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Jan. 21 - May 6
Joel and Lila Harnett Museum of Art and the Joel and Lila Harnett Print Study Center

This exhibit pairs historical photographs with contemporary scenes of the campus and its community. Dementia Studio, founded in 1924, has captured vibrant images of the University’s students, faculty, buildings and activities during decades of changes and achievements.

Community Open House
April 2

The open house will feature fun for the whole family, including children's activities, concerts, lectures, exhibits, international films, trolley tours of the campus and a baseball game. The Robins School of Business will host an exhibit on the history of Richmond's business community. President William E. Cooper and Dr. Doug Hicks, director of the Center for Civic Engagement, will guide a panel discussion on the University's involvement in the Richmond community.

A Legacy for Excellence: The History and Promise of the University of Richmond
April 10, April 17 and May 1

University chancellors E. Bruce Heilman and Richard Morrill will teach this class along with other University leaders. The course is free and open to the public. To register, call the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at (804) 287-6608.

Alumni Scrapbook
Ongoing

Visit the 175th anniversary Web site, http://175.richmond.edu, or call toll-free (877) 871-7584 to submit your favorite Richmond memories to the alumni scrapbook. Here is a sample from Robert S. Rosenbaum, R'52.

"I was allowed as a chemistry major to make and spread (in small amounts) an explosive compound around the chemistry building before visitors' night. This "nitro" would explode when stepped on. I applied it on all the steps and hallways. At times it sounded like the Fourth of July."

Fly the Flag Initiative
Year-round

The University encourages alumni to fly their Richmond shield flags throughout the 175th anniversary year. You can purchase flags at the University Bookstore, online at http://www.urspidershop.com or via phone at (804) 289-8491.

The $25,000 question: “What moves us?”

First-year student Jason C. Levinn won Richmond's Quest IV competition—and its $25,000 cash prize—by posing that question in January. A selection committee chose Levinn's entry as the most thought-provoking question among 130 submissions.

"I think $25,000 is a small price to pay for rewarding what we care most about here at Richmond, which is intellectual curiosity," said President William E. Cooper.

Every two years, the University invites all full-time undergraduates to submit questions designed to spark interdisciplinary discussion and debate for the following 24 months. The winning question and the student's rationale for posing it inspire exploration via special courses, panel discussions, seminars and symposia.

In 1999, Larina Orlando, '99, started Quest I by asking, "Is truth in the eye of the beholder?" In 2001, Liza Stutts, '04, began Quest II by asking, "When does discovery inspire change? And in 2003, Amy Robin Hoffman, '03, primed Quest III by asking, "How do we know which questions to ask?"
The library’s new allure

Gate counts at Boatwright Memorial Library are increasing dramatically as facility improvements and technological upgrades attract more students, faculty, staff and alumni. Library patronage jumped 5.5 percent in 2002, 20.9 percent in 2003 and 22.3 percent in 2004. The total gate count that year was more than 500,000.

“Our statistics do not include people who only visit the coffee shop,” laughs Kathy Monday, vice president of information services. The popular new shop is located just outside the security gates, and the aroma of fresh-brewed coffee is only the first whiff of the library’s new allure.

“Over the past few years, through a series of summer renovation projects, we have significantly improved the public spaces and service points on the first and second floors,” Monday explains. “We have upgraded the facilities, incorporated more computers and technology tools—including a wireless network—and created more comfortable, welcoming environments.”

The Technology Learning Center on the third floor is particularly popular, Monday says. It couples high-end hardware and software with expert assistance.

Richmond moves up to national category

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, which administers the classification system of all U.S. colleges and universities, has moved the University of Richmond to the baccalaureate liberal arts category.

U.S. News & World Report uses the Carnegie classification system in its annual rankings of “America’s Best Colleges.” The change means that Richmond will be listed in the magazine’s “national liberal arts” category for the first time next fall. Richmond has topped the magazine’s “master’s universities–south” category for the past 11 years.

“We requested this change because Richmond compares more closely across a variety of measures to nationally ranked liberal arts colleges than to regionally ranked master’s universities,” says President William E. Cooper.

Like Washington and Lee and Wesleyan universities, Richmond offers a more complex array of schools and programs than most liberal arts colleges, but all of the University’s programs emanate from a strong liberal arts core.

“In terms of our academic reputation, it is vital to benchmark our progress against the top nationally ranked colleges and universities, and the reclassification will assist that effort,” Cooper says. “Whether we are recruiting students and faculty or seeking resources from foundations, corporations or individuals, the competition is increasingly national in scope, and we need to set our sights accordingly, even as we build an ever stronger local and regional base of support.”

Many of America’s leading small, private colleges—Williams, Amherst, Davidson, Wesleyan and Washington and Lee—are in the U.S. News national liberal arts category and compete with Richmond for students. University administrators expect the magazine to rank Richmond among the top 50 in the category, which included 217 colleges and universities last year.

“Regardless of our rank in the new category, we feel that we are among our real peers both in the Carnegie classification and on the U.S. News & World Report list,” says Provost June Aprille. “Students often consult this category when they are considering colleges focused primarily on high-quality undergraduate education, and those students will be a good match for Richmond.”

The University’s Office of Institutional Research, Planning and Assessment was instrumental in negotiating the change with the Carnegie Foundation. Director Steve RICharde says his office gathered both quantitative data and qualitative information before sending the foundation a detailed, 10-page rationale for the change. In addition to the U.S. News rankings, he notes, foundations and government agencies often utilize the Carnegie classifications when making decisions about institutional funding.
Biology professor helps WMD scientists in Iraq

Dr. Peter Smallwood, associate professor of biology, once studied where squirrels hide nuts. Now he helps Iraqi scientists find peaceful applications for their expertise in developing weapons of mass destruction (WMD).

"My mission is to help scientists, engineers and technicians who have WMD-related expertise find the means and motivation to stay in Iraq," says Smallwood, director of the Iraqi International Center for Science and Industry. "By means, I mean the ability to pay the bills, and by motivation, I mean helping them find useful work in the reconstruction and development of the country." As of late January, more than 100 Iraqi scientists were participating in the program.

On a leave of absence from the University, Smallwood gave up his comfortable faculty office for a trailer in Baghdad's Green Zone.

"I belong in the woods with muddy feet, leaves and tree branches in my hair and a praying mantis on my shoulder," Smallwood says. "I'm very far away from home, and I feel that every day."

Smallwood's detour from the typical professor's career path began when he worked on Capitol Hill last year for Sen. Joe Lieberman's office as part of a fellowship program through the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). He became friends with Dr. Alex Dehgan, another AAAS fellow who was working with the U.S. State Department to establish the Iraqi International Center for Science and Industry. Smallwood offered to help; one thing led to another, and State Department officials eventually asked him to take charge of the center. His experience with large scientific grant projects helped him get the job, but that was not the only factor.

"Part of the reason they selected me," he says, "is that I was willing to go."

Smallwood admits he is somewhat apprehensive about his personal safety, but "the single most stressful thing I have to deal with," he says, "is worrying about [the safety of] my Iraqi colleagues."

The State Department started the Iraqi science and industry center to re-establish a legitimate scientific community in Iraq, help with reconstruction projects and help WMD experts find productive jobs.

"This project is partially modeled on what the State Department started in the states of the former Soviet Union," Smallwood notes. "The centers they established there are still going strong a decade later."

Smallwood's work in Iraq has attracted attention from several major newspapers across the United States including The Washington Post and the Los Angeles Times.

"Questions over weapons of mass destruction seem like ancient history in the 20 months since the U.S.-led invasion and the rise of the insurgency. But even harsh critics of the Bush White House acknowledge that [Saddam Hussein] had a large research apparatus, known as the Military Industrial Commission, that oversaw development of chemical, biological and radiological weapons," according to the Associated Press. "Even if no weapons stockpiles were found, the brains behind the operations remain. Some were Baathist Party elites and informers. Hundreds more are typical physicists, chemists and engineers from Iraq's once-admired university system."

Saddam Hussein's top weapons advisors are in custody, but their underlings are prime candidates for Smallwood's science matchmaking program. "Until he makes a match, Smallwood pays the researchers what he describes as a 'living wage' of less than $1,000 a month," according to the AP story. "He meets regularly with his Iraqi staff inside the Green Zone. Once a week, Smallwood ventures out to visit the program's advisory committee of Iraqi scientists and engineers at other locations in the city. He straps on body armor and a helmet to ride the few miles each way in an armored Humvee."

Despite the hardships and dangers of living in Iraq, Smallwood has no regrets. "There's no question that this is the hardest job I have ever undertaken in many ways, but I think I am doing some good here," he says. "Being a tenured professor gives me the freedom to do this. There aren't many jobs in America anymore where people have that kind of job security. So I believe those of us who do should use it to help other people whenever we can."

Smallwood expects to remain in Iraq for about one year. Then he plans to return to the University, resume teaching and find out what happened to the nuts the squirrels were hiding.

-Karl Rhodei
Campaign tops $150 million mark

The University's Transforming Bright Minds fundraising campaign has passed the $150 million mark on its way to its $200 million goal with more than three and a half years remaining.

Of the total $150.6 million committed to the campaign as of February, the University's trustees have pledged $46.6 million; 37 individual donors have made commitments of $1 million or more, and more than 23,000 people in total have contributed to its success.

"We are delighted by the enthusiastic response of our donors to the campaign as momentum continues to develop on behalf of the University's mission," says President William E. Cooper.

Since the campaign's public launch on March 4, 2004, the University has received a number of major commitments benefiting the sciences, university museums, international education, social sciences, leadership studies, business school, library and athletics.

Richmond names art museum in honor of Joel and Lila Harnett

The University has named its art museum in honor of Joel and Lila Harnett, longtime supporters of the visual arts at Richmond. The newly named Joel and Lila Harnett Museum of Art incorporates the Marsh Gallery, Booth Lobby Gallery, Newby Gallery, Robins Courtyard and Pickels Gallery. It is one of three museums on campus that are collectively called the University Museums.

The other two museums are the Lora Robins Gallery of Design from Nature and the Joel and Lila Harnett Print Study Center.

An event at the museum to honor the Harnetts and officially dedicate the Harnett Museum of Art is scheduled for April 30.

For many years, the Harnetts have supported the visual arts generously both at the University and in Phoenix, where they have lived since 1987. The couple recently made another major gift to Richmond's museums as well as a significant commitment for future support, both of which will be counted toward the Transforming Bright Minds campaign.

Joel Harnett graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Richmond in 1945 and embarked upon a successful publishing career. He was a vice president of Look magazine and founded Media Horizons, a public radio broadcasting and magazine publishing company. With Lila, he created Phoenix Home & Garden, one of Arizona's leading magazines. Joel currently serves on the board and executive committee of the Heard Museum in Phoenix.

Lila Harnett is the founder of ArtTable, a national organization of professional women leaders in the visual arts. She was art critic with CUE magazine and, for eight years, a member of the New York State Council on the Arts. She is a trustee of the Phoenix Art Museum and currently serves on the board's executive committee.

Their recent gifts to the University will provide an endowment for the Joel and Lila Harnett Museum of Art and support future art exhibitions and programs at the museum.

"We are indebted to Joel and Lila Harnett for their vision and their generosity," says Richard Waller, executive director of University Museums. "The gifts from the Harnetts will enable us to transform our art museum into the centerpiece of our museums on campus. With their support and guidance, the Harnett Museum of Art will not only flourish but will take its place as a leading university art museum both regionally and nationally."

The Harnetts' gifts will enable the museum to provide additional opportunities for people to experience art in its many forms and give the University community and the region an even greater resource for research and scholarship through its collections, exhibitions, visiting artist residencies, scholarly publications, lectures and other programs.

The Harnetts have supported many of the museum's exhibitions during the past 20 years including works by notable American artists such as George Tooker, Philip Pearlstein, Jerome Witkin and Janet Fish. The couple has given significant artwork to the museum's permanent collection, and they continue to fund the Harnett Summer Fellow, an opportunity for a Richmond undergraduate student to work full time with museum staff.

In 2001, the Harnetts made a major contribution to establish the Joel and Lila Harnett Print Study Center, the only facility of its kind in the region, and to give the museum an endowment for print acquisitions and programs.
Three students earn Fulbright Awards

Three Richmond students won Fulbright Awards during the 2004–05 academic year placing the University ninth among Southern schools with students who earned Fulbrights. Richmond tied with Vanderbilt, Rice and Georgia and finished ahead of Davidson, Tulane, University of the South, Washington and Lee and Virginia Tech.

Richmond's winners were Michael Goff, '04, of Hockessin, Del., who received a grant to teach English as a foreign language in Germany; Kevin Lingerfelt, '04, of Fairfax, Va., who won an award to study information sciences/systems in the Ukraine; and Ian Billard, '04, of Charlotte, N.C., who received a grant to pursue East Asian/Pacific/Australian studies in China.

They were among approximately 1,100 students who traveled abroad last fall in more than 115 countries as part of the Fulbright Student Program, the best-known source of overseas study grants in the nation. Students from 550 colleges and universities applied for the grants.

The U.S. Congress created the Fulbright Program in 1946 to promote mutual understanding among nations. Each year committees from the United States and the host countries review student proposals, a process coordinated by the Institute of International Education. The grants, sponsored by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, typically cover one academic year of study in the host countries.

"As Fulbrighters, these Americans have important responsibilities," said Secretary of State Colin Powell when he named the 2004–05 winners in October. "First and foremost, they engage in serious academic study or research abroad. In addition, they will immerse themselves in learning about their new host country and will have opportunities to share their perspectives on the United States with their hosts."

Responding to the tsunami

Suwara Supreeyathitikul, '08, is coping with the loss of more than 5,000 people in her native Thailand after the December tsunami by looking for a way to transform crisis into opportunity. Thailand, she says, could “become the Asia disaster preparedness center and show our efficiency in dealing with the crisis.”

She is lucky that none of her family members perished in the disaster, but one relative owned three drug stores in Phuket. "All of them were destroyed by the big wave," she says.

Supreeyathitikul was among several University students and faculty who participated in a January panel discussion of the economic, historical, cultural and political contexts of the disaster and ensuing relief efforts.

The University responded to the crisis by creating the Spider Community Tsunami Response (SCTR), an initiative led by students, faculty and staff from the offices of student development, chaplaincy, international education and the Center for Civic Engagement. SCTR is raising money, and a group of students will decide which relief agency or agencies will receive it. The SCTR also will plan educational programs related to the disaster throughout the spring semester.

"It is our hope that through this combined educational and fundraising effort our students will learn the complexities, challenges and promise of such a communal act of assistance and solidarity with those who have been affected by the tsunami disaster," says Dr. Doug Hicks, director of the Center for Civic Engagement.

Although the human scale of such disasters is almost impossibly to understand intellectually, "I continue to believe that our hearts are big enough to respond," says the Rev. Dr. Daphne Burt, the University's chaplain. "Even before everyone had returned from winter break, our office was inundated by queries from students, faculty and staff, all asking what we could do to help. The SCTR initiative is yet another example of the depth of compassion and size of the hearts of the University community."

To learn more about SCTR, visit http://engage.richmond.edu or http://oncampus.richmond.edu/student/life/chaplaincy/main.htm.
Service times seven

In early April, the University will expand its annual community service day to a week-long event.

During each of the past three years, students, faculty and staff have devoted one day to a major community service initiative, such as renovating a local public school.

This year’s event—“Build It 2005”—will multiply those efforts by involving alumni, high school students and community partners. Together they will undertake a community service project that will make a lasting impact on the Edgelawn neighborhood of eastern Henrico County.

“Our expanded vision for 2005 is to build a Habitat for Humanity house in one week, enhance three public schools and initiate and incorporate academic studies outside of class,” says senior Jill Fasching, co-chair of Build It 2005. Volunteers will do most of the work April 4–10, but the University and its partners will stay involved in the Edgelawn neighborhood throughout the spring semester.

Richmond Habitat for Humanity and Henrico County Public Schools will partner with the University to build the Habitat house and improve the three public schools respectively.

Projects at Baker Elementary School will include developing an interactive nature trail, tutoring students, painting a world map on the playground pavement and creating school-spirit murals in the cafeteria and gym.

At John Rolfe Middle School, volunteers will tutor and mentor students, revamp the front-office display, repaint hallways and lockers, landscape the grounds and collect books for the library.

Projects at Varina High School will include building an outdoor classroom, planting educational gardens, preparing students for college, improving the football stadium and creating school signage in different languages.

Habitat volunteers will ride buses to the site from campus and work four shifts a day, with a total of 1,400 “people shifts” available during the week, says senior Brandon Boxler, co-chair of Build It 2005. Another 1,500–2,000 volunteers will be needed to work at the schools. Richmond staff members may take time off from work with pay to volunteer for a shift.

Students have been raising money toward the Habitat house for two years. Their $100,000 goal would give them enough to build the house and seed future projects.

To volunteer for Build It 2005, visit http://www.student.richmond.edu/~buildit or call (804) 289-8505.

Scientific American hails Pew Initiative

Scientific American magazine has named the University’s Pew Initiative on Food and Biotechnology to its “2004 Scientific American 50,” the magazine’s annual list of outstanding leaders in science and technology.

Selected by the magazine’s board of editors and distinguished outside advisors, the Scientific American 50 recognizes leaders in research, business and policy. The magazine hailed the Pew Initiative as a “policy leader in agriculture.”

“Since our inception in 2001, we have sought to transform the debate about genetically modified foods and agricultural biotechnology from unproductive polarization to constructive engagement,” says Michael Rodemeyer, executive director of the Pew Initiative. “By providing a neutral forum for the discussion of the technology’s benefits, risks and regulation, we hope to provide society and policymakers with a better sense of the issues that need resolution.”
Recreation center tops construction agenda

The Board of Trustees' executive committee has voted to move forward with the planning and design of a new $12 million recreation and wellness center and a $3.4 million renovation of the lower levels of Boatwright Memorial Library.

