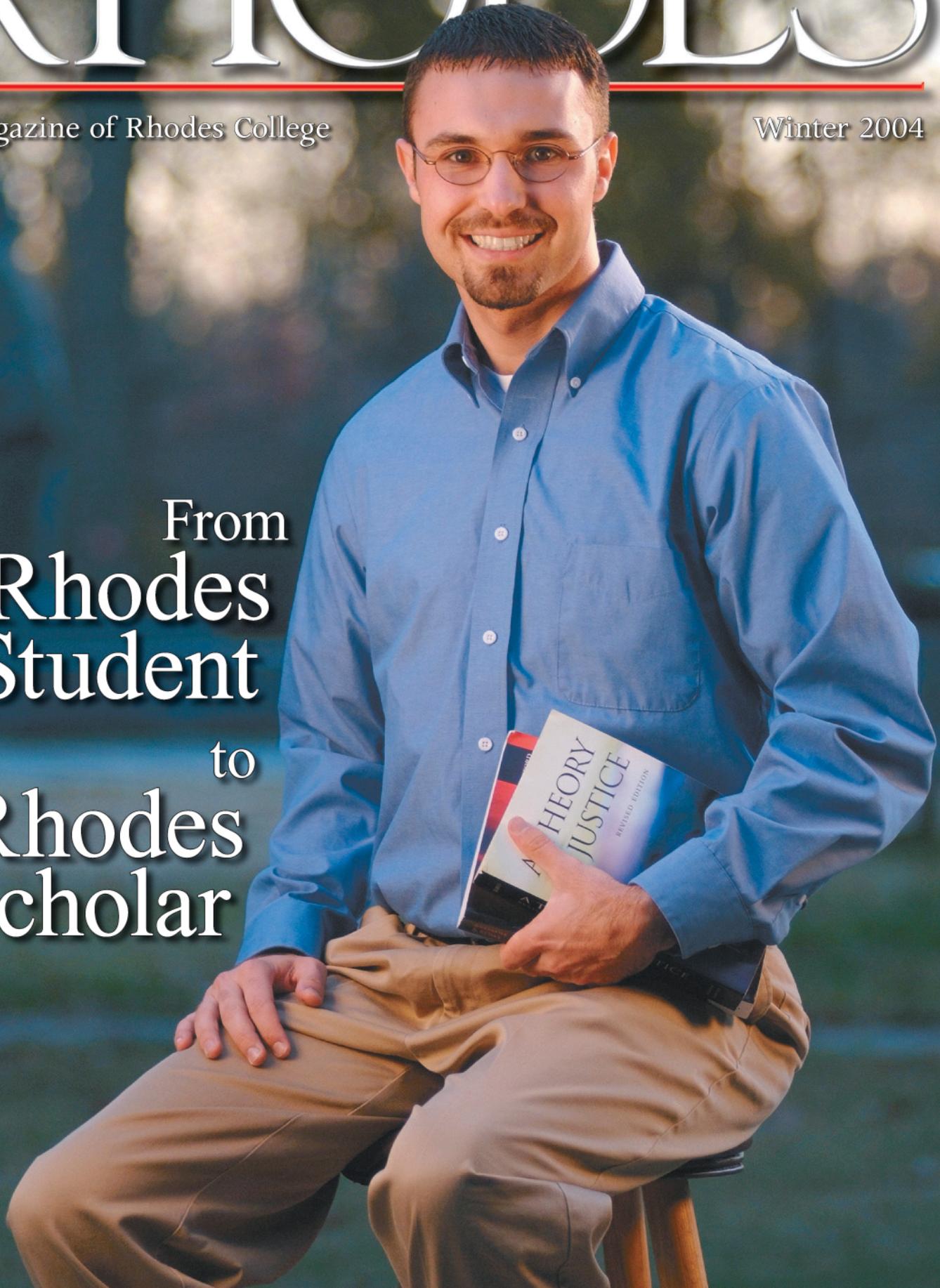


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Michael Lamb '04, Rhodes College's newest Rhodes Scholar. The books he holds, John Rawls' Theory of Justice and Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics, have been, he says, "influential in shaping my understanding of ethics, justice and the good life." He looks forward to studying both theories further at Oxford. (See story on page 7.)

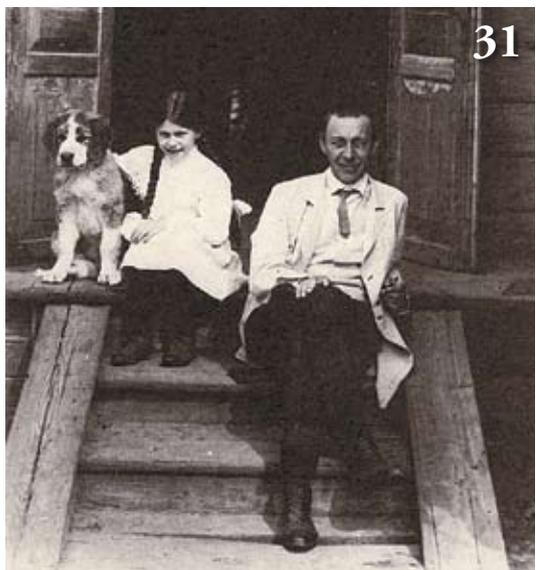
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Student Learning

By President William E. Troutt

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hodes alumna Tan Hille '69 recently commented about the strategic imperatives that accompany the Rhodes Vision: "Each of them is so integral to the Rhodes experience, if you take away any one of them, the others fall apart," she said.

This is a compelling image, and one that will stay with me. Access, engagement and inspiration represent the key elements that lead students to their individual pursuits, and learning is the desired outcome. What better testimonial to student learning than the selection of our own Michael Lamb as a Rhodes Scholar? The entire community is so proud of Michael. For more about this deserving young man, see page 7.

Another story that illustrates student learning features three outstanding alumni who have made their mark. Each explains how their Rhodes education contributed to their remarkable success stories. All are convinced that their liberal arts education is at least as valuable to them as anything they learned in "B-School." And for those of you who have wondered about the place of economics and business in a liberal arts college, I hope this article will answer your questions.

Carole and I recently hosted a group of retired faculty and staff members for lunch on campus and told them, "You have certainly made my job easier. All of my conversations with our graduates begin and end with stories about their life-changing experiences with faculty members." The article "Mapping the Future" illustrates why these outstanding men and women have such an impact on their students. This article tells the story a group of faculty members from different departments who identified a common need and set out to fill it. In doing so, they have created a new capability at Rhodes. Recent alums say the GIS expertise they learned in the



KEVIN SHARRE

President Troutt and Brian Foshee, director of physical plant, inspect the college's future seat of learning, the Paul Barret Jr. Library

laboratory helped prepare them for a variety of job requirements.

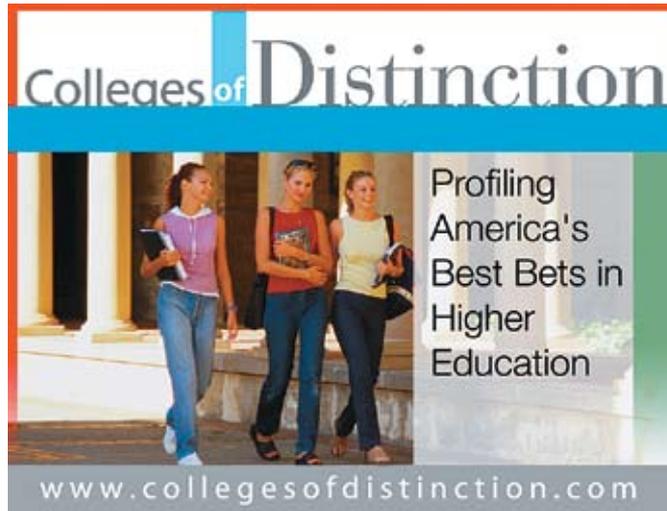
It is the intent of the Student Learning imperative to supply the resources to our faculty and staff that will enable them to provide even more of those personalized learning experiences that you cherish from your time at Rhodes. We hope it will resonate with you.

Rhodes Named a College of Distinction

Rhodes has added another distinction to its list of honors with its inclusion in a new college guidebook called *Colleges of Distinction*. High school counselors from across the nation made the final decision about the various colleges chosen for the guidebook.

Rhodes is one of about 160 U.S. colleges that will be profiled in the inaugural edition in Spring 2004. *Colleges of Distinction* is published by Student Horizons Inc. (Bethesda, MD) with the goal of providing students, counselors and parents information about schools that distinguish themselves in the following four areas:

- **Engaged students**, signifying that a college attracts students who have a healthy range of academic and non-academic interests and encourages innovative hands-on learning techniques that range from fieldwork and internships abroad to service learning and advanced research at home



- **Great teaching**, showing that a college encourages an atmosphere of exciting thought and action led by professors who care about helping students learn to think for themselves

- **Vibrant community**, indicating that a college provides an interesting and exciting residential community and offers many opportunities for cocurricular involvement and leadership development

- **Successful outcomes**, connoting that a college has an excellent placement record for employment

and advanced study and that its graduates are equipped to find better solutions in the workplace and in the world

“These areas align with the Rhodes Vision, and we are honored to be recognized for our commitment to excellence,” said Rhodes President William E. Troutt.

According to Dr. Ruth McClelland Nugent, *Colleges of Distinction* editor, a

consortium of parents, educators and counselors developed the four distinctions.

In the guidebook, each college will have an introductory page with facts about the school, a two-page critique based on interviews from campus visits and a final page of quotes from high school counselors who are familiar with the school.

For more information about *Colleges of Distinction*, visit <http://www.collegesofdistinction.com>

College Receives \$500,000 Grant To Improve Science Education in Memphis City Schools

U.S. Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN) and Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) announced Dec. 3 that Rhodes will receive a \$500,000 grant from the Department of Education to enhance science education and academic performance in Memphis City Schools. Rhodes will partner with Snowden School (K-9), Cypress

Middle School, Central High School, the Memphis Zoo and St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital to create the Rhodes Learning Corridor.

“The Rhodes Learning Corridor is a multifaceted undertaking that will help to spark students’ interest in science and inspire more young people to pursue careers in science,”

said Rhodes President William E. Troutt. The federal grant will be used to initiate Phase One in the overall program envisioned for the Learning Corridor.

In partnership with St. Jude and the Memphis Zoo, Rhodes faculty and staff will design programs that benefit Rhodes undergraduates as well

Two Professors Selected for Editorships

Professors Jay White and Tim Sharp each has been named to prestigious editorships.

White, who is chair of the Department of Physics and the College's Crain Professor of Physics, will edit *Mercury*, the membership magazine of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific (ASP). Founded in 1889 and with members in more than 70 countries, ASP is the world's largest and one of the oldest general astronomy organizations. Membership includes both scientists and non-scientists—from Nobel laureates to middle school teachers.

Mercury is a full-color, bimonthly publication that highlights cutting-edge science, engaging historical tales and innovative instruction.

With White serving as editor, Rhodes also becomes the new home to *Mercury's* editorial office.

"That Rhodes students will be able to participate in the production of the magazine is especially important to me," said White. "I

plan on involving them as editorial assistants and occasional writers.

White served as *Mercury* editor once before, from 1998-2001. His new editorial duties began Oct. 15, 2003. For more information about



Jay White



Tim Sharp

Mercury magazine and on the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, visit <http://www.astrosociety.org>.

Tim Sharp, who is chair of the Department of Music, will be the primary editor for Church Street Music, a publishing group in Nashville, TN, specializing in traditional sacred and classical choral music. He also will be the consulting editor

for Genevox Music Group which is owned by Lifeway and is the parent company of Church Street Music.

Established in the mid-1990s, Church Street Music also publishes educational materials and books on hymnology, choral methods and instrumental methods as well as other resources for church music education. Church Street Music publications are sold by traditional print music stores and are available at local music stores. They also are available through the firm's national distribution center in Nashville and through its Web site.

Sharp, who has already assumed duties, said, "I am editing and writing music now, gathering new pieces for future publication and consulting with the sales and marketing departments in Nashville. I will move into the recording phase of the duties later next year."

In addition, Sharp has sponsored three focus groups in North Carolina, Virginia and Georgia to help chart the course for future publica-

as students in neighborhood schools. For example, the program will create opportunities for high school students to work on a research team with college students. Students in college biology classes can serve as mentors to those in high school biology classes and middle school science classes.

"This program will be a significant expansion of programs currently in existence," said Rhodes

dean of academic affairs Bob Llewellyn. "We already have 100 students who serve as tutors and mentors in neighborhood schools every week. We already have geology classes working with classes at Cypress Middle School to help them understand the significance of ground water pollution. This funding will help us expand the reach of these programs and start new ones."

"We understand our responsibilities as citizens of Memphis and, more particularly, of this neighborhood, and we are delighted to be able to make a contribution to stability in this vital area of the city," said Troutt. "It is an additional satisfaction that at the same time we will contribute to raising young people's aspirations and abilities in scientific disciplines."

tions. His other duties include finding composers who can respond to his publication ideas, consulting with the parent company about the sales and marketing of the publications and occasionally contributing his

own compositions for publication.

Sharp, previously served on Church Street Music's advisory board for three years, said, "I had written music and arranged music for the parent company for several

years. Part of his agreement with Church Street Music is to include Rhodes students in projects.

For more information about Church Street Music and its parent companies, visit www.lifeway.com

Matthews, Chalmers Take New Responsibilities

Roberta Bartow Matthews has been named director of capital giving at Rhodes. Known to her friends as Sue, she has served as director of planned giving at Rhodes for the past seven years.

In her new position, Matthews will be responsible for the implementation and development of all capital projects, including endowment, as well as building and construction campaigns. She also remains responsible for the overall management of the college's comprehensive planned giving program.

Dionne Chalmers is the new

media relations manager. Reporting to the director of communications, Chalmers is responsible for communicating college news to the local and regional media and assisting with communications to the national media. She also serves as editor of the Rhodes internal newsletter, *Inside Rhodes*.

Before joining Rhodes, Chalmers held a similar position in the College of Commu-



Sue Matthews



Dionne Chalmers

nication and Fine Arts at the University of Memphis where she served for more than 11 years.

Rhodes Welcomes NOVA

The PBS science program *NOVA* taped an interview with Dr. Risher Watts of Hattiesburg, MS, at Rhodes in October. The upcoming program focuses on organic chemist Percy Julian (1899-1975), for

whom Watts worked at The Julian Laboratories Inc. in Franklin Park, IL, before going on to medical school.

Born in Birmingham, Julian, the grandson of a slave, received

his education at DePauw, Harvard and the University of Vienna. He developed many medicines and products from soybean derivatives including synthetic cortisone, progesterone and testosterone.

Hernandez Fund Established

Francisco Javier Hernandez, a carpenter who built the plywood forms that created the arches on the college's new Paul Barret Jr. Library, died in a tragic accident at the construction site Jan. 12.

Hernandez, 46, who was from Mexico, leaves a wife, Maria Josefina Hernandez and five children.

Rhodes students, faculty and staff have established an account for

donations to be disbursed to Mrs. Hernandez. Contributions can be sent to the Bursar's Office. Checks should be made payable to Rhodes College with "Hernandez Family Fund" on the memo line.

To Tree or Not To Tree

Rhodes along with the Vol-lintine-Evergreen Community Association, Memphis Light, Gas & Water, Memphis City Beautiful Commission and the Sierra Club sponsored a free expo, "To Tree or Not To Tree," in early November to offer advice on replacing trees lost after Memphis' July wind-storm. The event, which was held at the Memphis Board of Education, featured work-shops, demonstrations, advice on where to purchase trees and planting demonstrations.

Attending from Rhodes were Mike Kirby, associate profes-sor of political science; Marci Hendrix of Information Services, who



Seated, left to right: Steven Brewer, Mike Kirby, Horst Dinkelacker. Standing: Judith Rutschman, Marci Hendrix, Rob Dalton '04, Roslyn Valentine '06, Elizabeth Gates, Erin Fleischer '04

is doing an internship with Prof. Kirby; Judith Rutschman, associ-ate director of Rhodes Information Technology Services and past presi-

dent and current member of the executive commit-tee of the Sierra Club; Elizabeth Gates, Rhodes archivist and special col-lections librarian; Horst Dinkelacker, professor of German; Steven Brewer, assistant professor of biology; and community development scholars Rob Dalton '04, Erin Fleischer '04 and Roslyn Valentine '06.

Rhodes' participation was made possible through an urban forest grant it received from the Associated Col-leges of the South.

Reflecting on a Life of Service

L. Palmer Brown '30 of Mem-phis, a life trustee and benefactor of the college and an ardent sup-porter of numerous community endeavors, died Nov. 27, 2003. He was 93.

President emeritus of L.P. Brown Co. and L.P. Brown Enter-prises, which sold burlap bagging and steel ties for cotton bales, Brown attended Rhodes and grad-uated *cum laude* from Washington and Lee University. He was named to the executive committee of the Rhodes Board of Trustees in 1956, and to the full board in 1967. He became a life trustee and received the Rhodes Distinguished Service Medal in 1982, and an honorary doctorate in 1987.

The recipient of numerous com-munity honors and awards, Brown was chairman emeritus of the National Mul-tiple Sclerosis Society, New York, and in 1986 received the society's prestigious Hope Award.

"He will be remem-bered here for his many contributions to the college, but also for the way he lifted our spirits with his very positive and affirm-ing outlook on life," said Rhodes President William E. Troutt. "We at Rhodes are well aware of his long-



College portrait of Life Trustee L. Palmer Brown '30

time service on the Board of Trustees. He was one of the first members of the Diehl Society, and his name can be found in the Bene-factors' Circle and on countless places throughout the campus. In so many ways, his good life was the embodi-ment of our vision for Rhodes."

The widower of Octavia Evans and former husband of Sally Pid-geon, he leaves a daughter, Axson B. Morgan, a sister, Kathryn B. Butler and four grandchildren.

College Remembers Dr. E. Llewellyn Queener

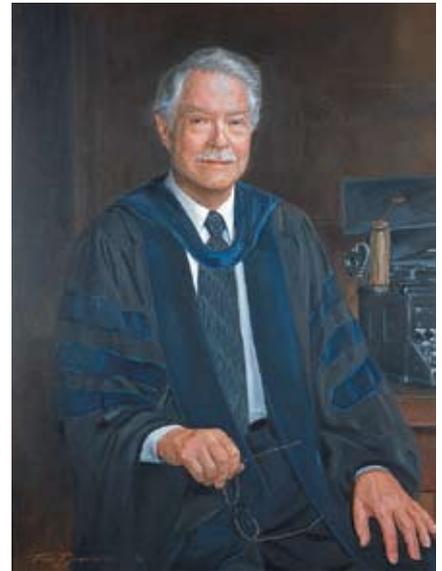
Dr. E. Llewellyn Queener, professor of psychology at Rhodes from 1950-87, died Nov. 28, 2003. He was 84.

