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The portrait of Spence Wilson on the summer 2009 cover was by artist Tom Donahue
During the nine months between becoming the 19th president of Rhodes College in July 1999 and his inauguration in April 2000, Bill Troutt established a solid reputation as “listener in chief.”

His approach was to take time to listen to people—faculty, staff, students, parents and alumni—all the while envisioning the college’s future. He began those conversations with the question, “How can we make Rhodes the best it can be?” He was on the way to leading an already excellent institution to one that would become extraordinary.

During Troutt’s “listening tour,” themes began to emerge:

- Faculty and staff members wished for more time to mentor students.
- The student services division aspired to expand residential programming.
- Everyone acknowledged the need to recruit and retain outstanding faculty by providing them the resources needed for happy and productive professional lives.
- There was an equally widespread call for curricular revision.
- The need for a new library was high on the wish list, but it didn’t stop there. The faculty requested that the college stay up-to-date with resources for both traditional learning and technology support.
Many felt that the college should interact more with the Memphis community.

The development of more opportunities for study abroad was another priority, along with increasing the diversity of the campus population. As one community member phrased it, “It is vital to a liberal arts education that students be exposed to a broad range of ideas and cultures.”

In his inauguration speech, Troutt articulated his conclusions and goals gathered from those listening tours in what he called “Ten Steps Forward To Advance Rhodes.” Several months later, 10 planning initiative committees were formed, each chaired by a faculty member, to make recommendations on how to achieve the 10 steps outlined in his inaugural address.

From those groups emerged the Rhodes Vision, a statement of the college’s mission along with four “strategic imperatives” on how Rhodes would achieve its goals. Adopted in 2003 by the Board of Trustees, the Rhodes Vision set the tone for what has come to be a defining decade in the college’s history.

The Rhodes Vision
Rhodes College aspires to graduate students with a lifelong passion for learning, a compassion for others and the ability to translate academic study and personal concern into effective leadership and action in their communities and the world. We will achieve our aspiration through four strategic imperatives:

Student Access
To attract and retain a talented, diverse student body and engage these students in a challenging, inclusive and culturally-broadening college experience

Student Learning
To ensure our faculty and staff have the talent, the time and the resources to inspire and involve our students in meaningful study, research and service

Student Engagement
To enhance student opportunities for learning in Memphis

Student Inspiration
To provide a residential place of learning that inspires integrity and high achievement through its beauty, its emphasis on values, its Presbyterian history and its heritage as a leader in the liberal arts and sciences

Working Together
For Bill Troutt, it’s always been about Rhodes community members working together, with the college benefiting from their solid interactions with one another, with Memphis and the world, all centered on a beautiful campus that inspires everyone to strive for excellence in all they do.

For openers, in 2001, students were greeted with a totally renovated Stewart Hall and brand-new East Village, an apartment-style residence hall for juniors and seniors. In 2005, after three years in the making, the college celebrated the opening of the Paul Barret Jr. Library, a state-of-the-art facility made possible by a $35 million bequest of Paul Barret Jr. ’46. It was the largest gift in the college’s history. In ensuing years, McCoy Theatre doubled its size, thanks to funding from the McCoy Foundation, a new outdoor track was installed, the Lynx Lair in the Bryan Campus Life Center was redesigned and Burrow Hall became the place where students could conduct the business of being a student.

Across the board, representative members of the entire Rhodes community, including students, were involved in each project.

Says Allen Boone ’71, vice president for Finance and Business Affairs:
“Students were involved in focus groups on products/merchandise for the bookstore. They also served on the steering committee for the creation of the new Campus Master Plan, were involved in selecting furniture for Barret Library (in addition to the development of...
the program requirements for the building—study rooms, coffee shop, etc.) and gave input on classroom furniture during the production of the Academic Space Plan. Students were also extensively involved in the production of the Residential Master Plan, the results of which led to the construction of East Village and the Stewart Hall renovation, and improvements to various social spaces and other general residence hall improvements such as improved laundry facilities and reduced density.”

In another matter, one student, who knew Troutt would listen to her, literally took things into her own hands. While the president and the Athletics Department staff were very much aware that the outdoor running track was in a state of disrepair, runner Amy Paine ’03, with a piece of the damaged track in hand, visited with Troutt to discuss the situation. Her graphic demonstration was greatly appreciated, and the track was completed the following fall.

There’s more. When several students wanted to renovate the Lair, they organized, sought the help of

A Decade of Learning Opportunities

Academically, and in terms of service, the world has opened up to Rhodes students in the last decade. Some of the programs include:

- **Rhodes CARES** (Center for Academic Research and Education through Service), funded by a grant from the Robert and Ruby Fridd Charitable Trust, strengthens undergraduate research and service tied to scholarship. It encompasses programs such as:
  - *Rhodes Institute for Regional Studies:* A summer research opportunity in Memphis and the Mid-South
  - *Rhodes St. Jude Summer Plus research program:* An intensive research program pairing Rhodes students with St. Jude researchers
  - *Rhodes/UT:* An intensive research program pairing Rhodes students with University of Tennessee neuroscience researchers.
  - *CODA:* Center for Outreach in the Development of the Arts, providing fellowships for students to become advocates for the arts in the community
  - *Summer Service:* A nine-week summer program that offers Rhodes students the opportunity to tackle a significant community project
  - *Bonner:* A program that supports the development of leadership and service within a liberal arts education
  - *Rhodes Learning Corridor:* Partnerships with the neighborhoods adjacent to campus, four nearby public schools and other neighboring community and educational organizations to provide learning opportunities for Rhodes students and extend these opportunities beyond the classroom and into the immediate community
  - *InMotion:* The InMotion Musculoskeletal Institute is a nonprofit orthopedic laboratory located in the Memphis Medical Center District. InMotion currently offers one research fellowship for a Rhodes undergraduate
  - *Rhodes Student Travel Fund:* To facilitate student travel to present research or creative activity at professional meetings
staff members and alumni, thought the process through and achieved their goals. Says Andy Greer ’07: “Before attending Rhodes, I was certain I would learn from outstanding faculty. I never dreamed that staff would have such a significant impact on my education. For me, I found that it was the two intersecting that enhanced my Rhodes experience.”

**Student Support**

Of primary importance, of course, is what goes on— and outside—all those spaces. The answer is: plenty. Rhodes students are benefiting from initiatives born in the last decade.

In the sciences, there are opportunities to do one-on-one research with a faculty mentor on campus, or at one of Memphis’ renowned medical facilities.

In the humanities, students can do graduate-level research at the summer Institute for Regional Studies and receive a stipend for their work, or be a CODA fellow, advocating for the arts throughout the city and receive tuition for their efforts. The Mike Curb

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- **The Jack H. Taylor Fellowship in Physics:** Given by Charles ’65 and Patricia Robertson to fund study and research by an outstanding student, in honor of the professor emeritus of Physics, a 1944 Rhodes graduate
- **Spence L. Wilson Service Scholarship Program**
- **Wilson Family Foundation Service Scholarship**
- **SunTrust Scholarship**
- **The Michaelcheck Endowment Fund,** Bill ’69 and Pam Michaelcheck to support student learning
- **The McNeill Family Scholarship Fund,** Mabel and Phil McNeill
- **The L. Palmer Brown III Service Fellowship,** Axon Brown and Bryan Morgan
- Rhodes was named a **Watson Foundation school** in 2002; each year, Rhodes seniors are invited to compete with other selected students around the country for a Watson Fellowship to study anywhere in the world for a year after graduation.
- Michael Lamb ’04 was named the college’s seventh Rhodes Scholar.
- The college’s first Luce Scholarship was awarded to Aaron Creek ’07, one of 15 new U.S. graduates to study in Asia for a year.
- The Buckman Center for International Education was established by the family of Robert H. Buckman to place students in study and work settings abroad.
- The Vanderbilt-Rhodes Academic Partnership was forged for student and faculty interchange.
- Rhodes and George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences entered an early selection program for Rhodes students.
- The Mike Curb Institute for Music was established for study of the music and culture of the region.
- An interdisciplinary Environmental Studies minor was funded by a Mellon Foundation grant.
- Academic career advising came into being, with Alan Jaslow, Biology, as director of health professions; and Mike La Rosa, History, and Judith Haas, English, advising students on graduate school fellowships.
- A major revision of the curriculum called the Foundations Curriculum, an outcomes-based program of study, the product of a faculty-student committee, took effect in 2007.
- The Rhodes Student Associate Program was formed, providing students mentored, professional work experience on campus.
- Rhodes Fellowships were established, a mentored academic program for students to combine classroom knowledge with paid, real-world experiences in learning environments on campus and throughout Memphis and the world.
- The college’s student-centered goal is reaping dividends. Admissions applications have doubled and the size of the student body has increased.
Institute for Music offers research opportunities for faculty and students who are interested in studying and experiencing the cultural history of the region.

Other research opportunities abound, and the college continues to seek ways to enhance the learning experience through study abroad, academic fellowships and internships. There are service fellowships as well, along with plenty of ways to volunteer in nearby public schools, neighborhoods and all over Memphis.

Says Bill Evans, director and CEO of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, “It has been remarkable working with President Troutt to develop partnerships between Rhodes and St. Jude. This has created ‘real world’ educational experiences for Rhodes students and on many occasions piqued their interest in medicine and

A Decade of Faculty Support

Several endowed chairs and professorships have been established in the last 10 years, including:

- The Spence L. Wilson Distinguished Chair in Humanities
- The James T. and Valeria B. Robertson Chair in Biological Sciences, established by Dr. James Robertson ’53 to support faculty teaching and research
- The Fulmer Chair in Political Science, established by Nancy ’51 and Arthur Fulmer
- The Dr. Iris Annette Pearce Shakespeare Endowment, an interdisciplinary gift established by Dr. Iris Pearce ’42 to support lectures by visiting scholars, classes offered by actors and directors in residence, conferences, workshops and performances as well as research by faculty
- The Martin-Kragh Faculty Development Fund for Biology and Chemistry, established by parents Steve and Nancy Martin in hope of perpetuating the close learning and working relationship their son Stuart ’08 had working in the laboratory of chemistry professor Loretta Jackson-Hayes.
- The Virginia Ballou McGehee Chair in Muslim-Christian Relations supports a distinguished faculty member’s research and course development as well as the work of a student research assistant.
- The Plough Foundation has endowed a chair in Urban Studies to strengthen public education, early childhood development, crime prevention, health care and economic development in Shelby County.

In addition, The Spence Wilson International Travel Fund, established by the Kemmons Wilson Family Foundation in honor of Rhodes’ longtime trustee and board chairman, enables faculty to travel and conduct research outside the U.S.

Also in support of faculty, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation provided a grant to support faculty in all stages of their careers to grow professionally.

Dr. John Gladney ’74 endowed The Jameson M. Jones Outstanding Faculty Service Award, named in honor of the former dean of the college, a 1934 Rhodes graduate, to continue the tradition of honoring faculty service at Opening Convocation every year.

The Environmental Studies program was established with a major grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, expanding the interdisciplinary Environmental Science minor and positioning Rhodes as a leader in the national conversation on the environment.
science. Having these incredible students working at St. Jude has also enriched our environment and helped advance our mission. It has been a big win for everyone involved.”

Faculty Support

One of Troutt’s goals—to strengthen the faculty and the academic program—has led to increased opportunities and support. For example, Rhodes has been able to recruit excellent faculty during the current economic downturn; while many colleges and universities were experiencing hiring freezes, Rhodes took advantage of the situation to hire a significant number of outstanding teachers/scholars to enhance both our academic community and program.

The college has established several endowed chairs and professorships that allow professors to expand research activities, often including projects that involve students.

The Spence Wilson International Travel Fund, established by the Kemmons Wilson Family Foundation in honor of Rhodes’ longtime trustee and board chairman, enables faculty to conduct research outside the U.S., collaborate with colleagues throughout the world, travel to retool or expand the curriculum, present papers at international conferences and take students abroad. Faculty who teach the Search or Life interdisciplinary curricula have greatly benefited from trips to Italy and Israel to experience those countries’ historic cultures firsthand.

Says Darlene Loprete, the James H. Daughdrill Jr. Professor of the Natural Sciences, “I know from serving on the Faculty Governance Committee that the president is sensitive to the needs of the faculty. Also during his tenure, he’s done a lot to foster undergraduate research. Student-faculty research is a tremendous advantage for students to learn and to see what opportunities are available to them outside the classroom, both on and off campus. Everyone has benefited from it.”

Trustee involvement

It was a propitious time in April 2000 when Bill Troutt was inaugurated president of Rhodes, for the next day, Memphian Spence Wilson, a Vanderbilt graduate, was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees. The goal of both men was the same—to lead an already excellent institution to become one that would be extraordinary. Through the years, several alumni have joined the board, reinforcing that goal. When Wilson stepped down from the chairmanship in July, New Yorker Bill Michaelcheck ’69 was named to head the group. He is the first alumnus to have done so.

That mutual support, understanding and hard work on everyone’s part have been responsible for the college’s many accomplishments of the past decade.

For a January 2001 board retreat, members of the board journeyed to Pomona College, where they met with that institution’s community for dialogue related to the theme “Understanding the Essence of a Liberal Arts Education.” As a result, the Rhodes trustees began discussions related to Rhodes’ strengths and distinctive characteristics.

Another board retreat was held a year later at Orange Lake, FL, hosted by Spence Wilson. For the first time ever, faculty were invited. There, faculty members shared their work on Planning Initiative Committees. At the May board meeting, their recommendations translated into the Rhodes Vision with its four strategic imperatives. The board adopted the vision at its January 2003 meeting and spent subsequent years addressing each of the imperatives and how the college could
achieve them.

Says Spence Wilson, president of Kemmons Wilson Inc. and longtime Board of Trustees chair, “Bill Troutt is an outstanding leader. His immense contributions to Rhodes began at his inauguration when he articulated 10 college-wide initiatives that set the college on a path of creativity and great success. His knowledge of higher education and his innate insights have enabled our board to achieve the highest levels in trustee governance. His ability to move fluidly among all of the college’s constituencies has earned him their confidence; and, as a result, our institution is stronger than ever. I continue to marvel at Bill’s capabilities and his wisdom.”

**Down to Earth**

The Rhodes Vision, for all its lofty ideals, is also practical. A passion for careful preparation dominates the administration’s approach to the future.

In 1925, Charles Diehl referred to the move to Memphis as “the chance of a lifetime.” President Troutt believes he received a similar chance.

“This opportunity to reaffirm the values of Southwestern, to build on a tradition of academic excellence, to work with some of the finest professionals in the country—who would not feel blessed in my position?” he says. “This college and its people make me very proud.”

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**1999**

**THE TROUTT YEARS**

- March—William E. Troutt named 19th president of Rhodes
- August—President Troutt begins listening tour
- April—President Troutt, inaugurated at Idlewild Presbyterian Church, articulates 10 initiatives for Rhodes
- Plans announced for $15.5 million East Village residence hall construction, Stewart Hall renovation and conservatory room in Voorhies-Townsend-Trezevant quad
- Rhodes invited to join Mellon Foundation collaborative for faculty career enhancement
- President Troutt named chairman of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

**2000**

- Trustees hold a retreat at Pomona College in California, begin discussions related to Rhodes’ strengths and distinctive characteristics
- A $35 million bequest from Paul Barret Jr. '46 for a new state-of-the-art library is announced
- Rhodes St. Jude Summer Plus Program established
- President Troutt named chairman of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

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**2001**

- Ten Planning Initiative Committees, based on 10 steps to advance Rhodes, are formed to make recommendations to achieve the 10 steps outlined in President Troutt’s inaugural address; each committee is chaired by a member of the faculty
Off and on Campus

A nationally-recognized and well-connected academic leader, Bill Troutt moves easily among the movers and shakers of government and higher education, while remaining focused on all tasks at hand.