Students had identified the recreation center as their top priority on a recent student-designed survey, and President William E. Cooper announced Nov. 30 at a "Hanging with Dr. Cooper" event that he would recommend the construction projects to the Board of Trustees.

The full Board of Trustees was scheduled to vote on them in March.

Plans for the recreation center call for 26,400 square feet of new space combined with 32,500 square feet of existing space in the Robins Center. The new space would include a three-bay auxiliary gym with an elevated running track.

University officials currently are seeking a major donor to help fund the project.

The library renovation would be phase one of a $24 million plan to improve and expand the facility. The entire project would create 19,000 square feet of additional space and a dramatic new entrance to the library from Stern Plaza.

In addition to the new proposals, the University is moving ahead on an $8.9 million renovation and expansion of Heilman Dining Center that will add more space for dining, a new display cooking and serving area plus space for a new campus post office.

Meanwhile, the University expects to complete two other construction projects this fall: the Gottwald Center for the Sciences and the University Forum, a large plaza in the center of campus.

Parrish rallies alumni volunteers

The Office of Alumni Relations has named Britt Parrish acting associate director for volunteer involvement.

Parrish moved to Richmond from Louisville, Ky., where she worked for the advertising agency of Doe Anderson. She joined the University’s annual fund office in 2002 and became a major gift officer the following year. In her new position, she will be the alumni office’s primary liaison with the Boatwright and Lake societies and the University College / School of Continuing Studies Alumni Association.

“I am excited to join the alumni relations staff and look forward to working closely with many of our dedicated volunteers,” Parrish says.

Hagenmueller leads pilot program

The University has tapped Paul Hagenmueller Jr., R’68, to create and manage an alumni informational interviewing program associated with the D.C. Initiative.

Hagenmueller joined the University in 1997 as a special assistant to the executive director of alumni relations, and he became an associate director of alumni relations in 2000. In his new role, he is enlisting alumni to conduct voluntary, informational interviews with students who have applied to the University from selected Washington, D.C.-area high schools.

The project is part of the D.C. Initiative, a network of faculty, staff, alumni and friends working to improve student recruitment, enhance educational programs, expand opportunities for career development and broaden the University’s support in the nation’s capital.

The alumni interviewers will share their Richmond experiences with applicants and give admission officers supplementary information for the application review process. One of the goals, Hagenmueller says, is to increase the percentage of accepted students who ultimately choose Richmond.

“This is a pilot project,” Hagenmueller emphasizes. “We will evaluate the results and determine whether we want to continue and expand the program.”

Many top colleges and universities conduct alumni interviews with prospective students, he notes, including Duke, Dartmouth, Georgetown, Princeton and Penn.
In Memoriam

Former trustee McClennenah

Mary Tyler Freeman McClennenah, H'85, died Jan 16. She served on the Board of Trustees from 1969-74 and was a strong supporter of the University throughout her life.

McClennenah, 87, was the daughter of Douglas Southall Freeman, a former rector of the University and one of Richmond's most distinguished alumni. He edited the Richmond News Leader for many years and won Pulitzer Prizes for his biographies of George Washington and Robert E. Lee. His name endures on campus with Freeman Hall and the Douglas Southall Freeman Chair in History, established by an initial gift from McClennenah.

An activist who fought social injustice at every turn, McClennenah served on the boards of more than a dozen nonprofit organizations in Virginia. As commencement speaker in 1991, she urged Richmond's newest graduates to make a positive difference in their communities and throughout the world.

"It is you, the classes of 1991 and your peers, who will find your way in this maze," she said, "to lead the world to peace."

Greetings from the Real World

Forty-four successful alumni from a wide variety of professions returned to campus in late January to participate in the Real World Student-Alumni Career Networking Program. Alumni shared their experiences of transitioning from Richmond to the "Real World."

The 2005 program was the fourth annual Real World networking event. "It has been a pleasure to see students and alumni interacting year after year," says Ken Kaper, vice president of student affairs for the Richmond College Student Government Association. "Students don't always know what their majors and minors mean for them when they graduate, but the alumni have a very experiential way of demonstrating that the possibilities for them are endless."

This year alumni represented the classes of 1991–98. Some are vice presidents of corporations, lobbyists, lawyers or legislative workers. Others have entertained on the big and small screens, taught elementary and high school students, and worked in sports-related fields.

"The alumni reassure us that we will be able to survive after graduation," says Kristen Emerson, alumni affairs committee chair for the Westhampton College Government Association. "They help us to understand better that the University of Richmond degree will take us to amazing places."

French professor wins national award

Robert M. Terry, professor of French, has received the 2004 Florence Steiner Award for Leadership in Foreign Language Education, Postsecondary, from the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.

The council presents the award annually to a foreign language educator who is widely known and appreciated for professional knowledge, wit and ability to communicate with teachers.

David McAlpine, chair of the award's selection committee, says Terry demonstrates "five major characteristics of this leadership"—publications and presentations on important concepts in foreign language teaching; broad expertise as a teacher and scholar; participation in teaching and professional development; selfless dedication to foreign languages and foreign language professionals; and contributions and mentorship as an editor of a number of professional publications.

Student athletes make the grade

Richmond's student-athlete graduation rate has jumped into a tie for sixth in the nation.

The graduation rate for student-athletes always has been a source of pride for the University, but this year's performance is the best in recent history, according to Athletic Director Jim Miller.

The NCAA reported an 88 percent student-athlete graduation rate for the Spiders' 1997-98 freshman class, 26 percent higher than Richmond's football players posted a 94 percent graduation rate, second among Division I-AA football programs and 40 percent higher than the national average.

George chips in for new golf facility

For Lester George, R'77, strolling down a perfectly manicured fairway is more than recreation and relaxation. It is his job. *Golf World Magazine* has called George, one of the “leading young [golf course] architects,” and he traces some of that success to his time at the University of Richmond.

Following in the footsteps of his father, brother and sister, George made the most of his four years on campus. As a member of the ROTC program, he helped start the orienteering program, an activity that involves navigating unfamiliar terrain with just a map and compass—good basic training for a golf course architect.

After graduating with a degree in health and physical education, George began 25 years of service in the U.S. Army Reserve. He specialized in defensive tactics while finding time to renew his love for playing golf. He became intrigued with the layout of the courses he was playing, but finding someone to hire him as a design apprentice was as daunting as Augusta’s 11th hole. Finally he joined Golf Services International in 1987, and he branched out on his own in 1990.

“When I started, I was in a 300-square-foot office,” George recalls. “In the morning I would do paperwork, and in the afternoon I would take three steps across the room to my only drawing table and do whatever work I had waiting for me. It was a scary time.”

Since those modest beginnings, George Golf Design Inc. has taken on more than 50 projects and established itself as a national leader in course design, renovation and restoration. The first course George completed was The Colonial in Williamsburg, which *Golf Magazine* named one of the top 10 new courses in the country.

That recognition put George Golf Design on the map, but the company’s crowning achievement to date is the Kinloch Golf Club in Manakin-Sabot, Va. Debuting in 2002 at No. 23 among *Golf Digest*’s 100 greatest modern courses, Kinloch moved to No. 10 in 2003 and No. 9 in 2004. Another source of pride for George and his team is their work with First Tee, an organization that spreads the positive aspects of golf to children who might not otherwise have the opportunity to play the sport. It was during his work on the First Tee course in Chesterfield County, Va., that George met LaRee Sugg, who would become the Spider women’s golf coach. The two became friends and talked about the possibility of building a golf facility for Richmond’s golf teams.

Soon after, the University purchased the Ben Hogan facility that George had designed in the early 1990s. Located about six miles northeast of campus, the practice facility includes a driving range, short-game area and putting green. The University then called George to obtain his vision for renovating the complex.

George Golf Design responded by donating all the design and surveying work to develop a first-class practice facility. George and his wife, Pat, worked closely with Richmond to begin the project, and one of the company’s designers, Andy Frank, used his keen eye and expertise to perfect the complex, which opened in November 2004.

Of all the projects he has completed, George says working with his alma mater has been the most satisfying. “The University of Richmond is a wonderful place,” George says. “I want to do anything I can to give back because what I learned in college helped shape me. This project has truly been a labor of love.”

Spiders on the Web

For the latest information about sports at the University, go to http://richmondspiders.collegeports.com/, the official Web site of the athletic department.
Senor Kate Flavin, unassuming and humble, has captured the attention of basketball fans throughout her Spider career. At mid-season, she and her teammates had elevated the program to top-25 status with 15 wins and only two losses.

Introduced nationwide in September with an All-America campaign titled "Flavor of the Year," Flavin would much rather eliminate distractions like individual attention, but as much as she would like to forget about it, her loving teammates won't let her.

A couple of them scream about Kate's accolades in public settings. Another has threatened to inundate the Richmond community with "Kate Flavin for All-America" posters.

Flavin has recorded 39 career double-doubles, and she's among the nation's leaders in scoring (18 points per game) and field goal accuracy (57 percent). She also leads the team with 8.7 rebounds per game and 2.5 steals per game. So how does she deal with all the pressure to perform at that level in every game?

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Tate retires from the broadcast booth

After 20 years of treating Spider football fans to an insider's view of the game, Hall-of-Famer Ray Tate hung up his microphone following Richmond's season finale at William & Mary on Nov. 20.

A standout offensive lineman, co-captain and 1965 all-conference player, Tate went on to coach his alma mater under Hall-of-Famer Frank Jones from 1966–73. He was part of the 1968 Tangerine Bowl Team that beat Ohio University and finished the season ranked 18th in the nation.

"Ray Tate is Richmond football," says Bob Black, voice of the Spiders and Tate's broadcast partner for all 20 years. "There is no question he captured the essence of college football every week. More importantly, Ray is a good friend who cares a great deal about the entire University."
Master of DISASTER

Through his online emergency management classes and database, Walter Green helps students and professionals respond to extreme situations around the globe.

BY KARL RHODES
Dr. Walter G. Green III tracks down serial killers. They don't have infamous names like Jack the Ripper or Son of Sam, but they are far more deadly.

Green, associate professor of emergency management, is developing a global database of disasters—everything from hurricanes in Florida to the tsunami in the Indian Ocean.

"Tsunamis are serial killers with a long record of events extending perhaps as far back as the exodus of the Jews [from] Egypt," Green says. "The Indian Ocean tsunami following the northern Sumatra earthquake is a particularly good example of how countries with limited or no warning systems are very vulnerable, even today, to natural catastrophes. It also highlights how very vulnerable island nations, such as the Maldives, are to big-wave events, a vulnerability that we can expect to increase as sea levels rise with the current global warming trend."

Green's database employs a broad definition of "disasters." It does not include wars, but it does include terrorist attacks.

"Can I chronicle every bomb that blows up in Iraq?" Green ponders. "No. But I do want a representative sample for disaster managers to learn from. ... There really are recipes for disaster, warning signs that people miss."

Educating disaster managers is what Green and his database are all about. His passion for this emerging academic discipline helped the School of Continuing Studies establish an undergraduate program in emergency services management in 1996, a graduate certificate in 2001 and a master's program in the fall of 2004. The school offers all of the courses exclusively online.

**Asking the right questions**

The master of disaster science degree has attracted 14 students in its first year. Since disasters bring out the best and worst in people, the curriculum "covers the entire breadth of human experience," Green says. "We look at how disasters impact people. We look at the history, the physical characteristics, the social dimensions, the economics, the politics, the legal issues and the role of religion."

This theoretical approach spurs practical applications for students who already are working in the field, Green explains. "Instead of teaching them—for the 45th time—the principles of emergency management or similar applied material, we teach them how to think about bad events. We teach our students how to ask: 'What's happening here? How is it happening? And can we predict it next time?'"

For example, Green insists that people are not asking the right questions about ferry accidents. "A large portion of the world depends on these ferries, and they are damn dangerous," he says. Several factors contribute to the accidents, but Green's disaster database indicates that overloading the boats is one common denominator—a serial killer—in many accidents that occur in the developing world.

"People talk about the horrible loss of life on the Titanic," Green says, "but the sinking of the ferry Dona Paz in the Philippines in 1987 left twice as many dead."

Green's disaster database is a teaching tool, not a comprehensive
catalog, but he has documented more than 1,200 events, and eventually he wants to log 6,000 to 10,000. The disasters range from the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah in 1900 B.C. to the ongoing genocide in the Sudan. The database includes a generous sampling of earthquakes, avalanches, famines and plagues, but it also features "cultural disasters," such as the destruction of the Grozny Fine Arts Museum in the Chechen Republic in 1995.

During the battle for Grozny, Chechen forces used the museum as a stronghold, according to the database. "Of 3,200 artworks in the collection, only 94 pieces were saved from the museum, some of them so severely damaged that restoration is impossible."

**Touching millions of lives**

Green started the disaster database because he "got tired of not being able to remember when something happened," but his students report that his encyclopedic knowledge of disasters is surpassed only by his impressive teaching abilities.

"Dr. Green is the major reason why I enrolled and why I stay in the program," says Ellen Black, a public safety services coordinator for Cobb County, Ga. "His credentials, knowledge base and concern for the program and students are incredible. I have learned so much in the four courses I have completed so far, and I truly believe it is helping me become a well-rounded employee."

Black plans to enroll in the master's program after she completes the requirements for the graduate certificate. "I have a friend who is enrolled in a distance emergency management program at another institution," she says, "and it can't hold a candle to Richmond's."

Lauren Wikle, '02, earned a bachelor's degree in emergency services management, and she promptly enrolled in the graduate program. "Thanks to Dr. Green, I have a successful career working for the Arizona Governor's Office of Homeland Security," she says.

Wikle has managed response and recovery services during disasters that have occurred in Arizona during the past two years, including two fires that burned more than 350,000 acres and displaced several thousand people.

"I greatly attribute the success I have achieved to Dr. Green's realistic and practical teaching methods in how to approach and manage crises at various levels of complexity and government," Wikle says. "Dr. Green has touched millions of lives through mentoring students to be effective and efficient emergency management and homeland security leaders across the nation."

The program's online format helps it attract students and faculty who are top professionals working anywhere in the country. Another powerful magnet is Green's growing reputation as the University's "master of disaster."

"Walter is an acknowledged expert in the field as a practitioner and is rapidly developing a national reputation as a scholar in the field as well," says Dr. James L. Narduzzi, dean of the School of Continuing Studies. "Additionally, he is an expert in online delivery, particularly in the high-touch, highly interactive format that we follow."

The program is growing slowly and steadily, Narduzzi says. "We could speed that up by compromising quality but refuse to do so. For example, we limit class size in online classes to 15."

Narduzzi gives Green much of the credit for the program's success. "As Walter's reputation grows, so will the program," he says. Prior to joining the University full time in 1999, Green was director of emergency operations for Virginia's Office of Emergency Medical Services. Before that, he was a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force, where his last position was deputy director for plans of the Joint Strategic Defense Planning Staff of the United States Space Command.

**Virtual emergency management**

Green's interest in disaster management has become more academic, but he remains active in the field with the American Disaster Reserve. He is president of the all-volunteer organization, and he designed its Web site, the Virtual Emergency Operations Center.

During a disaster, the online center serves as an information clearinghouse for relief agencies and people who need help. The site lists hotlines, contacts, agency lists, situation reports and minutes from interagency conference calls.
management or similar applied material, we teach them how to think about
How is it happening? And can we predict it next time?”

-Walter Green
“The Web site allows groups like the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Lutheran Disaster Response, Mennonite Disaster Service and the Humane Society to determine where shortfalls in services exist,” Green says. “It’s a way to ensure that efforts aren’t duplicated.”

Relief agencies used the site heavily last year as multiple hurricanes slammed Florida. “We were down for 15 minutes [during one storm] and fielded several worried calls,” Green says.

Ande Miller, executive director of the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, says she did not fully appreciate the power of the Virtual Emergency Operations Center until she saw it in action during the hurricanes.

“We believe that we had one of the best collaborations of disaster relief organizations ever, and a great deal of that was because of Walter and his group and the information sharing they provided,” Miller says. “We had a very positive response from our members, and that’s the highest compliment I can give.”

The benefits of the Virtual Emergency Operations Center extended beyond the hurricanes, she adds. The unprecedented sharing of information during the disasters helped all of the relief organizations gain a better understanding of who does what during major storms.

Green and other volunteers from the American Disaster Reserve “participated in almost all of the conference calls” and quickly generated minutes of the meetings that helped

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Disasters of Biblical Proportions

From the catastrophes of the Bible to the colossal disasters of current day, here are some of the most infamous events of all time, according to Dr. Walter G. Green III, associate professor of emergency management. Green’s Disaster Database Project details the time, location, causes and impact of more than 1,200 calamities worldwide.

1900 B.C. Sodom and Gomorrah Jordan
An earthquake destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, which were located along a major fault line. Ruins provide evidence of both structural collapse and fire, but the exact sequence of events is unclear. Alternate theories are liquefaction followed by a fire started by wrecked hearths or braziers, or ignition of bitumen ejected by the earthquake.

1450 B.C. The 10 Plagues Egypt
The 10 plagues of Egypt may be explained as events related to a prolonged eruption cycle of a volcano on Santorini Island off the coast of Greece. The plagues included: 1. bodies of water turning into blood (ferrous ash), 2. frogs appearing (escaping from ash), 3. dust of the land infecting humans and cattle, 4. flies swarming, 5. livestock dying, 6. ashes causing boils, 7. hail, thunder and lightning (associated with some volcanic events), 8. locusts (a natural outcome of the massive agricultural and human impact of heavy ash fall), 9. three days of darkness (ash event), and 10. first-born children dying (allegorical reference to the high human death rate). Although many of these effects are not obvious in recent eruptions, the Laki volcanic eruption in Iceland demonstrated the tremendous impact a major eruption could have had on pre-modern societies.

1447 B.C. Exodus Tsunami Egypt
A tsunami drowned the soldiers of Pharaoh Thutmose III who were pursuing approximately 600 Israelite families led by Moses. The Israelites crossed the Ekregma, a channel gap, on a coastal spit alongside the Sea of Reeds.