The founder and past chair of the Rhodes Department of Psychology, Dr. Queener was born in Maryville, TN, in 1919. He held his A.B. degree from the University of Tennessee and B.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Yale University.

“Rhodes College was the domain within which Dr. Queener lived and conducted nearly all of his professional life,” said Dean of the College Robert Llewellyn. “He was by training a social psychologist; but he was also a theologian, a philosopher and a practitioner of

the humanities. In 1986 Llew—as he was known to all—received the Clarence Day Award for Outstanding Teaching. His portrait was added to the Rhodes Distinguished Faculty Portrait Series in 1999, a recognition conveyed by action of the alumni of the college. Dr. Queener retired in 1987, though for many more years his was a familiar face on campus, especially in the Burrow Library where he continued to work on his passionate interest in the psychology of religion.”

Dr. Queener leaves his wife, Dr. Lea Gibbs Queener, a retired speech and drama professor, a son, a step-daughter, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Portrait of Dr. Llewellyn Queener, unveiled at Homecoming 1999

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Rhodes Community
FM: Robert Llewellyn, Dean of the College
RE: **Clarence Day Awards for Outstanding Teaching and Research and/or Creative Activity**

Each year through the generosity of Mr. Clarence Day, Rhodes College presents two awards to members of the faculty—one for outstanding teaching and one for outstanding research and/or creative activity. Each award brings recognition to a colleague within our midst, and both provide substantial stipends to the recipients. Both awards celebrate the ideal of the teacher-scholar in a liberal arts and sciences institution.

I am asking for your nominations *now* for both awards in order to allow the selection committee time for careful consideration of all nominees. Please take time to nominate someone you believe merits such recognition. The selection committee values nominations that are accompanied by commentary that calls attention to the exemplary features of teaching, or the significant outcomes of research and/or creative activity, which the person making the nomination is in a position to give. The selection committee compiles a dossier in support of a nomination, but the nomination itself, with this commentary, plays a critical role in the process.

**Nominations are due in the office of the Dean of the College
by 5 p.m., Feb. 13, 2004.**

The criteria, nominating forms and eligibility lists can be found at <http://www.rhodes.edu/Academics/DayAwards/>. Nominations can be submitted electronically to DOC@rhodes.edu.

Michael Lamb

From Rhodes Student to Rhodes Scholar

Michael Lamb, a senior political science major and American studies minor, is one of 32 American college students selected as a Rhodes scholar-elect.

The announcement was made Nov. 22 by Elliot Gerson, American secretary of the Rhodes Scholarship Trust. Lamb will join other scholars at the University of Oxford in England in October 2004—100 years after the first Americans were selected as Rhodes scholars. He plans to read for the B.A. in philosophy and theology and has applied to Christ Church College at Oxford. He hopes to receive formal acceptance in early spring.

Lamb was one of 963 applicants endorsed by 366 colleges and universities nationwide. Other candidates from Rhodes College were Erin Hoekstra, Michael Phillips and John Sexton. Lamb will be the college's seventh alumnus Rhodes Scholar.

"We value the role so many have played in supporting all four of our candidates said Rhodes College President William E. Troutt. "Everyone in the Rhodes community is tremendously proud of Michael. He has been an excellent student, taking every advantage of the many opportunities Rhodes has afforded him."

Rhodes scholar David Alexander '53, president emeritus of Pomona College, president of Rhodes College 1965-69 and former American secretary of the Rhodes Scholarship Trust, says he looks forward to meeting Lamb in Washington, DC,



Michael Lamb

KEVIN BARRE



JUSTIN FOX BURNS

Watching the 2000 election returns with Robert Edgecombe '04

in September at the American secretary's luncheon for new Rhodes Scholars departing for Oxford.

John Churchill '71, secretary (president) of The Phi Beta Kappa Society and a Rhodes scholar as well, declared, "I'm very happy to relinquish my title as the college's 'last Rhodes scholar.'" Rhodes scholarships were created in 1902 by the will of Cecil Rhodes (1853-1902), a British philanthropist and South African

colonialist. The scholarships are the oldest international study awards available to American students and provide two or three years of study at Oxford. Selection is based on high academic achievement, integrity of character, a spirit of unselfishness, respect for others, potential for leadership and physical vigor.

Michael Lamb came to Memphis from his small family farm in Chapel Hill, TN, armed with those qualities. He also possessed skills learned on the farm like the carpentry he would use to build Habitat houses and a work ethic that wouldn't quit.

Maintaining a 3.96 grade point average, Lamb serves as president of the Honor Council, of which he has been a member since his first year at the college. He is a student representative to the Board of Trustees and has been president of the Rhodes College chapter of Habitat for Humanity for the last two years. What's more, his three-page résumé (single-spaced) reveals a list of countless high school-, college- and community-sponsored initiatives for which he has volunteered. It's Lamb's devotion to service that helped bring him to the college, and once he was here, let him shine.

Lamb was awarded a Burch Scholarship, now called a Service Scholarship, an intense four-year program that enhances leadership skills through community service. Students learn about—and address through volunteering—such issues as health care, education, civil rights, crime, hunger and homelessness.

"Because I come from a very small town, I hadn't seen the faces of hunger and homelessness until I came to Memphis," Lamb says. "With my scholarship, those are the two issues I felt most compelled to address."

And address them he has. From the beginning, he's worked in Souper Contact, the student-run soup kitchen at nearby St. John's United Methodist Church, serving food and providing fellowship to homeless people. He's tutored students at Snowden Elementary School and participated in the Tex-Mex Border Ministry, the college's alternative spring break service trip to Reynosa, Mexico. He's delivered home meals for the Metropolitan



Plating dinners in the soup kitchen. Photo courtesy of The Commercial Appeal.

Inter-Faith Association, spent spring break 2001 tutoring and mentoring children in East St. Louis and served as philanthropy co-chairman for Kappa Sigma fraternity.

The list goes on because Michael Lamb and other Rhodes students—75 to 80 percent of them—are trying to meet these needs through community service.

In addition to his Service Scholarship, Lamb received a competitive Cambridge Scholarship from the college along with others from the National Beta Club (of which he was his high school's president), National Elks Foundation, Tennessee Daughters of the American Revolution and his local Wal-Mart.

"I knew growing up that I wanted to go to a prestigious school where I could get a good education," said Lamb, who played varsity baseball and golf in high school, earning All-District honors. "For me, it was always Vanderbilt because I live close to Nashville and I knew people from my high school who had worked hard to get scholarships there. That was my goal. My family couldn't afford to pay for Vanderbilt, so I knew I'd have to work really hard."

He visited several Tennessee colleges and universities, then talked to a friend who had gone to Rhodes.

"I visited the Rhodes campus and knew this was it. This was the place for me. The people I met were so friendly, the Admissions Office was so welcoming, the professors were kind and seemed to take a personal interest in students. I didn't know if I could afford it or not. It was very expensive. When I received the scholarships, I was so excited that you probably could have heard me scream from Middle Tennessee."



VIRGINIA MCHREE DAVIS

Lamb (far left) and fellow workers in Reynosa, Mexico, during the 2003 spring break service trip

Working hard for those scholarships came naturally to Lamb.

“We live on a small farm, about 80 acres,” he says. “It’s not a ‘full-time’ farm. My father works another job, so we farm mainly at night and on weekends. We have 50 head of beef cattle and raise tobacco and pumpkins. Working on the farm taught me the lesson of hard work, of what it means to work for a goal and work together as a family. The principle of hard work translated from the farm to the baseball field and classroom. I

was ready for the city, for a change, when I came to Rhodes. Many friends—students, faculty, and staff—have challenged me and helped shape me. But from where I am now, I can also appreciate how I grew up.”

Political science professor Michael Nelson, Lamb’s academic adviser, says Lamb “is the most remarkable student I ever taught. He combines intellectual brilliance with moral seriousness to an unsurpassed degree. He has a bottomless desire to learn and has developed to the fullest extent the capacity to articulate what he’s learned. It’s not enough for Michael to understand something—he wants to take what he learns and share the benefits of it with others.”

For now, Lamb is intent on “asking more questions and discerning my vocation. I’m really interested in politics, both intellectually and practically,” he says. “I think politics is central to how we live and interact with other people. Seeing issues in the city has motivated me to be more involved and to help create laws and structures to address these issues. Right now, I’m very interested in philosophy and ethics—not just in thinking abstractly, but in applying ethics practically and politically.

“After Oxford I’m considering pursuing a Ph.D. in moral and political philosophy to understand how ethical theories can shed light on contemporary political issues, especially those relating to social and economic justice.

“I want to teach at the college level, but I’m still interested in politics, running for public office, being a public servant. I want to wait a few years and see where my questions lead me. Two years at Oxford will definitely help me discern answers to those questions and many more.” 🌸

Alumni Rhodes Scholars

- Robert Earl McGee (1929)
- Rodney M. Baine (1936)
- James Edgar Roper (1948)
- John David Alexander (1954)
- Wayne Goldsworthy (1963)
- John Hugh Churchill (1971)
- Kenneth Michael Lamb (2004), Rhodes Scholar-Elect

Mapping the Future

By Chris Przybyszewski
Photography by Baxter Buck

*H*ow do humans see this world? Most have the ability to do just that: see. Moreover, humans do not just see one or two things at a time. Instead, we see myriad structures, all at once, each taking up a bit of space.

Compare this to the way scientists have looked at data throughout history. Before the advent of computer modeling, most scientists studied the human condition (or that of plants and animals) via the numeric table, as any one of us finds on an Excel spreadsheet.

A two-dimensional numeric table and the three-dimensional world necessarily involve a disconnect; that is, scientifically speaking, humans do not get the whole picture. The world of scientific research has not always been able to put the numbers of research into their proper space. This “no place for space” philosophy has its uses: averages, standard deviations and



In the GIS lab, political science professor Mike Kirby watches students Ashley Crosland '06, Ashley Arnold '04 and Jane Anne Miller '05 review neighborhood parcel files they've compiled

regressions in statistical analysis assume—for the most part—a two-dimensional plane of discrete elements (e.g. whatever is being studied, like voting results) happening at certain times.

However, if someone were able to meld the two levels, say make a map and somehow join that space with numeric values from empirical research, bring the table to the map and then see the new picture, that would be a neat trick.

Enter the computer program ArcGIS (Geographic Information System) by ESRI, a computer program corporation founded in 1969 and operating out of Redlands, CA.



Seniors Alyson White and Jenna Altherr study Memphis water supply data in the GIS lab

ESRI created a new type of computer program, one that can take numeric values, like those from the U.S. Census Bureau or voter registration numbers, and plot those values on a map. This layering of information results in the ability to analyze data in three dimensions.

Some Rhodes professors use this new software to enhance their teaching and interdisciplinary study and research. The group of professors include Peter Ekstrom in anthropology and sociology, Carol Ekstrom in geology, Michael Kirby in political science and urban studies, David Kesler in biology, Stephen Ceccoli in international studies and Kenneth Morrell and Susanne Hofstra, both from Greek and Roman Studies.

“It all started a long time ago, maybe 15 years ago,” says Kirby from the middle of the group’s GIS lab, full of state-of-the-art computers, workbenches and many, many maps. “It was when Judith Rutschman joined the computer center. She was to work with faculty on computer-related problems and issues.”

Kirby immediately saw the use of computers on campus and the ability to mimic the work of other political scientists.

“In essence, what they did was map voting patterns in Southern states by county and show over time how those voting patterns were stable,” he says. “I thought, gee, that would really be neat if we could do some of that in our own research, get students to collect data and then teach them to display it.” However, Kirby did not have the necessary scores of graduate students working in his lab, collecting data and making maps by hand.

“I wanted to find some software that could help us out,” says Kirby. “We looked around and found something, but it was so complicated we could never make it work. But it was an idea that stayed with me. Over time, software started to show up and we bought bits and pieces. It was still cumbersome, but I could do some election analyses with the classes of students.”

In 1999, Prof. Kesler, who has used GIS to plot the locations of mussels in the Wolf

River and map locations of American chestnut sprouts in Fayette County, TN, approached Kirby about attending a seminar in San Antonio on a new type of software—ArcGIS.

“Of course, my reaction to David was, ‘Leave me alone, I already have this other software,’” Kirby recalls. “David said, ‘Mike, you don’t understand. This is becoming the standard. Why don’t you come?’” Kesler and Kirby attended the conference at the same time that Prof. Carol Ekstrom attended a similar conference in California. Afterward, the professors came together with others interested in the new programming tool. The GIS collaborative came to life with a sizeable donation of the expensive software by ESRI itself.

“We were off and running,” Kirby says.

Kirby uses the GIS software to allow students to collect data about the neighborhoods around campus. Kirby separated one neighborhood into so-called “parcel files” or “polygons.”

Kirby elaborates: “These polygons refer to a piece of property that has a house or a business on it. It may be a vacant lot, have a school or a park on it. What’s nifty about this is that we can attach information to the database behind this. So we have actual addresses here and we can code them in any way we want to, and then we can color-code that map so that it says something about that area.

“In this case, I was interested in the condition of the neighborhood and problem properties in the neighborhood with the idea that not only do we study the neighborhood, but we can learn about its condition. We also learn about ways in which we can deal with some of those problems. The way in which we do that is to design a survey form so that students can look at each parcel and describe the condition it is in.” So, if a house has a bad roof, peeling paint, a lot of litter, the students could code the house accordingly.

At this point, Kirby proudly displays a simple map of Hunter Street, between Springdale and Hollywood, which is about a half-mile from the campus. The white polygons show houses without significant problems. Those with green are “distressed” areas. Clearly on the map, Kirby shows definite groupings of areas with problems.

“We’re showing blight empirically,” he explains.

Houses in disrepair tend to be on the same part of the street. The real-world application is that violence gravitates toward those blighted areas.

“There’s something called the ‘broken-window’ theory which says that locations in poor physical condition can lead to crime in the neighborhood,” Kirby says. “A broken window means that people don’t care about the neighborhood or themselves.” With his students, Kirby later mapped violent crime trends onto the blight map. “With GIS we found that there was a lot of violent crime in the neighborhood and we thought that before you can solve the violent crime, you have to solve the physical problems.

“I asked the students to pick one thing that they saw and could possibly fix. What impressed them the most was something that none of us expected to find on that street: tires—tires that were left and not picked up by the city. Students wanted to do something about that.”

Kirby made that intervention happen, based on the class’s data from GIS.

“We were actually in the lab and I let them use my cell phone. I said, ‘Call the Solid Waste Management Service Center right now.’”

The result was a wholesale tire cleanup on those streets. In addition, Rhodes has since adopted the neighborhood and will continue to meet the citizens and help clean the area.

However, Kirby is quick to point out that the GIS software is not a cure-all for city woes.



Geology professor Carol Ekstrom, Zach Horn '04 and Leah Pranger '07 take ground water samples at Cypress Creek in north Memphis

“What this does is start the discussion,” he says. “It doesn’t solve anything, but it does provide tangible information that you can take to someone and use.”

In Carol Ekstrom’s Environmental Geology class, she asked students to use GIS to look at the water supply in Memphis.

“I want them to understand the water supply and that there is a potential for contamination,” she says. “We have a very good water supply and I don’t want to imply that there’s a problem with it, but we do have to be aware that we have to monitor it constantly. So I have them get the data for all the different things that are involved: the thickness of the protective layer above the aquifer, the location of the pumping stations and where the fault lines that run through the Memphis area are. Also, we look at where the underground petroleum storage tanks are. Definitely, septic tanks and storage tanks are two of the most prominent contaminators of ground water. We don’t have to worry about septic tanks inside the city, but if one of the petroleum storage tanks leaks and the contents seep into the ground water, that’s an event about which we need to be aware. I have them try to analyze where we need to monitor. There are hundreds of wells and hundreds of storage tanks. They have to plan the most effective way to keep a clean water source.”

These examples of advanced usage of the GIS software package are not for beginners.

“Whenever you learn new software packages, there are going to be pitfalls,” Prof. Ceccoli says. “I teach other software packages to different classes and there’s always a learning experience. It’s a very sophisticated package to master. Even to be on a good level with it requires a lot of work.”

The original arcView program package had more than a few user issues. However, more recent versions have created a friendlier environment.

“GIS, ArcGIS, the major program we see on the computer is now in its second incarnation,” Ceccoli says. “The first version was not very user-friendly at all. It wasn’t intuitive. About two years ago, the company ESRI updated the software to version 8.1. It’s much more point and click; it’s a Windows-based system, you have pull-down menus.”

This new program still requires a good amount of training on the part of the students and constant hands-on supervision from faculty.

Ceccoli says that learning the technology and language is an integral part of the undergraduate experience.

“We want our students to use GIS, to roll up their sleeves and get their hands dirty, really work with these things on a first-hand basis,” he says with a certain relish in his voice.

Since multiple workplaces (civic planning corporations, consulting firms, research companies and graduate programs) use the GIS software, Ceccoli thinks this hands-on approach has a big payoff after graduation.

“I really believe we are equipping our students with a very marketable skill,” he says. “We want our students to be as competitive as possible.”

To highlight the work of faculty and students, the group has also started an annual campus tradition of GIS Day in the GIS lab, with faculty and students presenting their research based on usage of the software and databases.

That display of opportunities with GIS has led to seminars for the entire Rhodes community.

“We invited faculty and staff to come to a workshop and—just like our students—they would see faculty and how they used GIS for the problems they face,” Ceccoli says. “Then we asked the people who came to this workshop to design their own projects.”

One result was a project by Meeman Center director Marilyn Hury, who wondered whether the current location of the center drew enough students. By mapping the home addresses of students to their times of classes and usage of the center, she found that most of the students come from their homes in Germantown and East Memphis, raising the question of a possible satellite campus in those parts of town.

Another highly useful result came from the Admissions Office, which combined applicant data (e.g. who applied, where did those applicants come from) with recruitment data (i.e. which admissions counselors visited certain areas) in order to see which admissions trips were most effective and in which areas in the United States additional admissions travel would be most beneficial.

Past the on-campus experience, the GIS group wants to extend knowledge about the program to other campuses as well. The group received a grant to show off its capabilities to other schools, such as Millsaps College in Jackson, MS.