Before coming to Rhodes, Troutt had served as Belmont University’s president for the previous 17 years. In 1997-98, he chaired the National Commission on the Cost of Higher Education, an 11-member panel of the nation’s top educators, authorized by Congress.

As president of Rhodes, in 2000 he was elected chairman of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and in 2003 was named...

2002

- Robert and Ruby Priddy Charitable Trust grants $6 million to the college, creating Rhodes CARES (Center for Academic Research and Education through Service)
- The first trustee/faculty retreat, hosted by board chair Spence Wilson, is held in Orange Lake, FL
- Paul Barret Jr. Library groundbreaking Dec. 12
- With a Mellon Foundation Grant, Rhodes and Furman University partner to study long-term faculty career development and faculty support
- Profs. John Kaltner (Religious Studies) and Michael LaRosa (History) are awarded Fulbright grants
- Rhodes named a Watson Foundation school with first Watson Fellow, Jena Balton ’02
- The Memphis Connection begins, an immersion in Memphis culture for incoming students

2003

- Board of Trustees adopts the Rhodes Vision and four strategic imperatives
- The Buckman Center for International Education established
- President Troutt named chairman of American Council on Education
- Rhodes receives federal Department of Education grant establishing the Rhodes Learning Corridor
- Vanderbilt-Rhodes Academic Partnership established
- Institute for Regional Studies begins,
- Rhodes included in college guidebook, Colleges of Distinction
- Mobile/Gulf Coast Chapter established

2004

- Summer Service Fellows program begins
- Michael Lamb ’04 named Rhodes Scholar
- Sunita Arora ’05 selected a Truman Scholar
- Mathematics professor Eric Gottlieb named a Fulbright Scholar
- Rhodes Student Associate Program begins with grants from the Mellon Foundation and the Lumina Foundation
- A Getty Trust grant enables Rhodes to study the adaptive re-use of several campus buildings and expand its listings in the national Register of Historic Places
- Atlanta Chapter established
chairman of the American Council on Education. In 2005, Troutt was named to the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program, a 16-member group of academics, national and state elected officials, consultants and business representatives concerned with expanding study abroad opportunities for U.S. college and university students. In addition, he has testified before the U.S. Senate Governmental Affairs Committee on the rising cost of college tuition and the effectiveness of government financial aid.

Serious matters, to be sure, but as with all endeavors, the president of Rhodes undertakes them with equanimity. Down-to-earth, good-humored and 2005

- The state-of-the-art Paul Barret Jr. Library opens
- CODA, the Center for Outreach in the Development of the Arts, established with funding from the Robert and Ruby Priddy Charitable Trust
- Rhodes one of 13 U.S. colleges to receive HUD Community Outreach Partnership Center grants to partner with and improve the adjacent neighborhood
- President Troutt named to the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program
- Rhodes joins the Consortium of Liberal Arts Colleges to explore and promote the use of information technology in the liberal arts
- Board of Trustees adopts Commitment to Achieving Our Aim
- Washington, DC, Arkansas, Memphis, Nashville, North Texas and Birmingham Chapters established

2006

- The Mike Curb Family Foundation establishes the Mike Curb Institute for Music at Rhodes
- The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching announces that Rhodes has met its standards for both its Curricular Engagement and Outreach and Partnerships, a prestigious classification
- College receives a National Leadership grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services for Crossroads to Freedom, the digital archive of the Memphis-area civil rights movement
- McCoy Theatre doubles its size with a grant from the McCoy Foundation
- Rhodes receives a $1 million congressionally-directed grant to begin a NASA Stars Program to enhance the sciences in neighboring Memphis City Schools
- Rhodes first named to President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll; Rhodes again named in 2008
- First Rhodes science students successfully complete in-flight experiment in 0-gravity at NASA’s Microgravity University
- Campus recycling program begins, a student-faculty-staff effort
- Houston, Chicago, New York and St. Louis Chapters established
practically a model for the bow-tie industry, he is as accessible to students and staff as he is to any senator. He loves meeting new and prospective students and their families, entertaining new students at his home in the fall with a barbecue complete with Elvis impersonator, even performing in All-Sing. In the office, he distributes candy door-to-door on Halloween and beads at Mardi Gras, and throws a mean first pitch at Rhodes home openers. Whether lecturing to a class on leadership, joining a student Habitat build, meeting with faculty and alumni, Bill Troutt can be expected to turn up just about anywhere. 11

2007

- The Foundations Curriculum begins
- Rhodes receives National Endowment for the Arts grant to support the Big Read in Memphis
- College officially “adopts” Memphis’ Central High School, Cypress Middle and Springdale Elementary schools, joining Snowden School
- Aaron Creek ’07 is the college’s first Luce Scholar, provided by the Henry Luce Foundation
- Rhodes enters an early selection program with The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences
- Souper Contact, Rhodes’ student-run soup kitchen, wins the Youth in Philanthropy Award from the Association of Fund Raising Professionals
- Renovated Lynx Lair opens, the result of student-staff planning
- Trustees unanimously approve new bylaws for trustee governance
- Trustees formally adopt a goal for the Campaign for Rhodes, the largest financial goal in college history
- New Orleans Chapter established

2008

- An Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant enables Rhodes to expand its Environmental Science program to Environmental Studies
- Trustees hold a retreat in New Orleans to continue work on leveraging strengths and maximizing assets of the college
- Chronicle of Higher Education cites Rhodes as “a great college to work for”
- Second team of science students successfully completes microgravity experiment at NASA
- New England Chapter established

2009

- Burrow Hall, formerly Burrow Library from 1953-2005, re-opens as the Center for Student Opportunity
- Crossroads to Freedom recognized as a model by the Institute of Museum and Library Services
- President Troutt receives the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Vanderbilt University’s Peabody College and delivers the commencement address
- The Rhodes Chapter of the Bay Area (greater San Francisco) established
It Costs How Much?

By Martha Hunter Shepard ‘66

What does it cost to be a student at Rhodes these days—really cost?

Definitely not the $200 students paid in 1925-26, the college’s first year in Memphis.

Not even this year’s advertised tuition price of $33,400.

The true cost to provide a Rhodes education is approximately $50,000 per student.

So who pays the difference between the actual cost and the tuition charge? And who pays for the financial aid that most students require?

Mostly, you. The money you give to the Annual Fund, plus income generated from the endowment, including endowed scholarships/fellowships, along with student financial assistance from the federal government (Pell grants, work-study) make it possible for Rhodes students to attend classes. All education costs are subsidized. In higher education, that’s the way it’s always worked.

In the higher education business model, our primary purpose is to invest in our product—well-educated students. In addition, Rhodes’ goal is to meet 100% of qualified students’ demonstrated financial need. We’re making progress in that area, but financial gaps for our students still exist. It’s an expensive proposition, but one to ensure the best and brightest get a shot at the best liberal arts education around.

As the Rhodes Vision states, “We aspire to graduate students with a lifelong passion for learning, a compassion for others and the ability to translate academic study and personal concern into effective leadership and action in their communities and the world.”

You can’t put a price tag on that, but you have to start somewhere.

Where the money comes from is a good place to begin.

• In 2008-09, Rhodes’ gross income budget was $76.8 million (see Income Budget chart).

• Tuition, fees, room and board accounted for $61.6 million of it.

• The allocation from the endowment fund provided $11.5 million.

• Gifts to the Annual Fund provided $2.6 million; miscellaneous income $1.1 million.

Where and how the money goes is carefully appropriated. Last year, after allocating approximately $20 million for financial aid, Rhodes was left to work with $57 million of its $77 million gross operating budget (see Expense Budget chart).

The endowment and the role it plays in providing financial aid is all-important, especially in the current economic climate.

In June 2008, Rhodes’ endowment was valued at $282 million.
In February 2009, it had dropped to $212 million.
The college ended its fiscal year in June with an endowment value of approximately $230 million, down about 18% from the previous year. That’s a significant reduction, but Rhodes fared much better than a number of institutions where losses have exceeded 30% or more.

While the endowment value is slowly on the way back up, for now, the college can’t count on it rebounding to pre-downturn levels anytime soon. According to Allen Boone ’71, Rhodes’ vice president for Finance and Business Affairs, the college is in for some belt-tightening.

“Last year’s negative investment performance will affect endowment support to the operating budget. Even if there’s an economic recovery, Rhodes will be facing fiscal pressures for at least the next three to five years,” says Boone. “That means that since endowment investment growth is subject to market conditions that are largely beyond our control, increased support for Rhodes will go far in helping close the gap.”

Nor can Rhodes count on a full enrollment of 1,600 students and the tuition they contribute to the operating budget.

Says Boone, “The college is highly dependent on tuition for the majority of its operating income, so any volatility in enrollment magnifies the effect on operating budget revenues.”

In other words, if 25 current students are unable to return in the fall because of personal financial constraints, or if Rhodes doesn’t meet its goals for the number of entering students, the college’s proposed operating budget suffers.

The good news is that, thanks to the professional staff and the Board of Trustees, Rhodes’ finances are carefully managed:

• We balance the budget (this is the 36th year in a row we’ve done it).
• We allocate it efficiently (we look to the future, we carefully plan where every dollar goes and we stick to it).
• We run a tight ship with a smart, minimal staff (we employ a little more than half the staff comparable colleges do).
• Standard & Poor’s has assigned our underlying bond rating as A+.
• We have a considerably lower debt burden than most comparable institutions.

Rhodes has always been a good investment—now more than ever. Says Boone, “While we’re able to absorb the financial shocks now, it’ll be tight for the next few years and we are even more dependent on philanthropic support. The longer the downturn lasts, the harder the fiscal choices will be.”

It still takes a village to make it work. It always has. Throughout the college’s history, donors have helped subsidize every single alum’s Rhodes education. A great deal of it has been, and is, anonymous—do you know who gave how much to subsidize your education?

Yet when it comes to giving, many people think their individual gift doesn’t matter, that it would be too small or that the big gifts cover everything, so why bother?

The truth is, every gift—small, large or in between—matters because every gift is creative. All gifts come together to create financial aid, scholarships, faculty salaries and other critical programming. Fortunately for alumni and for today’s students, it’s the way it’s always worked.
Rhodes Welcomes New Board Chair

On July 1, 2009, Bill Michaelcheck ’69, became chairman of the Rhodes Board of Trustees, of which he has been a member for 19 years. The founder of New York-based Mariner Investments, Michaelcheck succeeds Spence Wilson, who has served on the board for 38 years and as chairman for nine. The college prizes both men’s unparalleled service—and longevity.

As an alum, a longtime trustee and a member of the board’s Finance Committee, what does Bill Michaelcheck consider the most pressing challenge facing Rhodes as it prepares to educate the next generation?

“Financial aid,” he answers. Being able to provide access to the students who really want to come to Rhodes but may not be able to afford it is critical to the college’s future, he explains. And doing so, he continues, will take a significantly larger endowment than Rhodes currently has.

“I think the college today wants the best student body, not the richest student body,” he says, noting that a diverse cross-section of students is a major goal. “But that is very expensive,” he says.

(The college’s ultimate goal is to provide 100% of a student’s financial need. Currently, Rhodes meets 84% of students’ need. According to college officials, fully funding the current aid budget and meeting the 100% of need would require an additional $345 million in scholarship endowment.)

“We compete with colleges like Middlebury and Williams, not to mention Emory, Vanderbilt and Davidson,” says Michaelcheck. “Most, if not all of these institutions have larger endowments per student and therefore more scholarships. It’s a real challenge.”

What’s more, Michaelcheck says, Rhodes must compete more vigorously with state institutions that offer “very special scholarships for the best students.”

“Right now we don’t have the money to do this. So we make compromises. Students have to take out giant loans. Some just can’t come,” he says.

Among the nation’s 50 top liberal arts colleges, Rhodes ranked 37th in endowment per student in 2008, according to U.S. News and World Report.

“While Rhodes has a nice endowment, we’re way down that list. If you compare Rhodes to some schools in the region, we look great. We have a beautiful campus and buildings. We balance the budget every year. But given our goals and objectives, we are certainly the poor relation in the liberal arts world among the colleges with which we compete.”

Throughout its history, Rhodes has outperformed its financial resources, notes Michaelcheck. “Rhodes has always been fighting above its weight class,” he claims.

In addition to providing access for worthy students to attend the college, an expanded endowment, notes Michaelcheck, would benefit the other major component in a top-tier education: faculty.

As Rhodes increases its emphasis on student-faculty undergraduate research, the costs escalate—for laboratories and facilities as well as faculty. “These experiences are very faculty intensive. If we expect our faculty to give the individualized attention that Rhodes is all about, we have to maintain a low student-faculty ratio. And to do that, we will have to have a relatively large group of faculty for our size.”

Another priority, he explains, is access to international study.

“I was lucky enough to spend a year abroad on a scholarship when I was at Rhodes,” he says. “In the world we’re in, our students need that global exposure to be well-rounded, truly educated students. In the future we’d like to be able to say that every Rhodes student gets at least one semester abroad.”

While Rhodes faces some steep challenges ahead, Michaelcheck believes the college will succeed.

“Rhodes is doing so many great things that people want to help it. People want to be affiliated with a winning team. If you’re going to give a scholarship or fellowship, if you’re going to build a building, you want it at a place that is doing great things, a place that you are proud of, that represents the values you have.”

“There are a lot of people out there who are proud to remember they went to Rhodes,” Michaelcheck emphasizes.

By all indications, Bill Michaelcheck heads the list.
Students value the close-knit community at Rhodes in part because it leads to opportunities to interact with professors one-on-one and embark upon research outside the classroom, wherever their interests may lie. The students whose stories unfold here have stretched their wings working on projects that appealed to their personal interests—projects that, in some cases, did not necessarily tie in to their major or primary courses of study. With the guidance of professors who trusted them and gave them plenty of room to work, these students have enriched their own Rhodes experience—in addition to the cultural knowledge of the community—in ways they never envisioned when they first arrived on campus.

Middle Eastern Fashionista

Natalija Kokoreva ’10 did not expect to become involved in a historical research project when she enrolled in a Middle Eastern dance class to fulfill a PE requirement her sophomore year. But in that class she met associate professor of Economics and Business Administration Dee Birnbaum, who introduced Kokoreva to her extensive collection of Middle Eastern clothing and jewelry.

“When she showed me her collection I was amazed—I just loved it!” Kokoreva says. “So I joined another student, Allister Wilton ’10, who was already working with Professor Birnbaum to help document and catalogue the various items in her collection.” That work led to an even bigger project the following year—Kokoreva helped organize a fashion exhibition of Professor Birnbaum’s collection for Rhodes students, faculty and the larger community.

“She does show bits and pieces of her collection to small groups every year, but nothing had been shown on this scale before,” Kokoreva says. “This is something you don’t see every day. The collection is truly valuable not just in monetary terms, but also in terms of the information it provides on the people of these areas. Certain details in the clothing and pieces serve as a sort of code that has meaning. The number of pendants in a necklace might signify if the wearer was married or had children, for example.”

A biology major, Kokoreva is also a CODA (Center for Outreach in the Development of the Arts) fellow, so working on Professor Birnbaum’s collection became her CODA senior project.