1815 A.D. Tambora Volcanic Eruption Indonesia
The Tambora volcanic eruption formed a 3.7 mile-wide crater and produced global climate effects for one year. Only 26 of the island’s 12,000 inhabitants survived. An area of 200 miles around the volcano experienced total darkness for three days following the explosion.

1970 A.D. Chittagong Cyclone People’s Republic of Bangladesh
A tropical cyclone with maximum winds of 138 miles per hour and a storm surge of 35 feet came ashore at high tide. The resulting loss of life is estimated at 500,000, but may have been higher. About 38,000 ocean and 77,000 inland fishermen suffered impacts. Of the inland fishermen, 46,000 died. They cyclone destroyed approximately 20,000 fishing boats and damaged 400,000 residences and 3,500 educational facilities. Crop losses were catastrophic.

1976 A.D. Tangshan Earthquake People’s Republic of China
Two earthquakes struck the area of Tangshan, an initial shock of
agencies coordinate their efforts, Miller says. Other emergency managers echo Miller’s praise for the American Disaster Reserve, but Green insists that frontline relief workers are the real heroes. “We’re sort of low key,” he says. “We don’t have people physically on the ground dealing with human misery, so we don’t want people to feel we’ve been out there pulling 18-hour days for 30 days straight. We provide what we think is an important service, but we’re humble about what we do.”

Green might not work 18-hour days, but he stays busy teaching classes, advising students and coordinating disaster relief. In his spare time, he tracks down serial killers as he adds more disasters to his database. He says he averages “about three disasters per day.” Unfortunately, the list he draws from keeps getting longer.

**Learn More Online**

For more information about the School of Continuing Studies’ disaster science and emergency management programs, visit [http://oncampus.richmond.edu/academics/scs/evening/](http://oncampus.richmond.edu/academics/scs/evening/). The Disaster Database Project is available at [http://cygnet.richmond.edu/is/esm/disaster/](http://cygnet.richmond.edu/is/esm/disaster/). To use the Virtual Emergency Operations Center, go to [www.virtualeoc.org](http://www.virtualeoc.org).

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magnitude 8.2 and a major aftershock of magnitude 7.9. Government officials estimated that the quakes killed 250,000 people, but other sources put the number between 650,000 and 750,000 with up to 800,000 more people injured. The quake demolished the city of Tangshan, and people saw mysterious “earthquake lights” in the sky up to 200 miles from the epicenter.

1984 A.D. **Bhopal Poisonous Gas Accident** *India*
The Union Carbide pesticide plant in Bhopal released tons of methyl isocyanate gas. In addition to many immediate deaths, approximately 100,000 people were injured, and about half of the survivors were disabled. Some sources claim that 20,000 deaths in the following years may have been related to the disaster. Union Carbide accepted responsibility for the catastrophe and paid a $470 million settlement in 1989.

1986 A.D. **Chernobyl Nuclear Power Station Explosion** *The Former Soviet Union*
A steam explosion and fire destroyed the Chernobyl Four reactor and killed 30 people, 28 dying from radiation exposure. Of the 209 people treated among the on-site staff, 134 cases of acute radiation poisoning were confirmed. The disaster contaminated large areas of Belarus, Ukraine and Russia. Within two weeks of the explosion, the government evacuated 161,000 residents within a 19-miles radius of the plant. In the years after the accident, 210,000 more people moved to less contaminated areas.

1987 A.D. **Dona Paz Ferry Collision** *Philippines*
The ferry Dona Paz collided with the 629-ton tanker Victor, loaded with 8,800 barrels of petroleum products, in the Tablas Strait. The collision ignited an explosion and fire. Of the 1,583 passengers and 60 crew on the Dona Paz manifest, only 24 people survived. Their accounts of the disaster, however, indicate that the ferry carried a large number of people who were not listed on the ship’s manifest. Estimates of the death toll range from 3,000–4,375. Authorities recovered only 275 bodies. Of the 13 crew members on the Victor, two people survived. A variety of possible causes for the collision were suggested, including mechanical failure and inattention by the captain and other ship’s officers. The Dona Paz was not equipped with a radio, and the accident occurred on a moonless night.

2004 A.D. **Northern Sumatra Earthquake and Tsunami** *Indian Ocean*
A magnitude 9.0 earthquake off the coast of northern Sumatra generated a tsunami that struck the coasts of Sri Lanka, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Maldives, Cocos Island and Somalia, affecting an entire ocean basin. Nine major aftershocks were reported, and fatality totals quickly jumped from 5,673 to 157,577.

— Elisabeth Edelman, '05
Academic All-Stars

Scott Erwin and Joshua Walker combine diplomatic experience with outstanding scholarship to pursue their studies of the Middle East.

BY KARL RHODES

A senior and a recent graduate seem destined to play leading roles on the world stage.

In December senior Scott Erwin received the Defense of Freedom Medal—the civilian equivalent of a Purple Heart—for risking his life to teach democracy in Iraq. In February USA Today named him to its All-USA College Academic First Team, and in March he returned to the University from a two-month assignment as an advisor to the Iraqi Ambassador to the United Nations.

In November Joshua Walker, '03, was a Rhodes Scholar finalist. He is attending graduate school at Yale, where he studies foreign affairs with a special focus on international security policy and the Middle East. Walker is especially interested in Turkey, where he traveled last year on a Fulbright grant. This summer he is scheduled to work at the U.S. State Department on the desk that deals with Turkey.

In the following profiles, Erwin and Walker speak from experience—and from the heart—about two pivotal nations in the Middle East.
Scott Erwin, the Richmond senior who was shot in Iraq last year, received the Defense of Freedom Medal—the civilian equivalent of the military Purple Heart—in December.

Ambassador L. Paul Bremer III, the former civil administrator in Iraq, presented the medal to Erwin at the Pentagon in a special ceremony. Bremer described Erwin as "a very valued adviser to the Ministry of Interior" who made a major contribution "by teaching the Iraqis what democracy means."

Erwin delayed his senior year at Richmond to work for the Coalition Provisional Authority in Iraq as a liaison between the authority and various Iraqi governmental ministries. As a volunteer, he also taught principles of democracy to students at Mustansiriya University through a program he created called Ambassadors of Democracy.

On June 2, Iraqi insurgents ambushed the car that carried Erwin, two Iraqi police officers and a translator. The gunmen killed the police officers, who were riding in the front seat, but the translator pulled Erwin down and out the other side of the car. A spare battery in an ID pouch hanging around Erwin's neck deflected a bullet that would have struck him in the heart, but that bullet and three others hit him elsewhere, and he nearly bled to death.

When he accepted the Defense of Freedom Medal, Erwin paid tribute to his close friend Mohammed, one of the police officers who died in the attack. "All he wished was a future that was brighter for his children than he himself had experienced in his life," Erwin said.

Erwin also accepted the award in honor of his two grandfathers, World War II veterans who taught him the value of public service. "This notion of service and sacrifice and the importance of education is what took me to Iraq and democracy. They understood the importance of sovereignty in their own right, and they understood the importance of sharing it with others."

The attackers who failed to kill Erwin also failed to stop progress in Iraq, and they did not intimidate the Iraqi people, he said. "The virtues of my two grandparents, the virtues of Mohammed, live on in the Iraqi students who are now canvassing Baghdad and its environs teaching their peers about democracy. ... The march of freedom rolls on. And the true heroes, along with our troops, are those Iraqi people, like my students, who are working to ensure a brighter future."

Erwin's future looks bright too. In February, USA Today named him to its All-USA College Academic First Team, which features 20 of the most outstanding undergraduate students nationwide. He is completing a double major in political science and classical civilization, and he plans to enroll in law school next year. In the meantime, he remains intensely interested in the future of Iraq. He spent the first part of this year working as an advisor to the Iraqi Ambassador to the
United Nations in New York City.

Erwin believes that the January elections in Iraq were an important first step toward democracy.

"The sheer joy and exuberance evident on the faces of each voter was a testament to the power of popular sovereignty," he says. "These elections mark the dawn of a new era in Iraq. Those responsible for much of the violence in the country must now realize that the Iraqi people will not be intimidated by cowardly acts of terror."

The next big challenge, Erwin says, is for Iraq's newly elected leaders to draft a permanent constitution that is accepted by the various ethnic and religious groups throughout the country.

"Following 35 years of Saddam Hussein's despotic rule, the people of Iraq desire to be ruled by clearly defined laws rather than by edicts of one or more individuals," he says. "A well-crafted constitution will serve as the foundation for the rule of law in Iraq."

To read more about Scott Erwin's harrowing experience in Iraq, see the story in the fall 2004 issue of Richmond Alumni Magazine. It is available online at http://oncampus.richmond.edu/alumni/magazine/fall2004/atm/index.html#article3.
He takes issue with Turkey being offered as a model for Iraq, but he believes Iraqis can learn from their northern neighbors.

"Despite their major differences, Turks share a common understanding and religious sympathy with their Iraqi neighbors," Walker says. "I predict Turkey will have a greater role in the rebuilding of Iraq than it did during the intervention stage of the process."

While in Turkey, Walker helped the American embassy facilitate President George W. Bush's visit to Ankara in June 2004, but Walker was equally excited about attending a conference in Greece sponsored by ELIAMEP, The Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy.

"The seminar was for 40 participants who were specifically selected from both the United States and Europe to discuss the state of trans-Atlantic relationship in regards to Southeast Europe (the Balkans) and the Middle East," Walker says.

At the conference he met the head of the Council of Foreign Relations from America, the head of the Middle East Library of Congress Research Institute, NATO's undersecretary, numerous ambassadors and many top professors of international relations.

"I was by far the least qualified to be there," he says. "I tried to make up for my rookieiness by being energetic and enthusiastic. It seemed to work, and I was one of two younger participants asked to participate again in the seminar next year and to perhaps present a paper on Turkey's new strategic role in the trans-Atlantic alliance."

After the conference, Walker traveled to Uzunköprü, Turkey, the hometown of his professor, Dr. Huseyin Bagci, chair of the Middle East Technical University's international relations department.

"I was received like royalty," Walker says, "I was introduced to the mayor and had my picture taken. We then had a semi-formal press conference, where we talked for about two hours, and then I went to visit the two local newspapers to meet the editors and give my comments on the town and my visit with the mayor."

Walker says he was "probably the first American ever to visit this tiny town and certainly the first one who spoke Turkish, so they could understand me."

Back at Yale, Walker serves as the senior editor of the European and Mediterranean section of the Yale Journal for International Affairs, a publication that will debut this fall.

"I have been able to interview some top political figures and academics, and I am currently working on a few pieces for publication," he says. "Some of my Fulbright research will appear in the forthcoming edition of International Affairs Review, published by George Washington University. In addition, I’ve had the good fortune of being asked to participate and present in a series of conferences this spring."

Walker also is booked for the summer. The U.S. State Department has selected him to work in its Bureau of European Affairs to fill in for a foreign service officer on its southern European desk, which covers Greece, Cyprus and Turkey.

"I will technically be a graduate intern, but I will be working like a junior foreign service officer with research, congressional relations and projects dealing with U.S. interactions with these countries," Walker says. "I’m excited about this opportunity to learn more about the Washington, D.C., foreign policy community, since I hope to become a part of it one day."

Walker is disappointed that he was not named a Rhodes Scholar, but he has not given up on the idea of talking Turkey at Oxford.

"I may end up staying at Yale and doing a Ph.D., but I am also looking at a series of other options," he says. "I am still interested in heading to Oxford or Cambridge for my Ph.D., where a lot of research is being done on Turkey and the European Union. Regardless of where I end up, I am excited about my future and continuing to contribute to the better understanding of various countries and regions throughout our world."
Growing up among storied attorneys of Virginia history, Nadine Marsh-Carter seemed destined to follow in their footsteps, and for a while she did. But she learned more than the law from her father, uncle and other mentors in the firm of Hill, Tucker & Marsh. She learned something more vital.

"Follow your passion. Make a difference. Stand up for what's right. Stay true to your heart," says Marsh-Carter. "And my heart is with kids."

Marsh-Carter, W'86 and L'95, left the practice of law to become executive director of Volunteer Emergency Families for Children, a nonprofit organization that provides short-term shelter for kids caught in crises. Richmond-based VEFC serves an estimated 600 children each year across Virginia through scores of volunteer families who open their homes at any hour.

"I enjoyed the legal world," says Marsh-Carter, "but this is so much more fulfilling."

Marsh-Carter is among a significant number of Richmond alumni who have dedicated their lives to community service, choosing good works over high salaries. In many cases, their employment represents a calling more than a job.

Their numbers should increase in coming years as community service
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follow their hearts from Richmond to Timbuktu.

assumes an even more prominent role in campus life. The University estimates that students perform 100,000 hours of community service every year, says Dr. Douglas A. Hicks, an associate professor in the Jepson School of Leadership Studies and director of the new Center for Civic Engagement.

More than two-thirds of all Richmond students do some sort of community service at some point, Hicks says. The Bonner Scholars Program, committed to “changing the world through service,” requires verifiable community service in exchange for its scholarships, meaning Bonner Scholars spend at least 10 hours a week working in the Richmond community throughout their college years.

The Center for Civic Engagement is an effort to enhance all students’ community service by integrating it with coursework and providing a social, economic and political context, Hicks says. “In other words, service is good in itself, but it can be even better when the people doing the service understand the various factors involved.”

By emphasizing community service, the University hopes that students will “see themselves as members of communities. It helps them develop the insights and skills to strengthen those communities,” says Dr. Nancy B. Stutts, who teaches a course in the Jepson School called “Justice and Civil Society.”
"A central goal of a liberal arts education is to develop citizens who understand the relationship of the individual to community, a concept that is at the heart of citizen leadership," says Stutts, who also is director of Campus Community Partnership, a consortium of four academic institutions that seeks to solve community problems and engage students in community service.

"While students entering any career can contribute to the public sphere," she notes, "those who choose careers in public service are making a conscious decision to shape the world."

That is exactly what Marsh-Carter had in mind.

She thought attending law school would equip her to leave a positive, lasting footprint on the world. A law degree, however, turned out to be a steppingstone to something even more rewarding.

Practicing law was a natural ambition for Marsh-Carter. Her father, Henry L. Marsh III, was the first black mayor of Richmond and currently serves in the Virginia Senate. His law partners were Samuel L. Tucker and Oliver Hill, civil rights attorneys famous for their fight against Virginia's "massive resistance" policy toward school desegregation. But it was the death of Marsh-Carter's uncle, Harold M. Marsh Sr.—gunned down in a drive-by shooting in 1997—that prompted Marsh-Carter to make a career change.

At his funeral, Marsh-Carter heard speaker after speaker praise him for his years of quiet service to the community.

"Children will show up in the middle of the night with a trash bag of clothes or just the clothes on their backs," Marsh-Carter says. "The tough thing about this job is seeing what people can do to children."

Marsh-Carter runs the administrative side of the organization, who are abused, neglected, abandoned or entangled in some other type of crisis. VEFC families welcome children into their homes for one to 21 days while government agencies assess where the children should go from there. It can be heartbreaking work.

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—Kenneth Hodder

which employs mostly part-timers and depends largely on volunteers. She makes business contacts, speaks to community groups and raises money.

"We have to hustle" to make sure VEFC has enough money and volunteers, she says, "but we're there when the kids show up in the middle of the night. We're there."

Commanding the Salvation Army

The Salvation Army called Kenneth L. Hodder, R'55, at an early age.

"My parents were Salvation Army officers and their parents before them," says Hodder, who was born in Nottingham, England, the birthplace of Salvation Army Founder William Booth.

"It's been a lifelong affiliation that I don't remember even starting because it happened the day I was dedicated." In the church of the Army, a dedication is similar to infant baptism. Hodder’s parents dedicated him when he was just a few weeks old. By the time Hodder retired in 1995, he had risen through the ranks to become national commander.

Hodder planned to enter the import-export business when he came to the United States in the early 1950s to follow Marjorie, who would become his wife and whose parents, also Salvation Army officers, were stationed in Richmond. Marjorie encouraged him to attend the University.

"Four wonderful years," Hodder recalls.

After graduation, he and Marjorie moved to California and joined the Salvation Army. They started in Modesto, where he served as pastor of the local Army congregation. Then he moved to the U.S. Navy, where he worked as a chaplain. Eventually, the Salvation Army sent him to law school so he could go into administration. Along the way, the Hodders moved 32 times.

As national commander, Hodder led an evangelical Christian organization that works with all denominations to meet local community needs ranging from disaster relief to drug and alcohol rehabilitation.

"This kind of life is a calling rather than a vocation," says Hodder, who retired to Florida with Marjorie and now lives in Sun City Center. "We just felt that is what God wanted us to do. We were willing to let ourselves be sent anywhere."

"It became a wonderful life where many of the normal criteria for successful living dissipated in the sense of the mission," Hodder explains. "It was really very exciting and constantly refreshing to go to new places and be with new people and do new things. Had we been the kind of folks who needed to put our tent down and camp there for a long time, it never would have worked."

The Hodders passed on the call. Two of their children are Salvation Army officers, and a granddaughter recently announced she will enter training to become an officer after graduating from college.

"Through them," Hodder says, "I continue to serve."

Feeding the world

Many recent Richmond graduates have worked for the Peace Corps, Teach for
Kathleen Bulger, '99, was a Bonner Scholar who worked for a variety of nonprofits, including the Congressional Hunger Center, Bread for the World Institute and the Peace Corps in anti-racism training programs. She comes by her community service naturally. Her parents, grandparents and great-grandparents took in foster children.

“That was pretty influential,” she says.

“My passion is to do this kind of work,” says Zur, a graduate of the Jepson School. “It’s something where I’m able to see growth in others and to share something very positive with others.”

Translating the Bible

Glenn Jeffrey Davis’ call carried him all the way to Timbuktu.

Davis, R’84, worked for 10 years with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Mali, a mostly Muslim country, where he helped translate the Bible into the Berber Tamashq language. One of his stops in Mali was the city of Timbuktu.

“We did go to Timbuktu one time and sent some cards from there,” Davis says with a laugh. “Some people were very happy to get that postmark.”