“We took our show on the road,” says Prof. Carol Ekstrom, noting that other schools are interested in a seminar as well. “I was asked to be part of a GIS planning meeting at Southwestern University. A number of schools came up to me afterward and asked our group to give seminars.”

A final, important aspect of the GIS collaborative is its interdisciplinary approach to research and teaching.

“The beauty of the interdisciplinary approach is that we don’t have large departments and we don’t necessarily have people in our own departments who are interested in data and information,” Kirby says. “So we have to look beyond our own departments to get reinforcement.”

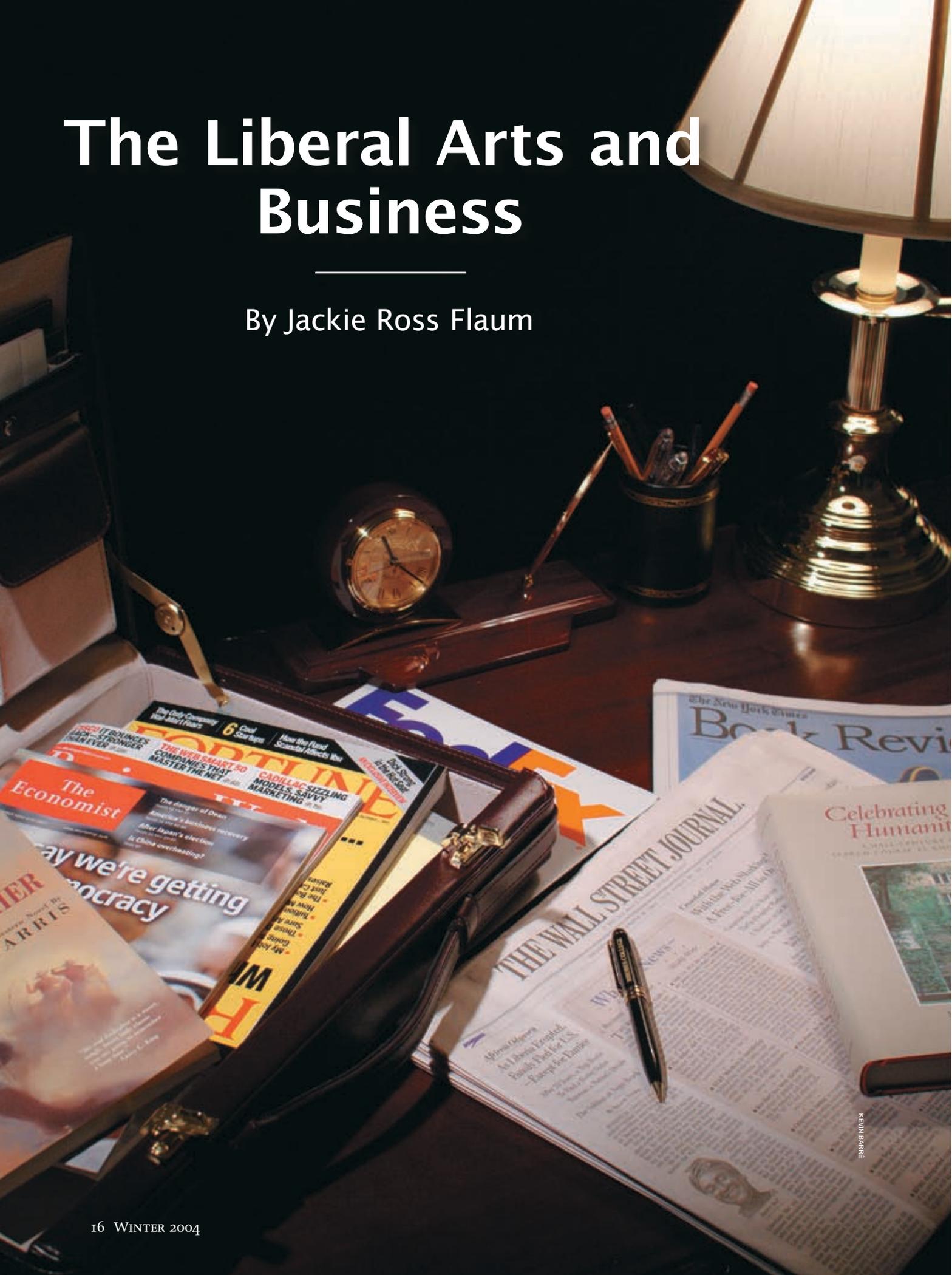
“A big research university is going to have 40 people on a staff and maybe three or four who do GIS in that discipline. In a liberal arts college, you are going to have to look to other disciplines. There’s a lot of cross-fertilization that way.”

Ceccoli adds to Kirby’s sentiments:

“The collaboration, the interdisciplinary connections, talking to the biologists, the geologists, other political scientists, those who teach business or philosophy, it’s been great to work with these people to get their perceptions and their interpretations of the same thing. That’s very important, particularly at a liberal arts college. We’re not just focusing on our departments. Learning is multi-dimensional and we can learn many things, whether substantively or methodologically, from other fields.” ❄️

The Liberal Arts and Business

By Jackie Ross Flaum



KEVIN BARRE

John Bryan '58, who retired in 2001 after more than 25 years as CEO of Sara Lee Corp., steered his company into the international marketplace years before other firms realized the potential there because of his interest in foreign affairs, history and the culture of other places operating in the European marketplace.



At Mariner Investment Group in New York where multimillion-dollar business decisions and ethical questions often intertwine, chairman Bill Michaelcheck '69 finds that keeping his firm on high moral ground is aided by the issues he dealt with in philosophy and theology classes.

The executive vice president, financial services and administration for Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. in Atlanta, Vicki Gilmore Palmer '75, walks into a meeting with investment bankers to negotiate and knows she can face whatever challenges arise. Her liberal arts courses at Rhodes honed her thinking and prepared her to deal with all kinds of people in the business world. She finds her study of a wide range of topics enables her to be quick on her feet and justifies her self-confidence that whatever happens in business, she can figure out how to handle it.

All three majored in economics at Rhodes.

These stories warm the hearts of the faculty of the Rhodes Department of Economics and Business Administration, especially that of Dr. Pamela Church, department chair and director of the college's M.S. program in accounting. These success stories reaffirm their belief that requiring Rhodes business majors to have a liberal arts education improves their students' positions in the marketplace.

"The feedback we've received from businesses is that our students have an excellent ability to think and communicate creative solutions to business problems and deal with ethical questions. These abilities are very important," said Church. "If you are going to be at the top level of business, you have to be able to think strategically and deal with highly educated people in high positions."

John Bryan believes in the value of a person in business having a well-rounded education. He can see how it served him and his company.

"In the early 1970s Sara Lee did not have an international division. Now it does \$8-\$10 billion a year internationally. At that time, it wasn't fashionable to do business in Europe," he said. Operating in the European marketplace was, in fact, "a bit of a contrarian move in those days."

Bryan, who has served on the Rhodes Board of Trustees, said his college study of



John Bryan '58 (center) with Chicago mayor Richard Daley touring the construction of Millennium Park's performing arts venue

history, philosophy, international affairs and political science plus his natural curiosity about other countries—he had traveled in Europe before enrolling in Rhodes—enabled him to learn about international markets, governments, how they worked and why they worked that way.

“Because of my comfort in dealing with other cultures and other issues, we plowed ahead,” he said.

Teaching students to understand, then to know how to act on the connections among history, philosophy, social science and the other liberal arts is one of the primary jobs of Rhodes professors.

“Our students come out of Rhodes and in a couple of years they are climbing the corporate ladder. While business skills may help them the first few years, they need something more for the long term...they need a deeper understanding of what life at work is all about,” said Dee Birnbaum, associate professor of general management and human resource management.

Michaelcheck, who is a former executive vice president at Bear Stearns in New York, believes his liberal arts education made him more flexible, more open to new ideas.

“You could say a Rhodes education gives a broader understanding of life and enables students not to be surprised when things in life are not black and white,” he said.

When he went to Harvard University's business school, Michaelcheck said he was well prepared. In terms of writing papers, reading and doing outlines, he was far better prepared than most of his fellow students.

In fact, he said, the older he gets the more he appreciates all those humanity, philosophy, history, English and sociology courses he took at Rhodes.

"I have made decisions in business—and in my personal life—and the quality of those decisions was improved by my liberal arts education," he said. It is true, he added, that what is practiced in school becomes habit and what becomes habit is either a help or a hindrance in the business world.

The question of ethics, for example, looms large in the business world, Michaelcheck said.

"Business people, as you know too well, are faced with ethical dilemmas, no matter what business they're in. Almost everyone seeks to be honest, but sometimes the right is just not clear. Having read through philosophical debates and ethical discussions at Rhodes and grappled with these problems was good preparation," he said.

Teaching students to deal with ethical questions is a high priority of the Rhodes economics/business administration faculty. Not one, but two, courses in business ethics are offered: one for undergraduates, the other for students enrolled in the master of science in accounting program. The one for undergrads is optional and open to non-majors who can also take it to fulfill a humanities requirement. For students in the M.A. program seeking their CPA designation, it's a requirement. Discussions of ethics enter into mainline economics and business administration courses as well, says Daniel Arce, the Robert D. McCallum Professor of Economics. According to assistant professor Allan Ryan, who teaches the business ethics classes, "It is imperative for students to have the opportunity to think about and discuss situations before actually facing them."

Outside the classroom, Vicki Palmer says: "You find when you enter the business world that a good business degree only takes you so far. You have occasion to meet and interact with myriad people. It is so much more important to be conversant about matters in general. Negotiating a deal is having dialogue and conversation," said Palmer, who began her career at First Tennessee Bank in Memphis.

It isn't enough, she said, to be smart and witty.

"The world is full of bright people," she said. "For me, in looking back at how the liberal arts prepared me, I have to say I developed a level of self-assuredness that I could step out and weave a path—I could think my way through it."

When Palmer joined the Coca-Cola Co. as manager of worldwide pension investments, she found herself with international responsibilities in the pension investments arena for the very first time. It could have been an unnerving experience, but she attributes her preparedness to deal with the world outside the U.S. to her liberal arts education at Rhodes. When she made her first trip abroad to meet with a group of Japanese money managers, she was confident she could handle the challenges.

From the earliest days in the Department of Economics and Business Administration, a broad knowledge of subjects has made Rhodes students highly marketable, said Dr. Sue Legge Wilkie, professor emerita of business administration.

She recalled how businesses, especially accounting firms, came tentatively to the campus to interview prospective students. But, she said, once those employers saw the quality of employees available to them at Rhodes, the floodgates opened and businesses began to vie for Rhodes students.

The representative of one large accounting firm once told Wilkie: “Where you can see the difference between Rhodes students and students from business schools is when they need to go into a client’s office. Rhodes students can go into a client’s office and talk about a lot of different things.”

“A liberal arts degree is what he was talking about,” said Wilkie. “The main thing about our students is that they are well rounded. When they go into business they haven’t gotten such a narrow shot at education that they only know one thing.”

Pam Church agrees. “The big four CPA firms like us because we’re a combination of business and the liberal arts. These firms recruit and hire at Rhodes, which they do not do at other small colleges. They extend job offers to seniors, who may not work for them till one or two years later.” Small wonder: Last



TONY GENICOLA

fall, 100 percent of the students in Rhodes’ M.S. in accountancy program who sat for the CPA exam for the first time passed it, compared to 15 percent nationally. And most years, said Church, graduates enjoy 100 percent placement in local and international firms. While the M.S. program started in the 1990s, when the state passed a law making it a requirement, Rhodes had been teaching undergraduates to pass the CPA exam for years.

Michaelcheck, a believer in Rhodes’ historically strong economic/business program, says it isn’t possible to put a price on the value of the liberal arts in living a fuller personal life.

“I read books, I go to plays. I know about things. What I learned about literature, history and other subjects that make my life richer has made me continue to be interested in a variety of topics. I still read good books to this day—and I might not have read if I hadn’t been exposed to it at Rhodes,” he said.

Bryan, who is now helping create a 26-acre, \$500 million indoor-outdoor performing arts venue in the heart of Chicago, admits that he serves on

Bill Michaelcheck '69

corporate boards with many people whose sole interest and focus is the world of business.

“Some of them can be rather boring; however, most of those who rise to the top are people who can see over the ledger books,” he said. Bryan believes that exposing a student to a wide array of knowledge and ideas will add a greater dimension and depth to that person.



Vicki Gilmore Palmer '75

For Birnbaum and other faculty members, teaching business is a matter of adding depth to a student’s education by presenting business practices and ideas, then connecting them to underlying theories and cultural or historical contexts.

“It doesn’t serve students well to memorize a new economic theory or business principle and not connect it to something—it doesn’t have any meaning over time,” she said. “We can’t understand how different theories came into being unless we understand the broader and deeper historical influences that fueled the ideas and made them acceptable to people at the time. The work of economist/sociologist Max Weber (who was a historian before he became a sociologist), for example, provides an analytical framework that brings history into organizational analysis and can apparently be used in looking at governments/political economies as well, as I discovered in auditing an international studies course.”

That’s why students come back to her after their graduation and tell her how well prepared they feel they are for a future in the business world.

“Rhodes students can evaluate new business practices because they understand accounting, for example, as a behavioral science—as a way of thinking. It’s not just a way of putting numbers in a row. That’s very different from the way other students learn accounting.”

The Rhodes faculty and the personal interest they show to students is another factor many graduates cite as a reason for their success.

“They cared,” said Palmer. “They took the time with us as individuals. I wanted to be a name in college and not a Social Security number. I found that I was very much a name at Rhodes.” She remembers having class under a tree. She visited in the home of another professor and used to baby-sit his children.

“They became my friends as well as my professors,” Palmer said.

The legendary Ralph C. Hon, the late professor of economics and business administration, picked out students to mentor—some of them before they even enrolled in Rhodes.

Michaelcheck says he was one of “Hon’s kids.” Hon taught Michaelcheck to see the broad picture of economics and the role it plays in the world.

“For whatever reason he picked me out and shepherded me right through. He’s an example of the personal interest/personal relationship that grows at Rhodes. He took groups of us out to dinner, to the Ice Capades and to his house,” Michaelcheck said. “On the other hand, he could be a tough guy—he would kick people out of his class and seemed to get some delight out of it. If you didn’t show an interest, well, he didn’t want anyone in his class who was just checking a box on a list of requirements.”

Thinking Outside the Box

With a background in business and marketing, Tara Kim '03 entered the Union Planters Bank management training program after graduation. However, she was, admittedly, unfamiliar with banking practices. She didn’t even have an ATM card.

But, she did know how to think, ask questions and make connections between what she learned in class at Rhodes and real-life business situations. As it turns out, those were just the skills she needed for the job.

Starting with orientation, her enthusiasm began to grow. Counting Kim, who is from



Hon recruited Palmer out of South Side High School in Memphis. He was her mentor on and off campus.

“Dr. Hon was always there for me, and when I came back from grad school I interviewed for a position (at First Tennessee) because I’d had a summer job there,” she said. It was a job Dr. Hon helped her secure.

Wilkie, who helped begin the master’s program in accounting at Rhodes, still takes pride in the students and their accomplishments. She remembers students who won gold and silver medals in the statewide CPA exam. And she recalls those who used their business degrees and their liberal arts training to make a good career and a good life. Rhodes students succeed, she says, because they know how to think things through. 🍷

Germantown, TN, there are 20 people from nine cities in the management program. Executives from Union Planters talked to the class about company strategy, assets, plans, problems—and Kim realized it wasn’t new to her. She had participated in many similar business case discussions in her senior seminar and international marketing classes with Prof. John Planchon.

“Many people said they were overwhelmed and didn’t understand certain aspects of what the executives were saying. They didn’t feel as comfortable as I did,” Kim said.

She’s comfortable asking questions, too. She’s even asked the CEO of Union Planters for information—and he responded. Kim said she got in the habit of asking her professors anything—and speaking her mind about what they told her. She finds the same atmosphere at the bank, where “they want us to ask questions and examine different ways of looking at things. That’s how you learn.”

Her education at Rhodes began to make sense too, she said. The volunteer work with Memphis in May, the Souper Contact student-run soup kitchen, teaching tennis to inner-city children during the summer, those philosophy, English, history and anthropology courses—she began to see how valuable her experience outside the Economics and Business Administration Department was to her career in business.

“My minor was my liberal arts education,” she said. “Those classes taught me to think outside the box. Not everything in business is about numbers.”



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Tara Kim '03

CORPS VALUES

For 10 new recruits to the Teach for America corps,
serving others is central

By Helen Watkins Norman

They survived a grueling application process, surpassing 14,000 other talented college students to join the elite Teach for America corps. They endured five weeks of teacher “boot camp” last summer, learning how to write lesson plans and manage discipline in the classroom. They scrambled to find roommates and housing in cities and towns far from family and friends.

And that was the easy part. Now, comes the real challenge: actually teaching in America’s lowest-income rural and urban schools.

Ten members of Rhodes’ class of ’03—the largest group of Teach for America recruits in college history—have joined this educational crusade. Their mission: to ensure that all students in this country get a good education, no matter where they live. But like most ambitious journeys, the path is long and sometimes rocky. This job, say the Rhodes recruits, is the most difficult they have ever tackled.

This year’s Rhodes corps members are teaching first-graders who don’t know their alphabet and cannot recognize their written names, ninth-graders who read at fifth-grade levels, Hispanic middle school

students who speak minimal English and children of all ages who must pass by dangerous housing projects just to walk through their school’s front door. At the same time, they are also discovering pockets of bright, motivated youngsters who yearn to rise above their sometimes-dismal circumstances and truly achieve.

“Nothing about this job is easy,” says Tyler Sanders, who teaches 23 first-graders at Nadia J. Pagan School (P.S. 226) in the Bronx. Among the biggest challenges are the expectations he places on himself, notes Sanders, who led the Rhodes Student Government Association his senior year and taught English and math to seventh-graders in South Africa the summer before. “Everyone always says nothing will compare

to your first year (of teaching)...that it will get better. I have to remind myself of that," he laughs.