“I have loved it; I would not have done anything else,” she says. “Professor Birnbaum has been collecting for many years, and visiting her house is like walking through a museum. Learning about the cultures and roles of the peoples in these communities through these pieces of clothing and jewelry was extremely interesting, and it is amazing to me that this professor who is not [ethnically] part of the culture cares so much about preserving these people’s national treasures.”

Birnbaum says her collection got its start in 1974, when she was in Afghanistan and fell in love with the culture. “I had Hungarian grandparents who did handwork so I appreciated the embroidery, and there is symbolism in many of the pieces, with stories woven in about the people who are wearing the garments,” she says.
“Students learn a tremendous amount from doing this work and going through books to learn the hallmarks of the silver, or what certain symbols mean, or the patterns of the textiles. The details we learn about each piece enrich the cultural knowledge, so the culture makes more sense to us.”

Birnbaum adds that the clothing is interesting not only from an anthropological standpoint, but also because of the political implications.

“Each area has a certain way of dressing,” she explains. “So if people understood for instance that a group connected to the Taliban is dressing this particular way, that tells you something … and you can see how this knowledge could have a military application. Look at the clothing and you can see the regional differences.”

**Raider of the Lost Archives**

Nathan Corbitt ’11 is studying Greco-Roman history this semester as part of the Rhodes European Studies program, but it was through a project for the Geology Department that he ended up digging into the history of Rhodes itself.

“I was a research assistant for Professor Carol Eckstrom freshman year, and that led to an internship in the Rhodes College Archives involving the college’s Vanuxem fossil collection,” he explains.

The collection was acquired by William M. Stewart, president of the college, then located in Clarksville, TN, shortly after the death of noted geologist Lardner Vanuxem in 1848. It is one of the college’s oldest surviving teaching tools. But there were gaps in the history of the project, and while early published sources described the collection as numbering in the thousands, only a few hundred items remained.

“It didn’t make sense,” says Corbitt. “It was understood that a majority of specimens were lost during the Civil War, but some of our college catalogues through the 1920s were still listing the collection as very much alive and in existence.”

So Corbitt began sifting through a variety of historical sources, from early college catalogues to board minutes, insurance papers and presidential correspondence, and ended up finding a scrap of paper that referred to a fire, which likely damaged a portion of the collection.

“We turned up a lot of information, and by the end of the internship I had written a 40-page paper that fleshed out a lot of gaps in the collection,” he says. “It was a great experience, and Bill Short and Elizabeth Gates on
the library and archives staff were extremely helpful. I had had some experience with electronic databases, but I had never looked at an archive before, so I was kind of learning as I went.”

In the course of his research on the fossil collection, Corbitt unexpectedly uncovered another amazing find—the oldest record of a catalogue published by the college. “I was especially pleased to receive the photocopy of the college’s 1853 catalogue that Nathan obtained from an archive in Pennsylvania with the help of our Inter-Library Loan Librarian, Kenan Padgett,” says college archivist Elizabeth Gates. “It was very rewarding to work with Nathan, whose enthusiasm for finding answers to his questions about the history of the Vanuxem collection was contagious. The project was a good reminder for me that the college’s ‘analog’ records, which have been preserved since 1848, have an important role in a ‘digital’ research project. Using the leads he found in our archives, he searched online databases and was able to locate and often access digital materials that were not known to me. Even though we maintain the college’s paper records in archival-quality storage in an environmentally controlled vault, they are deteriorating. We are moving toward digitizing the archival records to ensure that our historical memory will continue to endure.”

While Corbitt admits that scientific history isn’t his particular area of interest, he nonetheless found his work on the Vanuxem research project thoroughly enjoyable. “It was an incredible experience to put what I was learning in my history classes into action—I applied the methods of research I was being taught at the time to tackle this problem. Looking at an unknown portion of history, you realize that even though you might not know the answer, you know the questions to ask.”

**Restoring Zion**

The Zion Cemetery restoration project was not a part of her coursework as an English major at Rhodes, but Catherine Lawson ’09 applied to work on it because it was of special interest to her. Lawson had already done some projects on the cultural history of Memphis and saw restoration of the oldest African-American cemetery in Memphis as a vital project.

“That’s the beauty of a liberal arts college—over four years I was able to be involved in all kinds of different fields,” she says. “I ended up doing a lot of preservation of the cemetery’s original ledger—creating a digital version by photographing pages and building an Excel database of the entries. I got to see the ledger actually being put up on a website we created, so for the first time families can type in the name of a relative and figure out where they are buried. It was really neat to see the tangible result of information I entered, and it's exciting to know that will be used.

“I worked with Professor Milton Moreland on the project, and he gave me a lot of freedom to take charge of my part of it,” she adds. “I think Rhodes’ low student-faculty ratio helps in being able to work on projects like this so closely. You have the benefit of building a close relationship and trust with faculty, instead of being micromanaged.”

According to Professor Moreland, Lawson’s work was extremely important to the success of the project. “This type of collaboration provides students like Catherine a project that they can call their own,” he says. “I oversaw her work and gave her ideas about what
Catherine Lawson ’09 at historic Zion Cemetery

needed to be accomplished, but she was responsible for getting the job done. She not only became connected to an important part of Memphis history, she helped to provide access to hundreds of people who are seeking information about the first major Memphis cemetery that was established for formerly enslaved people after the Civil War. She took ownership of the project, and while working with the IT team at Rhodes, she came up with creative ways to make the historical information available to the public.”

The Holocaust in the Here and Now

Since high school, religious studies major Zach Albert ’10 has been interested in Holocaust research and working with the Holocaust survivor community. “I’m from Texas, and my volunteer work with the Dallas Holocaust Museum kind of sparked my passion in Holocaust education,” he explains. “When I applied to Rhodes, I fell in love with the school and the Bonner Program, which I knew would give me the opportunity to continue my passion for service work in college.”

Albert began his very first semester at Rhodes in a Holocaust course with Professor Michelle Mattson. At the end of his sophomore year, he enrolled in the inaugural Holocaust Travel Seminar and spent two weeks visiting concentration camps and museums in Europe with other Rhodes students and his adviser professor Stephen Haynes.

“Needless to say, that was a very emotional, amazing two weeks,” says Albert. “All the things I’d been hearing and reading and studying, I got to see firsthand. But when the rest of the students went home after two weeks, I stayed.”

Albert went to Ostrava in the Czech Republic to help repair Jewish cemeteries that had been forgotten or destroyed by Nazis.

“It’s the third largest Czech town and it used to have an enormous Jewish population before the war; there are about 30 remaining today,” he says. “It’s a dying community, so any attempt to preserve it is worth it. For two months I worked with the cemetery groundskeeper, whose name is Peter. He would be speaking Czech and we couldn’t understand each other at all, but we shared this passion for the work we were doing.”

Although he entered Rhodes as a premed major, Albert says Holocaust studies is an area he definitely will pursue after graduation.

“I’ve basically taken every course Rhodes has to offer in that subject, while still doing the science courses. But after the Holocaust Maymester, this was almost a calling. I just felt like that’s where I needed to be, and that’s where I needed to help.”

Albert spent part of this summer in Washington, DC, doing research at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. His independent research as a J.R. Hyde Award recipient focuses on Jewish spiritual resistance during the Holocaust.

“I want to uncover relationships among the human soul and God that were formed or severed during this time,” he says. “I hope to use research compiled over the summer on my senior project. After college I would really love to pursue a degree in religious studies...
or Holocaust studies and teach. I’m inspired by the professors I went on Maymester with. I’m attending a Holocaust studies conference with Professor Haynes and Professor Mattson this fall to present a bit of the paper I’ve been working on.”

Albert adds with a laugh, “Not in million years did I think that in coming to a small, Presbyterian liberal arts college would I become even more committed to Jewish studies! I think it’s a real testament to the college and the professors I’ve studied with.”

According to Professor Haynes, Albert came to Rhodes with a unique set of interests and experiences related to the destruction of European Jewry during the Holocaust.

“He also came with a sense of duty to preserve and honor pre-war Jewish culture,” Haynes explains. “Zach was one of seven Rhodes students who enrolled in the seminar and he shared with me his bar mitzvah project of rescuing a Torah scroll that had been looted from the Czech village of Horovice. We decided that we would try to incorporate a visit to this village into our trip. We also set out to find the Jewish cemetery that Zach had heard about. Finding it and walking among the grave markers was a very poignant example of what the Holocaust has meant for Jewish life in many parts of Europe. For Zach and for the rest of us the excursion to Horovice and to the cemetery became a journey of discovery.”

Haynes sees Maymester experiences like the Holocaust Travel Seminar as unequaled opportunities for developing deeper academic and personal connections with students.

“The eight of us traveled, ate, read, discussed, questioned, laughed and cried together for two weeks,” he says. “This kind of experience not only supplements the curriculum by expanding students’ knowledge, it deepens their encounters with the history they’ve studied in the classroom. The conference in October, at which Zach and I will both be part of a panel dealing with the travel seminar concept, is symbolic of the way Zach has seized the opportunity to become a co-learner with me—a co-creator of the academic experience, if you will. This is one of the things that makes the residential liberal arts experience at Rhodes so special and so valuable.”

With successful projects like these becoming a hallmark of the Rhodes experience, it’s no surprise that students and faculty get excited about the chance to work on collaborative research projects. As Natalija Kokoreva explained it, getting to work one-on-one with a professor on a project of personal interest is simply what Rhodes is all about.

“You study your major but you get to do things you like,” she says. “It’s a special attribute of Rhodes that there are so many ways to collaborate with faculty, and that each one has a passion or interest they are more than willing to share with students.”

Professor Dee Birnbaum believes she understands why Rhodes stands out.

“I think at larger colleges and universities professors tend to keep their private lives sacrosanct. Here we’re much more open to sharing our interests with students. That aspect is special to Rhodes.”
Teaching and Learning

Returning from four years in the international arena,
Andrew Michta benefitted from both

By Daney Daniel Kepple

Early in his tenure at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Andrew Michta learned to set firm rules for his classroom. His students in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany were very different from the respectful undergraduates he taught at Rhodes. There his classrooms were filled with ambassadors and generals who hailed from all over the planet. Not infrequently there were participants in the same room who had fought recently on different sides of a war.

Back at Rhodes after a four-year absence, Michta rattles off the classrooms basics at the Marshall Center:
• Whatever is said in the classroom stays here.
• Respect the person; attack the argument as vigorously as you like.
• Speak for yourself, not your government. I can read that on the Web site.

Even with all that, he occasionally had to call time out. “It was a highly charged atmosphere,” he says.

Michta had two titles at the center—Professor of National Security Studies, and Director of Studies for the Senior Executive Seminar, a program that he and his team created from the ground up. The program dealt with topics such as trans-Atlantic relations and terrorism recruitment. The American, French and German faculty often brought in high-ranking government officials to lecture.

In addition to teaching, Michta also did a great deal of outreach and policy consulting, all focused on security issues. He traveled extensively throughout Europe and Eurasia to destinations such as the European Institute for Security Studies in Paris and the European Parliament in Brussels. At the request of the U.S. government he presented a program on NATO membership requirements in Ukraine. Working with the Kennedy School at Harvard, he developed a curriculum for the Partnership for Peace Consortium Black Sea Working Group (NATO’s educational initiative for partner countries). He took students on field study trips to Washington, DC, and arranged briefings at the Pentagon, Supreme Court, State Department, Department of Homeland Security and Congress to demonstrate the U.S. security process. He kept up a frantic pace, with days beginning at 4:30 a.m. and lasting until 9 or 10 at night.

His private life was much more serene. He lived in a Bavarian cottage overlooking the mountains with his wife Cristina, daughter Chelsea and dog Sunnie. Garmisch compares favorably with Aspen, CO, he says. The family enjoyed cross-country skiing to the next village for dinner, and mountain climbing and hikes in the spring, summer and fall. Chelsea attended the Munich International School (MIS) in Starnberg and graduated with an International Baccalaureate high school diploma in spring 2009. As a varsity swimmer for MIS she competed in Europe and the Middle East. She was also very involved in the Model UN program, but her biggest accomplishment was to help build a school in Tanzania in summer 2008. Both Chelsea and her mother were avid volunteers. The U.S. Army Garrison-Garmisch planted a tree in Cristina Michta’s honor to commemorate her contribution to the U.S. community in Bavaria. They all enjoyed traveling around Europe.

It wasn’t easy to leave all that, and the leadership at the Marshall Center tried hard to persuade him not to (see sidebar). Michta, however, was feeling the pull of home. Although he and his family thrived in the cosmopolitan culture and the sports paradise of Garmisch-Partenkirchen, he is delighted to be back at Rhodes.

“I have been touched by the warmth of the welcome,” he says. “It is a pleasure to be reminded of the wonderful
qualities of this campus and this city.

He learned that while teaching generals, senior diplomats, ambassadors, ministers and parliamentarians is stimulating, “I want to make our students aware of the international environment in which they will have to live. Working with this generation is critical to the future of our country and the world.”

Besides, he had accomplished what he set out to do. “I have always lived in two worlds—the academic world and the policy world,” he explains. “If you’re an academic you analyze and critique, often from the outside. You don’t really have a sense of how the machinery works, the culture of government agencies, how policy gets made. Only with that understanding can you understand how to effect change. This gave me a great opportunity to teach and learn at the same time.”

Now that he “gets” the process, he plans to work hard to change some policies in Washington.

“We are in one of the most difficult moments since 1945,” he began a lecture at Rhodes last spring. A “strategic pause” during the 1990s when there were no real threats to U.S. security came to an abrupt halt on Sept. 11, 2001. “The attacks didn’t change everything, but they changed the way Americans think about national security,” Michta says. On the other hand, “Nine-eleven didn’t change much for our allies. There was no sense of shared danger, especially as Europe has had much more experience with terrorism.

They never agreed with the way the Bush administration framed the so-called Global War on Terror. They saw America’s emphasis on the use of military power to fight Al Qaeda as a misdirected strategy, and instead emphasized the law enforcement and police aspects.

“Today, all defense budgets in Europe are declining, but the budgets of their interior ministries are going up. In fact,” he amends, “NATO did agree to support the war in Afghanistan in 2006 but the national governments began to say, ‘Hell no!’ In addition to the U.S., only a few other NATO countries allow their soldiers to engage in combat operations in Afghanistan. Others have caveats often limiting their operations to support missions under a strictly defined set of conditions.

“So the structure of the alliance began to fragment. Today, even though countries removed some of the caveats, NATO in Afghanistan operates as if it were an alliance à la carte. And following the introduction of our new AFPAK (Afghanistan/Pakistan) strategy, the U.S. has been assuming even more of the burden. We are in effect Americanizing the war in Afghanistan.”
Meanwhile, the economic status quo also began to shift. For example, “The Chinese are modernizing and accumulating resources not unlike the U.S. did in the 19th century,” Michta points out. “Countries that industrialize rapidly gain confidence, then go for regional dominance and beyond. The U.S. did it first. Now it may be China’s turn. We should know soon enough.”

For our part, “The U.S. was heavily leveraged even before the recent recession and resulting bailouts, trying to meet the demands of two wars and domestic spending that became disconnected from revenue. Our level of ambition has been too high for two decades,” Michta believes.

“When I listen to American radio and watch television I see that our conversations with ourselves are about issues that don’t count on the global stage,” he complains. “The ‘bandwidth’ of debate in the U.S. doesn’t allow for a middle ground. We just hurl labels at each other.”

How does he plan to change that?

“Our country needs a serious discussion about national security priorities,” he maintains, and, using his contacts in Washington, he hopes to spark such a discussion and participate in it. He will also use those contacts and others forged at the Marshall Center to bring guest lecturers to Rhodes to help students broaden their perspectives.