Davis’ journey began at Richmond, where he majored in religion. While in school, he became involved with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, an evangelical campus ministry. As a first-year student, he dedicated his life to God, he says. By the time he graduated, he knew his calling was to go overseas. He enrolled in seminary and settled on Bible translation work.

“I liked the whole idea of ... getting the word of God into the local languages so people can have access to it.” — Glenn Davis

Cameroon. She currently is finishing her master’s degree at the University of Pittsburgh and plans to pursue a doctorate.

Her work and study overseas inspired her to focus on issues closer to home that pertain to political and social justice, and along those lines she leads
project itself and then administration and eventually departed Mali in 2000, leaving the project in local hands. While he was there, he taught baseball to children in his area, and he helped them form an official Little League.

He, his wife Jennifer and their three children returned to the United States and settled in Jennifer’s home state of California. He teaches Bible and math at a Christian middle school near Santa Cruz, and he coaches baseball and softball. The family lives among redwoods about 15 minutes from the ocean.

Davis figures to stay put for the next few years while his children finish school, but he doesn’t rule out returning overseas on another mission in the future. He traveled to Mali in late December for a ceremony to celebrate the printing of the Tamashque New Testament. His itinerary included a stopover in Timbuktu.

Learn More Online
Visit the following Web sites to learn more about some of the community service organizations mentioned in this story: www.vfcb.org (Volunteer Emergency Families for Children), http://engage.richmond.edu (Center for Civic Engagement), www.salvationarmyusa.org, www.nccj.org (National Conference for Community and Justice) and www.wycliffe.org.

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Bonner Scholars
Changing the world through service

Bonner Scholars at the University, including 99 students this year, have been providing significant community service since 1992. Here is a partial list of Richmond area agencies that have benefited from the program.

Art 180 • www.art180.org
Boys & Girls Clubs, Calhoun • www.bgcmr.org
Boys & Girls Clubs, Central • www.bgcmr.org
Boys & Girls Clubs, Falling Creek • www.bgcmr.org
Boys & Girls Clubs, Southside • www.bgcmr.org
Campus Community Partnership/Connect Richmond • www.richmond.edu/connect
CARITAS • www.caritasshelter.org
Center for Civic Engagement • http://engage.richmond.edu
Central Virginia Foodbank • www.cvfb.org
Charity Family Life • www.charityfamilylife.org
Children’s Museum of Richmond • www.cmor.org
Commonwealth Catholic Charities • www.cccofv.org
Coordinators/2 • www.c2adopt.org
Council for America’s First Freedom • www.firstfreedom.org
CrossOver Health Center • www.crossoverministry.org
Fan Free Clinic • www.fanfreeclinic.org
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Searching for Dunlora

The magazine’s new editor starts at the beginning.

Covering the University’s 175th anniversary provided the perfect excuse to combine two of my favorite pastimes—researching history and stomping around in the woods.

As the new editor of Richmond Alumni Magazine, my first assignment (editing the winter issue) required a crash course in the University’s history, and I quickly learned that the anniversary is based on the birth of Dunlora Academy in 1830.

The Virginia Baptist Education Society established the small ministerial academy in Powhatan County at the plantation home of Ann Hickman. Two years later the school changed its name and moved to Henrico County.

“What happened to Dunlora?” I asked Fred Anderson, executive director of the Virginia Baptist Historical Society. He responded by showing me a black-and-white photograph of a dilapidated building standing—barely—in a dense thicket. The picture was not dated, but it appeared in this magazine in 1979.

I asked Anderson how to find the site, and he referred me to a historical marker in western Powhatan County that said Dunlora was “two and a half miles north” of Route 60. Next I called Quatro Hubbard, the archivist at the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, and I asked him if his files showed the exact location.

“No,” he replied, “but I can get you pretty close.”

Hubbard faxed a topographical map and a story about Dunlora that appeared in Powhatan Today. I tracked down the author, Margaret “Peggy” Palmore, who first visited the site in 1933. She put me in touch with Judge Les Mason, a nearby property owner.

“He can take you right to it,” she said, “but it’s way back in the woods, and I don’t know if he can walk that far.” Sure enough, Mason was willing to show me the spot, and he suggested that I bring a four-wheel-drive vehicle. I showed up in a lowly Mazda 626 sedan.

Tall weeds and small seedlings scraped the undercarriage of the car as we rolled deliberately down the fire road. About one mile into the woods, a rusty chain blocked our path. The judge had unlocked one similar chain, but the combination the landowner had given
him did not work on this one.

"I'll hold up this end," he offered, and we'll prop up the other end with a stick." I eased the car under the chain siding in place clearly with only a few inches to spare.

After another mile or so, Mason started scanning the woods on the passenger side. "We're getting close," he said. "Look for a big patch of periwinkle. That might be the only thing we'll see."

At the top of the next hill, he told me to stop the car. "This is it," he declared. "I don't see it, but this is definitely the right spot."

We climbed the embankment beside the road, and there it was—the ruins of Dunlora. The weathered wooden structure was straining to lie down. It looked more like the remnants of a squatter's shack than an old schoolhouse, but slate tiles on a narrow overhang suggested a nobler past.

One question permeated my mind as I examined the site: "Is this really the fabled place where it all began?" Wire nails that held the clapboard siding in place clearly did not date from 1830, but cut nails protruding from rotten foundation timbers looked like they could be 175 years old.

I was jolted back to the 21st century by the low rumble of a monster truck bouncing down the fire road.

"Better move your car," Mason hollered. "That hunter won't be able to get through."

I scrambled back to the Mazda and inched it forward as the monster truck gave ground. We found a spot for him to pass, but my front wheels started spinning as they sank into a massive mudhole. I ran down the fire road, caught the monster truck and asked the driver to pull my car out of the mud.

The Mazda's front spoiler scooped up globs of orange slop as he dragged the car to higher ground. At that point I was having second thoughts about searching for Dunlora. "Who cares about 175th anniversaries? Who cares about an old shack rottig in the woods?"

I overcame my stuck-in-the-mud moment, but it reminded me that many people are mired in apathy—particularly when it comes to history.

Why should we care about the

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**Dunlora's Lure**

Many University luminaries have made pilgrimages to Dunlora over the years.

Dr. Frederic W. Boatwright searched diligently for the site in the 1940s after he retired as president of the University. He discovered the foundations of the old schoolhouse and a nearby plantation home with the help of Mrs. William Palmer Jervey and Dr. Garnett Ryland, then secretary of the Virginia Baptist Historical Society.

"For nearly a hundred years now, the farm where Dr. Baptist taught has been called Belle Dale (sic), but when the school was there, it was named Dun Lora (sic)," Boatwright wrote in the July 1947 issue of the Alumni Bulletin. "This change of name has been the chief source of confusion in ascertaining the exact location of this early 'School of the Prophets.'"

In 1948 the Commonwealth of Virginia placed a historical marker on U.S Route 60 about two miles south of the site. Since then, many more Richmond administrators and professors have visited Dunlora including former President George M. Modlin.

Dr. Robert S. Alley, former professor of humanities, traveled to the site 30 years ago with his father, Reuben E. Alley, when the elder Alley was writing the History of the University of Richmond.

A few years later, former biology professor Wilton "Bill" Tenney took the photograph that appears on the opposite page. Another former biology professor, John Bishop, led two groups to Dunlora. One was a mountain ecology class, and the other was a dinner group that included collections librarian Jim Gwin, former English professor Irby Brown, former history professor John Rilling, former English professor Jim Duckworth and their spouses.

Perhaps the first person to suggest the historical significance of the site was the Rev. R.W. Criddle, who described his visit to Dunlora in a 1901 issue of The Religious Herald.

"When I was there in 1878, the old school building was standing in one corner of the yard," he wrote. "There was something sacred about this building to me. I saw on the old staircase the initial letters of several ministerial students—APR (A. Paul Repiton), AHB, EWT, WB, EAD. I never knew for whom these letters stood. Perhaps there are persons living who will remember them."
Sometimes oral history is absolutely correct," he said, "and sometimes it is dead wrong." The standards for erecting historical markers in the 1940s were not as rigorous as they are today, he noted, and the evidence that convinced Boatwright seemed to be lost.

The key to the confusion, Boatwright wrote, was a name change that occurred in the mid-19th century. The oldest known map of the area—made in 1858 and shown on page 28—refers to the site as Beldale. Boatwright asserted that Dunlora and Beldale were the same plantation, but how did he make that connection?

The answer came two days later from Darlene Herod, research assistant at the Virginia Baptist Historical Society. She found letters from Mrs. William Palmer Jervey tracing Dunlora's ownership from Ann Hickman to Philip St. George Cocke, the man who owned Beldale in 1858.

So my search for Dunlora is finished, but others will continue the quest. As a rich archaeological site, Dunlora remains a great place to learn, especially for students of history who are willing to dig deeper into chapter one of the University's story.
Sometimes, the exhortation to be ordinary can have extraordinary results. The life of Virginia Kreyer illustrates this point. Difficulties at her birth in 1925 resulted in cerebral palsy at an early age. She could not walk or talk. People advised her parents to devote themselves to doing everything for their “helpless” child. Virginia’s mother had a different idea. She pushed her to be independent, to live a normal life. Virginia went to high school, then to Westhampton College, where Dr. May Keller forced Virginia to set the highest goals.

Today, Virginia Kreyer holds degrees from Westhampton College, Union Theological Seminary in New York City and Adelphi University. As an ordained minister and social worker, she has led a long, sometimes frustrating, but effective campaign for greater inclusion of disabled people. Though Virginia’s Story is an autobiography, it has two heroes-Virginia and her indomitable mother, “without whom,” the dedication reads, “I would not have been able to be the woman I have become.”

Moose-cellania: A Collection of All Things Moose
WALTER S. GRIGGS JR., L’86, and BILL SILIKER JR.
Down East Books, 2004

Walter Griggs, the “Dean of Moose” (and a real-life dean at Virginia Commonwealth University), found a kindred spirit in the late Bill Siliker Jr.—the “Mooseman.” Griggs is a student of moose lore and a collector of moose memorabilia. Siliker was the author of four books about moose, focusing mostly on biology and his own photography. At Griggs’ suggestion, the two collaborated on Moose-cellania. The book seems to be the definitive word on the moose, a creature that averages seven feet tall (at the shoulder) and 10 feet long.

In one of the book’s many moose anecdotes, Thomas Jefferson sent an American moose skeleton to France to refute a French naturalist’s claim that the animals of Colonial America were inferior to those of Europe. The naturalist apologized. Perhaps strengthened by this example, Griggs concludes this “collection of all things moose” by inviting anyone in possession of some additional fact, story or representation to send it for future editions.

The Sound of Blue
HOLLY PAYNE, ’94
Dutton, 2005

Outwardly successful but isolated in her own world, Sara Foster arrives in Hungary to teach English. Her students are Croatian refugees, torn from their homes and broken in the process. Almost all of them are women, children or old men. The young men, she is told, were killed in the war. The refugees reach out to Sara because, as a Hungarian explains, “you’ve got one of those faces. ... you remind people of things.” Although the depth of suffering seems more than she can bear, Sara embraces life in the refugee camp. The sound of a violin draws her, and she forms a relationship with the musician, a composer forced into exile with the others. To help him, she undertakes a dangerous quest that brings to the surface a secret buried in her own past.

Payne won acclaim as “the new Scherhazeu” for her debut novel, The Virgin’s Knot, set in Turkey. Commenting on The Sound of Blue, Booklist says, “Against a background of stark wartime imagery, Payne laces her tale with poignant musings on the healing and redemptive power of love.”

Faculty books
Organizations, Gender, and the Culture of Palestinian Activism in Haifa, Israel
ELIZABETH FANER (assistant professor of leadership studies)
Routledge, 2005

Anthropologist Faner took on a difficult task. An American Jewish woman, she lived among Palestinian activists in Haifa, Israel, for more than two years. She sought to know the real people behind the snapshot media images. Especially during the intifada (uprising) of 1987 and the second intifada, begun in 2000, images of Palestinians typically have represented extremes of anger and grief. As Faner points out, they are “depictions without stories, names and lives.” Seeking a fuller picture, she worked and lived among Haifa’s Palestinians—about 70 percent of them Christians. She got to know especially the feminists who counseled rape victims. She found conflicted feelings among many of the women, who defied Palestinian tradition by yearning for self-determination, yet identified with Palestinian resistance to Israeli authority. Faner observes how the most deeply ingrained habits of Palestinian womanhood—cooking and cleaning—remain touchstones for these women, profoundly affecting how they see themselves and how they judge others within and outside their community.

E-Commerce and M-Commerce Technologies
P. CANDICE DEANS, EDITOR (associate professor of management systems)
IRM Press, 2005

Europeans used their cell phones to donate money for tsunami relief, while Americans visited Internet sites to do the same. In Australia thirsty shoppers can get a drink from a machine using “Dial-a-Coke” from their mobile phones. Many countries have advanced in wireless technology (m-commerce), while the U.S. seems content with e-commerce. But change is coming. “Tomorrow,” Deans says, “business will be mobile.”

This book brings together articles on the changes and challenges in store for the international business community. The authors are from Australia, Brazil, Finland, Germany, Italy, Taiwan and the United States. They discuss general trends and specific issues with applications to business. For example, a study measuring loyalty of Internet shoppers to online companies gives recommendations for companies trying to win customer loyalty.

Marketing Frontiers: Concepts and Tools
DANA-NICOLETA JASOU (associate professor of marketing) and KENNETH E. CLOW
Atomig Dog Publishing, 2004

This textbook provides a basic understanding of and appreciation for marketing, which the authors call “both a science and an art.” Five main sections present basic concepts and current theory. Up-to-date case examples offer students a chance to apply marketing concepts to familiar situations. For example, “Madonna and Corporate Endorsers: Has Madonna Finally Adopted the Marketing Concept?” questions whether the entertainer’s controversial image has helped or hindered her success and whether her new, more conservative, image will work for her and her corporate sponsors. Role-playing scenarios take students through market-driven activities such as opening a restaurant.

Hospitality Strategic Management: Concepts and Cases
JEFFREY S. HARRISON (professor of management systems) and CATHY A. ENZ
John Wiley & Sons, 2005

Harrison and Enz apply concepts of strategic management to the hospitality industry. They state their purpose as meeting “the needs of hospitality faculty in finding a book that focuses on the industry and that adequately treats the subject.” The hospitality industry has to confront global competition and the lingering effects of Sept. 11. The book contains 10 chapters plus detailed case studies, including “Starbucks’ Entry Into China” and “Multibranding at Yum! Brands Inc.: Thinking Outside the Bun.”
Schuler joins *The Producers* international tour

Dropping out of school is rarely a cause for celebration, but it is for Chauntee Schuler, '03.

In November Schuler took a leave of absence from the Actors Studio Drama School in New York to join an international tour of *The Producers*, a Broadway show that won 12 Tony Awards. Schuler was in her second year at the drama school on a scholarship from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation that pays as much as $50,000 per year for up to six years of graduate or professional education.

"We're proud to have helped Chauntee begin her graduate studies," says Dr. Matthew J. Quinn, the foundation's executive director. "She's a wonderfully talented performer with a higher sense of purpose, and when that final performance in Tokyo ends [in July], we'll be ready to help her finish her degree."

While attending drama school in New York, Schuler missed the focus on performing that had been part of her undergraduate experience at Richmond, so she started auditioning for Broadway shows.

"I didn't know anything" about auditioning, she recalls. "School and the real world are completely different. You can have all the talent in the world and not have the business sense and get nowhere."

Nearly 1,000 performers sought the role that Schuler landed. The company invited 40 to a special audition in late October, and she got the part. In one week Schuler had to submit her belongings to her parents' home and board a plane for Eugene, Ore., where the company was already two months into its international tour. After two weeks of intense rehearsals, Schuler debuted in Salt Lake City in November.

"I was extremely nervous," she says. "Your opening night is the first time you do the full show." But Schuler has adapted to life in the spotlight. Now, she says, "performing every night in front of thousands of people is just what I do."

Schuler plays seven roles in *The Producers*, ranging from a hookup and a showgirl to an old woman and a Nazi soldier.

At age 22, Schuler is the youngest member of the cast, which is no surprise to anyone who followed her whirlwind college career. She earned her degree in only three years, majoring in theater and minoring in political science. She served as academic affairs committee chair in the Westhampton College Student Government Association and as president of Mortar Board Senior Honor Society. Schuler performed with the Ngoma African Dance Company and the Umoja Gospel Choir, and she acted in University and professional productions.

"I'm really ambitious," Schuler says. "I'm always jumping the gun on taking that next step. If I stopped to think about what I'm doing, I would think I'm really crazy."

Schuler knew little about theater until she reached high school, where she was told, "You can't do that." During an intensive summer of theater training, however, her self-confidence soared.

"Chauntee remembers facing rejection in the theater because, as a young, black girl, she didn't 'match' other students," according to her bio at the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. "She also endured ridicule from members of the minority community because theater was not a typical activity for students of color."

Schuler, however, has no time for naysayers. She is too busy following her star.

"It's unbelievable!" she says. "It's the life I've always dreamed of. I go to work at 7, do the show at 8 and get home at 11. I have plenty of time to pursue all my hobbies, including dancing, working out and 'learning to speak some Japanese.'"

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—Karl Rhodes

ReMine lecturership honors prominent surgeon

The Priestley Society, the Mayo Clinic’s surgical staff and alumni organization, has established the ReMine lectureship to honor Dr. William H. ReMine Jr., R'40 and H'85, for his “extraordinary contributions to the heritage of surgery” at the world-renowned clinic.

ReMine is a retired gastrointestinal surgeon who has been honored many times during his 37-year career at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

The Priestley Society will use the annual ReMine lectureship to encourage surgeons at the pinnacle of their careers to share their experiences.

