s Aid Society, where she helped initiate the organization’s annual Craftsbury Antiques and Unique Festival.


1951 / Wilford L. Harris, R, of Richmond, May 9, 2011. A Certified Public Accountant, he cofounded Harris, Hardy and Johnston, P.C.

1951 / Herbert L. Jeffords Jr., B and GB’65, of Richmond, May 15, 2011. He was founder and operator of Jeffords Insurance and Realty.

1952 / Julian W. Clarkson, B, of Charlotte, N.C., May 8, 2011. He worked at Formosa Plastics Corp. and held leadership positions in the Society of Plastics Engineers. Involved in numerous civic and religious groups, he was active in prison ministry.


1953 / Katherine Burt “Kay” Beale Coates, W, of Richmond, June 23, 2011. She was a teacher counselor for the Henrico County school system and a therapist. She was a chorister and soloist in churches, the Richmond Opera Group, and the Richmond Choral Arts Society.

1953 / Willie E. Ferguson III, B, of Chapin, S.C., March 12, 2011. A CPA, he was Executive Vice President of Statewide Operations for South Carolina National Bank and later Director of Internal Audit for the South Carolina Department of Revenue.


1954 / David E. Duggan, R, of Virginia Beach, Va., Feb. 17, 2011. He worked with Psychological Consultants of Richmond and with United Mortgage Corp. in Norfolk and Multi-Family Mortgage Corp. in Virginia Beach.

1955 / Harry L. Hodges, R, of Boynton Beach, Fla., June 20, 2011. He was a dentist who practiced in the Richmond area.

1956 / Jeannette Branim, W, of Elmhurst, N.Y., March 15, 2011. She was receptionist for Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Manhattan and had worked for General Electric in several capacities. As an accomplished soloist and choral singer she performed in several shows and worked with Guy Lombardo Productions.

1956 / Alexander A. Castaldi, R, of Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., May 20, 2011. He was a systems analyst at IBM and, after retirement, an internaional consultant.


1957 / James R. Cole, R, of Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 15, 2010. A professor of psychology at the University of Nebraska, he helped establish that state’s licensure for clinical psychologists and received the first license issued.

1958 / Ray W. Bowles, B, of Richmond, March 21, 2011. A retired Marine Corps Colonel who served during the Vietnam War, he had a government contracting career specializing in robotics.


1958 / Barbara Earel Crawford, W, of Stevenson, Ala., May 24, 2007. She was church educational director.

1958 / Suzanne Lacy Dickinson, W, of Richmond, June 8, 2011. She was a homemaker.


1958 / James M. Yankovich, R, of Williamsburg, Va., May 25, 2011. He was dean and professor in the school of education at the College of William and Mary, and was professor and dean at the University of Michigan at Flint, where he had also worked in school systems in Virginia and Michigan. A musician, he led the Jimmy Yankovich Orchestra in the 1950s.

1959 / Edward M. Arvin, B and GB’65, of Morehead City, N.C., Dec. 11, 2010. He was a certified public accountant and auditor.

1959 / Phillip W. Crews Jr., R, of Chesterfield, Va., Dec. 31, 2008. He trained as a paratrooper and was serving as an officer in the Army’s 101st Airborne Division when an automobile accident left him blind, deaf, paralyzed, and unable to speak. He undertook extensive rehabilitation and became an accountant clerk at the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond.

1959 / David A. Flemer Sr., G, of Ashburn, Va., July 1, 2011. He was a research ecologist for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and had served as research professor at the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory.

1959 / John H. McKay, R, of Bowling Green, Va., May 31, 2011. He was a pastor who served churches in nine Virginia counties. He was active in music ministry and recorded an album of gospel songs. He also had worked as a civil servant secretary for the Navy.

1959 / Mario Rossi Jr., R, of Hanover, Va., April 2, 2011. He worked for Bell Atlantic.

1960 / Preston D. Campbell, R, of Fredericksburg, Va., March 13, 2010. He taught school and later had a plumbing and roofing business.


1961 / Sidney H. Greer, R, of Vero Beach, Fla. He was a paralegal.

1961 / James R. Powell, G, of Portage, Mich., Sept. 16, 2007. He was a senior information scientist for Upjohn Co. and an award-winning writer. Earlier he was an instructor and professor, including a stint at the University. He was a founding member of the Kalamazoosingers.
1961 / Linda Anne Frazer Sharp, W., of Los Osos, Calif., April 20, 2011. She was a partner in two distribution businesses, first in Charleston, N.C., then in Redondo Beach, Calif. Earlier, she taught English at Palos Verdes High School.