Michta will engage with other contacts as a recently-appointed senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, a nonpartisan institute for advanced study and informed dialogue that brings pre-eminent thinkers together to interact with policymakers through diverse programs and projects.

What’s more, he has two book projects in the works. One will be a scholarly treatise on the shift in trans-Atlantic relationships.

“Alliances are about shared threats,” he says. “They are built on a community of interest vs. a community of values. Much has changed in our relationships within NATO. That needs to be more widely understood.”

The other project will be a rebuttal of the theories of best-selling author and New York Times columnist Tom Friedman.

“The world is most definitely not flat,” Michta contends. “History has proven over and over again that the social contract in each country is measured by how well you take care of your own. At this point we have mortgaged our young people’s future. It has to stop.”

Andrew Michta states his ideas in clear and compelling language and welcomes debate. There will be lively classes in Buckman Hall in the coming years.
Growing a World

Heather Houser ’09 learned many things at Rhodes. One of the most meaningful was this: “Attending a small school with an outstanding faculty made my world bigger.”

Her world was already pretty large when she arrived. Born in Zimbabwe, she grew up in Botswana and Namibia before moving with her family to Texas. During her first year at Rhodes, she participated in the Bonner program and explored service in the Memphis community. Following that first year she returned to Africa to do HIV/AIDS education work in Zambia.

After declaring a bridge major in Economics and International Studies, Houser participated in a Development Studies program with the School for International Training in Uganda.

While conducting research with an indigenous minority group there, Houser became interested in the influence of developed countries on the development process. “Donor countries and development organizations have a huge impact on domestic politics in Uganda,” she says. “Understanding the perspective of developed countries contributes to a better understanding of the realities faced by developing countries.”

Houser applied for a Mertie W. Buckman Scholarship in the summer following her junior year. Professor Steve Ceccoli, chair of the International Studies Department at Rhodes, suggested that she intern at the Marshall Center, and he contacted Professor Andrew Michta on her behalf.

She agreed to take advantage of the opportunity, but, “I was nervous about working there. It was an area I had very little experience in and, though I had never met him, I had heard rumors about the ‘Michta legend’ at Rhodes.”

She quickly learned, however, that Michta’s sponsorship carried a lot of weight. “I was part of a planning team that consisted of current and retired military personnel from the U.S., Italy, France and Switzerland; a retired CIA officer; and professors at the top of their field.”

Heather Houser, who graduated in May, had few regrets about her time at Rhodes. Like many seniors she wished her four years had lasted longer. She also wished she could have had the opportunity to take a class from Professor Michta. “I have a deep respect for Dr. Michta. He is a person who quickly earns your respect, and demands that you earn his. I know that the Marshall Center tried hard to keep him, but he returned to Rhodes because he has a genuine belief in the necessity of training the next generation of leaders. Rhodes is lucky to have him.”

Superior Civilian Service Award Medal

Most faculty members at Rhodes lead intense professional lives. They spend untold hours mentoring and counseling students, grading papers and preparing for class, not to mention conducting their own research. Thinking of returning to that life, Andrew Michta said, “I’m looking forward to a slower pace.”

While life at Rhodes may seem hectic, his pace at the Marshall Center was frenetic—after a 12-week teaching cycle on the campus he would head out to destinations around the world to give lectures and workshops and consult with governments and think tanks about security policy.

Apparently he was good at it. When the time came for him to return to Rhodes, his colleagues at the Marshall Center tried very hard to talk him out of it. When he stood firm they gave him a medal—the U.S. Army Superior Civilian Service Award, the third-highest honor for a civilian. It is comparable to the military Meritorious Service Medal.

The award, which is given for a “pattern of excellence,” can be granted only by individuals of the rank of brigadier general or above, or its civilian departmental equivalent. The award was presented at a ceremony in Garmisch, Germany. “I was pretty touched by the ceremony and by how many European and American friends and colleagues turned out for it,” Michta wrote to Rhodes president William E. Troutt at the time. “As I am preparing to return to Rhodes, this was a nice gesture indeed.”
The Ideals of Southwestern

“Here was the chance of a lifetime; a chance to set the standard of an institution for all time; a chance to go forth unhindered by mistakes, architectural and other, and to launch an institution which was as nearly ideal for its purpose as painstaking investigations and careful thought and planning could make it.

“Realizing that the good is ever the enemy of the best, we did not seek merely the good, but the best. There was ever before us the idea of excellence. It was our purpose to launch here an institution which would command the respect and quicken the pride of succeeding generations.”

—Charles E. Diehl, Nov. 27, 1925

Rhodes Vision

Rhodes College aspires to graduate students with a lifelong passion for learning, a compassion for others and the ability to translate academic study and personal concern into effective leadership and action in their communities and the world.

—Adopted by the Rhodes Board of Trustees, Jan. 17, 2003

From the Alumni Relations Office

Dear Alumnus/a,

Greetings from the Alumni Relations Office!

In this issue of Rhodes magazine, we celebrate the first decade of leadership of President William E. Troutt. I think that perhaps Bill Troutt’s greatest contribution is leading the community through the process that resulted in the articulation of the Rhodes Vision. This vision guides our work and sets direction for our efforts. It is one of the two items appearing above that serves to frame my remarks for this column.

The second item above is lifted from comments made by Charles Diehl on the occasion of Southwestern relocating from Clarksville to Memphis in 1925. Between the guidance and direction found in these two documents, along with the admonition that President Troutt has given to staff members that we 1) place students first in services we provide 2) use our best judgment in making decisions and 3) take initiative to do things that will make sense in serving constituents, most of what we need to function as an office serving alumni and others is provided. Two remaining requirements are that we listen and we accept the willingness of alumni to help their alma mater.

As we look back at the last 10 years, one of the gains we can see is the emergence of an alumni program, built on the foundation of earlier efforts in the Alumni Relations Office, that has incorporated the willingness of alumni to lead. A supportive and proactive Alumni Association Executive Board over this time has been a tremendous asset.

The development of Rhodes Chapters had its origins in a conversation in which an alumnus suggested, “I would like for us to try a steering group to guide programs in Mobile and on the Coast,” followed closely by a member of the Alumni Board saying, “I want us to try a regional caucus in Atlanta.” Those initiatives led us to the point of our now having 16 chapters. Rhodes Chapters are a tribute to President Troutt’s encouragement that we find ways to serve our students and other community members. Career networking programming, which escalated dramatically in the last academic year, serves as another illustration of this support.

Both staff and volunteer leaders realize that we have the chance of a lifetime in building a meaningful alumni program that will meet the needs of students and alumni alike. Efforts are guided with the understanding that we can’t be content with being merely “good” or “decent,” as we want to build a model that will be productive over time. Thus, we must have before us the idea of excellence in our efforts. As we continue this wonderful partnership, we see that a difference is being made as we graduate students with a passion for learning, a compassion for others and the spirit to lead.

Thanks for your support of the students and your service to the college.

See you at Homecoming.

Best regards,

Bud Richey
By Natalie Chambers ’10
Rhodes College
Alumni Association
President
Marcus Kimbrough ’90
Charlotte, NC

Helen Williams Billingsley writes, “After having taught in Memphis City Schools for 30 years, I continue to keep up with all the news about education at all levels. Some of my former students have gone to Rhodes and I always hear great things about what’s going on there. I still promote liberal arts education and Rhodes in particular. I am thankful for your continuing excellence in promoting intellectual growth, more development and commitment to social responsibility. That’s what I received at Rhodes (then Southwestern) during my years there and I am forever grateful.”

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We send our sympathy and affection to Beth LeMaster Simpson in Memphis at the loss of her husband and our friend David Simpson, May 21, 2009. The Simpsons were nearing their 50th wedding anniversary when David died unexpectedly. We will miss his humor, charm and willingness to help others.

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Arkansas “has sent me some Tennessee. Paul. Bunny has been pretty finished quilt from an old rural area in the Ozarks and says gardening is ‘what I do.’” According to Meg is also doing a hand-quilting project, making a finished quilt from an old quilt top that had been in the family. She’s learning to play mah-jongg with a group of friends there in east Tennessee.

Do you folks know what a “rag doll” cat is? Neither did I until hearing from Paul Thompson in Cummaquid, Cape Cod. It seems that their pet cat of 17 years died; and trying to replace her, wife Bunny saw an ad for a “rag doll” cat. They got a beautiful one, which they named Miss Daisy, and are thoroughly enjoying her. These cats are bred for indoors and are “laid-back and gentle,” according to Paul. Bunny has been pretty much out of commission due to a fractured pelvis, requiring her to “lie low” for a while, with Paul acting as chef and caregiver. She has to be very careful since she had a hip replacement two years ago. Paul officiated at weddings all summer as well as having “duty” at St. Andrew’s by the Sea Church in Hyannis Port in August.

September brought the New Hampshire Highland Games at Loon Mountain, which the Thompsons enjoy.

Betty Russell checked in from Piggott, AR, saying that she’s well and busy, as she always is. Thanks for your news, folks. Do drop an e-mail when you hear from, meet up with or get word of a classmate. Retirement is lovely, and we’re all enjoying it differently (some are not having any of it and still labor on daily)!

1959
50th Reunion
Homecoming: Oct. 23-24
Friday: Dessert Reception, 8:30-10:00 p.m., King Hall
Saturday: Brunch, 9:10-30 a.m., President’s Home Cocktail Reception, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Crain Reception Hall; Dinner, 7:30 p.m., McCallum Ballroom
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As our 50th reunion draws near many of us will soon have the opportunity to visit in person, but till then, here are some highlights:

Frank and Susie Splawn are spending more time at their ocean-front apartment in Maui, although Frank writes that his urology practice and their 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren require attention. Landscaping, rose gardening and golf are on their schedules.

Now retired from full-time medical practice, Bill Weber works 2-3 days a week supervising UT residents. He and Vicki continue their mission work, most recently to China, meeting and advising young professionals who seek opportunities for quality work situations.

Jane Alexander Biedenharn writes and agrees with me that condo living can be fun, once the decision is made and the move completed!

Princess Hughes Van Hooser described life without power during the big ice storm of last January, also of travel to wonderful San Miguel. Through her daughter, Katherine, a NASA employee, Princess stays updated on all the shuttle launches and was hoping to be onsite for one of the recent liftoffs.

Hoping to attend our 50th this year are Bill ’58 and Mary Alice Masters Carroll.

San Andrews Robertson continues to write of her delight in children and grandchildren. I believe the most recent count is six grandsons and one granddaughter.

Last, but with lots to say, Tom Schrodt writes with pride of his family homeplace located since 1926 near the then newly constructed Southwestern at Memphis campus. Tom and Helen enjoy their home and garden, Amtrak travel to the West Coast and getting to know current Rhodes students, particularly one whom they employ as a part-time housekeeper.

Sandra Calmer Toenes is still happily married with two grown sons. On Jan. 1, 2009, she retired as a pediatric medical social worker form the University of South Alabama Children’s and Women’s Hospital, after a career as a social worker spanning almost 50 years. She is currently working part time as the cystic fibrosis social worker in pediatric intensive care.

Hoping to see many of you in October!

1960

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Jimmie Wood writes: “Since retirement after more than 50 years as pastor of Southern Baptist churches, I have learned that retirement does not mean rest and rocking chairs. I have served three times as interim pastor in churches in Wyoming— all in wintertime. I also served as interim director of missions for the state of Maine, where we also spent a winter. In each instance, the warmth of the people more than compensated for the cold weather and snow. Ginger (my wife since 1956) enjoyed the snow; I endured it. At present, we are enjoying being at home in Brandon, MS. Still, traditional retirement eludes us. Currently, I am serving as transitional pastor at a church just 25 miles from our home. Transitional pastors are relatively new in Southern Baptist work. Rather than just serving until a church calls a new pastor, the transitional pastor commits to spend approximately a year and a half working through all the church programs—with the goal of strengthening the weak areas and enhancing the best areas. Challenging, yet extremely rewarding work. One of the joys of being at home is that we regularly see the three grandchildren who live nearby. We have three other grandchildren who are university students this fall. This summer, we had a brief time with our daughter’s family who serve as missionaries in a third-world

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Brankstone, an old friend. Her exam was in history (“I had literally memorized the history books!”). Her memory was of Dick sitting at her elbow, though she couldn’t remember his field, and both of them “just trying to make it through.” She asks why we remember certain things; my suggestion is that we were so traumatized by the fear of bombs, those memories are seared into our brains!

Meg Caldwell McCarty writes from Chuckey, TN, that her husband Mac is still hard at work building his own plane, which he hopes to be able to fly by the end of the year. For her part, Meg is trying to get a perennial garden established.

Old friend Carole Clark in Arkansas has sent me some great catalogue sources and ideas—she lives in a similar rural area in the Ozarks and says gardening is ‘what I do.’”

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country. And I thought that retirement meant I would have time to fish!

Our thoughts are with Carolyn Shettlesworth McClurkan, whose husband Mike passed away July 5, 2009. Mike was a highly decorated Navy physician and later, a pediatrician in private practice. They have two sons, a daughter and two grandchildren. Earlier in the year, Carolyn traveled to Australia and Tasmania, and later to Iceland with sister Juanita ’62.

David Moreau has been awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest civilian award given by the governor of North Carolina. Some past award recipients include Michael Jordan, Charles Kuralt, Maya Angelou and William Friday. The award acknowledges David’s 16 years as chairman of the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission, his many years of service as director of the Water Resources Research Institute of the University of North Carolina and his 40 years as a member of the faculty of the Department of City and Regional Planning at UNC in Chapel Hill. He was also recognized recently by the National Academy of Sciences as a National Associate of the National Research Council for “extraordinary service to the council in its role as adviser to the nation in matters of science, engineering and health.” David retired from UNC in June 2008, but Environmental Management Ecology at UNC. He

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Jimmy Webb writes, “I’m still in Phoenix. Although I retired from university teaching, I started a publishing company (Great Potential Press) and still do workshops for educators and parents of gifted and talented children. I also am a pilot, and in July, I flew myself to Orlando to present at the SENG (Supporting Emotional Needs of Gifted) annual conference. I guess I just have too much juice left to simply retire. I hope to make it back for a reunion sometime.”

1961

Reporter: George Awsumb
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Our thoughts are with the family of our excellent and longtime class reporter Sam Drash, who passed away June 12, 2009. Sam kept us close and kept us close to the college, and we are eternally grateful.

“Welcome and look forward to sending our news to George Awsumb, who has graciously accepted the invitation to be our new reporter.”

1964

45th Reunion

Homecoming: Oct. 23-24
Friday: Dinner, 7 p.m., Home of Emily Holloway Walker
Saturday: Dinner, 7 p.m., University Club; Dessert, Caroline Gage Sanford’s home
Sunday: Brunch, 11 a.m., University Club

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A special thanks to our reunion committee:
Margaret Rowe Fancher, Emily Holloway Walker, Dossett Foster and Ann Clark Harris. We are grateful for all the time, energy and creativity they’ve given to provide such a FUN weekend!

As the class gathers to celebrate our 45th reunion, and as “news” has come from far and near, I have experienced the most amazing “connections!” I hope as you read about your classmates, you too will experience the similarities that tend to permeate our lives.

The general consensus is that we have loved “hearing about” one another! So, please continue to send me your news! If you are not receiving e-mail communications from me, please send me an up-to-date e-mail address so that you can be added to the list and we can reduce the need for postcards.

Have a wonderful fall!