ReMine’s son, Dr. Stephen G. ReMine, presented the first lecture honoring his father at the October meeting of the Priestley Society in Puerto Rico. Stephen ReMine is a surgeon at Providence Hospital in Southfield, Mich. He also is president of the society for 2004–05.
1928

Hazel Anderson Carpenter, W, attends church every Sunday and goes out to lunch in spite of her failing eyesight. She is still “very peppy” and would enjoy hearing from other alumni.

1937

Mildred L. Shepherd, W, is a proud great-grandmother of four. She is retired and lives in Fredericksburg, Va.

1942

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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We were sad to hear that Frances Williams Garnett passed away last September at her home in Louisa, Va. Her husband of 57 years, Judge Henry D. Garnett, L’46, had died earlier. Frances finished at John Marshall High School, where she was sponsor of a cadet corps before coming to Westhampton and ending up a graduate allergy laboratory technician. Livesly and full of fun, Frances said she had printed on her body before an operation, “I’d rather be golfing.”

Always busy, Frances was a lifetime member of the Hilton Village Women’s Club. She joined the Louisa and Newport News chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution and was a member of Saint Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Gismont, for the last 10 years of her life. She also volunteered at Riverside Hospital in Newport News. She loved golf and sneaked in time for the game when she could.

Surviving are three sons, seven grandchildren, and two sisters: Minna W. Tompkins of Matthews, N.C., and Dell Williams Smith, W’40, of Charlottesville.

Dorothy Quinn Keeling has a new grandchild named Aogail Virginia Kirkoff. Her granddaughter Elizabeth, is the new mother and her father is Jared Kirkoff, who is in the Navy.

S. Louise Hall Moser’s son was supposed to sing the role of Tristan in Tristan and Isolde when the Virginia Opera Company came to Richmond, but I have been unable to contact her to confirm that event. Please call me with your new telephone number when you read this, Louise.

Our school fund needs more money. This is the legacy we leave behind. There has been some response and a big thank you for that, but we need more to keep the fund going, says Ada Moss Harlow. Checks should be made out to University of Richmond and sent to Irene Motley at the college address with a note that it is for the Class of ’42 fund.

1944

From the Westhampton Class Secretary

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Anne MacElroy MacKenzie and William A. MacKenzie Jr., R’43, enjoyed their three children, Anne Stuart, Bill and Doug and their families, when Doug, who is in mission work and doesn’t get to the States very often, visited from Brazil last summer.

It is with regret that I report the death of Ann Call Taylor, who was a member of our class for two years. Ann lived in Suffolk until she moved to Ashland three years ago to be near her son. After her retirement from the Virginia Department of Transportation, she volunteered at the hospital and for Meals on Wheels.

Anne Green Shaffer and Watt are still in Fort Madison, Iowa, where they celebrated their 59th anniversary in January 2004. I chatted with her by phone and found that their four children and seven grandchildren are scattered from Illinois to Arizona to Texas. They planned to be with their daughter from Peoria at Thanksgiving. Watt’s health doesn’t allow them to travel much, but occasionally Anne accompanies a friend on a brief trip to Florida.

Mary Frances Trader Carey says she doesn’t travel far from her home in New Church on the Eastern Shore. For years she has done extensive genealogical research. She and her husband are both retired high school science teachers, and they celebrated their 60th anniversary in June 2004. They have two children, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Ann Clark Howe, W’45, won a Fulbright Senior Specialist grant to spend two weeks at the Universidad Finis Terrae in Santiago, Chile.

Anne Gordon Nebbett was vacationing in Palm Beach, Fla., at reunion time. Harriet E. Shaffer was traveling, and Juanita Tiller Elmquist was being recognized for her 14 years of volunteer service at the Shepherds’ Center in Richmond. Mary Bowen Feiger was in Huntsville, Ala., with her brother who was recovering from an accident. Ruth Van Niss Brust sent a picture of her very nice-looking family taken with their father, who lives in West Virginia.

When a tornado struck Bowling Green, Va., it didn’t bother Nancy DeJarnette Hansen and her friends, who were playing bridge. Nancy’s daughter is a special education teacher at Clover Hill High School in Chesterfield County, Va., and her son is in the insurance business in Bowling Green. One granddaughter has graduated from Virginia Tech and is working in California. Two others are at the University of Virginia and George Mason University.

Mary Warner Stephenson says the Florida hurricanes brought them no harm. The storms kept them indoors, and they played so much bridge that her visiting niece said she had been to “bridge camp.”

Gene Shepard Keever attended a two-day legal seminar in Richmond with her daughter. Swellen. She says she almost feels she could qualify as a paralegal.

I look forward to getting news to share with the class. Let me hear from you!

1945

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1946

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From the Westhampton Class Secretary
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Holmes and Lena Thornton Small and Frances Coles McClenann enjoyed visiting the “ham” home of Helen Cole Richardson and Nancy Richardson Elliott during the last week of July. They celebrated birthdays at the nearby Tides Inn in Irvington, Va.

Frances Coles McClenann joined us at our monthly luncheon in September and November. She was visiting Nancy Richardson Elliott.

LaVinia Watson Reilly was with us in October. She spent part of the summer in Europe with her daughter, who was involved in filming a move.

Dee Davenport Walters is also a faithful member of our lunch bunch. We really enjoy having her with us.

We send good health wishes to Shirley Davis Sanford and Beverley Patton Brown. Both had surgery last year and are doing well this year.

Please send me news of your summer vacation plans for the next letter.

Jean Brumney Biscoe and Mary Cross Marshall attended a reception to welcome the University’s new alumna director, Kristin Woods. Jean reported that Jeanne Carlson Bowman has suffered from a broken neck and unable to walk. With therapy, we trust that “Sugar” is making great progress toward recovery.

Frances Orrell Lineberry and Berlin Byron Lineberry, Jr., R’49, were surprised by JWB’s recovery from heart bypass surgery. Her recovery has been most successful, and they were very pleased with the excellent medical care he received in Lynbrook, Va. They are not going to postpone their usual fall trip.

Judy Barnett Seelhorst wrote of a very positive recovery for husband Art since his heart surgery last summer. They had previously enjoyed a visit with their daughter in Ohio and their usual activities and work.

Elizabeth Kolukian Cowlés says it is so good to walk normally again after two hip replacements. “Boo” is into her many activities, no longer curtailed by her hip surgery and pain. This brings encouragement that we can “fixed up” and ready for action again.

During the fall, our classmates in Virginia came through some violent adventures. Marian Thompson Stevens was living in Luray, Va., which was slammed by three major hurricanes. “The wind sounded as never before, screaming and moaning, tearing things loose,” she reported. With the ground covered with trees of a tall, queen maple snatched off three feet above ground and a cherry laurel trunk nine inches thick split at the base. Electricity was lost for six days. Son Pete came with daughter Desiree to repair the roof.

Then John Son came from California to help. Two weeks later came hurricanes Frances and then Jeanne, which cut off power and phone. Then there were the rain bands of Ivan and Matthew. The enlightenment of the experience was to follow: “You don’t see what you have until you have to do without it.”

Millenct Hutchison Taylor and Simeon Pipkin Taylor, R’47, spent the weekend of Sept. 18 with Doris Moore Shea. They attended the funeral of Ralph Bartron, B’50, who died in London. His brother brought his ashes back as requested to be sprinkled on Virginia soil. They were able to visit with Cynthia Patrick Lawson of Evans Patrick, and Jean Moody Vincent, a’W’49, at W’49, at a luncheon after the service. Doris spent a week with each of her sons during the summer. She traveled to Hilton Head with her Richmond and family, and she flew to Seattle to visit her other son.

Margaret Sabine Brizendine announced the arrival of baby Chandra to Joy and son Bill in St. Petersburg, Fla. In the meantime, they traveled toupdate New York, the Berkshire, Cape Cod and Nantucket. They stopped off in Williamsburg for dinner with Virginia Kreyer on the way home to Florida.

Frances Stuart Bailey and Rolen G. Bailey, R’49, have come full circle. Rolen is interim pastor of Black Creek Baptist Church in Mechanicsville, Va., where he was a student pastor, preaching every other Sunday while at the University from 1947-49. They enjoyed trips in the summer with family to Massaponax, Va.; Henrey, Pa.; and Gartingburg, Tenn.

It was wonderful to hear from Maria Carter Satterfield, who is still living in the house where she grew up. They go to the Bahamas in the winter months but have sold their sailboat. As a busy grandmother of 12, she says there is “no tennis, but still playing golf poorly.”

I have special memories of a home built by Sam and lived in by me 46 years, raising four daughters there. Widowed now for 21 years, I have enjoyed the move to a newer, smaller home. What fun it was to have a surprise, although brief, visit from Josephine Hoover Pittman and Bob. They were on their way to a Virginia Military Institute game in Lexington, a usual fall trek to Bob’s alma mater. They looked wonderful.

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Mimi called me with news of Peggy Harris Barnett, who is finishing up her reunion weekend. Peggy spent time recovering from the fall in a rehabilitation center and is now back home, having progressed from a wheelchair to a walker. She has assistance during the week, her therapist three times a week and her children, who alternate on the week-end.

Mimi also reported that Cynthia Patrick Lawson Otte and Ray, E’46 and Margaret Tamara Lewis and Catherine “Kakkii” Smith Spratley and Warren were doing well and that Jane Dennis McMillagal Mick and were celebrating their 54th anniversary. They were especially happy that their children from Williamsburg, Va., could attend. Mimi spent her usual two months in Maine for the 68th reunion. She also entertained six visitors from the University.

Frances Elizabeth Hix called me with news of her long recovery from a broken leg, which started as a fracture. She now walks alone after time in a wheelchair and after using a walker and cane. She says that a recent stimulator treatment has eased the pain. Frances saw Cornelia Ayres Bales and Fred while they were going camping.

Dorothy Richwine Korb has been ill with pneumonia. After a lengthy hospital stay, she returned home on Nov. 5 and is recovering gradually.

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1950

Charles S. Taylor, R, and his wife, Carolyn, have moved to a new home in St. Simons Island, Ga. Their son, Charles S. Taylor III, and his wife, Karen, also live on the island.

1951

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Barbara McGehee Cooke and husband, Sam, joyously celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August with many family members and friends by revisiting the sites of their courtship and wedding events in Virginia. This included the University of Richmond, Westhampton College, St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church, the Jefferson Hotel, Williamsburg, Old Point Comfort and other places that stirred fond memories. Among the family celebrating with them were Aaron H. O’Bier, R’S1 and G’S6, and Kathleen Cooke O’Bier, W’S2. In June, Sam attended a lovely University of Richmond alumni reception in Louisville, Ky., where Dr. David Burhans, the University’s former chaplain, spoke.

Bobbie Lee Brown Youngel and Myron M. Yagel, R’S50 and G’S55, enjoyed a brief September cruise and lunch in Hampton Roads, Va., with Elizabeth McRae Dudley and Roy on their luxurious 56-foot yacht, the Digger 5. A special treat for Bobbie was having time with Marsha, the Dudleys’ daughter and Bobbie’s godchild. The Yagels also enjoyed an Alaska cruise in August.

Jo Ann Ashby Hopkins and Hal hosted a wedding celebration for their son, Burt, and his wife, Olga, in September. Their sons and wives from out of state were present as well as their grandchildren. Olga’s parents from Moscow were here for the occasion. Jo says, “We are now an international family.” Later in September, Hal had eye surgery, which went well.

Norma Stroever Craig and husband Norm traveled to Vermont in October to see the spectacular autumn foliage. They particularly enjoyed the Shelburne Museum that featured 45 acres of reconstructed American life over the past three centuries.

Classmates Charlotte Herrick Sayre, Marthahe Thompson Osburn, Mary Lee Moore May and husband Ed visited Marylyn Cooper McGraw and Walter J. McGraw, R’S50, at their river home on a perfect day in late September. A surprise guest was William C. Day, R’S4, and his wife.

1952

Samuel L. Cooke Jr., R, and G’S4, was recognized for 50 years of service by the American Chemical Society.

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Marilyn McMurray Rlshell wrote, “I found all the 50th anniversaries of the past year interesting. Albert C. Pittman, R’S1, married 56 years to Julia Wason Pittman, W’S50, was the person responsible for me coming to Westhampton. Elizabeth “Liz” Latimer Kokkon, W’S51, and George worked at juvenile court the year I was probation receptionist. He was a social worker, and they kept their romance a secret until they were ready to get married. Nola and Bob, who were mentioned as celebrating their 50th, had a special part in my life as she got me a blind date at West Point my senior year that changed my perspective.

Rish and I took our friend from England to Richmond in June and stayed two nights in the gorgeous Bicentenial House. It was the highlight of her whole trip. She was with us almost three weeks. The Emmy award-winning composer says he didn’t choose his career, it chose him. Composers are cursed, he explains. ‘A sound or melody will haunt us until we find a way to release it.” For Keltonic that curse surfaced at the age of 9 when he grew weary of playing the songs his piano teacher assigned. “I would create different endings to the songs,” he says, recalling his teacher’s grimaces. “I stopped taking lessons, but I did not stop playing the piano.”

When he was a student at Richmond, Keltonic occasionally practiced piano in the Modlin Center. Cutting through the building one day, he heard ethereal sounds wafting from a small room. He pushed open the door to find Dr. Alan Stein tootling with the University’s first synthesizer. That chance meeting eventually led to Keltonic’s career scoring films and documentaries.

Keltonic took an independent study course with Stein, who gave him some bizarre assignments. “He once asked me to compose a piece that made him laugh, which I did. I had to learn the rules of music and the appropriate times to break them. He encouraged me to write in my own style.”

When Keltonic was a senior, Earl Hamner Jr., the Richmond alum who created The Waltons, was making a film about the University called Our Time in History. He asked Stein to compose the music, and Stein passed the assignment to Keltonic. “Alan could have done it, and desire for me to learn, he gave them my name,” Keltonic says. “That’s when I fell in love with writing scores.”

Keltonic has written dozens of scores for PBS, CNN, the Discovery Channel and the Hallmark Channel. Orchestras around the world, including the Atlanta and London symphonies, have performed his works. In 2003, he won an Emmy for his music in the documentary Over Alaska. More recently, a documentary he scored for CNN, Autism Is a World, has been nominated for an Academy Award.

“One of the things I love about my job doesn’t have anything to do with music,” Keltonic confides. “When I do a documentary, I get dropped into a different world that I know nothing about. For a period of six weeks, I am immersed in that world.”

Learning about different worlds is a common theme for Keltonic. Each year he leads volunteers from Stony Point Presbyterian Church in Richmond to Uganda, where they deliver medical supplies and work at the Canaan Children’s Home. “The hospitals in Uganda are in terrible shape,” he says. “Kids are dying of tetanus, typhoid and diarrhea.”

Keltonic downplays his relief efforts and his musical accomplishments. “I write music and volunteer because of my faith,” he says. “There’s nothing special about me. ... Uganda is a place that needs tremendous help, and no one else is going. It’s our privilege to share God’s love with these people.”

To hear some of Keltonic’s scores, visit www.jdkmusic.com.
New race, same quick pace

Front-runners in the financial services industry must be energetic, competitive and focused—qualities that Geraldine D. “Geri” Leder, W’78, honed as a member of the Spiders’ first women’s cross-country team.

Starting the cross-country team “was a seminal experience,” says Leder, the founder of a Baltimore-based firm that provides marketing expertise to financial- servicing companies. After transferring to Richmond in 1976, she and several classmates formed a delegation to lobby the University for a jogging club. Thanks to Title IX, the University persuaded them to form a full-fledged varsity cross-country team under the tutelage of coach emeritus Bill Jordan.

The upstart team lost frequently, but Leder’s participation sparked a lifelong passion for fitness. She now bikes for exercise because her knees “gave out.”

Leder has been running hard—metaphorically—since she graduated from Richmond with a journalism degree in 1978. She remained on campus for an additional four years, serving in the admission office and the development office. Her first mentor, development officer Bob Sweeney, recruited her when he moved to Loyola College in Baltimore as a vice president. She earned her M.B.A. there in 1986 while serving as director of development. Her second mentor, Legg Mason CEO Chip Mason, a volunteer on Loyola’s Board of Sponsors, hired her to lead his company’s new marketing department.

“It was a terrific opportunity,” Leder recalls. That experience was reinforced by five years at Alex. Brown in the 1990s, the heyday of initial public offerings of high-tech stocks. In addition to running the company’s corporate & executive services group, Leder helped screen IPO prospects. “It was amazing to watch new public companies emerge from those sectors,” she recalls. “Many of these companies have gone on to be stars.”

After Bankers Trust bought Alex. Brown in 1997, Leder played a pivotal role in cross-selling its private client services with Bankers Trust’s private bank. She made partner the same year that Deutsche Bank bought Bankers Trust.

In 1999 Leder launched LederMark Communications LLC, a marketing company that assists retail brokerages, mutual fund companies and investment-management firms. Clients include Fortune 500 corporations plus regional and local firms on the East Coast. LederMark helps clients position themselves strategically, create and introduce new products, conduct qualitative research and execute marketing plans.

“I get a real charge out of the work. When you mix marketing expertise with in-depth industry knowledge, it’s a powerful combination,” she asserts.

Leder has been involved with the University for nearly three decades, most recently as chair of Richmond’s Board of Associates. She has invested in the University for the long run, and the value of her Richmond degree keeps rising.

“When I came to Richmond in 1976, it was an undiscovered company, trading at a discount to its intrinsic worth,” she says in Wall Street parlance. “Today, though, the value of the University’s stock is beginning to be realized.”

—Betty M. van Iersel
1954

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Jane Betts Schmitt invited Virginia Byrne Dance Terrell and me for lunch the latter part of October. We enjoyed being together and catching up on news. Jane has recovered beautifully from her recent surgery and looks great.

Beverly Burke McGhee reports that she and Felice Abram Saks have reconnected and met from time to time for lunch. Beverly has recovered well from her first knee-replacement surgery and plans to have the second knee done sometime in the future.

On a recent trip to New Jersey, Carol James McNamara and her husband, Jay, had lunch with Mary Jane Miller.