1962 / Robert R. Goard, R., of Staunton, Va., June 24, 2011. He was corporate librarian for Burgundy Nipple Inc., Engineers and Architects, Columbus, Ohio, and held other library positions. Earlier, he taught at Ohio Wesleyan University and at a high school in Danville, Va.


1962 / William A. Harrison, R., of Richmond, formerly of Sperryville, Va., March 8, 2011. He was pastor of several churches and taught school in Rappahannock County, Va.

1962 / James T. "Rachorse" Kelley, B, of Williamsburg, Va., Nov. 7, 2009. He was an assistant resident engineer for the Williamsburg office of the Virginia Department of Transportation.

1963 / Peter B. Silkey, R., of Bluffton, S.C., March 14, 2010. He was an officer with Sickley Bros., fuel oil dealers in South Orange, N.J.

1963 / Mary Ellen Armstrong Hunter, W., of Manassas, Va., April 4, 2011.

1963 / Millard E. Jones II, R and GB'65, of Richmond, Feb. 8, 2011. He was a real estate broker with Morton G. Thuilmer, Inc.

1963 / Nancy H. Delano Moore, W., of Richmond, May 23, 2011. She developed the Women's Resource Center, the Commonwealth Parenting Center, a program for talented Virginia youth in conjunction with Johns Hopkins University, and other programs. She was author of the award-winning children's book, Kierman Jane and a book for middle-school writing teachers. She taught literature and writing.

1964 / Willy J. Behnken, B, of Richmond, Dec. 4, 2007. He was a sales associate for CarMax and had been a broker for Investors Lease Corp. and worked for General Electric's consumer financing department.

1964 / Myra Barden Grainger, C, of New Bern, N.C., Sept. 28, 2009. She was an accounting supervisor for the city of Hopewell, Va.

1964 / Philip E. London, R, of Savannah, Ga., and Bayre, Va., March 28, 2011. He was the owner and operator of Design Office Systems Inc. and had worked in office furniture and equipment sales.

1965 / Gordon Baillie Brown Jr., B, of Anderson, S.C., March 27, 2011. He was a bank executive and had been a life insurance agent.

1965 / Jessica Lou Vaughan Pearman, W., of Richmond, June 16, 2011. She was supervisor of testing for the Spotsylvania County, Va., school system. In 1988 she was the first teacher in the county named Virginia Teacher of the Year.

1966 / James B. Lock, B, of Virginia Beach, Va., July 9, 2010. He was a partner in Ultrasonic of Virginia Inc. and had been a math teacher.

1966 / Carolyn Elizabeth Tietze Oliver, W., of Napa, Calif., Aug. 1, 2010. She was a wine chemist for Beringer Vineyards.

1966 / David M. Reid, R, of Weems, Va., Oct. 29, 2008. A pilot and an entrepreneur, he formed Pilot Service Corp. air taxi/charter operation and was owner of Search Unlimited. He also worked for Delta and other companies.

1966 / Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Spencer Townsend, W, of Richmond, March 16, 2008. She worked for the Virginia Department of Taxation and for Broadband Services Inc.


1967 / James M. Dirks, G, of Manakin Sabot, Va., Feb. 26, 2011. He was a director and manager for the flexible packaging division of Reynolds Metals Co.

1967 / Sarah Louise McLaughlin Goodrich, W, of Falls Church, Va., Feb. 25, 2011. She was a reference librarian at Old Dominion University and George Washington University.


1968 / Martin E. Bandas, R, of Richmond, April 3, 2010. He was owner of the Chicken Box, source of his nickname "Super Chicken."

1968 / Hans H.C. Weidmann, R, of Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 20, 2008. He was a financial advisor and earlier a research engineer for DuPont in Wilmington, Del., and had worked in the physics department at the University of Virginia.

1970 / Roger L. Beck, R, of Richmond, June 25, 2011. He was a communications manager with Virginia Dominion Power and Florida Power and Light.


1971 / Leslie T. Figg Jr., B, of Mechanicsville, Va., Sept. 1, 2008. He was director of fiscal services for the Supreme Court of Virginia.