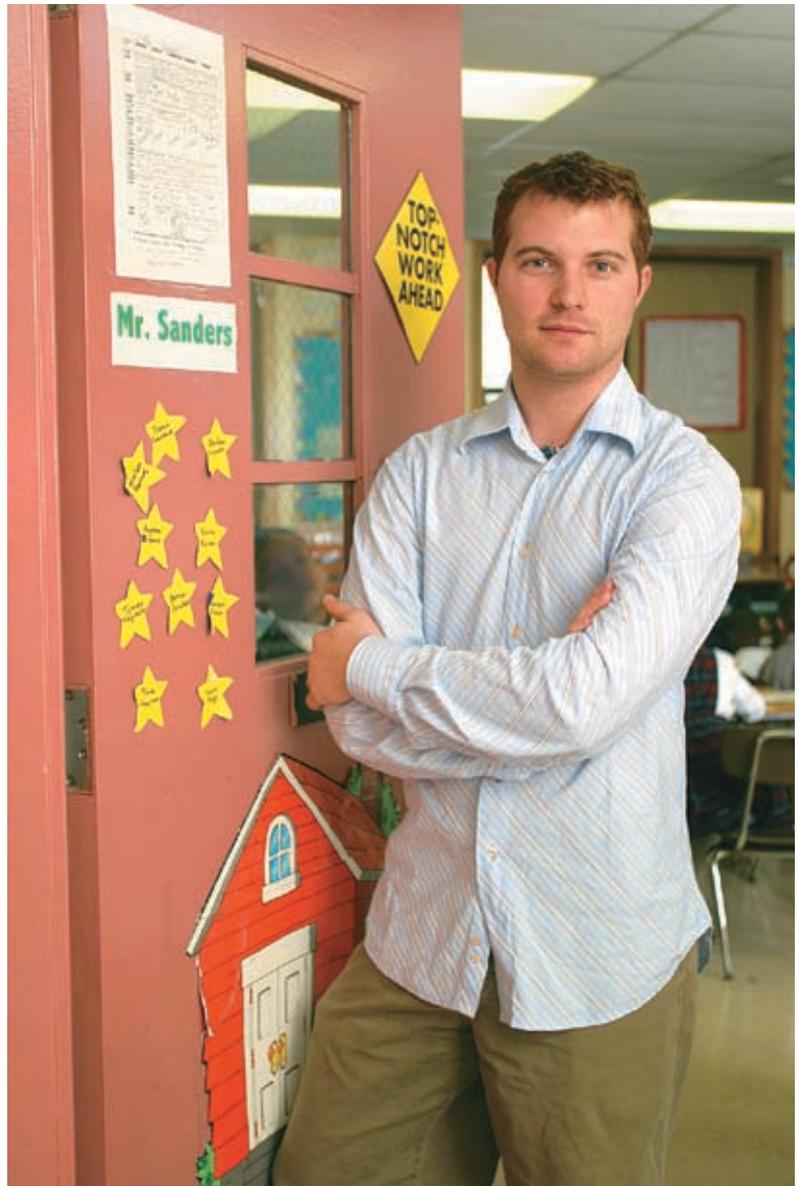
"I fully expect that anyone's first year of teaching is little more than a game of survival," echoes Lance Ingwersen, a collegiate standout in soccer. Ingwersen teaches sixth through eighth-grade special education classes in an Edinburg, TX, school that is 95 percent Hispanic. "Therefore, I think my situation would have been very similar had I been an education major and known from the beginning that I wanted to be a teacher."

"Nothing could have prepared me for this, but my Rhodes experience led me here," notes Stu Johnston, a Burch (Service) Scholar and president of the Honor Council while at Rhodes. Johnston says he learned through his Burch experience and interacting with other students at Rhodes "how important it is to do something you love." Originally leaning toward a career in physical therapy, Johnston discovered that physical therapy didn't "light my fire," he recalls.

"Education really did...being a teacher, being a part of young people's lives on a daily basis for an extended period of time, that was important to me." A physics major, Johnston is currently teaching seventh-grade science—ironically "everything BUT physics"—at Booker T. Washington Middle School in Baltimore.

For Brooke Molpus, who teaches language arts to eighth-graders in a school just east of downtown Houston, the work is hard but the experience is rewarding.

"My students face challenges I would never have dreamed of facing at the age of 13 or 14, such as being in charge of caring for younger siblings, cooking and cleaning for their family, assisting parents who have limited English proficiency and dealing with



Tyler Sanders '03, P. S. 226, The Bronx

gang influences in their neighborhoods." Parents sometimes pull their children out of school to accompany them as translators when they apply for jobs, she continues.

"However, they are truly resilient," says Molpus, "and I think it is that resiliency that inspires me most. Despite the challenges of poverty combined with language barriers, my students strive to learn....They know they are at a disadvantage in life, and they want to change that. I have some extremely bright and creative students who are just looking for an opportunity to shine."



Stu Johnston '03, Booker T. Washington Middle School, Baltimore

Like all Teach for America corps members, those from Rhodes have made a two-year commitment to the program, agreeing to teach in one of the 20 areas currently served by the organization. This alternative certification program allows liberal arts graduates without education degrees to work in areas where there are teacher shortages. The list of Rhodes assignments this year includes the Mississippi Delta, Maryland, Louisiana, New York and Texas.

Two of the Rhodes recruits are identical twins Julie and Cindy Hallums, who chose teaching assignments uncharacteristically far from each other. Julie teaches a bilingual third-grade class in inner city Chicago; sister Cindy—a self-described “city girl”—teaches special education to middle school children five minutes from the Mexican border, in a Texas town so small that the Dairy Queen is the primary

reference point. Living in Bolivia as children and taking Spanish classes at Rhodes honed their Spanish-speaking skills, important to both of their jobs.

Once accepted into the program, Teach for America recruits receive an armload of books on teaching. Their homework was to absorb these and observe teachers in action in nearby primary or secondary schools before arriving for their true crash course in education—a five-week Teach for America Institute held during the summer in Houston, New York or Los Angeles. At Institute, recruits spend part of each 12-hour-day taking classes about what works and what doesn't in the classroom. They also teach a summer school class on their own.

TFA pays for their room, board and training at the Institute as well as one week's worth of room and board when they initially arrive at their teaching

site. They are hired and paid by the actual school districts; regular first-year teacher's salaries can range from \$20,000 to \$41,000 depending on the urban or rural nature of their assignments.

Lora Cover, director of national recruitment for Teach for America, notes that Rhodes has become a top school for the organization.

"We're a very selective program, and the reason we're so selective is that it is such a challenging thing to be a part of our movement. We're looking for people who are really going to be able to handle any challenge, no matter what. Rhodes has such a high caliber student that we've been able to find people who are very achievement-focused and have a sense of personal responsibility already."

At places like Rhodes, where Teach for America has a strong track record, the organization will devote extra resources to recruitment, according to Cover. That is why last year, for the first time, the organization hired two Rhodes students as interns to help in program promotion and recruitment. Those two students—Tyler Sanders and Grace Williams—not only succeeded in boosting interest in the program on campus, they also were among the chosen few accepted into the Teach for America program. While Sanders has the epitome of an urban teaching experience, Williams is teaching ninth-grade English in Helena, AR, in the Mississippi Delta.

Teach for America began as the senior thesis of Princeton student Wendy Kopp. Concerned about the inequities in education in this country, especially the poor quality of schools in low-income neighborhoods, she developed a plan that would recruit top college students to commit two years to teaching in our nation's under-resourced schools. And she secured seed money from the Mobil Corporation to fund this initiative, a domestic Peace Corps of teachers. Today, it is funded by private and public monies.

Teach for America started with 500 teachers in 1990. By 1992 the organization had recruited its first Rhodes graduate: Kelly Garrett, from the Rhodes class of '92. Since serving with Teach for America in Houston, Garrett has founded and directed two inner-city schools based on the premise that all children can learn given the right tools. One of his creations was Chrysalis Middle School, a charter school

in a poor Hispanic neighborhood near downtown Houston. Another was the Perea School, a preschool located in a disadvantaged area of north Memphis.

Since Garrett's TFA tenure, Rhodes students' participation in Teach for America has steadily grown. Many believe the rise results from the college's robust service culture as well as the strong liberal arts emphasis, (Only two percent of those accepted into the program last year were education majors.)

"I think that Rhodes students are drawn to something like this because of the emphasis on service (at the college)," says Grace Williams, who headed the College Democrats chapter on campus. Her liberal arts background and the stringent degree requirements at Rhodes were also a "huge advantage," she believes. "I can help my kids with their math homework as well as their English."

"I felt like I'd grown up with a lot on my plate and I wanted to give something back. I felt like it was the most important thing I could be doing right now," explains Alison Stohr, who teaches sixth- and seventh-graders at a small (by New York City standards) middle school in the city's Washington Heights section. Stohr, who graduated Phi Beta Kappa, did volunteer work at Vance Middle School and Snowden School as a student at Rhodes.

Sara Davis, a product of Memphis City Schools who is now teaching strategic reading classes to ninth-graders at an overcrowded school in downtown New Orleans, believes: "The atmosphere (at Rhodes) was right for social change. When you apply to Teach for America, you are stating that you recognize there is educational inequality in this country that should not exist, and that you want to take action to eliminate it."

Amanda Abrams, who is teaching second grade in the Mississippi Delta town of Marianna, AR, can already see the results of her presence.

"I've had the opportunity to come into a community where there's a definite need," notes Abrams, who served as president of the Black Student Association her junior year and as a student member of the Rhodes board as a senior. She was surprised initially at her students' acceptance of hard work, she says. "They want to do so much that it keeps pushing me to do more and more."

And classroom instruction is only a portion of



Brooke Molpus '03, Jackson Middle School, Houston

what these dedicated teachers are giving back to their respective schools and students. After the last class bell rings, some—like Abrams—tutor in after-school programs. Alison Stohr has started a film club with two other teachers at her predominantly Hispanic middle school.

Grace Williams in Helena, AR, has agreed to sponsor the literary magazine and teach the enrichment program in drama for the high school. Stu Johnston is coach for the MathCounts team at his school, while also working on his M.A. in teaching at Johns Hopkins University. Julie Hallums spends her out-of-class hours visiting the homes of her third-grade students. She's made it to all 26, "to show that I'm here to stay for a long time and that I do care." She also awards points to teams of students who ex-

hibit good behavior, treating the winners to a Friday afternoon movie outing.

Perhaps a bit idealized in the promotion process, the Teach for America experience comes recommended by most of the Rhodes participants. However, it is not a stop-gap measure to bridge the years between college and graduate school, the Rhodes alumni advise. Rather, for those with a passion for helping others, it can be a stepping stone for a multitude of careers.

Some of the Rhodes participants are eyeing careers in education, though not all of them plan to remain as teachers. Others are still considering law school and graduate degrees. As Cindy Hallums, down in Roma, TX, notes, the possibilities are endless: "After you do Teach for America, you are prepared to meet any challenge." ❀

Our Terrific Ten

Thanks to *post 9/11 altruism* and a tight job market in recent years, applications to Teach for America rose 13 percent during the 2002-03 recruiting period, according to *The New York Times*. Just 1,700 first-year students were accepted out of 16,000 applicants for the '03 corps. Of those accepted, the average GPA was 3.5. More than 90 percent held leadership positions at their respective institutions.

Here's the skinny on the Terrific Ten from the Rhodes class of '03:

Amanda Abrams

Teaching Assignment: Whitten Elementary, Lee County Schools, AR, second grade

Major: political science with urban studies minor

College Achievements: President, Black Student Association; Student Representative to the Rhodes Board of Trustees

Sara Davis

Teaching Assignment: John MacDonough Middle School in New Orleans, ninth grade, reading enrichment

Major: English with a French and art minor

College Achievements: Volunteer, Reading Renaissance at Snowden School

Cindy Hallums

Teaching Assignment: Special Education/Reading, Roma, TX (Rio Grande Valley)

Major: Spanish with a Women's Studies Minor

College Achievements: Kappa Delta Sorority, Officer; Co-founder, Java Jive (a weeknight Rhodes coffee shop program featuring music, speakers); Volunteer with LeBonheur Children's Medical Center, Meals on Wheels

Julie Hallums

Teaching Assignment: third grade bilingual, Kanoon Elementary School, Inner-City Chicago.

Major: Anthropology/Sociology

College Achievements: Vice President, Kappa Delta Sorority; Co-founder, Java Jive (a weeknight Rhodes coffee shop program featuring music, speakers); Volunteer with Read With Me Program; tutoring at an area high school and teaching English as a second language at a nearby United Methodist Church; intern, Abused Women's Shelter

Stu Johnston

Teaching Assignment: Booker T. Washington Middle School, Baltimore, seventh grade science

Major: Physics

College Achievements: President, Honor Council; Burch Scholar; Volunteer Coordinator, After-School Program at Snowden School; Participant in Rhodes' Tex-Mex Mission Program

Lance Ingwerson

Teaching Assignment: Harwell Middle School, Edinburg, TX, Sixth through Eighth Grades Special Education ("Resource" or "Basic English")

College Major: Latin American Studies with minors in Spanish, Business Admin.

Achievements/Activities: Phi Beta Kappa; Rhodes Men's Soccer, co-captain junior and senior years, team MVP 2002 season; First team all SCAC performer 2002; COSIDA Verizon Academic All American All-District IV Second Team 2002; Second Team NSCAA/Adidas Scholar All-South Second Team (2002)

Brooke Molpus

Teaching Assignment: Jackson Middle School, Houston, Eighth Grade Language Arts

Major: English

College Achievements: Treasurer, Mortar Board; Steering Committee, Tex-Mex Mission Trip; Resident Adviser

Tyler Sanders

Teaching assignment, P.S. (Primary School) 226, the Nadia J. Pagan School, the Bronx, N.Y., First Grade

Major: Political Science/History

College Achievements: President, Rhodes Student Government; Student Representative, Rhodes Board of Trustees; Kinney Program, Co-moderator; Co-founder of the Wooddale ACT program providing ACT prep and training to high school students; Intern, KIPP Charter School in Memphis; Campus coordinator for Teach for America.



Amanda Abrams '03, Whitten Elementary School, Mariana, AR

Allison Stohr

Teaching Assignment: I.S. (Intermediate School) 528, the Bea Fuller Rodgers School, Washington Heights area of New York City; Sixth- and Seventh-Grade English

Major: English/Fiction Writing with a minor in Spanish

College Achievements: Member, Omicron Delta Kappa leadership fraternity and Phi Beta Kappa; Officer, Chi Omega Sorority; Vice President, English honorary society; Volunteer tutor, Vance Middle School.

On maintaining control in the classroom: "You have control over whether things turn into chaos. So the calmer you stay, the better things will go in your classroom. I have the ability to stay calm, no matter what is going on."

Grace Williams

Teaching Assignment: Central High School, Helena, AR, ninth-grade English

Major: History

College Achievements: Head of Rhodes Chapter of College Democrats, Campus Coordinator for Teach for America

Rachmaninoff: The Search Continues

By Valerie Z. Nollan
Associate Professor of Russian

*I*n response to the high level of interest expressed by our readers in the article “Nollan Plays Rachmaninoff” (Spring, 2003), Rhodes asked Prof. Valerie Z. Nollan to contribute the following update on her research activities.



Lake Lucerne, Switzerland, inspiration for Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini"

During the past year the music and life of Sergei Vasilievich Rachmaninoff have consumed the time I devote to my scholarly and creative work. My study of Rachmaninoff convinced me that in order to arrive at a clearer psychological portrait of him, I needed to visit the two places most important to him: his cliffside home Senar on Lake Lucerne, Switzerland (where he lived from 1933-1939) and his country estate Ivanovka in Russia (where he spent a great deal of time between 1893-1917).

Switzerland: “Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini”

As part of the planning for my month-long research trip to Russia, I wrote to Rachmaninoff’s grandson Alexandre Rachmaninoff, who lives in Lucerne at the villa Senar, in which Rachmaninoff and his family lived in the 1930s. Mr. Rachmaninoff is heir to the Rachmaninoff estate. An international copyright lawyer, he travels the world to major concerts and festivals in order to ensure that the Rachmaninoff name is appropriately presented and protected. In my correspondence to Mr. Rachmaninoff I included a copy of the spring 2003 issue of *RHODES* because I felt that the information in it about my lifelong association with Rachmaninoff’s music presented an accurate picture

of who I am as an individual and a scholar. I also hoped that Rachmaninoff’s grandson would enjoy the photo of a Rhodes professor standing in front of a life-sized enlargement of the famous portrait of his inscrutable grandfather! To my astonishment, one week later, Mr. Rachmaninoff called me on the phone and invited me to fly to Switzerland to be his guest at a hotel on Lake Lucerne only two miles away from Senar. He was extremely interested in my research, poetry and musical activities connected with his grandfather, and desired to meet me and learn more about my work.

I accepted Mr. Rachmaninoff’s invitation and flew to Switzerland on my way to Russia. When he met me in the lobby of the Park Hotel Weggis on Lake Lucerne, where I would be staying, I was immediately struck by the extent to which he resembled his grandfather: He was very tall and slender, with the probing and slightly bemused, quizzical eyes I have always noticed in images of Sergei Rachmaninoff. Needless to say, Alexandre Rachmaninoff’s close resemblance to Sergei Rachmaninoff was unnerving to me, but I gradually regained



Sergei Rachmaninoff with his daughter Irina on the back steps of their home, Ivanovka, circa 1910

my composure. Rachmaninoff's grandson was elegant, charming and considerate in his interactions with me. Over the course of my two-day visit we discussed many subjects related to the Rachmaninoff world, but focused in particular on the new biography of Rachmaninoff that I am planning to write. Mr. Rachmaninoff expressed his firm support for such a project, affirming that the existing biographies of his grandfather were all seriously flawed.

The highlight of my visit, an epiphanic experience, was Mr. Rachmaninoff's request that I play Sergei Rachmaninoff's piano for him. Rachmaninoff's piano. . . . This was the nine-foot concert grand that Rachmaninoff played in his studio, the piano given to him as a housewarming present by the Steinway family in 1933. The piano has been scrupulously maintained over the years, and is used for special concerts organized by Alexandre Rachmaninoff.

In the composer's studio it stands opposite large picture windows that open onto a spectacular view of the lake and the Alps. It was this view, in particular of the path of moonlight trailing across the lake, that inspired Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini" (1934).

I played Rachmaninoff's music on the composer's piano for two hours on the first day of my visit, and for almost as long on the second day. The piano was enormous: Its keys had a heavy touch and its deep pedals also offered considerable resistance. As I played it and was thrilled at its dark, velvety sound, I was reminded of what I had read, not only of Rachmaninoff's ability to communicate the most delicate lyricism, but also of the physical strength he possessed (what the pianist Josef Hofmann called "Rachmaninoff's hands of steel") in order to produce his extraordinarily beautiful fortissimo. I was exhausted at the end of each of these "recitals" for Rachmaninoff's grandson, but I also felt, in that mystical sense one gains from associating



Prof. Valerie Nollan on the steps at Ivanovka, 2003

with a historical figure's personal belongings, that Sergei Rachmaninoff himself was there, listening to me as I played his piano. I am hoping to repeat the experience: Now I am in regular contact with Alexandre Rachmaninoff, and will visit him again at Senar on my way to Russia next summer. During this visit I plan to ask him many questions, some not so easy for him to entertain, about his intriguing grandfather.