Mary Lou Carwile Finley writes: “It is very difficult to believe that almost 50 years ago we arrived at the Southwestern campus excited and a bit frightened of what we were about to embark on! It’s fun reading the Class Notes and learning of the interesting lives my classmates have had, and the retirements we are now having. Jim ’62 and I joined the ranks of the retired in 2000 and have found very few boring times. We have lived in Everett, WA, (30 miles north of Seattle) since 1973 and are very fortunate to have our son Bill and daughter Ellen and their families living here with five of our seven grandchildren! Needless to say, we have found grandparenting to be one of the most rewarding and fun experiences of our lives. Our son John lives in Marin County, CA, with his wife and twins (2). Besides enjoying family, we spend time traveling (trips to China, Australia, New Zealand, Peru/Ecuador, Hawaii and in 2004, the Grand Canyon with Mary Lou and Challace McMillin), gardening, wintertime skiing, church and community volunteering. We cherish our memories of Southwestern/Rhodes and would welcome visits from anyone traveling in this direction.”

From Ann Clark Harris we hear: “I loved seeing all the news of ’64 in the summer issue and I’ve had a great time planning our 45th reunion! Emily Holloway Walker and I have the class “babies,” so no grandchildren as yet. Clay Harris, an Auburn graduate, who was sports editor at The Plainsman his senior year (the year Auburn football went 13-0), is now in Albuquerque—just started in public relations with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Department. Lee and Ann Autry Brown are there. I talked to them when C. Hendricks passed away and wanted to call them when I visited, but I left the phone number at home and 27-year-olds do not keep anything as archaic as a phone book! I stay busy (Emily too) volunteering at the Woman’s Exchange, and I enjoy traveling. I look forward to a visit with Jo Cox Sanders on the way to Destin.”

Jo Cox Sanders reports, “I retired from teaching in 1998 but still work with a federal program at Central Alabama Community College, where I tutor all levels of English and Spanish. I keep a student’s schedule so have lots of time off. My ‘trophy’ husband and I married in 2006 on April Fool’s day and have not looked back. We travel together at least three times a year, but since he is still working full time, he sometimes keeps the home fires burning while I trapeze off to China, Turkey, Croatia and, of course,”
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our favorite, Guatemala. Keeping in touch with ole buds from Rhodes is a favorite pastime, as is helping with the Lake Martin Humane Shelter.”

Liz Currie Williams, recently retired from SMU, says: “I had 19 wonderful years there (at SMU) but am happy to have more control over my time and activities. I do a little investment consulting and serve on the board of directors for a Houston-based bank. I’m currently on the session at my church and am chairing the pastor nominating committee. I’m also a trustee of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. I have a little cabin in Estes Park, CO, that I can repair to when it’s really hot here in Texas (and even when it’s not). Since both of my sons did most of their growing up in Denver, my place in the mountains seems a little more like home to them than Dallas does. Drew and his family joined me there for almost a week in July and David came with his daughter Katie (and her two cousins, Emma and Seth, from Drew’s bunch) for a week in August. During the past year or so I’ve enjoyed a good deal of contact with Rhodes classmates. Hayden Kaden and his wife Bonnie came through Dallas in spring 2008 on their way from San Miguel, Mexico and Hunt, TX (where his parents live down the road from Rita Edington Odom) to their summer home in Alaska. Tom and Eleanor Lawrence Geiger stayed with me for three months this past winter when they were in Dallas to help out their son Josh and his wife with their newly enlarged family (four kids ages 7 and under). I look forward to their stopping in Dallas when they make their semiannual cross-country treks between Virginia and Arizona. Jane Coburn Clarke McManus ’63 lives close by here in Dallas, and we all got together for dinner just before Tom and Eleanor left to return to Alexandria. I see Rita Edington Odom quite regularly even though she has now moved from Dallas to Hunt, TX, near her childhood home of Kerrville. In fact, she and a couple of other bridge-playing friends visited me in Estes Park this summer. In May when I was visiting my son David in Raleigh, NC, I had a wonderful visit with Edith Hay Harris and her husband Tom, who, now in retirement, live in Durham where both of their children live. I also stay in close touch with Nancy Wasell Work, who lives in Bethesda, MD. When I last visited her there, we met up with Rebecca Moore Tomlinson at the Hillwood Estate/Museum for a tour and lunch. Rebecca and Nancy see each other fairly often as Rebecca lives not far away in the Virginia countryside.”

Rita Edington Odom shared that she would not be able to make the reunion, but knows it will be great fun! Rita, who retired after 40 years in Dallas, says, “Living in Hunt on the river is wonderful! I have two adorable (of course) granddaughters and hoping for more. My two sons are married and my daughter married in September. I’m writing for the PC (USA) so check out the new Wee Believe Toddler curriculum.”

Dorritte Evans Early called in to say, “This is my first response EVER–but, after attending a women’s club meeting in the ‘new’ library in May, I just had to respond. Dr. Trout was the speaker. I was SO impressed with his updates on our alma mater, I’ve never been prouder to be counted among Rhodes’ graduates. This summer, Goodloe and I went to the beach with our kids and grandkids—all 13 of us!”

Tom and Eleanor Lawrence Geiger love maintaining their contact with Latin America where they lived for 15 years (Panama, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru). Tom retired from the USAID after 27 years and now enjoys doing consulting on the administration of justice which takes him on short-term assignments in Latin America. Eleanor works with a nonprofit that focuses on income generation for artisans in Peru and Cameroon. Their Web page (partnersforjusttrade.org) has an extensive online catalogue and offers unique products that adhere to fair trade principles. Eleanor describes the products as “colorful, wild and wooly.” An initiative of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Hunger Program, PJT is now selling to retail stores throughout the US. The Board of Trustees of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary has announced the appointment of K.C. Ptomey to the Zbinden Chair of Pastoral Ministry and Leadership, effective Aug. 1, 2009. K.C. will be teaching in the areas of worship and liturgy, preaching and church administration. K.C.’s wife, Carol Tate, a graduate of Centre, was the 2009 baccalaureate preacher at her alma mater and recipient of a doctor of divinity degree. She will serve as organist and choir director for the chapel at Austin Seminary. Since his retirement in November 2008, K.C. served a short interim at First Presbyterian Church in New York City.

Minna Vancey Thompson writes, “It was great to hear from everyone (via the summer issue of Rhodes) and catch up. It has greatly facilitated my search for friends from ‘Southwestern.’ Jerry and I headed for Memphis in late July for a family reunion with both sides of my family. Sadly, we will not be there in October for the Rhodes reunion. Jerry and I are enjoying researching and learning more about our country’s history. We live only a few miles from Thomas Jefferson’s summer home which has recently been restored. Patrick Henry’s home is also not far away. We enjoy sharing our finds on field trips with grandchildren. I am also working on my family’s genealogy and enjoying teaching my grandchildren piano.”

Mary Lou Quinn McMillin was looking forward to “catching a glimpse” of Eleanor Lawrence Geiger when she came to Massanetta Springs Conference Center in early August to share her “colorful, wild, and wooly” wares with willing consumers. As I write this, Challace and I were anticipating the arrival of our daughter, Lisa, and her two children from Nashville for a week’s visit, and in late August, we enjoyed another ‘Montana adventure’ with son, Sid. Life is good!

Jim Moore continues to work in his private practice of clinical psychology. Several years ago he earned a master’s degree in psychopharmacology. He and his wife, Susan, are proud to be first-time grandparents. Their granddaughter, Emma, was born Dec. 4, 2008.
1965

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Lou Ellyn Hindman Griffin sends this—“The last week in April, husband Gerry and I drove up to Egmont, British Columbia, to take the three-hour boat ride up to the Princess Louisa Inlet where the Young Life Malibu Camp is located. We spent a wonderful week with about 60 other volunteers to help prepare this resort-like camp for the summer: 10 weeks of about 300 high schoolers each week and two weeks of full-scholarship military camps for families from Ft. Lewis, WA. We saw eagles each day in the breathtaking scenery of snow-covered mountains. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our class reunion in October 2010.”

Sally Mixon Thomas writes: “I have finally retired from tax work—hooray! I’ve spent some time in China and Alaska in the last year, but mostly I’m looking forward to seeing more of friends and doing things I haven’t had time for in a long time. I’ll be stepping up my volunteer work and political activism (mostly social justice oriented, with environmental issues thrown in). I’ll also be studying photography, doing some African drumming, gardening, traveling a bit more and enjoying lots of fun grandmother duties. Our lives are starting to sound a bit more similar since we started retiring, aren’t they? I like this time of life and feel very fortunate to be able to enjoy it.”

Jim Fall recently retired from the U.S. Treasury Department. During his career with the federal government he served at the U.S. embassies in Germany, Switzerland and France. He now lives on Hilton Head Island, SC, where he is active in local government affairs, the World Affairs Council and volunteer work. He recently biked 500 miles across Georgia. He and his wife Marsha have two sons: James, a special agent for the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), and Tyler, who teaches at the University of Wyoming.

Ed Williams sends this from West Virginia—“We traveled to Alaska last summer. Our health is relatively good. Enjoying garden veggies and wild blackberries. Deer herds seem larger this year as we watch them each evening grazing in the field in front of the house.”

Charlie Bowman Reid writes that she is grateful for the life of her mother, Ethel Bowman, who along with father Leland Bowman contributed one of the music rooms at Rhodes; Ethel died peacefully July 9 at the age of 88, with Charlie and three grandchildren present. Charlie was a participant at the Academy for Missional Preaching on Puget Sound at the end of June, and at the APIMS interim ministry training at Zephyr Point, Lake Tahoe, in July. She is discerning God’s new call for preretirement.

Jane Doughtie Taylor admits the Class Notes are the first thing she turns to when the alum magazine comes. She and Reed had a wonderful trip to Holland and Belgium in April. “Although we’d lived in Belgium for a few years—eons ago—we’d never taken one of the canal trips, so we saw the countries from a beautifully different perspective this time. The weather was perfect, very unusual for those countries, and we were lucky to have a full day to see the tulip gardens in Keokenhof, which were in full bloom. We were able to extend the trip on each end with a visit with our son, who works in Amsterdam, and then a stay with old friends who live in Mons, south of Brussels.”

Teri Tate Hornberger had another successful year as the Artist in Residence at the Juliaetta Elementary School. More than 100 students had 309 pieces of art displayed in several venues for Academic Day, when families and friends view the yearly student activities. Teri taught the kids new forms of art, including pointillism, with tempera paint using an acetate paper called yupo, acrylic inks and an embossing gun. She also started face painting, for which the kids stood in line for hours with great anticipation. Everyone wanted their chance to be lovely or scary! Her big news is that she and Jim have sold their home and are returning to Watertown, SD. Jim’s minor health problems make keeping up a large property difficult. She says their 28th anniversary in August was a good reason to “follow her man.”

Our 45th reunion will be in fall 2010. Begin making plans now to attend because the year will fly by! Please contact Virginia Ives with suggestions for social events or to be part of the reunion committee.

1966

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I send out a periodic e-mail to class members and would be happy to include everyone, so please send me your e-mail address if you want to be included.

After retiring from the Army and teaching at the high school level, Duane Mills is staying busy by chairing the board of directors for the Friends of the Library and keeping up with grandchildren.

Bob Wild reports that last June he, Vern McCarty, Charlie Bagley and Buddy Doyle had a small reunion at a cabin at Lake Raystown and are hoping to repeat the get-together in Atlanta this year with a possible side trip of white-water rafting. Bob retired July 1 from his urology practice of 32 years and is looking forward to combining time with family and friends and snow skiing in some of the western states this winter.

Richard Jennings has had an event-filled year, including the publication of his 10th novel, Ghost Town. He was also struck by a runaway Lincoln in the side of his aging blue Volvo, which he survived; thrown from a battery-powered scooter on Father’s Day 2009, which he barely survived, suffering extensive head injuries on the sidewalk; and attacked by a giant Pacific octopus (five feet in length) in Long Beach, CA, which left him with a series of bruises on his right arm and personal pride that has made him a hero for his first-grade, fifth-born grandchild, the only boy in the bunch. His memories of life at Southwestern at Memphis grow more positive with each passing day. He especially misses Profs. Benish, Clifton and Farris from the English Department and his campus newspaper nemesis, President Alexander, not to mention a few extraordinarily pretty Southwestern girls whose names, understandably, remain private.
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Pat and Mary Chase Gore, Bob and B.S. Dean Weninger and Randall ’64 and Martha Hunter Shepard had a July reunion in Shelbyville and Wartrace, TN. In addition to thoroughly enjoying one another’s company, they took in an al fresco Tennessee Shakespeare Festival production of “A Midsummer’s Night Dream” at the Webb School in Bell Buckle and had a gourmet dinner at historic Cortner Mill (est. 1825).

1967

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Ketti Tyree spent a week in Isla Holbox and Cozumel, Mexico in June. In Isla Holbox she swam with whale sharks. “It was extremely exciting. You have to jump off the side of the boat and start swimming immediately. The first time I ended up so close to the side of the whale shark I could have touched it, and that scared me. So I volunteered to go in the ocean the second time, and after cleaning my mask and gearing myself up, I jumped in and swam right by his side. It was incredible. You cannot believe how enormous the whale shark is. Cozumel has wonderful snorkeling. I went to one underwater park and jumped in—these little black and yellow fish all collected around me—there must have been about 50 fish. I had parrot fish coming right up to my mask and peering in. I swam farther out and 10 or 12 huge black fish started nipping at me. I guess I’m that sweet maybe I smelled that fishy—anyway, I got out of there fast. I like looking at fish, swimming with fish, but not being their appetizer. I spent the July 4 weekend in St. Leonard, MD, doing what I do best—walking the Chesapeake Beach, eating, talking and reading. My son Greg is now a United States policeman (his lifelong dream) and my daughter went back to work full time with PLANET—an association for landscapers. My granddaughters are beautiful and charming (of course).”

Billy Heiter and crowd have been primarily sitting home and trying to keep cool economically. “In honor of the recession, we were planning on doing absolutely nothing, but in a last-minute change of heart, we rented a small place on Mobile Bay’s eastern shore for a week. Our kids and grandkids did the Atlanta thing recently—Braves game, aquarium, Coca-Cola, zoo, American Girl Dolls. It’s been kinda quiet. I have a friend who left here June 1 with a 32-foot travel trailer in tow, headed for Alaska. We vicariously followed his adventures and misadventures by almost daily e-mails and photos. We must be getting old.”

George Abraham has his radio talk show up and running. “It’s called ‘The Dr. George Show.’ I have been interviewing people for almost a year now, like Rhonda Fleming and Debbie Reynolds, as well as other prominent people from all walks of life. You can catch my show live at drgeorgeatwork.com. It starts at 9 central time. I am also writing a business column for four newspapers, including the student newspaper for Hofstra University. I still coach corporate executives, which is what I have been doing for 30 years. I hope my classmates will tune in. If any of my Rhodes colleagues want to be on my show, write me at georgerabraham@aol.com.”

Jennifer Byrd Henley had both knees replaced in March and is doing well. “Ray has been an unbelievable caretaker and physical therapy coach. Now I’m waiting to forget these are foreign knees and get on with life.”

Jimmy Whittington continues to do good work. “I am the director of a local organization made up of 50 churches in the county. The churches represent nine denominations and five independent congregations. Along with some industries, businesses and individuals, we have combined the benevolence giving of these groups into one fund that meets emergency needs. We opened in October 2008 and have served more than 900 families, dealing with everything from head lice to suicide. It is a self-help program as opposed to an entitlement program. We help first-time people with virtually no questions asked. However, to get help more than once, the families have to enroll in a program that includes financial management. Combined with other ministries and programs we have been able to stretch families’ buying power from 20% to 40%. We now have more than 200 trained volunteers who run the office and thrift store, manage the cases and consult with the clients. Considering our unemployment rate hit 18% in May, we came along at the right time.”