1973 / Joseph Burlock, G, of Poquoson, Va., May 14, 2011. He worked for the Army Signal Corps during World War II and was involved in the early development of radar technology. Later he worked for NASA in the fields of instrument research and plasma physics.


1993 / Myron Berman, L, of Fairfax, Va., April 5, 2011. A rabbi, he led Richmond's Temple Beth-El from 1965 to 1993, then graduated from the School of Law at age 65 and practiced law as an advocate for children.

2002 / John Wukits, C, of Lexington, S.C., April 7, 2011. He was an elementary schoolteacher, his second career after working for Kraft Foods.

2004 / Karla M. Seivwright, C, of Midlothian, Va., Feb. 20, 2011. She had been coordinator of facilities and events for the Richmond Department of Athletics.

STAFF
Gene Houston Little, of Richmond, July 8, 2011. A United Methodist minister for 40 years, he joined the University in 1989 as an assistant to the University's switchboard operator, he was a member of the University's floater staff when he retired in 2004.

James Melbourne "Jim" Tait Jr., of Richmond, May 20, 2011. He joined the University in 1966 as assistant football coach and served as head coach from 1974 to 1979. In 1975 he was named Southern Conference Coach of the Year. He left UR in 1979, then returned in 1989 and spent the next decade as an assistant coach. He retired from UR in 1998.
By David D. Burhans

A phone call in the summer of 1974 from University President E. Bruce Heilman began a process of transformation in my professional journey as a Christian minister. We began to explore a newly created position at Richmond, Chaplain to the University. Over several weeks, my long-held commitment to ministry in a local church parish as pastor, preacher, and teacher evolved into a renewed commitment in a new kind of parish—a university campus community.

The transition from a dynamic, progressive church congregation of people with similar interests and values to a forward-looking, dynamic academy of people with dissimilar interests and growing diversity was transformative. Students, faculty, and staff were focused on the grand enterprise of higher education, on the life of the mind, on learning to think critically, not on ways of “church” or living one’s faith in community.

Two questions persisted for the Chaplaincy: How does one encourage spiritual growth, broaden one’s faith perspective, and address ethical issues in an academic community without being sectarian? And, how does one authentically celebrate human wholeness of body, mind, and spirit, so as to counter and resist the fragmentation of knowledge, learning, and human development?

As this new professional journey began to unfold, one principle was essential: to approach life, work, and relationships in the academy with an open mind and heart—not open without any fixed point, but open and receptive to new ideas, to engaging a diverse community of people.

We listened carefully to what others had to say about moral and spiritual values. We made a strong effort to understand other faith perspectives while exploring fresh ways to express our own faith.

From my own Judeo-Christian tradition and from the model of Jesus, I have learned the importance of working to break down barriers that divide us, to broaden our world view, reaching beyond our own kind, our own country, our own religious creed. I believe strongly that we must articulate the beliefs and religious experiences that each of us holds dear and share with others the Light by which we live and work and relate.

An open, thoughtful, and discerning mind is an essential principle for ministry on a university campus. Of equal importance in my mind is a compassionate and welcoming heart.

“Together, light and warmth become essential requirements for a meaningful human journey.”

Through nurturing and challenging relationships. The life of the mind and critical thinking are informed and enriched when the academy also values the life of the heart and challenges students, faculty, and staff members to reach beyond one’s private world of study-research-sleep-play and engage the needs of others.

The University community is fortunate that an endowed Chaplaincy, the Bonner Center for Civic Engagement, and all five University schools promote social justice initiatives and related academic internships in support of Richmond’s liberal arts educational experience. The Richmond Promise set forth by President Ayers establishes for us all a creative dynamic environment that expands the life of the mind and infuses the human spirit with compassion and generosity toward our fellow humans.

In 1832 when master poet, philosopher, and scientist Johann Wolfgang Goethe lay dying, his last words were “Light! Light! More Light!” Almost a century later, the Spanish philosopher Miguel de Unamuno reacted to this death-bed plea, suggesting that Goethe should have cried Warmth! Warmth! More Warmth! “More persons die of coldness,” observed Unamuno, “than die of darkness. It is frost, not night, that kills.” Perhaps the greater truth is that neither alone is adequate. Together, light and warmth become the essential requirements for a meaningful human journey. This journey is richly and creatively shaped by the University of Richmond experience.

David D. Burhans serves the University as Chaplain Emeritus and Special Assistant to Advancement.
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