Russia: The Third Concerto

After my meetings with Rachmaninoff's grandson I flew from Zurich to Moscow to begin my archival research at the Glinka State Museum of Musical Culture, and to visit the places associated with Rachmaninoff in and near the provincial city of Tambov. At the Glinka Museum I held in my hands and studied Rachmaninoff's master scores (in the composer's own hand) of the Second Concerto, the preludes of opus 23, the Chopin Variations and many of his art songs. The museum's staff, recognizing the depth of my interest in the composer and his identity, allowed me to examine more than 300 original photographs of Rachmaninoff and his relatives. After three weeks of research in the archives, I embarked on a six-hour train ride south to the famous black-earth region of the Russian steppes, where Tambov and Ivanovka are located. Rachmaninoff stayed in Tambov many times during his years in Russia (1873-

1917). It was the nearest city to his family's country estate Ivanovka, now a historic landmark and research center connected with Rachmaninoff.

My host in Tambov was Alexander Bazikov, rector (president) of the Rachmaninoff Institute of Music Pedagogy. It is an institute of higher learning with undergraduate and graduate programs in music that sponsors a major piano competition in its concert hall each May. Several years ago the institute's staff took down the enormous portraits of Marx and Lenin hanging in the hallways, and replaced them with enormous portraits of Rachmaninoff. Dr. Bazikov drove me to Ivanovka, a two-hour trip through the steppes that culminated in our arrival at the magnificent country estate associated with 85 percent of Rachmaninoff's compositions. We were greeted by Alexander Ermakov, curator of Ivanovka, whose dedicated efforts to preserve this unique cultural treasure have produced an authentic restoration of the estate, its gardens and outbuildings (which were burned to the ground immediately after the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917). The 100-acre estate has a staff of 50, which includes research associates, security guards, maintenance workers and gardeners, many of whom

Rachmaninoff's Piano at Senar By Valeria Nollan

I walk into your studio
and approach the black magnificence
of your Steinway,
nine feet of strings that remember.

You touched these keys
with fiercely rugged, tender hands
that coaxed velvety sound
out of ivory and metal.

I sit down at the sleeping instrument,
hear the notes of your prelude
willed by my fingers.
I wrestle down ancient tears,
a stream of witnesses,
as I nourish myself
on your arpeggios and chords.

Two hours later I arise,
transformed by the piano's spirit.
Your music reached the heartwood,
its melodies unconditionally significant.
It conquered time's boundaries,
as the living core begins to blossom.

I bow to the piano,
the curving, soothing giant
that holds you within.

are descendants of the peasants who worked for the Rachmaninoff family in the early 1900s. I stayed for three days on the estate's premises, and had at my disposal one research associate and two cooks!

The most meaningful time of my visit was spent at the end of each day, after 5, when the staff had gone home to the adjacent village (population: 300): With the exception of two young security guards patrolling the grounds, I was completely alone. The silence was gorgeous. I sensed Rachmaninoff's presence everywhere. The air was thick with memories of his music, horse-breeding, boating and farming in which he was involved while he lived here with his wife and family. I could hear the haunting melodies of the Third Concerto rising in the air as I walked down Rachmaninoff's red brick "composing lane" lined with tall poplars and pines, or while I was sitting and reading his letters in his favorite gazebo by the pond or while I strolled through the estate's fragrant gardens and orchards. While in forced exile in Europe and America, the composer always yearned to return to this place; now I understood why.

The day before my departure from Russia I went to the Glinka Museum in Moscow in order to say good-bye to the administrators and research librarians who had been so invaluable in my work in the Rachmaninoff archive. I was taking my leave only temporarily, for I will return to continue my work in June 2004. The deputy director of the museum, Irina Andreevna Medvedeva, gave me as a present an uncatalogued original photograph of Sergei Rachmaninoff that had been taken in London in the early 1900s. Deeply moved, I thanked her, but not without some surprise in my expression. She told me that the staff of the museum was sure the photograph would be in good hands. 🌸

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Rachmaninoff's "composing lane" at Ivanovka

Lynx Welcome Baseball Coach Jeff Cleanthes

By Bill Sorrell



Eight years before the World Trade Center twin towers were destroyed by terrorists on Sept. 11, 2001, Jeff Cleanthes was working on the 98th floor of One World Trade Center when a car bomb was driven into the parking garage of the north tower.

It took Cleanthes, an accountant, three hours to escape, walking down darkened, smoky stairwells.

“The whole experience changed me. Life is short. You might as well enjoy what you’re doing. I realized I needed to get back on the baseball field.”

His friends called him crazy when he made the decision to take an 80 percent pay cut, from \$50,000 annually to \$12,000, to begin coaching the junior varsity baseball team at his alma mater, Somers (NY) High School.

Two successful college coaching jobs later, Cleanthes was hired in July as Rhodes’ baseball coach. He was chosen from 192 applicants, said Mike Clary ’77, Rhodes athletic director.

An assistant coach at Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina, Cleanthes helped lead the Crusaders from last place in the Carolina-Virginia Athletic League to first place in three years and into the NCAA tournament. He built Keuka (NY) College



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Jeff Cleanthes

into a season champion in 2003. Those were factors in Cleanthes’s hiring, said Clary.

A goal this season is to be one of the top three teams in the West Division and qualify for the SCAC tournament.

Cleanthes’s enthusiasm for baseball began when he was a child and continued through Little League, high school and college.

He was an all-conference centerfielder at Drew University and a four-year starter. He was also a forward on the school’s soccer team for three years. He has a master’s degree in accounting from Rutgers.

“I’ve loved everything about baseball since I was 5 years old. The greatest thing I love about it is the combination of physical ability and the thinking-man’s game.”

His fondest childhood memories, he said, were with his father, John Cleanthes, when they had season tickets to the New York Yankees and attended 60 games a year.

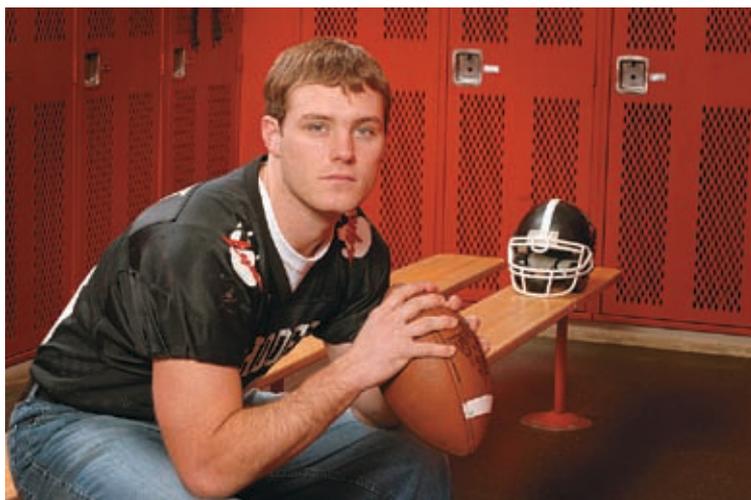
Cleanthes named his dogs in honor of the Yankees’ Joe DiMaggio. His 10-year old Jack Russell terrier is named Yankee, his 5-year old beagle is Clipper.

The canines already romp on the Lynx diamond that Cleanthes has improved from the \$16,000

the team made in a fund-raising marathon. The marathon included a Red vs. Black fall series and a parent vs. player softball game.

Infield renovations, warmups, travel suits and charter buses will also help give the players a “much better experience,” said Cleanthes. The season starts Feb. 7.

Dement Considers Life Without Football



Matt Dement

The first time Matt Dement lined up as a wide receiver, it was almost as big a shock as moving from Orlando to Forrest City, AR, when he was in eighth grade.

Dement had spent three years at tight end for Brighton High School.

Since that first practice as a freshman, Dement has come a long way.

“I’ve always been able to catch well, but learning how to run the routes and reading coverages were extremely hard for me in the beginning,” said Dement, a junior who had a school-record 14 pass receptions against Washington University this season.

Dement was the Lynx’ leading receiver and third in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference. He caught 54 passes for 705 yards, averaging 13.1 yards per catch and 78.3 yards per game. He caught three touchdowns.

One touchdown helped the Lynx defeat Trinity for the first time since 1992.

Dement was an academic All-American his sophomore season and has been All-SCAC Academic

every season. He’s made the dean’s list every semester. He has a 4.0 grade point average in his major, business/economics, and 3.7 overall.

Cornerback and roommate Taylor Whaley joked, “We’re both big dorks. We study together all the time. He’s definitely dedicated.”

This past summer, Dement was chosen as one of 50 from 35,000 applicants for the MasterCard Priceless Edge Summer Experience.

He wrote a 250-word essay on how to develop a sports business. He developed a Web site, Cheap\$eats.com. Basketball and baseball teams would project how many unsold tickets there would be and then sell them on the business’s Internet site for a discount.

Dement went to Nashville for a five-week course in sports management. Based on case studies, Dement was one of six of the 50 chosen to participate in Major League Baseball’s All-Star weekend in Chicago.

He then went to New York for two weeks to work for the New York Mets. He developed a kids’ newsletter, the *Flushing Flash*, and shadowed front-office personnel. The all-expenses-paid trip included \$2,000 cash.

Dement plans to go to law school and perhaps make sports law a career.

He is also considering playing football in Europe after graduation in 2005.

“Football has been the one constant thing in my life the last 15 years. That’s why it’s scary thinking next year could be my last. I can’t imagine life without football.” ❀

From the Alumni Relations Office

Dear Alumnus/a,

Greetings from Rhodes! Our message today centers on the spirit of volunteering to serve others in the Rhodes community in a general sense and saluting the class reporters in particular.

We are blessed to have members of the alumni ranks step forward to serve in leadership roles to organize class reunion events, recruit bright young prospective students, support development activity and maintain communications with members of their classes.

The college has been fortunate to have good-hearted alumni serve as reporters for their classes. Their contributions in soliciting, receiving and sending information about their classmates mean much to members of the Rhodes community. Illustrating this point most dramatically is a recent survey of *RHODES* magazine readers through which we learned that Class Notes is almost universally identified as a "favorite feature" of the magazine. For a moment, think about how you read the *RHODES* magazine...even if you don't go first to Class Notes, you probably get there pretty quickly in looking for news about friends from your class followed by those of classes close to yours.

To the class reporters of present and past, we are grateful. Your work is appreciated by those of us on the faculty and staff and by your classmates. Thank you.

With the implementation of the Online Community last June, we are seeing an increasing number of alumni post

their own "class notes" on the Web page. Even with this technology available to us, however, the Class Notes section of *RHODES* magazine continues to be important to all of us.

Beyond thanking class reporters for serving, we invite others to step forward and take a turn at it. Please see the following section of the magazine and search under your class year. If no one's name is listed as a reporter, we have a vacancy for your class. We need volunteers for those classes. Please consider serving.

It is our hope that this finds each one of you doing well. Please continue to stay in contact and visit us at the Harris Alumni Lodge when your schedule and travel plans permit. We realize that we are fortunate indeed to be at a place where alumni members of the Rhodes community have such loyalty and affection for their alma mater.

All best wishes from your Alumni Relations Staff,

Stephanie Chockley '95, Assistant Director
Tracy Comer, Administrative Assistant
Bud Richey, Director



Harris Memorial alumni lodge. Watercolor by Paul Tudor Jones '32

Recollections of Teaching 1955-1995

Robert G. Patterson

Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies

I discovered in 1955 that bison no longer roamed along Front Street or climbed the steps of the Memphis post office. I came west that year, and for the first time braved Summer Avenue to reach North Parkway and the campus. The Southwestern faculty had some 25 members then—seemingly enough. As for students, the GIs from World War II had come and gone, and the Korean war was just over.

I learned fairly quickly that as eras change, the student climate of common understanding also changes. Students in the late '50s lived in the era of the grey flannel suit. They dutifully studied Plato and Dante (if so assigned), and some read Sartre's *No Exit* or Kierkegaard's *Fear and Trembling*. Many, of course, also read *The New Yorker* for Salinger's stories about Franny and Zooey.

The mid-'60s brought drastic change. In 1966-67, my wife Jane McAtee '50, our children and I were on sabbatical in Hong Kong. On all sides we saw evidence of the Chinese Red Guards' cultural revolution. Even so, we were hardly ready for the radical changes among our own students that appeared when we returned to Memphis. Students staged anti-war demonstrations, or left for Canada to avoid military service. They wanted coeducational dormitories. They also wanted more contact with faculty, a college curriculum more focused toward social action and overall, a more peaceful and humane world. At public meetings, students sometimes brandished copies of Mao Tse Tung's "Little Red Book," familiar to Jane and me from Hong Kong days.

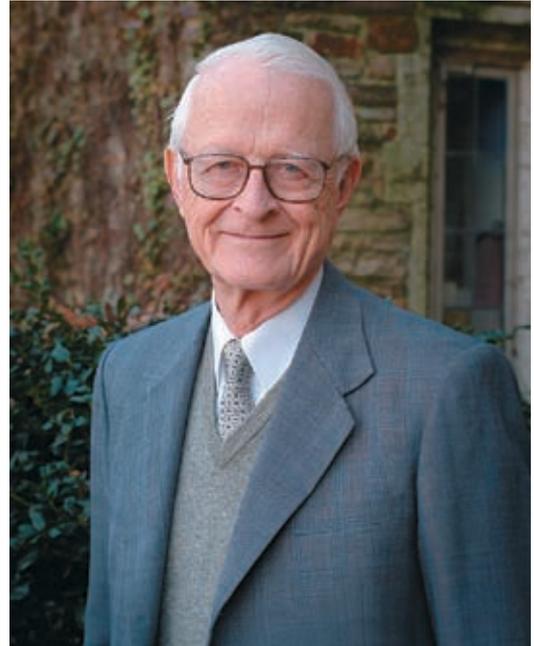
During the '70s, the chief liberation

movements at the college were racial justice and women's equality. Martin Luther King had been killed in '68, and many read his "Letter from Birmingham Jail." On a different track, some students found Simone de Beauvoir's *The Second Sex* liberating.

As the century wound down, and with it also my teaching career, the student mood was increasingly internationalist and ecological. Many considered the study of world religions helpful in clarifying international relationships. And students were into not just ecology but also many other social-ethical issues.

Now in the next millennium, where are we? I will borrow Derrida's term, *bricolage*, and interpret it broadly to mean "juggling." To juggle together the pieces of life—love, labor,

creativity, communal responsibility—into a fulfilling and exciting whole...challenges us all. So let me close with greetings to those now doing it: *Du succès, du succès, bricoleurs!* ("May you have good success, jugglers!")



Robert Patterson

KEVIN BARRE

Do You Know a Distinguished Alum?

Of course you do! You have a friend, a roommate, fraternity brother or sorority sister who has not only succeeded in his or her chosen profession, but has taken the Rhodes values of truth, loyalty and service to heart and made them a way of life.

We need your nominations for the 2004 Distinguished Alumni Award, to be presented during Homecoming weekend, Oct. 22-23, 2004. You can submit a nomination form online at alumni@rhodes.edu, or you may send a letter of nomination to the Rhodes College Alumni Office, 2000 N. Parkway, Memphis, TN 38112. Nominations must be received by March 12, 2004.

Homecoming 2003

Athletic Hall of Fame



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Inducted this year into the Athletic Hall of Fame were (left to right): Wes Busby '61, Tim O'Keefe '83, John Keesee '74 and Laurie Lynn Tinnell '79. Joe Boals '59 and Dode Farnsworth '29 were inducted posthumously.

Alumni Convocation



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Dr. Burnet Tuthill, founder of the Rhodes Singers, was the subject of the faculty portrait. His daughters flank the painting: Carroll Tuthill Minor '52, left, and Anne Tuthill Reynolds '40. Behind Mrs. Minor is Mrs. Reynolds' daughter Helen Reynolds Patterson and her husband Richard Patterson.

Class of '53 Marks 50th Reunion



DAVID NESTER



Mr. and Ms. Rhodes



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Matt Teague and Caitlin Goodrich, both seniors from Atlanta, were selected Mr. and Ms. Rhodes

The Class of '53 celebrated its 50th reunion at Homecoming. By the numbers, they are:

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| 1. Katherine Hinds Smythe | 16. Betty Sue Wilcox |
| 2. Roscoe Feild | 17. M.T. Taylor Todd |
| 3. Joan Smith Ramier | 18. Allen Cooke |
| 4. Karl Rhea | 19. Horace Kitchell |
| 5. Bill Threlkeld | 20. Betty Lou Wood Storrs |
| 6. Don Ramier | 21. Bill Metzger |
| 7. George Wilson | 22. Betty Martin Barker |
| 8. Marjorie Russell Bryant | 23. Mary Myers McMillan |
| 9. John Gray | 24. Ann Taylor Walker Waters |
| 10. Jim Robertson | 25. Charlie Sullivan |
| 11. Zoe Theodore Futris | 26. Doug Buford |
| 12. Ann Raines Dailey | 27. Carole Macklin Briscoe |
| 13. Bill Young | 28. Rose Link Mosby |
| 14. Nancy Carroll Whitley | 29. Bill Allen |
| 15. Elizabeth Collins Swaim | 30. Bob Stewart |

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Nancy Millen Julius, who celebrated her 83rd birthday in November 2003, still sings in the choir of Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church in Houston. She has three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

John and **Christine Kier** celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary Aug. 1, 2003. Their son **John '74** is a CPA in Atlanta.

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A Call for Traditions

Rhodes Student Government president Jon David Willingham '04 has created an ad hoc committee to compile a list of Rhodes traditions. The beginnings of the list reside on the Web site as part of the college's history (www.rhodes.edu). The list will be updated as more information is gathered. In addition, Willingham's committee will discuss the merits of reinstating some of the old traditions that have lapsed through the years.

Please share your memories of traditions that were important while you were a student by e-mailing keppled@rhodes.edu.

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Some 25 attended the alumni/ae dinner at the Summit Club following Homecoming. **Trent Wood** served as master of ceremonies, **Dick Wood** was elected class president and **Martha Carroll McGuire**, and **Freeman Marr**, reporter.