And speaking of good works, Don Hollingsworth received the 2009 Equal Justice Distinguished Service Award from the Arkansas Bar Association and Arkansas Bar Foundation.

“This all started in Memphis, when I joined Memphis Area Legal Services upon graduation from law school in 1972, practicing there for six years. The rest of my legal services career was in Arkansas. Now semiretired, I am working on my golf game among other endeavors. On a totally different subject, several weeks ago Sam Highsmith, Grif Stockley ’65, Cyril Hollingsworth ’64 and I had a wonderful visit with Barry Boggs, who now lives in Alabama. I recommend to you his engaging and very personal book, Through a Glass Darkly.”

K.E. Field Boyd spent a week in July with Bob and Jeanne Hope Buckner in Winter Harbor, ME. “Although the weather didn’t cooperate as well as we’d have liked, we were still able to do a lot of things around town including walking to the downtown café where we had café lattes and chocolate pastries for breakfast,” says K.E. “As we ate and drank, we reminisced about our month-long stay in Florence, Italy, where we would go to the cafés for our morning ‘fix’ of lattes, pastries and people-watching. The highlight of my week with them was a tour to Machias- Seal Island, a U.S.-Canadian jointly-operated wildlife island preserve for the study of the Atlantic puffin. It is located about 20 miles off the Maine coast and once there, we were quietly led to ‘blinds’ which allowed us time to observe and photograph these beautiful, marvelous cold-weather birds. We were fortunate that the weather cleared up for this excursion! I had a great time and hope to be asked back again!”

Got a great e-mail from Anne “Charlie” Thacker Lueke. “When I’m not doing yard work, I’m practicing..."
My favorite trip this year was a photography trip to Zion National Park, Lake Powell, Antelope Canyon and Monument Valley. It was fun to be with a bunch of fellow photogs and experience such exhilarating scenery. Made it hard to return to my little plot of land in VA! I continue to do mini-trips through a Meet-up photography group here in Richmond.

Please go to the Memphis Downtowner magazine Web site (memphisdowntowner.com) to read a great interview with Knox Phillips. When you get on the site go to the archives for the July 2009 issue and look for the “My2cents” section. Knox talks about his life growing up in the music business and how he continues to embrace the love of music that was instilled in him from an early age. The article provides an intimate conversation with a remarkable man who continues to see the good side of life despite his bout with cancer and the loss of his daughter. He was honored recently with the Distinguished Achievement Award in the Creative and Performing Arts from the University of Memphis. His father Sam Phillips was the first person to receive the award and now both father and son have their names on it.

Arnie Pittman has sold the stock in his company, but it continues to operate under the same name and with the same staff. “I work most days and just don’t go in after church on Sunday afternoons anymore. Our daughter has graduated from Loyola Marymount in L.A. and is now taking graduate courses at Kennesaw State University in Georgia to sit for the CPA exam. Debbie ‘71 is taking the year off from teaching at Rhodes as we intend to spend more time at our place on the Tennessee River.” Mmmm, sounds good.

I promised to write about my month of May in Florence, Italy with K.E. Boyd and Lonnie Kersey ‘69 and his wife Pat. What a month it was. We rented an apartment in an old palazzo built in the 1400s. It was the most impressive building on the Piazza Santa Croce which is anchored on the west by Santa Croce church. We were impressed that Michaelangelo, DaVinci, Galileo, Puccini, Marconi and many other notables were buried there. After failing miserably with our Italian, we developed a sense of humor as we struggled through menus, train schedules and morning treats. One of our favorite pastimes was people-watching on the piazza in the evenings with a glass of wine. We traveled to adjoining towns visiting museums, churches, wineries and eating our way through gastronomical delights. We consider ourselves experts now on balsamic vinegars, Italian history and art and the taste of Italian wines. There is nothing to compare to the food and wine of Italy. K.E. kept us on schedule, Lonnie kept us laughing and taught us some Arkansas lingo, Pat made delicious meals and shopped efficiently at the open market and I embarrassed myself with my Italian and misguided directions. It was a month of perfect joy!

1968

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Janie Bishop writes: “I miss my Rhodes and friends and neighbors as well as easy proximity to the lovely campus. Rhodes was and is very important to me. However, my new life in Montpelier, VT, is quite an adventure. After 20 wonderful years together, Lee died in 2004. My son, Bo Moore, had settled in Vermont where Lee and I had visited annually. In 2005 Bo and his wife Melissa had a daughter (named Kelley, my middle name). After a week’s visit to greet Kelley, I returned to Memphis, retired from advertising, put my house on the market and moved to Vermont! Montpelier is the country’s smallest state capital and is a bustling, friendly, creative, small town. I work part time at an all-woman optometry practice, am a docent at the State House and freelancer for the local weekly paper. My apartment in an 1840s’ building overlooks the North Fork River, and I walk almost everywhere. Winters are a challenge, but the perfect summer and fall seasons compensate. I am learning, learning, learning, which is what we’re supposed to do, right?”

Gail Seabrook Ganier writes that she is looking forward to going to the Dalmatian coast, Greece and Italy this fall. She and Roger have five grandchildren whom they really enjoy. They are also looking forward to seeing David Lehmann at David’s dad’s 100th birthday party.

David’s nephew, John Havercamp ’96, is married to the Ganiers’ daughter, Allison, so they see each other at family events. David’s sister, Tamma Lehmann Havercamp ’63 is John’s mother.

In late spring, Bubba Clark drove from Florida to North Carolina to play in a golf tournament with Scott Arnold, and spoke to Bruce Cook on his way through Atlanta. They didn’t win at the golf tournament, but had fun. It was even cool enough to build a fire one night. Bruce and Claudia Cooper Cook ‘69 took an Alaskan cruise with Bill ‘69 and Jeanne Shearer Mead ’69, and Rich and Courtland Mobley Lewis ’69 in July. Three Trezevant Cuties got together again! The Cooks also enjoyed seeing Bubba Clark at Sally’s Backside Bar in 30A Blue Mountain Beach, Destin, FL, and had a ball hearing Redd sing. He gave Bubba a picture of himself catching a Southwestern football and he put it up in the bar. For a dollar you can touch it. Says Bruce: “He owes me $5, so just send it to me.”

1969

40th Reunion

Homecoming: Oct. 23-24
Friday: Dinner, 8 p.m., Home of Mamel Cole McCain
Saturday: Dinner Buffet, 6:30 p.m., Buckman Lobby

Margaret Couch Cogswell has been named a Fellow of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, having received a 2009 Guggenheim Fellowship in Fine Arts. To see some of her work, visit her Web site: margaret cogswell.net.

Mahlon Dupree earned a master of education in 2007. He is now a substitute
Claudia Kennedy, who was recently appointed to the President’s Commission on White House Fellowships, is one of 28 accomplished citizens now responsible for recommending a group of exceptional men and women to the president for selection as White House Fellows. The program for leadership and public service provides young people the experience of working at the highest levels of the federal government and participating in an education program consisting of roundtable discussions with renowned leaders throughout the year. Claudia recently retired as a lieutenant general in the U.S. Army and was the first woman in the Army to be appointed to that rank. She last served as the head of Army Intelligence, and has since served on the boards of a number of nonprofits, including Opportunity International, Population Action International and Neighbourhood Outreach Connection.

Martha Schulz Laurie writes, “I retired as manager of the USCG Marine Safety Laboratory in April 2004, although I continued to chair the ASTM committee on analysis of organics in water until June ’07. We moved to Marion, IL, in September, where we were joined by my husband’s sister and be a part of the 101st Airborne in my hometown of Clarksville. I served in Germany and Korea and with the 1st Brigade of the 101st at Fort Campbell to complete my 12 years of military service before settling down in Tennessee. My wife, Patricia, and I have lived in Brentwood for more than 25 years. In recent years, our son Ed graduated from Middle Tennessee and our younger son Daniel from Savannah College of Art and Design. I am the human resources director for the Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole in Nashville. Patricia is a CPA with a Brentwood accounting firm. This past spring, Joe Alford ’67, John Harrell and I had a gathering in St. Louis for a long weekend of baseball, good food and the sharing of tales of friends, family and sports. I really regret missing the last class reunions. Their timing and my work commitments were in conflict.”

Gail Jennings is semiretired, working occasionally for S2Tech, an IT company specializing in Medicaid claims processing systems. In September, she planned to travel to India to deliver training to S2Tech staff there—her first international business trip, but not her first international trip. “Actually, my hobby is international travel,” she says. “I have been to all seven continents—just went to Antarctica this year. But my favorite location is Kenya/Tanzania. We are going there on safari in late September (our third safari trip to Africa). We are always looking for more friends to join us in our travels. I enjoy singing in the choir at Mount Pisgah United Methodist Church in John’s Creek, GA, north of Atlanta; visiting my mother in Germantown, TN, on a regular basis; reading and getting together with new friends, old friends and long-lost friends.”

John Harrell writes: “I was drafted straight out of Rhodes and joined the Navy. I got out in ’72 and spent a year selling hardware at Sears before going to grad school at Ole Miss, where I got my doctorate in experimental psychology. While I was there I married Emmi Kinabrew, who has her doctorate in counseling psychology, and we’ve been together for 31 years. I was a postdoc researcher in neuroanatomy at UT-Memphis medical school for two years, then got my first teaching job at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia. I was there for 7 years, then moved to Montgomery, where I’ve been ever since. I taught at Huntingdon College for 18 years and am now at Troy University-Montgomery. Plan to hang ‘em up in about four years. We have two daughters, Sarah (27) and Jennifer (22). Sarah graduated from Maryville College and is in the master’s program in English lit at UAB. Jennifer graduated from Wesleyan College in Macon this year and is going to law school.”

Susan Storer Clark says, “Both children (Ed and Kat) have degrees, good jobs, lovely significant others and health care insurance! I work for the Maritime Administration (U.S. Department of Transportation) and in late May, I got to observe the sinking of the former missile-tracking ship Vandenberg, which is now an artificial reef off Key
West. Our agency donated the ship; I was on the press boat shooting video as the explosive charges went off and the ship sank straight to the bottom. Those guys setting the explosives really knew their work—the ship was under water in about 48 seconds, and the new artificial reef has been attracting fish, divers and tourists ever since. In June, I traveled to Machias, ME, for the Margareta Days festival. Our agency helps support the American Merchant Marine, which dates its founding from an incident at Machias in June 1775, when some rebellious colonists captured the British ship *Margaretta.* I made a short speech and distributed some educational videos to local libraries and Down East TV, and then somehow ended up singing with a ukulele band and two women in colonial garb. I’m still singing elsewhere: as the soprano soloist at my church, and as a member of the DC Labor Chorus.

**David Kilgore** and wife Mary were deep in the Old South recently for the wedding of a niece at an old plantation home near Baton Rouge, under the live oaks and Spanish moss. David has been the pastor of the United Presbyterian Church in Hornell, NY, for the past 22 years. David and Mary are the parents of Jonathan (in Missouri) and Kat ’97 and have two grandchildren, Alexandria (8) and Rachel (2). When not being entertained by the grandchildren, David and Mary do a lot of gardening.

**Nancy Patton Langdon** has worked as the registrar at Father Ryan High School in Nashville for the past 26 years. “My husband has been teaching and coaching at Ryan for 45 years. Our son John graduated from Rhodes in 1996 with a history degree and has worked in the Athletic Office at Belmont University for 10 years. Our daughter is a fourth grade teacher and mother to our grandson, Michael (2). Our son-in-law is the physics teacher and baseball coach at Father Ryan. For the past 10 years I have led high school students on trips through Europe. This past summer my son and I traveled to Prague, took a 7-day Danube river cruise visiting Nuremberg, Vienna and Budapest. His and my love for history nurtured by those wonderful professors at Rhodes has led us both to love to travel abroad and experience firsthand all that we read about. I am a 10-year survivor of breast cancer and an elder at Westminster Presbyterian Church, where we have lots of Rhodes ties.”

**Pat Black Allen** recently turned a storage house into an art studio where friends come to paint. “I am working on Sam’s (my grandson’s) pastel portrait, and after that, I will have done all four grandchildren. I am planning a trip to the Grand Canyon area in October with a group of women with whom I have also traveled to Italy and the Baltic region. Life is good! I wish my body (arthritis) would let me physically do all I would like too!”

**1973**

**Reporter:** Margaret Lawson Headrick
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**David Travis** has finished a four-year term as mayor of Paris, TN. He still practices dentistry two afternoons a week. His wife, Debbie, is president and CEO of Mendenhall Labs in Paris. His daughter, Blake, graduated from Vanderbilt and was accepted into the August class at UT School of Veterinary Medicine in Knoxville. His son, **Jay ’11**, plays football for the Fighting Lynxcats.

**Ken Ellison** continues to work as senior housing adviser at SOME (So Others Might Eat), a nonprofit serving the homeless and special needs population in Washington, DC. His son Matthew graduated from Yorktown High School in June and started engineering school at the University of Virginia in August, and his daughter, Amanda, is a junior at Yorktown.

The television show “True Blood,” based on the books of **Charlaine Schulz Harris**, has been renewed for a third season. For a week, all nine of her Sookie Stackhouse novels were on the *New York Times* best-seller list.

**David Francis’** musical “BARK!” opens in Anchorage, AK, in December 2009; in South Bay, CA, in February 2010; and in Brazil in March 2010. The latter production will be in Portuguese. He played piano for all the classical piano pieces in the remake of the film “Fame.” He also directed a production of “Songs for a New World” for the Key West Symphony. In mid-June, David, Betty Ann Hunt Strain and DeltaCappella performed at a concert under the stars at the Levitt Shell in Memphis’ Overton Park.

**Judy Brooks Tygard** and her husband Charlie enjoyed a trip to Alaska in September. Judy also visited Meriwether Montgomery at her “horse farm” in Cullman, AL.

**Brian ’70 and Ginny Kittle Holt** recently relocated to Newberry, SC, after 12 years in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where Brian taught at the Evangelical Theological College and Ginny was director of worship at the International Evangelical Church and director of The Motley Singers, a community choir and chamber orchestra with 50 singers from almost 20 nations. Ginny is now director of worship at Aveleigh Presbyterian Church. Brian is teaching a course at Newberry College.

**1974**

**35th Reunion**

*Homecoming: Oct. 23-24*  
*Friday: “After” party, 9 p.m., Home of Joy and Larry Rice*

*Saturday: Old Fashioned Steak Night, 8 p.m., Hyde Hall, Catherine Burrow Refectory*

**1976**

Our hearts go out to **Linton and Jan Taylor Weeks**, whose sons Stone (24) and Holt (20) passed away July 23, 2009. Stone was Rice University historian Douglas Brinkley’s assistant and researcher, having worked with him on his book *The Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America.* Holt, a rising junior at Rice, was a research assistant to Christopher Bronk, a fellow in technology, society and public policy at Rice’s James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy. Last summer, Linton joined NPR as its national correspondent for Digital News. Linton is a former staff writer for *The Washington Post’s* Style section and was the first director of the newspaper’s Web site, and managing editor of the *Post’s* Sunday magazine.
1979

30th Reunion
Homecoming: Oct. 23-24
Friday: Barbecue Dinner, 7 p.m., Home of Penn and Gwen Jones Owen
Saturday: Dinner, 7 p.m., Home of Barbara and Joe Evangelisti

1984

25th Reunion
Homecoming: Oct. 23-24
Saturday: Cocktail Reception, 7 p.m., McCoy Theatre
Reporters: Tracy Vezina
Gwen Jones Owen, also still playing her guitar with her band, The Green Chicks, who perform occasionally around the Memphis area.