Nancy Graham Harrell and Walter were in Bermuda to celebrate their 50th anniversary last fall. They went with three other couples they have known since the 1950s, who were also celebrating their golden anniversaries.

When the alumni office added some names to our roster and reprinted the list to go with my letter asking for addresses of missing classmates, some of our most faithful supporters were deleted—Burrell, Margaret English Lester and Sue Smith Van Wickler. I don’t understand how these things work, but rest assured that Burrell, Margaret and Sue are not “lost alumni.”

Last summer, Burrell and John L. Stultz, B’58, cruised aboard the Queen of the West sternwheeler on the Columbia, Snake and Willamette rivers, traveling from Portland, Ore., to Lewiston, Idaho. They followed the cruise with a week at a mountain ranch in Wyoming.

Margaret’s photograph appeared in a Duke University publication recognizing the contribution of the English family’s foundation to research on Alzheimer’s disease. While Margaret was in Richmond for the meeting of our reunion committee, Alice entertained a group of classmates for tea at her home. Margaret “Peggy” Armstrong Thrasher joined Alice in Mt. Arey, N.C., for a tour of the town where Alice lived while a student at Westhampton.

Sue and I attended a seminar at Westhampton, where we ran into Jacques Kimberly Brooks. Lunch was served in the old Court Dining Hall, no longer used for student dining.

Jody continues to reenerse and perform with her band, which has been booked for Saturday night of our 50th reunion weekend. Jody knows the kind of music we like so this will be a special treat for our musicality inclined class. We won three of four song contests and came in second for our freshman year, quite an accomplishment for a first-year class. Watch your mail for details on the festivities planned for our 50th reunion weekend.

Many of our classmates attended their 50th high school reunions in 2004. Keep in mind that our big reunion takes place in just four short years. I returned to Crewe, Va., for mine last August and really enjoyed seeing old classmates. While in the Richmond area, I had lunch with Nancy Goodwyn Hill and Jack. Since that time, Nancy wrote to me that she attended her reunion in Chester, Va., last October. They had an excellent turnout and plan to have another in two years.

Connie Bookoo Moe attended the Thomas Jefferson reunion in Richmond and saw Emily Damerei King, Rebecca “Becky” Branch Faulconer and Suzanne Kidd Bunting. Connie is a personal trainer and teaches exercise classes at the YMCA, including aquatic exercise and weightlifting. Connie enjoys going out to Westhampton every year to present the Leslie Booker Award in honor of her mother.

We were very distressed to hear that the home of Carolyn Moss Hartz and A. Ransone Hartz, R’58, burned during Hurricane Gaston. We are all praying of them and hope that their plans are progressing nicely.

Beverly Jane Coker enjoys living in Advance, N.C., which is not too far from her children and grandchildren. She has two daughters, one son and six grandchildren. Bev taught school in Fairfax County, Va., and Stanford, Conn. She retired in 2001 and has enjoyed having time to travel. She spent two weeks in France last summer. She also attended her high school reunion in Falls Church, Va.

James E. Hoffman, R’58, is northeast regional vice president for the FBI Retired Officers organization.

Mary Jean Simpson Garrett and Harry W. Garrett Jr., R and L’61, have six grandchildren that are age four and under. They really enjoy having two little girls in Bedford, Va., where they live.

Susie Pillamann Wiltshire, G’69, has been teaching for 44 years and is retiring at the end of the school year.

Sarah Margaret Ashburn Holder sings in her church choir and was singing on a special program for Christmas. Last summer Sarah and Gene’s son, Brian, got married in Wilmington, N.C. They enjoy going to Wilmington to visit family and hope to be on the water.

Cornelia “Connie” Preddy Tillotson, G’78, retired from teaching in 1995 and lives in Richmond. She taught ninth-grade history at
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1961
S. Wyndham Anderson, R, volunteers in the Medical College of Virginia palliative care unit and also works as a docent at the Valentine Richmond History Center.

Donna Spencer Link, W, was chosen as the 2004 Christmas Mother for Chesterfield County and Colonial Heights in Virginia. She has been a volunteer with this program for 39 years, bringing Christmas gifts to needy children and the elderly. This is the second time she has been honored as a Christmas Mother. She and her husband, Walter, care for his mother in their home, which has brought an end to their years of travel. But she says there is never a dull moment with both children living in the neighborhood and all eight grandchildren living next door.

Nancy Jean W. Rawlings, W, and her husband, William, have moved to Colonial Heights, Va.

Carey E. Stronach, W, was appointed president of the Virginia Association of Scholars. He is a professor of physics at Virginia State University and Lives in Petersburg.

Nancy T. Taylor, W, enjoyed a wonderful trip to Italy with Catherine ‘Kitty’ Thourhurn Neal, W, and Sally Magruder Rawls, W, both former roommates. They traveled to Rome, Florence, Pisa, Verona and Venice. They had a great time and enjoyed being roommates again.

Ebb H. Williams, III, R and L’64, and her wife, Gayle Gowdy Williams, W, attended a concert last summer by The Lettermen, in Myrtle Beach, S.C. The group picked Ebb randomly from the audience of 1,500 to sing a song to the audience and then Gayle. He is an attorney in Martinsville, Va., where he is back at the office waiting for that phone call telling him whether he has a future in music.

1962
Edwin C. Robertson, R, was named the 2004 Alabama Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. He is a music professor at the University of Montevallo, where he has been on the faculty for 34 years.

1963
F. Richard Davis, R, took a bicycle tour south of New York’s Adirondack Mountain region followed by a second tour of New England. He crossed the White Mountains and also visited the Maine coast near Kennebunkport. He resides in Glen Allen, Va.

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We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Connie Overstreet Gilmore, who died Sept. 7, 2004, after an extended illness. She is survived by her husband, Richard, and two sons, Richard and David, a daughter-in-law, Melissa, and a grandson, Will.

M.L. Grayson Foy writes that she will retire June 1, 2005, from J. Sargent Reynolds Community College, where she has taught physics for 31 years. She lives at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond.

Jim and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in September 2004 with a memorable trip to the French Riviera and Provence with our son, daughter and son-in-law.

Classmates, keep me informed of your news so we can share it with others of our class. I love hearing from you.

1964
Patricia Louise Ryan Madson retired this spring from teaching undergraduates for 27 years at Stanford University. She will take on emeritus status and teach occasional- ly in Stanford’s continuing studies program. Her book, Impro Wisdom: Don’t Prepare, Just Show Up, will be published in May 2005.

Elaine Robertson Snyder, W, welcomed her third grandchild. Her daughter, Amy Shelly Snyder Hale, ‘93, and husband David had a daugh- ter, Rachel Shell, on April 4, 2004.

George A. Wray, Jr., R, is rector of St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church in Norfolk, Va.

1966
Daniel B. Wilkins, B and GB’74, retired as a brigadier general after 35 years of military service. He served three years in the U.S. Army and 32 years in the Army National Guard. He is a consultant to the National Automobile Dealers Association and automobile dealerships throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. In his spare time, he and his son, Daniel, race baby grand racecars for fun.

1967
George E. May, R, has taught math for 37 years at Martinsville High School, James River High School and Salem High School. His daughter, Mary, is a freshman at Hollins University. He and his wife, Linda, live in Salem, Va.

Keith L. Tinkham, R, celebrated the return home in October 2003 of his son, Lt. Winkham, who served a three-month tour of duty in Doha, Qatar, with the U.S. Air Force.

Edwin C. Robertson, R’62, was named the 2004 Alabama Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Judy Crowell von Seldeneck, W, was elected state organizing secretary of the Virginia Society. Daughters of the American Revolution, and she was appointed national vice chairman of the Eastern Division, American Indians Committee for National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. In addition, she was appointed state co-chair of the Educational Loan Fund for the Virginia State Chapter of the F.E.O. Sisterhood, a philanthropic and educational organization for women.

1968
Judy Morong Dreyer, W, and her husband, A. David Dreyer, B’67, are the proud grandparents of a 1-year-old grandson, Christian, who was born on Judy’s birthday. She continues to sell real estate in Charlottesville, where David runs his own certified public accounting practice.

1971
J. Preston Winn, W, was promoted to principal insurance market examiner in the agents licensing section of the State Corporation Commission’s Bureau of Insurance.

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(Names) attended a memorial celebration at the University in late October 2004. The event was to cele- brate the life of Professor William H. Looney, a member of the University’s speech and drama department for many years. Some of you may have been in one of his classes, or you may have worked on or acted in a play that he either designed or directed. He also edited yearly the UR Players Magazine, which included news from his many students through the decades, and he visited many of us in our homes when he was on one of his numer- ous trips during his busy retirement years. I know that so many of us will miss him.

During my trip for this memorial celebration, I saw and talked with many former UR Players, and here is the news they gave to me:

Mary Galloway Boott is the manager at Dogwood Dell in Richmond. She has worked there for a number of years and has helped stage many productions in the out- door theater.

Sally Andrews Gudas, W’70, lives in Ashland and works at Randolph-Macon College in the human resources area. She has two children.

Joan Ungemach Brumbach, W’72, and her husband, Frederick I. Brumbach, R’72, live in Manteo, N.C., on Roamde Island. Joan works as the costumer for an Elizabethan group in Manteo and also as a stained glass artist. Fred continues to do lighting and sound design work.
for corporate parties, concerts and other events. He also is the sound designer for the outdoor drama The Lost Colony.

Francis “Frank” Michael Howard, R’73, and his wife, Jean, live in Richmond, where he works as senior finance manager for Haynes Jeep. They have a son, age 28, and a daughter, age 25.

Clements “Ted” Boett, R’70, teaches drama at L.C. Bird High School and at SRWC (School for Performing Arts in the Richmond Community).

Joseph C. Bristow Jr., R’70, lives in Richmond. He retired as the owner of Backstage Inc., a theatrical theater business.

Nancy Boykin Kern, W’72, lives in Philadelphia and teaches 11th-grade reading at Imply University. She has a 14-year-old son, James.

Madieith Priscilla Malone, W’72, lives in Chesterfield and teaches seventh-grade reading in the City of Richmond. She also works part time for McGraw-Hill, where she does commercials and works as a movie extra when needed.

Here is news from some of our other classmates:

Jamie Lee Bingham Carson, J’69, and her husband, Martin, have retired in Virginia, and has retired for the second time after teaching eighth-grade math for two years in Caswell County Schools in North Carolina. Before that, she taught for 30 years in Pittsylvania County Schools in Virginia. Lee plans to travel with her husband and see sights, to keep her organization skills for a company she worked for in Roanoke. They have two sons, Scott and Mark, both graduating from college this year.

Diane Davis Ryan retired from teaching math in Fredericksburg, Va., last year, and at the same time moved into a new house she and her husband built in Winchester, Va. They recently took a trip to Scotland, where her husband enjoyed playing on various golf courses while Diane shopped and toured the beautiful countryside. She recently acquired her insurance provider in health, life, property and casualty insurance, so she can now help her husband in the insurance business.

Adele Affleck Medved worked at the Front Royal Social Security Office for over 30 years. For several of those years she was district manager, a job she really enjoyed. She recently retired and now enjoys spending more time with her 10-month-old grandson, Will.

Sally Hammanson Wallace, G’77, lives in Midlothian and continues to teach various foreign languages in Chesterfield County Public Schools. She and her husband, W. Lee Wallace, Class of 1969 and G’77, traveled to Rome and then cruised the boot of Italy. They visited numerous cities on their trip, and Sally found that during this tour the Latin and Italian that she teaches really “come alive.”

We heard from Nancy Boykin, who was in Richmond for the memorial service for Bill Lockey of the theatre department. She was able to see many friends from her years in theater and music at the University. Nancy and family took a trip into the Wind River Mountain Range in Wyoming last summer, using kamas to corry their gear. Nancy is involved in a world premiere production at the Wilma Theatre in downtown Philly called Raw Boys.

Donna Renfro Williamson’s son, Jonathan, is an assistant soccer coach for Radford University after graduating from Bridgewater College and playing soccer for a semipro team last summer. Daughter Rachel is a National Merit Semifinalist. Donna continues as director of music ministries for a church in Northern Virginia.

Tricia and family enjoyed having their Brett home for his two-week leave from Iraq. Our two families got together over the Thanksgiving holiday to visit and spend time as well. Please send me any e-mail changes so I can add you to our list to stay in touch for class news. Remember, “Even spirits never die—but they do get weak if we don’t stay in touch.”

We heard from Cheryl D. Jenkins and Donna Strother Deenken. Cheryl is doing freelance public relations work that runs the gamut from producing ads to writing books. Donna is working in a Richmond area store as well as operating her latest venture—Taptopa, Trains, and Traditions—doing tea parties for groups of all ages. Nancy and Ben’s older son, Benjamin, is a freshman at Georgia Tech, where he is majoring in aerospace engineering. Her younger son, Taylor, is a high school junior who will be in his fourth year as a varsity wrestler. Nancy’s catering company, Nancy’s Catering, just celebrated its 20th anniversary. Nancy also directs about 100 volunteer chefs at a church in Richmond. They prepare food that is sold in the church’s shop. Ben is an attorney specializing in local government. One of their latest activities stems from their 50th birthday gift to the family—soccer lessons. Since then, they have been having dinner near the Netherlands Antilles island of Bonaire. Nancy highly recommends it for great family adventure.

Sam and I recently had a business trip to Disney World. No, we didn’t take Hannah—Lee wouldn’t let her go. We did have lots of fun exploring all of the parks without having children with us. We got to see what we wanted to see. I highly recommend it.

1972

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Thanks to all you classmates who responded to my e-mail inquiries. It has been such fun reading all the news. Let me share with you some of the highlights.

Sarah Hopkins Finley, L’82, who was student government president our senior year, has continued in a career of public service. Sarah serves as Virginia’s deputy secretary of education, focusing on pre-K to grade 12 and the state-owned museums. She also is involved in the college- application process with her daughter, Caitie.

Tina Marston Kury has lived in Boston since shortly after college and works part-time as a social worker in clinical private practice, specializing in eating disorders. She has her husband Dan and daughter Julia (fifth grade) enjoyed a trip to Utah’s national parks and a guest ranch last summer, and they look forward to ski season. They are renovating their home, which is more than 100 years old. Elizabeth “Beth” Woody and I visited them there several years ago.

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hours of credit, keeping college hours every night. She says the difference this time is that she was actually studying during those hours. This summer format will continue for the next two summers. Her son, Stephen, is a junior at East Carolina University and thinks it's pretty cool that his mom is in college too. Linda also has discovered a new passion — triathlons. She completed her first sprint triathlon in October in Richmond.

Elizabeth "Beth" Neal Jordan and her husband, Glenn, and their two children live in Gil, Harber, Wash. Their older daughter, Laura, is at the University. According to friends, they enjoy an athletic family and all accomplished snow skiers. Beth wrote that she spent a good part of October traveling the state of Washington with her 13-year-old son's soccer team.

Linda Jo Moses Mays and her husband are in the Richmond area, where she teaches school and he is a commissioner of the revenue. Their son, Wade, is in California working for the Purpose Drive Ministry (which published the bestselling book, The Purpose Driven Life), and Thomas is an attorney with Chesterfield County. Patricia Raasch Tutterow and her husband, Nelson, have lived in Simpsonville, S.C., for 23 years and love the area. Their son, Josh, graduated second in his class last June and attends Furman University. They became grandparents last summer when their daughter, Stephanie, had a little girl, Ryan Elizabeth. Pat wrote that she teaches "22 sweet fourth-graders." And I bet they love her, too.

Julie Donohue Higgins, G’76, has a son who is a senior at Richmond and the 12th person in their family to try out for the varsity. Julie is on the Spider Club board this year and recently enjoyed reunited with former professors Dr. Rohaly and Augusta Chapman, who were here recently trying out the University's new golf facilities. She also visited with Mary Jane Miller, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame last March and still has fond memories of our class.

Pomela Ann Proffitt, G’78 and L82, also of Richmond, wrote of a recent trip with her four children to Disney World, where they attended a Hallmark party at the Magic Kingdom as Wizard of Oz characters. The costumes were apparently so good that the three younger children who entered a subsequent local contest won $100 savings bonds. Julie Habel Thompson lives in Arlington, Va., and teaches British literature and advanced grammar and composition to high school students from all over the world, including the foreign diplomatic community. She says students are becoming interested in the University as a result of scholarship opportunities for foreign students. She and her 17-year-old daughter traveled in Russia last summer. The trip was part of her daughter’s independent study at Yorktown High School, where she interviewed Katie Couric last year. Julia is planning a second international trip to England for students.

Margaret (Peggi) Heath Johnson is the PTA president this year at her youngest daughter’s middle school. She is also mom to a high school freshman. Peggi is in Vienna, Va., and loves to travel, bird watch and attend opera. She and her family visited Costa Rica and Scandinavia this year.

The news from Ellen Early Lusk, from Chetron, Va., is that her daughter, Meredith, was planning to be married the day after Christmas 2004. She wrote that she and her husband, Pat, planned to "recover" for a couple of weeks afterward in Aruba, where they will attend a wedding party. Their younger daughter, Erin, is finishing up her degree at Prescott College in Arizona. Ellen and Esther Hopkins Barnes were planning to get together for dinner somewhere in Tidewater, Va., in November.

From Tappahannock, Va., Susan Lindgreen Stephenson reports that life is good as she has dropped back to teaching part time at St. Margaret’s School. She has been enjoying some hobbies such as quilting, making purses to sell and redecorating her house. Her daughter, Amanda, graduated ‘00, was married in June. Her husband, Ned, is managing director of strategic investments for the Virginia Tobacco Commission.

My husband, West, and I have taken some fun trips in the past few years, including a hiking trip to Utah’s national parks and a trip to the Pacific Northwest, where I saw the Pacific Ocean for the first time. I am using some of my former recruiting experience in banking to help people in my church find their best place of service in the church and community. I began their new preschool seven years ago and have fun with that. A highlight of last year was getting together with Donna Marie Perseng, Jean Dagenhart Smith, Elizabeth "Beth" Woody and Grace Robbenson den Hartog several times.