Lucille Hamer Amis serves as president of the Friends Board of the Minneapolis Institute of Art and the board of the Stevens Square Home for Elderly Women, and is a member of the board of the Minnesota International Center.

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55th Reunion
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Richard Dixon is serving on the reunion committee for his 60th high school class reunion of Little Rock High School May 1-2, 2004. He is scheduled to conduct a memorial service for deceased members.

John Evans is a retired controller and accounting manager. A Presbyterian elder, he lives in Racine, WI.

Joe and **Martha Jane Jacobs Exum** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last year by taking their children and grandchildren on a cruise.

Cecil Oliver and Becky West Harper were married on Thanksgiving at Pass Christian, MS.

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Albert and **Norma Keisling Holmes** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to the Canadian Rockies, where they spent their honeymoon.

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In November 1999, Russell and **Marjorie Russell Bryant** moved from New Orleans to Austin, TX, so that they could be closer to their three children and five grandchildren in Austin, Dallas and Houston. They have made many new friends in their neighborhood as well as their church, Covenant Presbyterian, whose minister is **Jim Singleton '78**.

Retired Episcopal clergyman **Allen Cooke** still does some interim work. He recently had two knee replacements and now plays golf instead of tennis.

After graduating, **John Gray** spent three years in the Navy and then began working for Varian Associates, an electronics manufacturing company, in Palo Alto, CA. In 1994, he retired and with Eleanor, his wife of 39 years, moved to Santa Rosa, CA.

Betty Sue Wilcox Shaw enjoys being state coordinator for the AARP/IRS Tax AIDE Volunteer Program and acting as treasurer for the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel.

Charles Sullivan is the senior warden at St. Peter's on the Rock, a summer parish of 207 families at Stoney Lake, Ontario. This May, he and his wife Alice will make their third trip to the Sertao region of northeast Brazil, where he has led previous trips from Germantown Presbyterian Church. He has also been invited to join a mission trip to China and the Philippines with the Anglican Diocese of Toronto in 2005.

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Julia Johnson Kasch retired last September as full-time faculty at Frank Phillips College and now teaches two classes on a part-time basis. She lives in Borger, TX.

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Our 45th reunion was great fun for those of us who were there. Trouble was, we needed the rest of you folks, as well! We have been getting some terrific e-mails with news to pass along.

Dick Jones in San Diego has a residential properties appraisal firm. He and wife Joan have a daughter and family in Spartanburg, SC, and a son and his family in Portland, OR. The Joneses visit friends and family but also have taken some great trips: cruise from Fort Lauderdale to San Diego through the Panama Canal; family roots-hunting trip to Newfoundland; and an upcoming cruise to the Mexican Riviera. He hopes to see us at our 50th.

Elinor Smith Fitzgerald writes from Louisville, KY, that she and Jerry stay busy. They recently traveled to Litchfield Beach, SC. A daughter, who had been living in Geneva, has just moved to Dayton, OH (culture shock!). She also had a son working in Europe, so they get to take some great European trips.

Milton and Mary Joy Prichard Knowlton '61 live in Memphis. Milton is a principal in Lewis and Knowlton Financial Group Inc. He enjoys working, tennis, traveling and

being a grandparent. He is an elder at Second Presbyterian in Memphis. He transferred to Ole Miss our junior year, but Rhodes is dear to his heart.

Another transfer was our old Evergreen Dorm chum **Nan Schaeffer Graham**. She transferred to the University of Alabama and then on to UNC at Chapel Hill, where she majored in English. She teaches English now in Wilmington, NC, and is a commentator on growing up and growing old Southern for the Wilmington NPR station. A collection of her essays, *Turn Right at the Next Magnolia* (available through Amazon.com), was published in 2000. Nan has a son and daughter, both married and living in North Carolina.

Martha Ann Sigler Guthrie is a New Orleans artist, now living in Metairie. Her French Quarter studio had too many stairs to lug paintings up and down. She enjoyed the reunion pictures we shared. (A lot of folks said that, and some were even honest enough to ask, "Who were those OLD people?!")

Dick Crais couldn't make it to the reunion because he had returned to Monteagle, TN, from a month-long trip to Russia.

Sally Stockley Johnson is the minister of a diverse congregation in inner-city San Antonio. Her church, which has an emphasis on the arts, has seven artists renting space in one of its buildings. Her son Charlie was a member of Denton McLellan's former church in Germantown, TN

Mary Jane Smalley Roberts said they really enjoyed the reunion and were now headed for a grandson's 2nd birthday in Minneapolis (far colder than their Kiawah home!)

Deano Thompson Bibb is in Hollandale, MS, where she teaches high school English. Recently she had surgery, which kept her away from the reunion. It would have been great to see you, Deano. She is also about to get a computer, so she'll join our "select" e-mail crowd. (Would love to have others for whom we don't have e-mail addresses—send them along and join us!)

Again, thanks so-o-o much for your information. Almost everyone

prefaced their e-mail with, "This is nothing special but...." As you can see, it is indeed special to keep up with old friends (if for no other reason than it rekindles fun college memories.) Lorraine

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Gene and **Ginny Botsford** recently visited with **Gary Don** and **Mi-chelline Wright** in their home outside Paris.

Patsy Taylor Dodge, who lives in Chapel Hill, NC, enjoys traveling and painting with watercolors. Her son Thomas makes healing films for hospitals in Seattle, and her daughter Carolyn is a physician associated with Duke University Medical Center.

Beverly Owen is semiretired and teaching an English composition class at Northwest Mississippi Community College in Senatobia.

Don and **Jean Stump Rumph** took a three-week road trip to visit their children and grandchildren. Their daughter Carolyn is an engineer near Houston, and their son Greg is a first-year resident in ER and ENT in New Orleans.

Carolyn White spent last year caring for her daughter Becca, who underwent surgery for a brain tumor and is recovering in a nursing home in Franklin, NC.

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Several members of our class have been honored and/or recognized in special ways during the past few months.

Cynthia Bringle was honored

at the St. Andrew's Academy in Se-wanee, TN, by having nearly 100 items of her beautiful works of clay on display at the school's art gallery. Her work was enjoyed by many people from Oct. 7 until Nov. 10. Cynthia was honored with a reception on Oct. 23. While at St. Andrews, Cynthia worked with the high school clay classes and had a one-day workshop with a group of about 25 adults. Cynthia was involved with a three-day hands-on workshop at the Finch Pottery in Bailey, NC, in January. She will also be at the Crealde Art Center in Winter Park, FL, in March. Cynthia's studio is shown in a recently published book titled *Setting Up Your Ceramic Studio*.

The Rev. Dr. **Michael Macey** and several others in Longview, TX, were honored on Dec. 7 as founders of the local hospital, Wellspring Inc. The hospital celebrated its fifth anniversary on that date. The facility came into being after several years of community organization and work with individuals who were HIV positive. The hospital is an outgrowth of Special Health Resources of Texas

Inc., which Mike was instrumental in organizing. Wellspring is a step two facility, a haven for 90-days residency for AIDS patients who have also been chemically dependent. It is one of the only systems of its kind in the entire country. Its 24 beds are filled at all times.

George McCormick has been elected as the president of the North Louisiana Civil War Round Table for 2003-04. The organization has numerous excellent speakers, trips and seminars during each year. George and one of his colleagues will present their two-man play, *Frank and Ben, A Privates' War*, about the experiences of George's great-grandfather and his ex-slave friend, Ben. They were both privates in the 6th Tennessee Regiment. They fought together from Shiloh to Chickamauga, and worked together in Jackson, TN, until Frank's death.

The Rev. Dr. **Sandy Winter**, pastor and campus minister at the University Presbyterian Church in Tuscaloosa, AL, was honored in a very special way recently. The new student center that was built two

Nominations for Athletic Hall of Fame

The Rhodes Athletic Hall of Fame was inaugurated in tribute to the college's rich tradition of sports. It honors people who have either made outstanding contributions to the athletic program, or distinguished themselves—and brought honor to the college—through their athletic accomplishments after their years at Rhodes. Inductees are recognized in a permanent display in the Bryan Campus Life Center named in memory of coaching great James "Jimmy" Haygood '36.

The Rhodes Alumni Association invites nominations for the 2004 inductees to the Athletic Hall of Fame. To be eligible, candidates need not be graduates of the college, but must be members of the classes that graduated before 1994. They must have participated in varsity intercollegiate competition at Rhodes, or have achieved significant distinction as athletes in the years following their time at Rhodes. Athletic staff may be candidates only if they no longer work at the college.

Please contact the alumni office at 800-264-5969 (843-3845 locally), e-mail alumni@rhodes.edu, or visit www.alumni.rhodes.edu for a nomination form. The form must be returned by April 1. Inductees will be honored during Homecoming weekend, Oct. 22-23.

Response to Teachers on Teaching

What a joy to see the smiling face of Jameson Jones in the Summer edition of Rhodes, and to read his classic, Jonesian remarks.

During my first two years at Rhodes, 1958-60, I paid attention to everything except academics. In March of 1960 Dean Jones called me in, quite properly though regretfully suggested that I was wasting both the college's time and my own, and gave me what one might call a Road Scholarship (invited me to hit the road).

Defenestration has a way of marvelously clarifying the mind. Working at various jobs in Dallas for the next 2 1/2 years taught me many much-needed lessons. Returning to Rhodes in early 1963 as a pre-med, I finally knew why I was there and recognized the privilege of it.

My acquaintance with Dean Jones expanded in happier ways, including the year-long class called Senior Bible, which he taught. He engaged and challenged the class, manifested his sheer love of teaching, shared both passion and humor about the subject matter and allowed us to see both his humanity and the ways in which he thought. He didn't just explain agape. He palpably and contagiously lived it. I never encountered a better teacher.

Before graduating, I acquired from him an excellent watercolor of part of the campus that he had painted. Bringing things full circle, this cherished painting depicts Robb Hall, the dorm where I was living in March of 1960.

How does one thank someone like Jameson Jones for who they are? Perhaps best of all by the manner of one's life, by never forgetting and by giving additional support to the college that he has loved and so ably served for so long.

Ted Mohns, MD '65

years ago was named The Winter Valley Presbyterian Student Center. The building naming was celebrated Feb. 1 at the 11 a.m. worship service. The naming of the student center honors Sandy for all of the tremendous work she has done and Arlee Vallery who chaired the Building on Faith Committee.

In other news, **Susan Kirchen Betts** and her husband Bob were given a wonderful golden retriever in mid-August. Piper was an assistance dog for a friend who became so disabled that she could no longer keep it. Newly retired, Susan and Bob are enthusiastic about "this quite obedient

and affectionate animal who has been a joy in their home and a great traveling companion." Piper joined them recently on a 3 1/2-week trip to the south and southwest. They stopped in Memphis and visited Rhodes, where Piper was admired by many students, alumni and the manager of the bookstore. Piper has now gone to college! Susan's and Bob's greatest news is that their daughter Lela (named for Lela Garner Noble) is expecting a baby in March—their first grandchild. They recently saw Lela Noble. It was really fun to get together and to meet Lela's brother Jesse and his family. (He also has a daughter named Lela.)

This has been quite a year for **Tommy Clinton** and his wife in Atlanta. They have two married daughters. Before this year, they had two grandchildren—a grandson in Little Rock and a granddaughter in Atlanta. On Oct. 10, their daughter and son-in-law in Little Rock had triplets, two boys and a girl. In January of this year, a son was born to their other daughter and son-in-law in Atlanta. Therefore, Tommy and his wife went from having one grandson and one granddaughter to having four grandsons and two granddaughters in a little over two years! Can anyone beat that? Tommy retired from Equitable Real Estate Investment Management Inc. in 1995. He is currently developing the 91-acre La Padres property on Lake Burton in the North Georgia mountains.

Sam and Ginny Taylor Drash '66 are excited over the birth of their second grandchild, a grandson in September. After Sam found his 1,530th golf ball this fall behind their backyard, Ginny decided he needed to do something constructive in their yard. Therefore, she had Sam build a three-tiered flower bed. There are four separate beds within the total area, which is 75 feet long and 25 feet wide. It is all held together by eight-foot long pieces of lumber. Since the flower beds were built on a steep section of the Drashes' backyard, Sam filled the flower beds with three truckloads of topsoil.

Bill Howard is the male vocalist for the Nelson's Jazz Rascals and is also on the board of the Rockfish Valley Community Center in Nelson County, VA. On Nov. 15, he performed with the Jazz Rascals at a fundraiser for the center. That was a double dip for Bill. The concert and other activities raised more than \$5,000 for RVCC that evening.

I'm sure that most everyone heard of the terrible wind storm, with winds of up to 100 miles per hour, that hit Memphis on July 22. Many of you may not be aware of the terrible damage done to thousands of homes in Memphis, including that of **Allen and Marily Davis Hughes**. The storm devastated many areas in

Memphis and caused a power outage to more than 300,000 homes. Many homes were without electricity, gas, phone service and water for nearly two weeks. Chickasaw Gardens, where Marily and Allen live, was like a war zone, with more than 100 of its large century-old trees uprooted. The storm hit at 6:50 a.m. on July 22 while Allen was at his office and Marily was at home alone. There was so much damage done to their house that only one door could be used. Since so many trees were downed in their neighborhood, Allen had a very difficult time getting home. Two large oak trees, one with a circumference of more than 12 feet, hit the west side of their house. A third one destroyed their backyard, including a brick wall, wooden fence, pergola, sprinkler system and a neighbor's roof. Within Marily and Allen's beautiful home, one bedroom was completely destroyed, the tile roof was in shambles and the attic structure, two chimneys, gutters, brickwork and much more were all destroyed. Believe it or not, Marily and Allen have only four rooms that can be used until April or May. They are the kitchen, den, bedroom and one bathroom.

Jim Hutter, who is with the Department of Political Science at Iowa State University, has really become involved in the Democratic caucus. Jim is the co-chairman and volunteer for Dean for America of Story County, IA. The Iowa caucus was held on Jan. 19. Since it is the first presidential primary, it is extremely important to all candidates running for president.

Hugh and Charlotte Barbarin McPheeters have had two children to graduate from Rhodes. They are Cynthia from the class of 1989 and James-Allen from the class of 2000. They will add another alumna to their family in April when James-Allen will marry Jennifer Lea Morris from the class of 2002. Jennifer was a Phi Beta Kappa at Rhodes. Hugh still practices law in Sarasota, FL. Charlotte spends a great deal of time putting together family scrapbooks.

Margaret White Petrey and her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and

Laura, had a wonderful time visiting Laura's parents in Honolulu during the Christmas holidays. Margaret is president and CEO of J.T. White Inc., a family corporation with two divisions: One is an investment division, the other, a lumber hardware retail store. Bill is president and CEO of Certitech Solutions in Dallas and serves on the board of the lumber company in Jonesboro, AR. He comes home four times a year to attend the board meetings. Bill's wife is a critical care and trauma and general surgeon.

Emma and Jack Thompson were blessed with the birth of their 14th grandchild in January of this year. This is the ninth child for their son Johnny and his wife Inger. Their home is in Starkville, MS.

In May 2004, after an interim ministry at a Presbyterian church at Panama City Beach, FL, **Bert Tuggle** will retire from active ministry and enjoy fishing, hunting and playing with five grandchildren. Bert has served Presbyterian churches in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Florida for more than 40 years. He and his wife, Beverly, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this year. They will move to Foley, AL, after Bert's retirement. He wants everyone to know that he feels his four years at Rhodes set him on a course for which he gives thanks to God. Bert says, "Without those four years of unlearning, learning how to learn and gathering the intellectual tools for the journey, I would still be a redneck from South Alabama with an attitude!"

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In May 2002, **Margaret Welsh Curlovic** retired from teaching English at the University of South Carolina, Sumter. She is now enjoying traveling with her husband Don and visiting their new grandbaby. She is an elder at First Presbyterian Church in Sumter.

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Janice Baker retired from federal civil service in September and has moved back to her hometown of Santa Fe.

After teaching violin, preschool and kindergarten for many years, **Jan Lowi Horn** returned to the classroom to earn an education specialist degree in school counseling from the University of Memphis. She is excited about her new career as school counselor for kindergarten through third grade at Snowden School.

Barbara Hollingsworth

Knowles works as an editor at The Flippen Group, which trains teachers and produces character education curriculum. She lives in Bryan, TX. Barbara and her husband Tom enjoyed a four-week trip to Europe in the fall.

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K.C. Ptomey, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Nashville, has been endorsed by the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee as a candidate for moderator of the 216th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

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(Sterling) Jim Greenwood writes that any alum in the Aspen, CO, area this winter is invited to come and see him at Aspen Free Press. His office is upstairs on Cooper Mall across from the Red Onion.

Last summer **Ted Morris**, a philosophy professor at Illinois Wesleyan University, was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to work on his book, *Naturalism and Normativity in Hume's Epistemology*. Ted presented some of his work at the International Hume

Conference in Helsinki last summer and will present more at the group's conference in Tokyo this summer. In addition to chairing the IWU Philosophy Department, Ted is also director of a new interdisciplinary program in cognitive science.

Teri Tidwell Hornberger and her family are related to a significant part of our nation's history. Her ancestor, Lt. Col. George Armistead, who was commander of Ft. McHenry near Baltimore during the War of 1812, asked Congress to design a flag to represent the 15 colonies. It was the "Star Spangled Banner," the flag that flew among the "bombs bursting in air" over Ft. McHenry and about which Francis Scott Key, a young attorney, wrote the words to the song that 100 years later would become our national anthem. The flag remained in the Armistead family for more than 100 years until it was donated to the Smithsonian Institution in 1903. "What makes our family especially proud is that there is an inverted 'V' on the flag, which is believed to be the beginning of the name Armistead, but was never finished."

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Isobel Hibbs Gotschall works as a

psychiatric nurse in a Mobile Crisis Unit in Houston. One of her sculptures was featured in an exhibit at "Mind Puddles" this past spring.

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Hi, Classmates,

I was in another world as I was spending a glorious summer in Maine at the "Love Shack" in Winter Harbor. My husband Bob and I named it that since it has no amenities—just a gorgeous view of the ocean and Mt. Desert Island. If a real house ever gets built on the property the porch light will be left on for you. Prior to settling down in Maine, I had the incredible joy of attending the wedding of my younger son Nathan in Woodstock, NY, in June. My older son Matthew is a high school English teacher in Portland, ME, so I got to see him often over the summer. After lots of biking and kayaking and general goofing off, I am back at home and back at work in Austin.