1985

Reporter: Jim Golden
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I hope everyone is having a pleasant fall.

Martha Hample recently celebrated her 11th anniversary at archer-malmo advertising in Memphis, where she is director of creative services. She's been spending most of her free time traveling, most recently to Greece, Brazil and Belize, where among other things she enjoyed diving and snorkeling and searching for the strangest cuisine available. Martha is also still playing her guitar with her band, The Green Chicks, who perform occasionally around the Memphis area.

Mary Mannon Reeves had a busy summer. She writes, “I’m now writing for the Shelbyville Times-Gazette and kicked the season off by winning a first place for photojournalism in the Tennessee Associated Press Managing Editors competition, where I also got a second place for feature story. At the Tennessee Press Association, I got a second for humor column, a third for personal column, a second for features and a fourth for feature photography. As a team, we also won a Meeman Award for community service for a series we did on help organizations. My oldest son, Scott (19), is putting himself through art school in Nashville and producing some amazing work. Ben (17) interned this summer with the Tennessee Shakespeare Festival, so we spent a lot of time in Bell Buckle. Buzz (10), the youngest, dedicated his summer to reading all of the Harry Potter books.”

Georgia Blythe Felner Crook reports, “I have a wonderful husband, Philip, two daughters, Charlotte (18) and Allison (9), and a son, Elliott (12). Charlotte is a sophomore in college. Allison and Elliott are in elementary and middle school, just doing normal kid things. I have been a lawyer for 21 years, and have my own criminal defense firm based in Franklin, TN. My husband and I work a lot, but do find plenty of time to do ‘fun’ things too. This summer, we took a whirlwind tour of all that is Disney, Seaworld and Busch Gardens, then headed to Cedar Point in Sandusky to ride all the roller coasters. We also spend time together on the lake in our water toys. We really just try to enjoy and appreciate every day.”

I received a nice long note from Kay McCullen in California: “Hello fellow Rhodies! I write to you from Santa Cruz, where I have lived for the past 10 years. After bouncing around in Memphis for several years, I decided to try my hand at writing user guides for software. It seemed that I might actually be able to use that B.A. in English! I moved to Seattle in 1996 where the placement agency advised me that what I wanted was called ‘technical writing.’ Presto! I was a tech writer for various startups that went nowhere. However, I did talk my way into a contract job at Microsoft for a short time (Ping-Pong, free stuff, stress, and I never saw Bill.) The Seattle rain drove me to Silicon Valley in 1999 where I am now ‘between opportunities.’ If one must be unemployed, Santa Cruz is a wonderful place to be. I haven’t learned to surf but am not ruling it out yet. I hope you are all well and seeking your dreams.”

Finally, Andrew Watts says, “Cathy and I are still in L.A. I’m a managing director at Oaktree Capital, a global investment firm, where I manage the high income convertible strategy. We have three children, Caroline (13), Ian (11) and Alec (8). We visited with Jeff and Mary Lynn Tucker Davis ’84 as well as Mitch ’86 and Monica Burns Warren ’87 in Nashville this summer.”

1986

Reporter: Colleen Grady
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Greetings to everyone from Nashville! Please keep sending me your news, whether it be through e-mail or Facebook. And now, on to your updates.

Lee Talbot has been promoted to associate curator of the Eastern Hemisphere Collections at the The Textile Museum in Washington, DC. He will pursue curatorial work focused on the museum’s collection of textiles from Korea, China and Japan, as well as continuing to chair the museum’s internal Exhibitions Task Force. He joined the museum staff in April 2007, and is currently pursing a Ph.D. from the Bard Graduate Center for Studies in the Decorative Arts, Design and Culture.

Liz McCraven graduated from LECOM, an osteopathic medical school in Bradenton, FL, in June. She is currently residing in Arvada, CO, a suburb of Denver, with her partner, Jill, and has begun a family medicine residency at St. Anthony North Hospital.

Phaedra Hise writes in with some news: “After five years of doing triathlons, I joined a bike racing team. This was my first season racing for River City Women’s Racing in Richmond and it has been a blast! I’ve done several time trials and road races, and have even gotten on the podium a few times. It’s very challenging—racing at more than 20 mph a few inches away from other cyclists—but I love it!”

After working full time since college, Leslie Nelson Lee is enjoying some well deserved time away from an office. She’s written a screenplay and submitted it to an international competition. She says, “My odds of winning are about like winning the lottery, but at least I’ve moved forward with something I’ve always wanted to do.”
1988

Reporter: Brooke Glover Emery
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On June 1, 2009, Johnny Moore became president and CEO of SunTrust Bank Memphis. He had held numerous management positions in SunTrust’s commercial and mortgage banking areas during the past 17 years, most recently heading the Memphis region’s commercial line of business.

Kim O’Harra Marsh owns Marsh Pediatric Therapy, a private-practice pediatric physical clinic. Kim says, “I am supposed to be working part time, but it doesn’t always go that way!” She lives in Tuscaloosa, AL, with her husband, Gene, and their two children, Emily (10) and Will (8) and attend as many Alabama sporting events as possible. Kim keeps in touch with Rhodes friends on Facebook.

Eric Aft reports that his family has been in Winston-Salem, NC, for five years, where Eric serves as the United Way COO. Eric and Lisa have been married for 11 years and have two wonderful children. According to the proud father, Avery is a talented musician who plays clarinet, piano and sax, and Claire, who has the kindest spirit of anyone he knows, enjoys dance, soccer and starting collections, with stuffed animals being her favorite. Eric’s wife is a graduate of Clemson and Wake Forest University. Both are heavily involved in volunteer activities, with Eric focused on coaching Claire’s soccer team, being treasurer of Avery’s high school marching band and serving on a couple of nonprofit boards. Professionally, Eric enjoys working with an excellent staff and volunteer team to develop, fund and implement programming to increase the area’s high school graduation rate, increase families’ financial situations and help uninsured individuals access vital medications. “We are fortunate to live in a generous, successful community, which enables us to invest more than $14 million into the community annually, creating a tremendous impact on the lives of our residents. It’s pretty amazing work that I feel fortunate to do.”

Alan ’87 and Judy Danger Truitt live in Birmingham, where she spends her time “chasing kids, volunteering too much, chasing kids some more and volunteering even more.” Judy and Alan have two children, Maggie (10) and Jake (4).

Anne Kaiser Apple reports that this is “the year of the ’S’ on Gallaway—with a Senior at White Station, a Sophomore at CBHS and a Second-grader at Grahamwood. Yes—three different schools—we have fully embraced our insanity.” Anne is busy as a parish associate at Idlewild Presbyterian Church, while Jim ’89 works at Morgan Keegan. Both are marathon runners, having begun training in the heat and humidity of August to run the St. Jude Marathon in Memphis. Jim hopes to qualify for Boston, while Anne hopes “to finish without having to make any bargains with my Maker and Creator.” Anne and Jim are looking forward to hosting Jim’s 20th reunion during Homecoming. Katie Bright Amato, Joanna Smith Priester, Evelyn Edwards Graham and Anne got together during the summer for a few days without children. Anne said it was good to be back together, just reconnecting and grateful for the friendships that began back at Rhodes when they were suitmates.

Ahad Mahootchi is living in Florida with his wife, Carole. They enjoy tennis and travel. Ahad, an ophthalmologist, practices at The Eye Clinic of Florida near Tampa. Ahad’s been keeping up with everyone on Facebook this year.

1989

20th Reunion

Homecoming: Oct. 23-24 d Saturday: Dinner, 7 p.m., Home of Anne ’88 and Jim Apple

Katie Ferris Trahan now lives in Marin County, CA, with her husband and youngest son (12). Her oldest son has graduated from college and is pursuing a career in acting and modeling in Los Angeles.

1991

After a recent girl’s weekend of reminiscing, relaxing and recharging in Highlands, NC, there is much to report: Susan Sneath Calahan lives in the Morningside area of Atlanta. Her husband, Doug, owns Argo Systems, a company that designs custom software for cable companies. She has two adorable children: son Carson (8) and daughter Claire (5), who both attend the Lovett School. Susan and family spent a good bit of time in Hilton Head this summer. Susan is excited to serve at the incoming president of the Lovett Alumni Association.

Misty Garner Clark lives in Manhattan with boyfriend Nick and rescued pooch Bronte. Misty is director of operations/customer service for Nina McLemore Designs. Misty and Nick enjoy traveling, having been to the south of France recently. When they are not on the road, they enjoy entertaining friends at their house in Southhampton.

Tracy Ballard Lindow lives in Germantown and recently celebrated her 18th wedding anniversary with her husband Mark, a pilot for FedEx. Tracy works for The Centre Group, a human resources consulting firm, where she primarily conducts training and retreats for Fortune 500 companies. Tracy and Mark have three wonderful children: Jake (11), Caleb (8) and Anna Claire (almost 4). This summer, the Lindow family spent a lot of time at the lake, where fishing, skiing and swimming were the order of the day.

Brad and Kelly Nowlin Moffatt live in Birmingham, where he is in commercial real estate with EGS. Kelly and Brad have three children: Amelia (7), Ford (4) and Adele (9 months). Kelly “retired” from Random House in 2008 after 10 years as a national accounts manager; she is now in sales for Portraits Inc. and is the incoming president of the Junior Women’s Committee in Birmingham.

Greg and Kristin Rudolph Muhlner live in the Washington, DC, area, where Kristin is CEO of the software company RollStream, and Greg, a former officer in the Navy SEALS, is director of business development at SAIC. They have one daughter, Zoë (almost 4). Kristin is anxious to move into their “almost completed,” renovated historic brownstone in Georgetown.
Class Notes

Elizabeth Roe Pearce lives in Atlanta, where she is an associate director for the fundraising consulting firm, Cox Curry & Associates, where she has worked for nine years. She has two miniature schnauzers: Zeke (10) and Ernie (8½). To celebrate their impending 40th birthdays, Elizabeth and her best friend, Caroline, recently spent three weeks in South Africa, touring Cape Town and visiting with the animals on safari. It was such an amazing trip, they are planning a return adventure in the future.

1992

Reporter: Sara Hawks Marecki
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Brian Ward, after losing his job, found a new one in 11 days using social media. His job search was featured in Time magazine on June 8, 2009. Lyell Peterson ’93 was also mentioned in the story for his help in the process, and Chandlee Bryant ’93 originally put Time in touch with Brian.

Anisa Cottrell Willis and her husband Kevin live outside of Cincinnati with their boys John (8) and Nicholas (4). Anisa is employed part time as a chaplain at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center and is a volunteer CASA with family court.

Jim Day lives in Franklin, TN, and works in Nashville as vice president, Audit & Advisory Services, for Genesco—the company that owns Johnston & Murphy, Journeys, Lids, etc. In his free time he trains for triathlons and spends time with his girlfriend, Jackie, her two boys and a couple of rambunctious dogs.

Dana Peterson Forlano has been living in England since 1999 with her husband Chris, another expat American. She has two children: Luciano (nearly 4), and her daughter, Friday (8 months). She relocated to do testing of Intelligent Network software for mobile phones, but now spends her time looking after the kids and gardening.

Erika Blank Bronson lives in Dalton, GA, with her husband William and their three children. She is busy serving as PTO president, Junior Scout leader and filling appointed positions on the Dalton/Whitfield County Industrial Development Authority Board as well as the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board.

Sara Hawks Marecki, Liz Gotham Furman, Cindy McCraw Dirks, Temple Sellers McDaniel, Shannon Emerson Myatt, Chris Emanuel, Cilalborne Ferguson and Burt Stodghill hit the Las Vegas Strip in April to celebrate their last year in their 30s. A fun time was had by all!

Scott Peatross has moved his law practice and joined the Bourland Heflin firm in Memphis as of May 1, 2009. He continues to focus his practice on the administration of probate estates and civil litigation.

Shane Beeson has been living in Plano, TX, for the past five years, after 4 1/2 years in the NYC area. He works from home as a senior account executive for Trepp, a New York-based commercial real estate analytics firm. Katrin and Shane have a son, Jaxon (8), who started third grade this fall. Shane is also staying active on the stage and is in rehearsals for a world premiere of a play to be performed at the Festival of Independent Theatres in Dallas.

Annie B. Williams is still living in Nashville near family and friends. She is married and has one daughter (5 1/2). After a decade of practicing law, for the past three years she has been teaching government and economics at Montgomery Bell Academy. Nothing like trying to mold the minds of 17- and 18-year-old boys!

Mary Margaret and Michael Gratz are the proud parents of new addition, Michael B. III (“Michael B.”), who joins older brother Charlie and older sister Lucy (no, they do not have a dog named Snoopy). Michael practices law with his father in Tupelo, MS, but as the country squire, spends a lot of time fly-fishing and playing tennis. Mary Margaret practices law, too, and does all the hard work with the kids—at least that’s the way she tells it.

Rob Joseph is a partner at Hill, Kertscher & Wharton in Atlanta, practicing corporate and venture capital law. He has been married for 12 years to Leslie, who until recently owned and operated a retail store selling antiques and home decor, but had the closeout sale at just the right time. He spends a lot of time on the phone with Michael Gratz, proving that neither one of them has much of a social life.

Ami and John Lange live in Huntsville, AL, where John is an executive in investment forestry for RMK Timberland Group, a joint division of Regions Bank and Morgan Keegan that manages timberland in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Oregon. They have two boys, Bennett and Jackson, and a dog named Belle. John still plays baseball like he did in college, though his body keeps having to remind him he’s not in college anymore.

Scott Fitzgerald and Carson Lindsey Turner married in May 2009. She is a lawyer and Scott is managing partner of the Quinter Financial Group, a diversified holding company with investments in real estate, pharmaceutical sales, financial services, food processing and Internet sales. They live in Charlotte, NC.

Carl Fisher is a nephrologist living in Charlotte, NC. He and Carrie have two children. He says he just finished the entire P90X fitness program and supposedly “has a six pack.”

Frank Howell is director of the Delta Council’s Industrial and Community Development Department, which gets him around a lot, and word has it that on occasion he has even hosted a local television show or two. He lives in Tribbett, MS.

Danny Vohs lives in St. Augustine, FL, with his wife Kim and daughters Anna Marie and Olivia and son Denny. Danny is owner/president of New Horizons, Jacksonville, a computer training company. He lives in the one house in every neighborhood that all the kids like to go to after school, and enjoys golf, fishing, boogie-boarding and generally anything having to do with the kids and the beach.

Chris Cox lives in the Washington, DC, area, where he is executive director of the National Rifle Association’s Institute for Legislative Action. He and his wife have just added a son to their family, Carter Buckley. All are doing well but are a bit sleep deprived.

Bart Crawford lives in Birmingham with his wife Elizabeth and oldest boy Hunter, daughter Adelia and the youngest, Forrest, and...
works at The Title Group Inc.
Don’t forget to join the Rhodes College—Class of 1992 group on Facebook!