Nicholas S. Poulios, R’75, is vice president for medical outcomes pricing at Eli Lilly Pharmaceuticals in San Diego.

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1975

John D. Keltonic, R. has written a musical score for a NOVA documentary, America’s Stone Age Explorers, which premiered on PBS in November.

Nicholas S. Poulios, R, is vice president for medical outcomes pricing strategy for Eli Lilly Pharmaceuticals in San Diego. He lives in La Jolla, Calif.

1976

Marcia E. Kelley, G is treasurer of the board of directors of the Central Virginia Waste Management Authority.

Nancy Kirkland Klein, W, is starting her 19th year as professor of chemistry at Old Dominion University. She has worked for the past decade with Agnes Mobiley Wynne, W’73, who teaches in her department. Her husband, Robert, is the theater director at Kennesaw High School, where their two children attend. Cary is a senior and president of the Thespian Society. William Chandler is a sophomore and plays trumpet in the band. They just returned from a one-month stay in Turkey, where they worked with Voice of Virginia, an organization they direct that provides fine arts summer training to children.

1977

William E. Harper III, R and G’79, ran in his 13th Richmond Marathon in November. He has completed the race 11 times and always wears a Spider t-shirt.

1979

L Allen Broaddus, R, is vice president in charge of commercial lending and the P&G Group for River City Bank, the newest bank in the Richmond area. He lives in Mechanicsville, Va., with his wife, Rose, and sons, Luke and John.

John K. Offerdahl, R of Smyrna, Ga., is reference librarian in the Robert E. Fulton Regional Library at Ogeechee, a new facility of the Atlantic/Brunswick Public Library. Jane Marie Wittowski, W is communications director for the Girl Scouts Old 96 Council in Greenville, S.C.
1983

Phillip S.T. “Ted” Costin, R, completed the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia. He is assistant county administrator for Greeneville County, Va.

Joan M. Graesch, W, has joined Habitat for Humanity in Charleston, S.C., as resource development manager.

Kenneth F. Lyons, R, spent time in Hong Kong recently studying Sakam energy healing. He attended his 25th high school reunion in New Jersey last fall.

1984

Joseph G. Davies, B, and his wife, Blythe, have a son, Teddy, born last year. After nine years in Los Angeles running a scrap business, Joseph is now a “garbageman farmer” in Monkton, Md., and is considering a future political career.

Sue Wicker Heckel is administrative assistant in the Office of Institutional Research at the University. Her husband, Jonathan F. Heckel, R’83, is employed by Capital One. They live in Bon Air with their three children, Raleigh, 14, Grace, 12, and Ryan, 8.

David Bruce Robinson, B, was appointed by Virginia Gov. Mark Warner to the board of the Alternative Technology Loan Fund Authority. He lives in Midlothian, Va.

1985

Boyd K. Burton, B, is a director at Wamem Whitney & Shenwood. He lives in Richmond.

Debbie Bright Gardner, W, and her husband, Mike J. Gardner, R’84, adopted a baby boy, David, from Korea last June. He joins Joey, 12, Amy, 10, and Ben, 5.

Erica Orloff, W, has signed a book deal with Penguin/VNAL books to write as a young adult author under the pen name Lisa Corrall. Her first book for teen readers, Rock My World, will be published in July 2005.

C. Thomas Richardson, B, was promoted to managing director of U.S. equities at Dgobug Global Marketing in New York. He has been at Citigroup for 10 years and lives in New Canaan, Conn.

1986

Michael P. Giessler, R, lives in San Juan, Puerto Rico, with his wife, Kym, and their daughter, Gabriela Sofia. He is owner of Caleca Realty.

Patrick A. Stasolla, R, and Samantha Evans were married on May 22, 2004. Included in the wedding party were Peter C. Hutson, R, and Peter W. Russell, R’87.

1987

Cynthia B. Meyer, B, and Robert F. Cranshaw, R’86, had a daughter, Isabella James, on May 14, 2004. She joins sister Olivia, 2. They live in New York.

Marc David Policastro, B, partner in the Woodbridge office of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith, Rvin, Davis & Himmel LLP, was selected by the New Jersey Law Journal for its “40 Under 40” list, which recognizes promising future leaders of the New Jersey bar. He practices real estate law.

1988

Tracy MacKinnon D’Annunzio, B, welcomed fellow Spiders Anne Bond Gordon, W, Lisa Shortall Dwellie, B, Sarah Smith Hoppers, W, and Beth Hallman Madarang, B, to her family’s beach house at Fenwick Island, Del. This is the group’s second annual reunion. Beth has started her own educational consulting business in Chester Springs, Pa., where she works primarily with elementary school students.

Jeffrey C. Miller, R, is vice president of OIGNA Behavioral Health Eastern Region. He is based in Pennsylvania.

Susan Mary Tuller, W’89, and her husband, Bill Bridgeland, are foreign service officers in Georgetown, Guyana.

Brooke F. Olander, W, and her husband, Jeffrey R. Olander, B’87, had a daughter, Trinity Brooke, on Aug. 18, 2004. They reside in Chatham, N.J.

Studying Mars

When NASA launches its Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter this year, Amy Snyder Hare, ’93, will be among the Earth-bound scientists making sure the spacecraft’s crucial equipment is doing its job.

Billed as the most comprehensive inspection of Mars to date, the mission’s goals include studying the planet’s climate, searching for evidence of water, identifying possible landing sites for future missions and—most important—making sure the data gets home.

Hale is responsible for two cameras on board the spacecraft: the context camera, which will scan at least 15 percent of the Martian surface, and the Mars color imager, which will track weather changes and ozone variations.

It is a dream job for the former physics major who has been fascinated by astronomy since childhood. The sparkling planetary images from NASA’s Voyager missions mesmerized her when she was just 8 years old. As she grew up, however, Hale was not sure she had the right stuff to succeed in planetary research.

“I’m a science person, but I’m not really a math person,” she explains from her office at NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. “It’s highly likely I wouldn’t be in this job today if I hadn’t gone to the University of Richmond.”

Hale followed her parents, Philip, R’63, and Elaine, W’64, to the University. She was a National Merit Scholar and a University Scholar, but she received much more than financial assistance. “It’s difficult to sit down and reason your way through quantum mechanics,” she explains, “but at Richmond, professors are there to help you learn. When I was confused, they were always willing to sit down with me very patiently and go over the material, again and again, until I understood it.”

Her favorite professor was Dr. Gerard P. Gilfoyle, the current chair of the physics department. “He is a good scientist and a terrific teacher,” she declares. “I worked for him during the summers, and he encouraged me to continue my education.”

After graduation, Hale entered the University of Pittsburgh, where she earned a master’s degree in physics in 1995 and a Ph.D. in geology in 2000. After completing post-doctoral work at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, she joined the scientific staff there in 2002.

In addition to directing the cameras on the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter, Hale performs similar work with a camera on the Mars Global Surveyor. Launched in 1996, the spacecraft circles the red planet capturing images of its surface. Hale also does related research by mapping water ice clouds in the Martian atmosphere and by studying the behavior of the planet’s northern polar cap.

Astronomy is never far from Hale’s mind. Her husband, David, is principal technician for three telescopes operated by the University of California—Berkeley at the Mount Wilson Observatory in the San Gabriel Mountains. The couple and their eight-month-old daughter, Rachel, live atop Mount Wilson. Hale’s evening commute includes a 5,715-foot ascent from Los Angeles, often into snow, where she is even closer to her beloved planets.

—Cathy Eberly
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1989

Jenita Ann Beach, B. and her husband, John R. Beach, ’88, had a daughter, Janalise Marie, on Jan. 12, 2004. She joins sisters Jacie Lyn, 6, and Jaerie Elsa, 4. They live in New Church, Va. John is director of credit at Lafkord SYSCO Food Services in Pocomoke, Md.

Kelly Corrigan, W., is successfully fighting breast cancer, supported by her family and friends in Piedmont, Calif. She is finishing chemotherapy and gearing up for more surgery. She continues to run a photography business. Stratford Candiels, and has started a web site, www.circleofcancer.org, for friends of cancer patients.

Jennifer Komosa Ferleten, W., and her husband, Eric, had a son, Thaddeus Dubree, on Nov. 7, 2003. He joins sisters Priscilla, 6, and Greta, 4. They live in Washington, D.C.


Susan Mary Tuller and her husband, Bill Bridgeland, are foreign service officers in Georgia. They have two children, Trevor, 3, and Chloe, 1.

Lori Sohns Patterson, W’91, earned a Ph.D. in social psychology at the University of Cincinnati and is on the faculty at Xavier University.

Amy Hargest Walsh, B. and her husband, Brian, had a daughter, Kelly Romaine, on April 26, 2004. She joins Mackeren, 6, and Sean, 4.

George H. Jockish III, R., and his wife, Tanya, had a son, Aidan Robert, on Dec. 10, 2003. He is employed by Capital One as a senior financial auditor and holds CFE and CIA designations. Two of his college roommates, Sean M. Healy, ’92, and Christopher E. Owen, ’93, also work at Capital One.

Gregory A. Johnson, GB, was named assistant vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

Andrea Keane-Myers, W., completed the Marine Corps Marathon on an 80-degree day in 3 hours and 57 minutes, finishing 395th among all women and leaving her husband, Trevor P. Myers, R., gasping in her wake at 4 hours, 8 minutes. Trevor completed a medical mission to Honduras last fall with a team from the Virginia Hospital Center-Arlington. They live in Bethesda, Md.

Lori Sohns Patterson, W., named a Ph.D. in social psychology at the University of Cincinnati and is on the faculty at Xavier University. She and her husband, Adam, had a son, Seth Jacob, in December 2003. He joins sister Hope, 5, and brother Samuel, 3. They live in Loveland, Ohio.

G. Dougses Ross, R. and his wife, Megan, had a son, Andrew Hartford, on July 23, 2004. They live in New York.

Julie Tschorn Seabury, W. and her husband, Charles, had a son, Charles Alexander, on July 10, 2004. He joins sister Amelia Grace, 2. Julie is a physical therapist at the Hand Management Center at Virginia Commonwealth University Health System.


1990

William F. Crockett, R., and his wife, Lisa, live in Media, Pa., with their daughters, Ann Bedell, 3, and Holly Elizabeth, 1.

Christina Holliday Hollekim, B. and her husband, Eric, had a daughter, Mia Elizabeth, on May 20, 2004. She joins sister Madeline, 2. They live in Leesburg, Va.

1991

Jean S. Arnold, W., is software quality assurance manager of the Florida Lottery. She lives in Tallahassee.

Amy L. Blackburn, B. and John Wages were married on Sept. 18, 2004. Included in the wedding party was Anita Pruitt McIlwain, W’92. They live in Atlanta.

Alicia J. Curry, W. and her husband, Lance McQuade, had a daughter, Shannon Elizabeth, on April 7, 2004. They live in Centerport, N.Y.

1992

Luke W. Bunting, R., and Leslie Blue were married on Aug. 28, 2004. He is creative director for e-walker, an interactive marketing agency in Lancaster, Pa.

Joanna “Josie” Bortz, B and G’96, and her Big Dads were married on March 26, 2004. She is group account director at Grey Worldwide Advertising in Toronto.

Stacy Hollowell Cooper and her husband, David, had a son, Maxwell Robert, on April 7, 2004. He joins brother Kevin, 3. They live in Charlottesville, Va.

Christopher R. DeGrazio, R. and his wife, Giuliana, had a daughter, Isabella Rose, on June 18, 2004. She joins sister Cristina, 3. They live in Winchester, Mass.

Connie Whitaker Dunlop, B. and her husband, Sean, had twins, Emma and Gabriel, on July 24, 2004. They live in Fairfax, Va.

Kristen Grindal Hopp, W. and her husband, Robert, had a daughter, Madison Corelline, on Oct. 8, 2004. She joins Sydney, 5, and Jack, 3. They live in Sarasota, Fla., where Kristen works for Consultative Neurological Services.

Letitia “Tish” Thompson O’Connor and her husband, Tommy, had a son, Thomas Andrew, on Aug. 4, 2004. They reside in Baton Rouge, La.

Brian J. Popp, B. was promoted to specialty sales in the neurology/urology division for Merck & Co. Inc. He and his wife, Cheryl, have three sons, Brodan, Nolan and Garrett, and have relocated to Melbourne, Fl.

Jennifer Rabold, W. and her husband, Dan, had a son, Jacob David, on May 1, 2004. He joins brother Jackson Menz, 3. They live on Cape Cod in Massachusetts.

Jill Weggener Troy, W. and her husband, Owen, had a daughter, Dylan Frances, on May 24, 2004. They live in the Boston area.

Stephanie Dutterer Vick, B. and her husband, John Milton Vick, B’90, had a daughter, Amy Elizabeth, on Aug. 23, 2004. They live in Richmond.

Laura Byrd Earle and Michael David Earle, ’97, had a daughter, Nina Catherine, on June 2, 2004. They live in Richmond.

Amy Snyder Hale and her husband, David, had a daughter, Rachel Shelt, on April 4, 2004. Amy works for NASA at the Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, Calif.

Jennifer W. Hazelton relocated to Houston to become chief financial officer for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Kimberly Takinson Hill, and her husband, Duxy, live in North Tarrant, where they work for Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Cindy McDonald Kelly and her husband, Chris, had a son, Sean Eugene, on Oct. 14, 2004. He joins brother Brian, 3. Cindy is a stay-at-home mom, and the family lives in South Riding, Va.

Amy Bashian McCoy and her husband, Greg, had a son, Matthew Gregory, on Aug. 6, 2004. They live in Belleview Village, N.Y., where Amy is an elementary school reading specialist.

Megan Callahan Ryan and her husband, Tom, had a daughter, Maura Ellen, on May 18, 2004. She joins John, 1. They live in Roswell, Ga.

1993

Catherine L. Bagwell and her husband, Douglas A. Hicks, had a son, Noah Shaffer Hicks, on Feb. 28, 2004. They live in Richmond.

Jennifer Loe Wilkins Crocker is director of business development for the Virginia offices of Ernst & Young. She was recently named to the Richmond’s “Top 40 Under 40” list, and she is in the 2005 class of Leadership Metro Richmond.

Terrence J. “T.J.” Crocker has joined the employed benefit services group at Marsh USA Inc. as a consultant.

Jennifer W. Hazelton, ’93, relocated to Houston to become chief financial officer for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Mia Mutascio Herock and her husband, Shaun B. Herock, had a son, Christopher Michael, on May 26, 2004. He joins Shaun, 6, and Anthony, 3. They live in DePere, Wis.
Melanie Morgan Stoudt and her husband, Kevin, had a daughter, Morgan Anne, on Oct. 22, 2004. They live in Richmond.

Kristine Sweet Volp and her husband, William "Rich" Volp III, had a daughter, Macy Khalil, on Jan. 4, 2004. She joins sister Madeline Riley, 3. They live outside of Chicago.

Mark Brubaker Wells and his wife, Casey, had a son, Jack Ryan, on June 24, 2004. Mark is a director at EMD Chemicals. They live in Carmel, N.Y.

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Kathryn "Katie" Hamann Hansen, B, is a partner with Door to Door Solutions in Richmond.

Congratulations to Jennifer Steinberg Levine, W, and her husband, Jon, on the birth of their son, Jack Elliott, on Oct. 22, 2004.

Elizabeth Bramham "Beth" Ranson, W, has moved to Austin, Texas.

1995

Rosemary F. Broderick and Daniel Shields Spencer IV were married on Sept. 6, 2003. Included in the wedding party were Laura Ashley Goodwin and Suneeea S. Aras. Rose and Dan had a son, Joseph Daniel, on July 10, 2004. They reside in Glen Allen, Va.

Elizabeth A. Devoss and Jonathan W. Penfield were married on Apr. 26, 2004. The couple resides in Washington, D.C.

Bryce C. Holsinger and his wife, Jasmine, had a daughter, Chloe Jasmine, on July 5, 2004. They live in Murrells Inlet, S.C.

Jennifer Gomez Jacobellis and Steven T. Jacobellis had a son, Luke Thomas, on May 18, 2004. They live in Atlanta, where Steve is vice president of foreign exchange trading for SunTrust Bank.

Stefanie Eastman Kubista and Christian Gregory Kubista, had a daughter, Caitlin Mavis, on Sept. 20, 2004. She joins Gregory, 2. Christian is on officer in the U.S. Army Reserve and is scheduled to complete a one-year deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in the spring of 2005.

Tracey Flynn Portillo and her husband, Jay, had a son, Christopher Michael, on May 14, 2004. They live in Virginia Beach, Va.

Morgan Sabia is the art director on the Dave Chappelle Show on Comedy Central. He lives in Union City, N.J.

David K. Tashjian and his wife, Jamie, had a son, David James, on July 25, 2004. David is a middle school guidance counselor in the Ridgewood Public School District in New Jersey.

Laurie A. Warwick and her husband, Paul J. Warwick, had a son, Justin Tyr, on July 8, 2004. Paul joined brother Brandon, 2. Laurie works part time as a senior manager at Ernst & Young, and PJ is a manager in the internal audit department of Freddie Mac. They reside in Ashburn, Va.

Crystal L. Wright is an assistant professor of psychology at Maryville College. Last year she coordinated the Maryville College Community Conversations speaker series, which focused on race-related issues in honor of the 50th anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education.

Sara Atkins Mann and her husband, Chris, had a son, William Joseph, on Aug. 14, 2004. They live in Asheville, N.C.

Elizabeth Russotto Nugent is director, structured finance, for Financial Guaranty Insurance Co. in New York City.

Jennifer Anne Pogorelec and Daniel O'Sullivan were married on Nov. 21, 2003. Included in the wedding party were Olivia Wilkinson Spain, Malia To and Kelley Sweeney O'Connell. Jennifer received a law degree from Catholic University and is an associate with Conway and Conway in New York City. She and her husband reside in Pelham Manor, N.Y.

Kerry Schneider Pasquaile and her husband, Michael, had a son, Colin Michael, on Sept. 21, 2004. He joins sister Lauren Grace, 2.