In August and September, **Jennifer Bird Henley** took a six-week trip, pulling an Aliner camper from

Tennessee to a high school reunion in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, and then to another high school reunion in New York. On the way, she saw **Wayne Shelton**, who was recovering from knee surgery.

Ketti McDonald Tyree is the proud grandmother of Brynn Elizabeth Stierle, born March 10, 2003. Ketti says she is beautiful and perfect in every way. Ketti also says she can't believe that she is old enough to be a grandmother. Why, wasn't it just yesterday that she was "studying" at Rhodes? Well, partying anyway. By the way, Ketti's daughter Kristin, the mother of Brynn, is named for **Kris Pruitt**. Ketti continues to live in Vienna, VA, where she works for a national association and has the occasional fun of traveling to conventions in fun places.

Kris Pruitt writes that she has the usual challenges of academia in the position as dean of the School of Arts at Christian Brothers University in Memphis. Since she is originally from Minnesota, she can blatantly claim two "above average" children. Daughter Carrie finished veterinary school and will be interning at an equine clinic in Virginia next year; son Andrew has been working for an archaeology firm but has hopes of getting into the music field. Kris's most respectable fetish (if that's not an oxymoron) is poet John Milton. Duquesne University Press published her book, *Gender and the Power of Relationship in Paradise Lost: "United As One Individual Soul,"* in August 2003. The seed of that project was originally planted by Dr. Wolf in the 1960s. So...Kris works slowly. Kris also taught a three-week course titled "Jane Austen: Fiction and Film." She wrote: "It was intense, like boarding a train there's no getting off," but she finished it at the end of the first week in June and had the rest of the summer to enjoy some quiet.

Kris, K.E. Field Boyd, Emalie Appleton Brooks, Canon Thomas Hall, Arnie Pitman and Bo Scarborough had lunch this spring at the Half Shell. They plan to try to get the Memphis group together every few months.

North to Alaska

The Icy Straits, Alaska, Southwestern Alumni Association, class of 1964, met last June 17-19 at John Kibbons' Lemesurier Island retreat center. Also attending were C. Hendricks of Jefferson City, MO, and Hayden Kaden of Gustavus, AK.



John Kibbons, C. Hendricks and Hayden Kaden at the fuel dock in Elfin Cove, AK, taking on fuel in Kaden's skiff for the 20-mile return trip to Lemesurier Island

In case you're wondering "whatever happened to what's-his-name: you know, the guy with glasses who broke the stained glass window in the refectory with a snowball," we have your answer: It is **Bill Anderson**, who stayed at Rhodes for two years before moving on to browner pastures. He left Rhodes after his sophomore year and transferred to the University of Texas in Austin. He majored in zoology, graduated with the rest of us in 1967 and immediately enrolled in a master's program in geology. Two years into that, Uncle Sam called and he entered Navy OCS and served three years. He married Janice Carver in 1969 and they have two sons who are both grown, married and off the payroll. He writes that they have three grandchildren under the age of three who are fantastic fun. Bill worked for Phillips Petroleum in Houston for 25 years and is now working with his wife in a consulting company. They live in Bellaire, TX. Ask me for his e-mail address.

K.E. Field Boyd finally decided to bite the bullet and take early retirement in October. She has worked for First Tennessee Bank in Memphis for 29 years and retired as a senior vice president. She writes that her family is ecstatic—particularly since there are six grandchildren and several dogs wanting more of her time. Now there will be plenty of time for her to do all the things she has been putting off for so long—like visiting some of the rest of us.

Here's an update from **Jack Knox** that came in a recent e-mail. He writes that shortly after receiving my e-mail last summer, he and his wife Linda moved to Salem, OR, where he accepted the call to be pastor of Salem Mennonite Church. It took several weeks, but they are now in their new home and finally have access to their e-mail address book. Linda has interviewed for a teaching position, and they hope that she will soon be back doing what she loves to do. They have one son, John, who is currently in the Peace Corps in a small village in the southern part of Mali. His primary assignment is to help the villagers develop wells,

teach them how to use and maintain pumps and dispose of wastewater in a sanitary manner. Jack writes that Linda has been a teacher throughout most of the time that has passed since we graduated from Southwestern. She is certified to teach math, English and history. For the most part, she has taught math in alternative schools (i.e., schools for students with disciplinary problems). Jack has also taught and spent several years working as a forensic psychologist in Alabama and Texas. Although those were fulfilling occupations, he never quite shook the urge to be a pastoral minister. So, after many years he is pastoring his "first" church. Jack and Linda, who enjoy reading, also do a variety of outdoor activities such as gardening, hiking, bird-watching and camping. In addition, Jack builds furniture, makes fishing flies and rods and enjoys backpacking and fly-fishing. They have certainly moved to the perfect area for all of this.

This is a great way for us to share information about ourselves, so please take a moment and e-mail something interesting to me for our next publication: your hobbies, good books you've read lately, movies you recommend, where you've been, who you'd like to hear from. I could use your help, folks.

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John and Lindy Ford Tisdale '70 live in Little Rock, where John is an attorney with Wright, Lindsey & Jennings. He also works with Celebration Ministries and is a chancellor for the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas.

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Richard Raspet won first, second and third places in the road race, criterium and time trial events in his age group at the United States Cy-

cling Federation's Masters National Championships last August. His total point score won him the Best All Rounder medal for his age group as well. He is a member of the physics faculty and the National Center for Physical Acoustics at the University of Mississippi.

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Anne Hord Calhoun recently accepted an appointment as associate professor in the Department of Neurology, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

An attorney with Glankler Brown in Memphis, **Barry Ward** was elected vice chair of the Tennessee Judicial Selection Commission, which fills judicial vacancies.

And in Cooper's Landing—

From the class of '75 Wendy Ashcroft, Terry Byrne, Mary Sue Morrow and Annie Godfrey traveled to Alaska to celebrate their 50th birthdays. While in Cooper's Landing, they discovered this lost Southwestern lynx cat.



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New York artist **Daisy Craddock's** painting was featured in last fall's Arts in the Park in Memphis.

Hadley Hury's suspense novel *The Edge of the Gulf*, set primarily in Grayton Beach, FL, has been published by Poisoned Pen Press. A

short story, "Coming Back," appears in a winter issue of *Green Mountain Review*. Hadley is married to Marilyn Adams Hury, director of the Rhodes Meeman Center for Lifelong Learning.

Tom Marshall and his wife Maribeth Stolzenburg, both professors at the University of Mississippi, were featured in an Oct. 30, 2003, article in *The Commercial Appeal* for their efforts to craft a means of predicting lightning strikes.

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Ann Gotschall Sharp played the lead role in Theatre Memphis's production of *Hello, Dolly!* in the fall. She has also starred in the title role in *Mame* and as Gertrude in *Hamlet*.

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For the past three years, **John Cady** has taught in the Memphis City Schools system after 24 years in the independent school realm. He says that it has been a distinct yet rewarding challenge.

John and **Ann Reed Held** live in Harrisonburg, VA, where Ann is minister at Trinity Presbyterian Church and John is a claims representative for the Social Security Administration.

Jim and **Liz Heal Hendricks** have three children: Jessie, a law student; John, a senior at Rhodes; and Andy, a first-year at Southern Methodist University. Liz volunteers full time with God's Decorating Service, an agency that provides transitional housing to families. Its goal, she says, is to provide education, support and guidance to help people "get out of the system." The family lives in Southlake, TX.

Mike and Julie **Isaacson** have two children, Locke and Erick. Erick is a sophomore at Rhodes.

Sue Anne Jenkerson works as a family nurse practitioner in Anchorage and is a board member of the Alaska Nurses Foundation.

Phil Reemes and his wife Bridget live in Mechanicsburg, PA, where he is a commercial manager for Nationwide Insurance.

Charlaine Harris Schulz's next book, *Dead to the World*, will be published this spring.

Actress and English teacher at Hutchison School in Memphis, **Christina Wellford Scott** played Joan in Theatre Memphis's production of *The Guys*. With her in the production was Ralph Hatley, Rhodes director of campus safety. She has won six best actress awards, two of them for performances at Theatre Memphis.

Elder Heeds Call to Battleground

George Elder '69, head of school at Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis since 1992, has been appointed president of Battle Ground Academy in Franklin, TN, effective July 1.

Elder, a 1965 graduate of BGA, has also served as head of Woodland Presbyterian School in Memphis; River Oaks School, Monroe, LA; Carrollton Presbyterian School, New Orleans; and The Lamar School, Meridian, MS.

Make Your Golf Tournament Plans

The Rhodes Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament, The Solly, will be held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, June 25, at Stonebridge Golf Course in Memphis. The tournament is played in honor of the late Lynx record-setting quarterback Craig Solomon '79.

The format is a four-person, 18-hole scramble. The entry fee of \$125 includes greens and cart fees, refreshments, prizes and a barbecue dinner after play concludes.

Please return the form with your entry fee by June 4. Make checks payable to Rhodes College.

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

I request to play with:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

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Fran Taylor works as a copy editor at Signature Advertising in Memphis.

A tax preparer for Accurate Tax in Nashville, **Judy Brooks Tygard** is also treasurer of the Monroe Harding Children's Home.

Before returning to school this semester, **Gwen Wall** took a tour of Greece in September during which she saw Athens, the burial place of Socrates and several islands, including Crete, Naxos and Santorini.

The class of 1973 is trying to compile an e-mail list. Please e-mail your address to Becky Pixler Boone at bboone@stokes.bartholomew.com

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Jere Hammond is enjoying his 23rd year as an internal medicine specialist and his fifth as medical director for the Jackson Clinic. His and wife Linda's oldest son Jay is in his second year at Berklee School of Music in Boston, where he is doing a performance major in jazz guitar.

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Bob Grenfell, vice president of regulatory affairs at Entergy in Jackson, MS, has been elected to a three-year term as a state bar commissioner representing the seventh judicial district. He will set bar policy, approve the budget and adjudicate disciplinary matters.

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Laura Yeates Fulton works as an anesthesiologist, and her husband Tom is a federal judge in Louisville, KY.

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Eva Guggenheim (not Anna, as reported in the summer or 2003 issue of RHODES) still maintains a Web site in response to an event that

Tuggle to First Tennessee

Memphis attorney Charlie Tuggle '70, former CEO of the Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz law firm, has joined First Tennessee bank's investment banking unit as executive vice president of risk management and business development for FTN Financial.

FTN Financial is a full-service provider of financial products for the investment and banking community. With a client base that includes depository and non-depository institutions such as municipalities and insurance companies, FTN Financial conducts business in all 50 states and 40 other countries.

touched her deeply and spurred her to help three orphaned boys. The site will not be up much longer; she requests her Rhodes peers to please check www.theferrisboysfund.com.

She also supports the work of British land mine activist Heather Mills McCartney whose foundation, The Limbless Fund, raises money for children who have lost limbs due to war and other catastrophes and need prosthetics (like Ali, the Iraqi boy who lost his arms and legs). Eva is also currently on stage in Syracuse, NY, (plays and musicals) and raising her two boys.

David Johnson was named the 2003 Presidential Achievement Award winner in recognition of his contributions to oral and maxillofacial surgery by the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He practices in Oak Ridge, TN.

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Michelle Walker Fine returned from a nine-day stay in Canterbury, England, followed by a transatlantic crossing on the Queen Elizabeth 2.

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Neville Carson and Julia Herron married May 29, 1999. They adopted their son Nicholas Clay May 21, 2002, in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Cathy Goetz lives in Los Alamos,

NM, and works as a field geologist for the installation of deep mounting wells and groundwater studies at nuclear test sites and national laboratories.

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Chattanooga, TN, dentist **Mitch Baldree** rehabilitated a 100-year-old building for his office. He and his family and reside on a small farm.

Janet Kaye Bigham works in training and development for Colonial Bank in Montgomery, AL. She has two daughters and plays the cello with the Montgomery Symphony.

Richard Bird recently accepted the position of controller and compliance officer at the Bank of Nashville. He serves as president of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Nashville.

Perry Dement has been named vice president of development for the Greater Memphis Arts Council. He previously served as director of development for Memphis University School.

Lewis Kalmbach is exhibiting paintings from a year of traveling around the world at the R.S. Barnwell Memorial Garden and Art Center in Shreveport, LA.

President-elect of the Memphis Junior League **Kim Chickey MacQueen** was featured in a *Commercial Appeal* article on Nov. 2, 2003. She is also a member of the 2003-04 class of Leadership Memphis.

John and **Diane Mount Nisbet**

Good Rockin'

John Doyle '81 has been named executive director of the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum. The museum, located in the Gibson Guitar Factory one block from Beale Street, features the Smithsonian Institution's Rock 'n' Soul Social Crossroads exhibition.

Doyle was vice president of programming for the Memphis in May International Festival, and worked in Memphis radio for 10 years prior to founding The Barking Dog Agency, an advertising and special events firm.

are attorneys in Cookeville, TN. John is with the public defender's office, and Diane, in the law office of Donna Massa.

Mark and **Anne Clarendon O'Loughlin** announce the birth of their daughter, Caitlin Aldridge, Aug. 15, 2003.

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Janet Comperry and Scott Reynolds married June 21, 2003.

Scott, who holds a M.Div. from Candler School of Theology, works as executive director of the Hazard Perry County Housing Development Alliance, which provides affordable housing and rehabilitation for low-income families. Janet is a resource development specialist for Hazard Perry County Community Ministries, a social services organization for the homeless and mentally ill. They live in Krypton, KY, where they recently completed building their own home.

Christian and Patricia **Boswell** have a daughter, Maggie Marron, born in February 2002.

Bill Townsend and his partner David Spector have twin daughters, Jennifer Paige and Ashley Elizabeth, born Nov. 30, 2002.

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Carole Choate Blankenship, longtime member of the Rhodes voice faculty, received her doctor of musical arts degree in vocal performance from the University of Memphis Dec. 14, 2003.

Lisa McGee, an assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Pittsburgh, was featured in the Oct. 22, 2003, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, in which she extolled her liberal arts education at Rhodes. "My non-science courses were as important as my science courses....I received a well-rounded education," she said in the article.

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Navy Lt. Cdr. **Paul Eich** received his fourth Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal for two years of outstanding service at Patrol Squadron One, Barbers Point, HI.

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Compadres:

I'm writing this column in November, but by the time you get it in your hands, it will be well into 2004. So...I decided to poll our class and see what resolutions folks are making (and, undoubtedly, breaking) for the New Year. I also asked folks to take

a guess at how successful they'll be with their resolution. Here's a sampling:

Eddie Vincent Swihart swears that in 2004, "My New Year's Resolution will be to make writing fiction pay at least minimum wage. I'd put my odds at about one in three, but hey, we live once, right?" Money ain't all it's cracked up to be, Edie. Take it from someone who doesn't have any.

A brave **Shawn Abel** writes to say that his resolution is to keep his fourth period class quiet. He gives himself "absolutely no chance of pulling it off." (At least you're trying, Shawn...)

Real estate headlines **Karen Cagle York's** resolution. She swears that she and Steve will buy a house this spring. And, she adds, "Chances of pulling it off? Depends on Mommy's end-of-year bonus!"

Laura Jane Richens says her New Year's resolution will be "to try to be a better listener and to interrupt less. It's an ongoing battle. I've tried it before, but with little success (just ask my friends and family!) I even interrupt myself."

Laurie Fromberg Norris wrote in with a most *interesting* resolution. I wish her the best of luck with it, but I'm not so sure she intended me to publish it. Let's just say her husband will be a happier man in 2004.

Susan Hook Patterson writes in with a resolution we should *all* attempt, because even if you only succeed a little bit, you're still doing something great. To wit: "Call or write a real letter (no e-mail) to at least one friend once a week. This means just for fun, not to set up a play date for my kids or switch car-pool times. I give myself an expected 85% success rate."

And as for me, hmmmmm, I'm not so sure. Part of me wants to slow down appreciably. But the other, bigger part of me is scared to do so. So I think I'll stick with something easy, like getting a dog.

And as for the here-and-now, here's some real news worth sharing:

Ricci Hellman has been named coordinator of criminal justice re-

search and strategic planning at the Memphis Shelby County Crime Commission.

Katherine Bres Ware has accepted a position on the administrative staff of the Fort Worth Business Press, which she describes as a “very well-positioned player in the community.” KB, no matter what you do or where you do it, you’ll do it GREAT!

Susan Hook Patterson tells of her recent visit with **Betsy Hamilton** ’88 who “runs Atlanta.” No surprise there.

And the happy, happy news I always love to announce: another baby! On June 13, 2003, **Emily Bailio** gave birth to son Will. He was welcomed home by big sister Olivia who is almost 4. I got a picture; he’s a cutie! Emily also adds that she is working about part-time for the Jefferson County Health Department in Birmingham and trying to juggle medicine and motherhood.

Curtis and **Alice McCarthy Finn** have a new baby at their house. Mary Courtney Finn arrived Nov. 14, 2003. She was 7 lbs., 11 oz. and 19 1/4 in. long. (It is amazing what you can forget about birthing pain in four years. I guess if you didn’t, no one would ever have a second child!) Her big brother thinks she is the neatest thing since sliced bread and is playing the big brother role to the hilt. Hopefully the newness of that role won’t wear off very quickly.

Many of you get my quarterly e-mail, gently prodding you for news to share. If you don’t get that e-mail, drop me a line so I can add you. And my last group e-mail was undeliverable to the following people: John Alsobrook, Jean Ann Conley Beckley, Jim Springfield, Joel Pettit, Sherrie Keeney Hollis, Tom Ray, Mary Munn Laronge and Greg Goodwin. Send me a current e-mail address so we can stay in touch.

And for those of you who either don’t live in Memphis or don’t visit campus regularly, you’re going to be AMAZED at the size—the sheer majesty!—of the new Barret Library. Stay tuned for news about its grand opening (it’s no time soon, but you can chart the construction progress at the Rhodes Web site).

Here’s to a happy and healthy 2004!

Brian

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William and **Jane Vahlkamp Andrus** married June 21, 2003. Jane is marketing and exhibitions coordinator for the University of Kentucky Art Museum.

Memphis attorney **Florence Johnson** was interviewed by two publications in the fall. She was featured in the September 2003 *Downtowner* magazine about her involvement with the former Memphis Black Repertory Theatre. An article in the October 2003 edition of *Trial*, the journal of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, describes her experience with color-bias lawsuits.

Tom and **Valerie Gray Jordan** announce the birth of their daughter, Savannah Leigh, May 27, 2003. She joins brother Joey (2 1/2). Valerie continues to work part time as a small animal veterinarian.

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Charles Holt awaits the release of his debut album, *I Can Love Again*, in February. He is still in the Broadway production of *The Lion King* and was featured in his first film, *Anne B. Real*, which has won several film festival awards and has been picked up by Universal. He recently played on *Law & Order: Criminal Intent* Nov. 2, 2003, and his one-man show, *Black Boy*, kicked off its touring season in October at the Kennedy Center’s Eisenhower Room in Washington, DC. The production will be at Rhodes Feb. 23.

David LaValle, his wife Tricia and two daughters, Madeline (6) and Emily (3), live in St. Louis, where he works as a senior vice president at Fleishman-Hillard Inc., an interna-

tional public relations firm. The family, which has been in St. Louis since 1999, previously lived in Washington, DC, for 10 years.

Bobby Reed has been named chair of the department of chemistry at Austin Peay State University.

Karin Fielder Weaver works with the Bright Horizons Foundation, which builds children’s playrooms in home shelters around the country.

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Berkeley Bush recently returned from a mission trip to Belgium and has taken part in prayer rallies at the Alabama Supreme Court Building regarding the federal court order to remove the Ten Commandments from the rotunda.

Eric Cárdenas has been named director of media relations at Connecticut College, where he will serve as the college’s chief public spokesman. Formerly, he was director of communications at Albertson College in Idaho.

Chief executive officer of the Indiana Coalition Against Sexual Assault, **Anita Horn Carpenter** was featured in a recent article in the *Indianapolis Business Journal*. Anita is a member of an advisory board of the Rape Abuse Incest National Network and is one of the seven members on a panel to review sexual-misconduct allegations at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Nathan and **Rachel Henegar Hasty** announce the birth of their daughter Caroline Grace, June 10, 2003.

Andy Mus has joined Marsh Communication’s investor relations practice, working in all areas of the financial communications services of the Atlanta-based company. He is also a member of the board of directors of Progressive Redevelopment, an independent nonprofit developer of affordable housing in Georgia.

Tom and **Cathy Eschmeyer Wade** celebrate the birth of their third child, a daughter, Keeley Patricia, April 16, 2003.

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Michael Robbins, who completed his M.B.A. and M.P.M. degrees at the University of Maryland last year, currently resides in Concord, NH, with his wife Heather. He is director of operations at FIRST, the national nonprofit organization founded by Dean Kamen, the inventor of the Segway Human Transporter.

Jonathan Smoke, senior vice president and chief information officer for Beazer Homes USA Inc. in Atlanta, was nominated for the CIO of the year award by the CIO Leadership Association.

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David '91 and **Emily Newsom**

Cook announce the birth of their second son, Tyler Clark, Jan. 1, 2003. Big brother Tanner is four.

Jon and **Tracy Bonéy Nipp** welcomed Alec James into the world Nov. 18, 2002. Emma Grace (2 1/2) adores her big brother.

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YVES ROUGELOT CLARK

A software engineer for Bentley Systems Inc., **David Assaf** is also trumpet soloist at Grove United Methodist Church and participates with Relay for Life. He and his family live in Coatesville, PA.

Doug Bacon married a Sewanee graduate, Julie Phelps, Aug. 9, 2003, in New Orleans. They live in Memphis, where Doug is executive director of Mpact Memphis, a non-profit organization that serves as a central mechanism for reaching, educating, developing and involving diverse emerging leaders in Memphis

Scott and **Harkness Harris Brown** welcome their son, Tallent Harris, born June 30, 2003.

Army Capt. **Harper Cook** received a bronze medal for his service

in Afghanistan. He is now serving in Mosul, Iraq.

Chris and **Carter Murray Dawson** welcome a son, Taylor Devillier, born Dec. 4, 2002.

Les Johnson and his partner Jim Ibarra live in Atlanta, where Les works as a real estate marketer with Atlanta Intown Real Estate.

Communications director at A+ Education Foundation, **Jennifer Cobb Pyron** is a member of the Holy Cross Episcopal School board of trustees and volunteers with Leadership Montgomery.

Richard and **Caroline Williams Reynolds** married Oct. 4, 2003.

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Jennifer Erkulwater won the John F. Heinz Dissertation Award from the National Academy of Social Insurance. She is an assistant professor of political science at the University of Richmond.

Brendan and **Natasha Westrich Wood** welcomed their second child, Sarena Grace, May 13, 2003. She joins their son Ethan (2). Brendan and Natasha celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary June 13, 2003. Natasha works as an art therapist in pediatric oncology at both Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis.

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Brian and **Courtney Melchers Murphy** announce the birth of their son Patrick James, Sept. 18, 2003.

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Allyson Dorsey and Richard Tuttle married Oct. 11, 2003. The couple lives in New Orleans, where she is an attorney with Catholic Charities, and he is an attorney with New Orleans Legal Assistance.

Featured in an article in the Sept. 21, 2003, issue of *The Commercial Appeal*, **Joy Richmond** is vice president of First Tennessee Housing Corp. and a board member of the Memphis Urban League.

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After serving as assistant director of admissions at Rhodes for more than four years, **Danny Kahalley** is now enrolled as a graduate student at the University of Alabama, where he is pursuing a master's degree in advertising and public relations.

Stephanie Shackelford works as an executive assistant in the Tennessee General Assembly.

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Ben and **Ginger Laney Clopper** married May 17, 2003.

David and **Adrienne Ballew Elder** purchased their first home in northwest Washington, DC, last spring. David has begun his second year with the Akin Gump law firm, and Adrienne, who will receive her M.P.H. degree in May, is working for The Center for Health and Health Care in Schools.

Memphis attorney **Roblin Webb** is the first president of the Memphis Urban League Young Professionals auxiliary. She was featured in an article in *The Commercial Appeal* Nov. 6, 2003.

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After recently graduating from the University of Houston Law Center, **Todd Foss** now works as law clerk for the Hon. Nancy K. Johnson of the District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

Lindsey Patrick was featured in an article in the *Bartlett Express* for creating storytelling sessions at the Bartlett branch of the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library.

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Christie Brewer and **Jeremy Boyd** live in New York City, where they both attend Columbia University. Christie is pursuing a M.Div. at Union Seminary, and Jeremy is playing ultimate frisbee and conducting a rigorous post-baccalaureate program to prepare himself for medical school.

Neely Draughon is finance director for the Nashville Songwriters Association International.

Amanda Flaim has begun a master's program in international comparative education at Stanford University. She intends to study the potential impacts of AIDS on educators and educational infrastructure in South African township schools.

Julia Garrett and **Clint Randolph** married Dec 27, 2003, in Baltimore.

James Jordan has published a book titled *Occupational Hazards* about jobs that he has had since graduation. It is available on amazon.com. James currently works for a national spiritual Web site, explorefaith.org, and is a short-order cook at a handgun firing range in Bartlett, TN.

Eric Sefton ran sound for the production of *The Wizard of Oz* at the Desoto (MS) Youth Theatre. He is also one of the many alumni members of the band Angry Puppets. Other members include **Joe Vescovo '02**, **Sam Weigle '03**, **Kyle Hatley '04**, **Matt Reed '04** and **Charles White '06**.

After graduation, **Kara Swan**

moved to South Lake Tahoe, CA, where she worked as a children's ski

instructor at a local ski resort. In January 2003, she moved to Sacra-

Goodbye, Virginia

Sam Thompson '03 sent the following e-mail to friends in October while running the Appalachian Trail. He has since completed the course.

Howdy everyone! Well, I have now made it all the way through the fair state of Virginia—well almost. I'm in Damascus right now, but I don't think the 2.8 miles to the Tennessee border should prove too terribly taxing. For many, it takes around 2 months to get through the state of Virginia—I am out in about 3 weeks, so I'm still moving along. Virginia was indeed a very long state—lots of ups and downs, long ridgeruns etc. The leaves are beautiful right now, but also are falling off rapidly, making the trail a little hard to follow at times. A couple noteworthy Virginia experiences that come to mind right now are for one, another bear encounter. This time 2 black bears running straight down the trail (northbound), with me running straight at them. Thankfully we all looked up right about the same time before we crashed into each other, and they graciously veered off the trail and were gone in no time. Definitely quite an exciting experience. Another scary encounter happened about a week ago in a shelter along the trail. It was pouring rain and freezing out, and I woke in the middle of the night to an older guy crouched over me trying to strangle me. Obviously he did not succeed, but it was quite a shock. Apparently he was not a fan of the night music I was making. Anyway, made it out unscathed, and needless to say ran from that shelter at a pretty good clip. I've been doing a bit more night hiking of late, as the days are getting so incredibly short, and have seen some amazingly clear bright night skies littered with stars. The weather has been beautiful the past few days as I went through the Grayson Highlands and Mt. Rogers area, but it is definitely getting super cold at night. I just heard that there is actually a possibility of snow at the end of this week. This gives me a lot of incentive to keep my pace up and go ahead and get to Springer. "Only" about 460 miles left now—a veritable walk in the park. I'll be rolling out of Damascus in pair #6 of shoes (hopefully these will make it to the end), and carrying pack #3 for the trip (again—hoping it'll make it). It feels surprisingly good to be back in the South—I feel like I can communicate with the locals a lot better than other Southbounders I'm passing who are from the North. Also, nice to see grits, biscuits 'n gravy, fried chicken etc. on menus when I pass through towns. Well, I had best return to the trail and get back to running. Hope you all are doing great, and thank you thank you for all the support and prayers!

—Flash

mento and began a graduate program in counselor education at California State University.

Emily Thomason and Brad Milsaps married Aug. 23, 2003, in Nashville, where Emily works at Amsouth Bank.

A salesman for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, **Patrick Yoder**, is currently number one in sales for his district, which won district of the year for 2002.

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At the annual meeting of the Alabama State Bar Association, **Will Coxwell** received the Pro Bono Award for Law Students for his vol-

unteer work at the offices of the Legal Services Corp. of Alabama. He is a second-year student at the University of Alabama School of Law.

Taylor Teas worked on the set crew of the Desoto (MS) Youth Theatre's performance of *The Wizard of Oz*.

Matthew Wilder and **Amanda Valencia** married Oct. 25, 2003, in Dallas. Matthew, an intelligence officer at Fort Hood, TX, graduated with honors from the Intelligence Officers Course at Fort Huachuca, AZ.

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Mandie Killie and Jim Curty married Aug. 23, 2003. Bridesmaids

included **Jessica Hoback**, **Lisa Di Trollio**, **Angela Springer** and **Elizabeth Smith**. The couple lives in Winchester, TN. Mandie is catering director at Sewanee and Jim is a loan officer at Traders National Bank.

Laura Marks is a staff assistant legislative correspondent in the office of Nebraska Rep. Doug Bereuter.

Sarah Tipton, program director of the Desoto (MS) Youth Theatre, organized the theatre's performance of *The Wizard of Oz*.

In Memoriam

'34 **Louise Barbee Hightower** of Cordova, TN, Sept. 12, 2003. A member of the Twentieth Century Club, Daughters of the American Revolution and First Baptist Church of Grenada, MS, she was the widow of George D. Hightower Jr. She leaves a daughter, a son and two grandchildren.

'36 **Grace Meridith Johnson Burke** of Memphis, Sept. 7, 2003. A retired florist, she was a member of Whitehaven Baptist Church and the Soroptimist Club. She leaves her husband, William H. Burke, and a stepson.

'36 **Kate Chadwell Galbreath Eustis** of New Orleans, July 17, 2003. A member of Christ Church Cathedral, she co-founded the Cathedral Cooking School and a tutorial program for neighborhood children. She was the first president of the Longue Vue House Gardens and a member of the board of Planned Parenthood of Louisiana. The widow of Laurance Eustis, she leaves a daughter, two sons and four grandchildren.

'36 **Marjorie Ann Stratmann** of Shelby County, TN, June 9, 2003. Retired from the city of Memphis after 37 years, she was a World War II Red Cross worker and an inductee in the Memphis Park Commission Sports Hall of Fame. A member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, she

leaves her sister, Louise Stratmann '29, as well as five other sisters.

'37 **Gladys Crump Pierce** of Memphis, Oct. 20, 2003. A retired teacher, poet and supporter of the Memphis Botanic Garden, she commissioned a life-sized sculpture of "Iris, Goddess of the Rainbow" in memory of her husband, the late John Pierce, who was an iris hybridizer. The sculpture will be installed at the Memphis Botanic Garden in summer 2004. He named one of his iris hybrids Glad Choice, after his wife. She leaves two sons and a sister.

'42 **Wilson Irving Osborne Jr.** of Memphis, Oct. 20, 2003. Retired general manager of Southern Cotton Oil Co., he was an elder and former choir member at Idlewild Presbyterian Church. He leaves his wife, Jane Peete Osborne '43, two daughters and four grandchildren.

'46 **Phil E. Orpet** of Franklin, TN, July 2002

'46 **Billye Sutton Reed** of Memphis, Sept. 15, 2003. A retired travel consultant for Carlson Wagonlit-George Garner Agency and a retired guide for See Memphis, she was a member of St. John's United Methodist Church. She leaves her husband, Vernon Reed, three daughters including Trudy Brown '70, six grandchild-

dren and one great-grandchild.

'49 **Clarence Marion "Bud" Camferdam Jr.** of Little Rock, AR, Aug. 16, 2003. A retired manufacturer's representative, he was a bombardier in the Air Force during World War II and awarded the Air Medal with five Oakleaf Clusters for flying 34 missions over Germany. He leaves his wife, Nancy Hames Camferdam '48, a son, a daughter, a sister, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

'49 **Beverly Morrow Loveless**, Sept. 4, 2003. She was the wife of H.J. Loveless Jr.

'50 **Julian Lewis Elliot Jr.** of Talladega, AL, Aug. 16, 2003. A member of First Presbyterian Church and a veteran of World War II, he leaves his wife, Wilmary Hitch Elliot '48, three sons, a sister and three grandchildren.

'76 **Lewis Daniel Anderson Jr.** of Mountain Brook, AL, Oct. 24, 2003. Former vice president of the correspondent and investment banking division of Compass Bank in Birmingham, he was also the former senior vice president of the fixed income division at Sterne, Agee and Leach. He was a member of the Birmingham Cathedral Church of the Advent. He leaves his wife of 21 years, Tracey Hewett Anderson, three sons, his mother, two sisters and a brother.

Rhodes Honor Roll of Donors 2002-03

Continued from Fall, 2003 Issue

The Rhodes supporters who appeared in the Fall issue of *RHODES* magazine included donors to the Annual Fund and the Heritage Society. This continuation of the Rhodes Honor Roll of Donors pays tribute to two other vital groups of college supporters—those who make capital gifts and the campus community.

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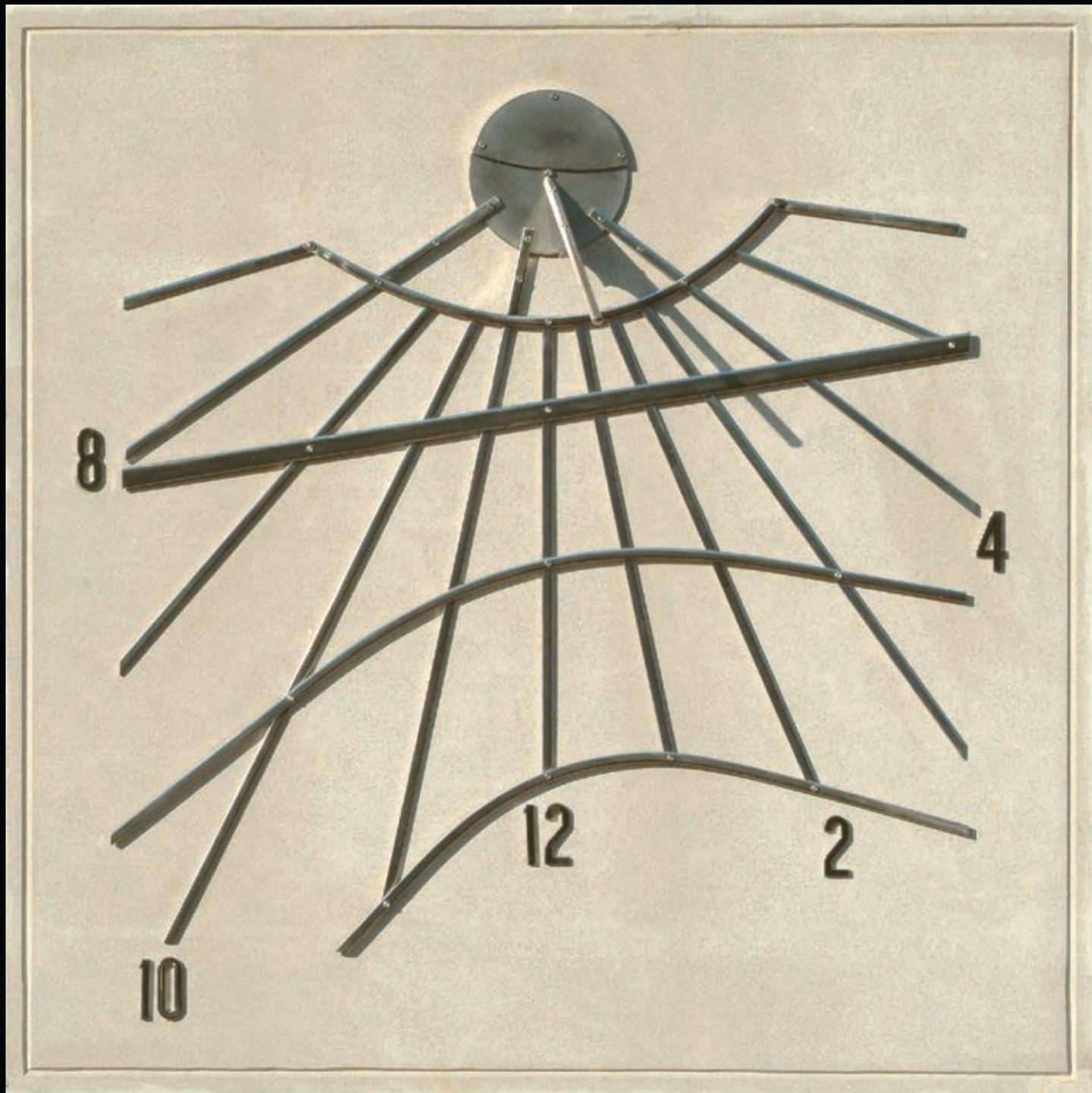
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