Jennifer Elizabeth Porter and her husband, Roger W. Porter, '94 and G'00, had a son, William Roger, on Jan. 2, 2004. They live in Middletown, N.Y.

Stacy Garrett and Chesterfield Ray Jr. were married on July 3, 2004, and live in Reisterstown, Md. She completed one year of a fellowship in primary care research and faculty development through the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins University. In December Stacy earned an M.P.H. and an M.B.A. from Johns Hopkins. She practices family medicine and is a clinical instructor at the University of Maryland in Baltimore.

Tanya Bacorn Sewell and her husband, Alistair, had a daughter, Alexa Mackenzie, on July 1, 2004. After five years in England, they have returned to the United States and...
Saluting a three-star general

The U.S. Army has promoted Robert T. Dail, B’75, to lieutenant general, the highest military rank ever attained by a Richmond graduate. The general received his third star in November and took over the No. 2 spot of the U.S. Transportation Command at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois.

Dail believes his Richmond education helped prepare him for leadership on the world stage—not only the ROTC program, but also the Robins School of Business. As a student, Dail anticipated a business career.

“T had no idea at the time that I would serve a full military career,” he recalls. He enrolled in the ROTC primarily to defray college expenses.

The general’s role models at Richmond sparked his early enthusiasm for business. Dr. W. David Robbins, then dean of the business school, stood out among them.

“T was a take-charge kind of guy,” Dail says. “It was his business school. He had a vision for the school and a vision for us, and he was very good to me personally.”

After graduation, Dail planned to fulfill his military obligation, marry schoolmate Anne Crossy, B’77, and go into business. He modified those plans, however, after he fell in love with serving his country.

“I was already in love with Anne,” he quickly adds, “and she was gracious enough to follow me and support me in the Army.”

Their career choice took them around the globe as Dail rose through the ranks. The general believes the leadership experience he gained at Richmond gave him a big boost.

“I had an opportunity to be a leader in a lot of different organizations,” he says. A percussionist with the University symphony, he also played drums in the marching and “pit” bands. He liked hanging out in the Modlin Center as much as spending time with Theta Chi fraternity brothers, participating in Greek activities and organizations and working on The Collegian staff. All those experiences gave him the desire to be more than a participant. He wanted to lead.

Dail earned an M.B.A. degree from Boston University as well as two other master’s degrees. In the Army he has commanded logistics and transportation units at every level from platoon to corps, and he has experience in mechanized airborne and special operations combat organizations.

Today, as deputy commander of the Transportation Command, Dail works for an organization that would rank 205th on the Fortune 500 if it were a public company. The command has $55 billion in assets and $9 billion in operating revenues inside the Department of Defense. Dail has 155,000 airmen, marines, soldiers and sailors working for him.

During an average week, the command conducts more than 1,900 air missions, with 25 ships underway and 10,000 ground shipments operating in 75 percent of the world’s countries. In spring 2004, the command completed the largest American troop rotation since World War II.

“Our responsibility is to move America’s military anywhere the nation needs it and support it until we bring the troops home,” Dail says.

Soon after Dail became a two-star general, he returned to campus and gave the commissioning address to graduating ROTC cadets, but his favorite alumni moment came during Desert Storm in 1991. He heard over the radio that Richmond had upset Syracuse in the NCAA Basketball tournament.

“During combat it was a great boost in morale to hear some news from home,” he says, “and reflect upon the fond memories and friendships of the University of Richmond.”

–Randy Fitzgerald, R'63 and G'64

David A. Ralston was promoted to manager at Keiter, Stephens, Hurst, Gary & Shreaves in Richmond.

George L. Smith III is first vice president with Davenport & Co. in Richmond.


Clifford Yee earned an M.B.A. from the Peter F. Drucker & Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University. Last summer he studied at the University of Oxford (St. Peter’s College) in the United Kingdom. He also served as president of the Drucker School Student Association for 2004.

Rebecca Vogt Bondi and her husband, Greg Stuart Bondi, had a daughter, Ava Elisabeth, on Sept. 18, 2004. They live in Richmond.

Melissa Lynn Burgy and Gabriel Frooman were married on July 23, 2003. Included in the wedding party were Dannii Schwartzman Leonard and Daniella Foschino Schwartz, ’97 Melissa is a first-grade teacher and is pursuing a master’s degree in supervision and administration.

Maggie Brining Devault and her husband, Mike, had a daughter, Courtney, on May 12, 2004. She joins Hannah, 4. They reside in Raleigh, N.C.
Michael P. Geiser has joined the law firm of Susan Godfrey LLP in Houston.

Leigh Anne Miccucci and Jeffrey J. Jablonski were married on Jan. 2, 2004. Included in the wedding party were Katharine Ruth Shaah, Sindhu Harinath Meda and Cristina Nichole Samuels. Leigh is pursuing a master's degree in occupational therapy at Kean University.

Amanda Fiorello Wong works for a global advertising agency specializing in marketing and promotions for Johnson & Johnson consumer products. She ran the New York City marathon last November.

Emily Elizabeth Moore was promoted to broadcast associate producer at The Martin Agency in Richmond.

Roth Patrick Townsend and Karen Crepeau were married on Sept. 18, 2004. Included in the wedding party was Brian William Venuti. They both work in Boston and live in Hudson, N.H.

Alan P. Vaughan, GB & L'98, was named vice president at Davenport & Co. in Richmond.

2000

Monica Louise Beibele and David R. Love were married on July 12, 2003. Included in the wedding party were Allison Lorraine Sowers, Jen Barberio Sell, Christy Breslin Roberts, Lindsay Gale Goulet and Maison Leigh Kent Morris. The couple resides in Downingtown, Pa., where they both work for Hartford Life.

Christina E. Breslin and Jason D. Roberts were married on June 12, 2003. Included in the wedding party were Monica Beibele Marks, Jennifer Barberio Sell and Alisen Kirsi Cronk. The couple resides in Media, Pa., and they both work for the law firm of Morgan Lewis & Bockius in Philadelphia.

Michael Scott Futter joined the Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester as director of development and member services.

Margaretta Medina and Arthur Winck and Lucia Medina, '02, and Trent Philipp were married on Nov. 13, 2004, in a double-ring ceremony in Granada, Nicaragua.

Sara Christina Moonaw and Bron Hyatt were married on Sept. 25, 2004. They reside in Alexandria, Va.

2002

Jonathan Z. Petro graduated from Rutgers Law School-Newark and works for the Ocean County Family Court. He lives in Toms River, N.J.

Marc Bonfiglio Sartori and Lydia Leal Kurtz were married on Aug. 7, 2004, at Cannon Memorial Chapel. Included in the wedding party were Jason Keith Sartori, '97, Edward Michael Lanza, '00 and Kevin Frederick Miller, '00. The couple lives in Glen Allen, Va. Marc is a teacher and lacrosse coach in Hanover County.

Jonathan Paul Schneider has entered the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University, where he is pursuing a master's degree.

Heather G. Shortidig spent time studying and traveling in Ghana, West Africa, in January 2004. In May she earned a master of divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond. She also was a bridesmaid at the wedding of Shannon Barrow Hornung in June, along with Karen Elizabeth Lockhart, '00. Last fall Heather moved to Dallas to begin a one-year chaplaincy residency at the Children's Medical Center.

Jennifer Lynn Schiavetti and Matthew W. Stockburger were married May 29, 2004. Included in the wedding party were Amber Hayes Evans and Megahan Ann Ryan. The couple resides in Arlington, Va. Jennifer is pursuing a master's degree in elementary education, and Matthew is pursuing an M.B.A. at the University of Maryland.

2003

David Moretti Altuna earned a master's degree in finance and banking at Adelphi University. He is now enrolled in the M.B.A. program at Ohio State University.

Catherine Elizabeth Ferrari is pursuing a master's degree in education at Manhattanville College. She is a special education teacher in the Bronx, N.Y.

Allison N. Lundy has taken a year off from medical school at Georgetown University to volunteer at a health clinic in Malawi, Africa. She assists with clinical care and hopes to establish an HIV/AIDS education program in the rural villages.

Charles Brent Wittersheim and Sara K. Woodrum were married on June 5, 2004. Included in the wedding party were Zachary Robert Wall, '02, and Ryan Foster Smith, '02. They live in Richmond.

2004

Erin Bartels was named a runner-up in the 2004 Norton Scholar's Prize, sponsored by W.K. Norton & Co. The prize is awarded annually for an outstanding undergraduate essay on a literary topic.

Emily Elizabeth Moore, '99, was promoted to broadcast associate producer at The Martin Agency in Richmond.

Natalie Goden Lewis and her husband, David Steven Lewis, had a son, Michael Thomas, on Sept. 9, 2004. They live in Richmond and are both employed by Capital One.
1927/Cecyle Loving Hackendorf, W. of Melrose, Mass., Sept. 9, 2004. She worked for eight years as a seed analyst for the Virginia Department of Agriculture. She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church of Melrose and the League of Women Voters.


1929/Lucile Butler Harrison, W. of Mathews, Va., Sept. 29, 2004. A retired social worker, she held many supervisory and administrative positions with the Virginia Department of Welfare and Institutions.


1930/Sarah Cohn Ettenheim, W. of Flagstaff, Ariz., May, 18, 2001. She retired from the faculty of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

1932/Aubrey G. Brooks, R. of Richmond, Va., March 27, 1999.


1932/Nelle McLemore Johnson, W. of Franklin, Va., Oct. 32, 2004. She was a teacher in the Southampton County Public Schools for 42 years and was a lifelong member of Drewryville United Methodist Church.

1932/Evelyn Butterworth Zehmer, W. of Richmond, Va., Nov. 6, 2004. She was a retired high school teacher, who taught English, Latin and French. She served as organist and choir director of Ashby United Methodist Church for 50 years.


1933/Herren H. Rothenberg, R. of Richmond, Va., April 21, 2002.

1933/Henry Vranian, R. of West Point, Va., Aug. 20, 2004. He retired from Chesapeake Corp., where he worked for more than 40 years. He also served on Chesapeake’s board of directors and was named director emeritus in 1989. He was a longtime member of West Point United Methodist Church.


1935/Susan Whittem Wilson, W. of Richmond, Va., Aug. 4, 2004. She served for many years as a volunteer at Chippenham Hospital and was a member of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church.


1940/Mary Whipple Whittington, W. of Richmond, Va., Jan. 6, 2000. She was a retired schoolteacher and seamstress.


1941/Kathleen Crawford Lindsay, R. of Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 26, 2004. Lindsay and her former husband, Robert, were prolific writers in the early days of television. She joined the U.S. Navy during World War II and served as a paymaster for ships aming in Hawaii. Her son, filmmaker Rob Lindsay, told Newsday, “She would go down to the dock with a satchel full of money and a 45-caliber pistol on her hip and a Marine bodyguard with a Thompson machine gun.”

1942/Evelyn Meneeley Stirling, W. of Lewes, Del., June 28, 2004. She was a member of St. George’s Episcopal Church and the altar guild. She was also active in the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Revolution.


1949/George A. Terry, R. of Chevy Chase, Md., Sept. 21, 2004. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, a retired real estate agent and a member of First Baptist Church in Washington, D.C.


1950/ Virginia L. Brinson, W. of Punta Gorda, Fla., Nov. 21, 2003. She was a retired school superintendent.


1953/Gene Emson Montgomery, R. of Richmond, Va., Sept. 20, 2004. He retired from Parke-Davis as a hospital specialist after more than 30 years of service.


1958/Bruce Barry Anthony, B. of Richmond, Va., Sept. 4, 2004. He was the founding principal and chairman of Capes Capital Management Inc., an investment advisory firm. He served for many years as director, treasurer and chairman of the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation in Norfolk.


1959/Robert B. Barringer, R. of Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 11, 2004. A U.S. Navy veteran, he was the retired owner and operator of Mt. Vernon Printing.

1959/Johnny Lee Blackwell, R. of Lancaster, Va., Aug. 2, 2004. He was a Baptist minister and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was also chaplain of the American Legion Boys State for 30 years and was inducted into the Boys State Hall of Fame.


1960/Willfred A. Epes, B. of Florence, Ala., Oct. 10, 2004. He retired from Morgan Stanley, where he was a stockbroker for many years.

1960/George Dennis Gregory, R. of Richmond, Va., Oct. 25, 2004. He was a retired social worker with Richmond City Public Schools.


1963/Elliott A. Hudson, B., of Locson, S.C., Sept. 23, 2004. He began his career as a stockbroker but later earned a divinity degree. He spent time in France as a missionary, and after returning to the United States was instrumental in starting several churches.


1966/Peter John Boiani, R., of Newport, R.I., Aug. 11, 2004. He served in the U.S. Army for 27 years and was a retired senior Army instructor.


1967/Jamie McCreery Baylor, GB., of Richmond, Va., Aug. 21, 2004. He was a retired senior vice president of A.T. Massey Coal Co. and a retired colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

1968/Franklin Jerome Beyer, GB., of Sandston, Va., Sept. 17, 2004. He was retired from Henrico County Schools, and he taught in the University's School of Continuing Studies for 30 years.


1969/Jaqueline H. DeJarnette, C., of Wintervilleg, Va., Nov. 7, 2004. She was owner of DeJarnette Investment Advisors and a lifetime member of St. James's Episcopal Church in Richmond.


1972/Kenneth G. Walters, R., of Salisbury, N.C., Oct. 21, 2004. He was a Baptist minister who served various congregations in North Carolina throughout his career.

1973/Meredith K. Roberson, C., of Richmond, Va., Aug. 9, 2004. He served as pastor at Ridge Baptist Church in Richmond for 10 years before joining Virginia Baptist Homes Inc. He retired from there in 1992 as president.

1976/Mark Stephen Barr, R., of Henrico, Va., Jan. 17, 2004. He was a distribution superintendent for BOC Gas Co. and a member of Clarence United Methodist Church.

1980/David Harold Williams, R., of Pinehurst, N.C., Sept. 26, 2004. He was a physician with a private practice in neuropsychology, and he taught classes at Sandhills Community College and Presbyterian College.

1988/William R. Manchester, H., of Middletown, Conn., June 1, 2004. He was an author and a faculty member at Wesleyan University.


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Bowen's students fondly remember using a catapult to launch ping pong balls in his statistics classes. They measured the distance the balls traveled during numerous attempts. They recorded the data and analyzed it statistically.

"He used a lot of humor in class and was very popular with students in the upper-level statistics courses that he taught," recalls Dr. Lewis Barnett, chair of the mathematics and computer science department.

Bowen held the Roger and Mary Richardson Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science from 1992-98, and he chaired the department from 1994-97.

"He was a man of outstanding human qualities and characteristics," says Chancellor E. Bruce Heilman. He was "a man of integrity, a leader in his academic pursuits. He had a deep concern for the welfare of his fellow man."
Disaster relief: What would Adam Smith do?

An earthquake kills more than 150,000 people in Asia. How should we as individuals respond? Is government obliged to help those in need simply because they are members of society? Should the private market or the government take charge of relief?

These questions were posed by Adam Smith, the Scottish moral philosopher and promoter of markets, in 1759. Like his questions, his answers also resound to this day.

Contrary to popular myth, Smith did not endorse selfish individualism. The issue of assistance for others was real and germane, especially in times of calamity.

Smith posed this prescient scenario: "Let us suppose that the great empire of China, with all its myriads of inhabitants, was suddenly swallowed up by an earthquake, and let us consider how a man of humanity in Europe, who had no sort of connection with that part of the world, would be affected upon receiving intelligence of this dreadful calamity."

Smith says this humane person would show sorrow and regret at the loss of precious life. Yet, after pausing to lament this tragedy, he would return to his own routine of work or leisure, without having changed the way he acts or thinks in his own life.

Even worse, Smith says that if the same person expected "to lose his little finger to-morrow, he would not sleep tonight; but, provided he never saw them, he will snore with the most profound security over the ruin of a hundred millions of his brethren."

This analysis might seem cynical, suggesting that apathy, not compassion, lies in the heart of man. But this is not what Smith means. He is emphasizing that humans are limited in the ability to sympathize—or empathize—in today's language. Smith was telling us that as much as we might feel sorry for unfortunate people halfway around the world, our genuine sympathy might not reach that far.

Smith was one of the great believers in the power of the moral imagination. Selfishness is at times overcome by even stronger passions for benevolence and justice—but only when we can experience the passions of others. To Smith, the moral imagination awakens our conscience—"the inhabitant of the breast, the man within, the great judge and arbiter of our conduct"—that calls us to action.

The events in the wake of the Indian Ocean tsunami over these past three weeks have shown us that Smith's account of moral sentiments still resonates, only more so due to the reach and impact of television. While imperfect, media coverage amplifies our ability to imagine the horror and the devastation of our fellow human beings in Asia.

Exercising moral imagination and experiencing a sympathetic alignment with others is the first part of Smith's system of virtues. The second part entails converting these sentiments into appropriate and meritorious action. Virtuous behavior is often taken in support of self-interest, but also, when required, of benevolence and justice.

What action should be taken? During “normal” times, a competitive market and property rights will generally provide the best means of helping the poor. But contrary to another misconception about the “father” of classical economics, he had strong reservations about pure laissez-faire economic policy. Times of national emergency were one such clear exception. Acting quickly to alleviate suffering is more fundamental than the market. It is part of a just society that relies upon internal motivations for building social institutions. Civic virtues are a necessary foundation for people to flourish economically, socially and politically.

There are economic insights to be applied in disaster relief—efficient delivery of goods and services, whether they are purchased, loaned or given. Prudence is an important goal as well. Thoughtful attention to the building up of human capital and infrastructure—even as emergency needs are met first—is an important part of the long-term effort.

But most of all, as Smith tells us, our humane response to a massive and devastating earthquake in Asia depends upon our own moral imaginations. It is time to emphasize Smith's account of “fellow-feeling” as one of the mechanisms that bind society together. In our globalized world, it allows us to act more effectively halfway around the world than Smith himself could have imagined.

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