1994
15th Reunion:  
Oct. 23-24  
Friday: Gathering, 9 p.m., Celtic Crossing  
Saturday: Cocktail Reception, 8:30 p.m., Diehl Court  
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1995
Reporter: Sarah Sears-Egeli  
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Ronald Coleridge writes:  
“Hi everyone! I’ve been back in Peru for four years now. Before that, my wife Gabriella and I lived in Luxembourg for three years. We have three children, Daniel (7), Sebastian (4) and Alexia (2). I created my own company when I came back to Peru, a luxury goods trading company. We represent several known brands from Europe, and so far, so good. We are planning to open our second store in Lima very soon, and we also do corporate sales to restaurants, hotels, etc.”  

Bobby Light has become a non-equity member of the law firm of Lawson and Silek in its Front Royal, VA, office. His practice focuses on real estate transactions and entity formations, planning, land use and zoning and labor and employment matters.

1996
Reporter: Jennifer Larson  
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Katherine Conti writes, “In March, I was selected as the winner of an international design competition sponsored by Kimball Office, a commercial furniture manufacturer. My work station screen design was chosen out of a field of more than 200 submissions. I was awarded $5,000 and an expense-paid trip to Chicago for NeoCon, the annual interior design trade show at the Merchandise Mart, to promote my design, which will be integrated into the Kimball product line. One of my professional designs for an apartment complex in Louisiana was also honored with an IDA (International Interior Design Association) Mid America Design Award in April. The design consisted of the main clubhouse and a display unit.”  

Catherine Cuellar now works as senior communications specialist for Oncor in Dallas. She writes, “After leading the PegasusNews.com team to win a Katie Award from the Press Club of Dallas for Best New Web Site in fall ’09, I joined the largest electric transmission and distribution utility in Texas as its spokeswoman. I’m still using my English major, basically acting as a translator for engineers. Best of all, I get to spread the good word about Oncor’s leadership in energy conservation and incentives to promote solar and wind-generated power.”  

Stephen Deusner is a music writer. His “live reviews” have twice been featured on ABC News online.

Rob Downey participated in the St. Jude Classic Pro-Am June 10, 2009, in which his team achieved a score of 55, good enough for the second-lowest in the event. It was the first time for him to play in the pro-am with ServiceMaster.

1998
Reporter: Amanda Grebe  
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Aaron and Amy Berlin Opsal had a daughter, Isabel Marie, June 20, 2009.

Peter and Christina O’Relley Barnes had a daughter, Elise Julianna, Oct. 3, 2008. Stanton (3) loves making his baby sister laugh. Christina is an allergist at the South Bend Clinic, and Peter is a psychologist in the counseling center at the University of Notre Dame.

Noel and Marissa Brewer Henley welcomed a daughter, Sarah Katherine, April 27, 2009, in Fayetteville, AR. Sarah Kate joins her adoring big brothers, Christopher (5) and Will (3).

1999
10th Reunion  
Homecoming: Oct. 23-24  
Saturday: Gathering, 8 p.m., Ernestine and Hazel’s  
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Melody Barnett Deusner has been awarded the Douglass Foundation Fellowship at the Metropolitan Museum in New York. She is currently a doctoral student in the University of Delaware’s Department of Art History.

Matt and Katharine Farmer Breaux are pleased to announce their marriage April 25, 2009, at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Savannah, GA, where Katharine’s parents and grandparents also were married. The wedding was full of tradition (Katharine even wore her mother’s dress) and lots of Rhodes alumni! Mary Reid Colter Tevis and Anne Bragg Warren ’00 were bridesmaids, and Witney Elliott Fisher ’00 read Scripture in the ceremony. Groomsmen included Dudley Baker, Kevin Birkby, Creswell Gardner ’98, Chris Johnson, Britt Rogers and Jason Searcy ’97. Drew Hamric and T.J. Wilt were ushers. There were also many Rhodes friends in attendance, including Madison Moore Agee, Tim Ballard ’95, Alison Barnwell, Holly Frederick Beck, Christine Knipscheer Belling ’00, Elizabeth Rozelle Borski, Meredith Schember Caruso, Jane Dawson Coley ’80, Jill Waldrip Davis, Claire Dempsey, Margaret Yerger Elliott, Cullen Evans ’00, Edy Burns Gervin ’00, Hank Hilliard, Nicole Atkins Johnson, Leslie Abernathy Johnson ’97, Liam Lynch, Alison Nathan, Andrew Shipman ’93 and Hansel Watt ’00. After a honeymoon in Barbados and Petit St. Vincent in the Grenadines, Matt and Katharine returned home to Denver, CO, where Matt works for Dividend Capital and Katharine works for New Hope Natural Media. Katharine writes, “Our wedding was such a wonderful time and it meant so much to us to have so many good friends be a part of the celebration!”

“Kenneth and I welcomed our son, John Lachlan, into the world May 22, 2009,” writes Betsy Miller McLean. “Just a few weeks after John was born, we celebrated our 10th wedding anniversary. We are so thankful for all our blessings!”

Kevin Willoughby continues to work as a commercial photographer in Dallas. Some recent shoots of interest include the New Kids on the Block
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for Ghostbar Dallas/N9NE Group, DJ Paul Van Dyk, the Lee Park & Arlington Hall Conservancy, the new Fort Worth Goody Goody Liquor Store and, in the product world, mining refuge chambers for MineARC Systems NA.

Mary Reid Colter Tewis received a M.S. in professional counseling in May 2008 from Georgia State University. She and her husband, Greg, moved from Atlanta to Dallas in July 2008. Greg is a management consultant for Deloitte and Mary Reid is a career counselor in the Cox School of Business at SMU. Being back in Texas has enabled Mary Reid to reconnect with a lot of friends from Rhodes and be an active participant on the North Texas Alumni Board.

Karla Riemenschneider Blackmore and her husband Bradley welcomed a daughter, Johanna Rose, May 2, 2009. “I have completed my residency in orthopedic surgery and will be doing a fellowship this academic year in Tampa, FL, for shoulder and elbow surgery,” writes Matt Willis. “After that, I have signed to be the director of the shoulder and elbow service at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga residency program.”

Brook ’98 and Marissa Murphy Loper welcomed their son, Bradden, April 2, 2009. Marissa writes, “Big siblings Bennett (6), and Lydia (3) think their new little brother is pretty cute. Of course, he’s not mobile yet and can’t steal their toys, so we’ll see.”

Todd and Braden Moon Blasdel recently moved into a new neighborhood in Oklahoma City “and are enjoying our new home and all of the work that comes with it. We are also enjoying the thrills of parenthood with our son Max, who will be 2 in November. I am still practicing law, primarily representing patients in medical malpractice suits.”

2000

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Emily Ogden has accepted a position as policy director for The Justice Project in Tennessee, a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to improving the fairness and accuracy of the criminal justice system. She hopes to initiate a public education campaign in an effort to create a climate for reform.

Doug and Nicki North Beasley had a son, North Douglas, Dec. 14, 2007, with the midwives at the nonprofit birth center where Nicki worked as the women’s health nurse practitioner for six years. She now works for a private gynecology practice in Knoxville, TN.

Chip and Allyson Johnson Hodge had a daughter, Lenox Kathryn, Oct. 17, 2008, in Beaufort, SC. Big brothers Cole (6) and Ryder (4) have been very excited to have a little sister. On June 1, 2009, Chip left active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps and joined the law firm of Quindlen & Merrifield in Beaufort. Chip will continue to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. Chip and Allyson celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary July 20, 2009.

Syd and Edy Burns Gervin welcomed a son, Graham Hutchinson, Sept. 27, 2008.

Andy Wohlforth continues as an associate attorney for Evans Petree Bogatin in Memphis, focusing his practice on income taxation, estate planning and estate administration. “I have enrolled in the University of Alabama’s Tax L.L.M. program, which began in August and will continue for the next two years.”

Sally and Jeff Badou and son Ronin William (almost 2) welcomed Maeve Beatrice to the family June 15, 2009.

Zac and Abigail West Jumper ’98 live in Knoxville, where Zac accepted a position with Abercrombie Radiology after recently completing radiology residency training and board certification at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. “We now live near my in-laws, Jeff ’89 and Amy Fay West Chandler ’89. We had our second daughter, Lila Fay West Jumper, April 28, 2009. Her big sis Annabel is now 3 1/2.”

Bill and Elizabeth Smith Ritter welcomed a son, Henry Jack, March 26, 2009, in Birmingham, AL.

Wil Harris writes: “Tiffany, my wife of four years, and I are heading back to Panama City FL, after finishing our residencies at the University of Virginia (she, anesthesia and I, emergency medicine). We are the proud parents of daughter Anna (1). Thanks for keeping up and I hope that all is well in Memphis.”

In the 2008 election cycle, Andrew Shulman worked for Rudy Giuliani in NYC, Steve Pearce in Albuquerque, NM, and Elizabeth Dole in North Carolina. “After the election, I moved to Jackson, TN, where I am the judicial assistant to my old boss Ed Bryant, who was recently installed as a federal magistrate judge for the western district of Tennessee. It’s good to be back in Tennessee!”

Jake and Mandy Corkern Vezina had a daughter, Louise, June 12, 2009. She joins her big brother George (3).

Joshua and Sheila Jacobson Purcell married June 20, 2009, in Eureka Springs, AR. Holly Kroll Smith, Elizabeth Smith Ritter and Emily Waller Ensor were bridesmaids.

Matthew Dekar, Hunter Freeman, Andrew Robertson, Peden Harris and Jon Hill ’01 were in attendance, as well as Kelly Ensor ’99. The couple honeymooned for two weeks in Greece and Turkey. Sheila graduated from the University of Memphis with a master’s degree in history in May, and began nursing school at U of M in August. They live on Mud Island with their dog, Bismarck.

Julie and Bryce Ashby welcomed their daughter, Katherine Elise, into the world last year. Kate turned one Aug. 21. Bryce completed a federal judicial clerkship with Judge Bernice Donald in August and returned to private practice at the Donati Law Firm, where he represents workers in the areas of civil rights, employment and labor law.

Cyrille and Callie Summers Pannier are still in the UK. “I have recently been promoted to sales manager at the Four Seasons Hotel Hampshire. In my new role, I will be handling the North American market—and look forward to a few (extra) trips back to the states in the months ahead! This year has proved to be quite a tough one for the hospitality industry ... so hope I can live up to the high expectations! We enjoyed a two-week trip to Thailand in the summer. We are both foodies, so we loved traveling through the various regions and sampling the unique flavors and spices. A highlight was elephant trekking through the Golden Triangle!”

Russell and Jessica
Big brother Kevin can’t wait.

Arts Fellowship and attended Alumni Award from the 2009-2010 bar year. She

Jessica and Russell married. Jessica earned her master’s Peterborough, NH.

Mississippi Individual Visual In 2007, Lou and Kevin Organized in 1922, the

She was also recently elected president of the Mound School of Law BLSA chapter.

She received the 2008 professor of art at the University of Tennessee College of Law with academic and pro

bono honors.” Brad was also a finalist for the Barrister of the Year award for his contributions to the law school community.

Hannah Miller was the organizer of the first Gay Pride event in China this year. She was mentioned in the New York Times and on BBC broadcasts, as well as in multiple other world news sources.


Daniel and Kim Polanco Driggers welcomed twins Champion “Champ” Troy and Trinity Taylor June 8, 2009. The twins are happy and healthy and living with mom and dad in Little Rock, AR.

Dave Elder and his wife Reagan have moved to Reykjavik, Iceland. Dave is working as a graphics programmer on the Core Technology Team at CCP Games.

Josh Klein and Elizabeth Quillin married June 5, 2009, in St. Louis. Tanner Neidhardt ’99 served as a groomsman. Other Rhodes alumni in attendance were Shaun and Kirsten Dugan, Matt Prewett and Bobby ’98 and Libby Lessentine ’03.

The couple resides in St. Louis, where Josh teaches psychology and coaches soccer and volleyball at DeSmet Jesuit High School, and Elizabeth is VP of sales for Crossroads Courier.

Emily Blassche moved back to her hometown, Oklahoma City, in April 2006 after four great years in San Francisco. She works as a senior financial analyst for Chesapeake Energy in its Investor Relations and Research Dept. She married Matt Link Sept. 13, 2008, and many Rhodes alumni were in the wedding party (Dayna Dwyer, Jenny

Wiedower, Hannah Smith Mason, Vann Morris and Liz Meyers Yoder). The couple honeymooned for two weeks in Thailand. In their free time, Emily and Matt enjoy cooking, gardening, hosting parties and traveling abroad. In addition to their honeymoon in Thailand, they have also recently been to Argentina, Poland, Netherlands, Germany and Mexico, as well as many domestic locations. Catherine Neelly enjoyed growing plants this summer. Squirrels ravaged her tomatoes, but she remained hopeful for the peppers. In April, Catherine was ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church USA and serves at Central Presbyterian Church in Atlanta.

Bill and Lise Taylor Pascoli had a healthy baby boy, Tyler, April 8, 2009, in Chicago. Big brother Will (2 ½) is adjusting very well and loves his little brother very much.

Shelley Short and Colin Matthews married in Houston, May 30, 2009. They will reside in Atlanta while Colin finishes law school.

Kate and Tim Stakem ’02 are still enjoying life in Memphis, where they live with their two kids Charlotte (2) and Gray (11 months). Kate is working on her doctor of education and serving as the high school principal at The Soulsville Charter School. The Stakems are also getting geared up for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) walk honoring Adah Laura Coultas in Memphis in October.

Patrick and Liz Meyers Yoder relocated to Houston this summer. They’re excited to eat good barbecue and Tex-Mex, become Rockets fans and reconnect with Houston classmates.
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2002

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Chip ’00 and Allyson Johnson Hodge welcomed their daughter, Lenox Kathryn, Oct. 17, 2008, in Beaufort, SC. Their two boys, Cole and Ryder, are great big brothers!

2004

Fifth Reunion

Homecoming: Oct. 23-24

Friday: Gathering, 9 p.m., Celtic Crossing

Saturday: Cocktail Reception, 7:30 p.m., Frazier Jelke Amphitheatre

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So apparently most of you have graduated from law/business school and have actually started contributing to the economy. Some of you have even started having babies. Big report, here goes:

This report comes to you from Mobile, AL, where Jeaneane Fountain married her high school sweetheart, Harry Camp, putting an end to nine years of long-distance dating. The wedding party included Yours Truly, Sezen Oygar and Emily Costarides.

Richard Frost and his wife, Alice ’05, were also seen cutting a rug at the reception.

Speaking of long-term relationships, John and Sarah Margaret Bridwell Decker were FINALLY married. Wedding party included Jennifer Sirmon, Catherine Curtis, Ande McDaniel, Lindsay Chapman, Mary Williams Griffin, Leland Haugh, Hamilton Hutchinson ’05 and Allen Sheehan. They took an amazing honeymoon to Martinique.

Continuing along the wedding line of thought, Joanie McEnery and Patrick Browne ’03 also married this summer in New Orleans. Rodents in attendance are too numerous to name here, but if you know Joanie or Patrick, you know what a party it was.

Susan Ratcliff Corbyn celebrated her first wedding anniversary and had a huge art opening in Alexandria, LA. No doubt it was a huge success!

Erin Johnston and Scott Adam married June 27, 2009, in Austin, TX. Erin welcomed three wonderful stepchildren to her family: Kaitlin (12), Harrison (8) and Kennedy (6). Bridesmaids included Lauren Jarrell Denney and Jenni Scott Clare ’05. Erin is a middle school language arts teacher in Round Rock ISD, and plans to return to school for her second master’s degree and school librarianship certification now that the wedding planning is over!

And on the baby front, Tony and Maude Pampel had a beautiful baby girl this spring, Emmaline Clair. Congrats guys!

Daniel Head is still traveling the world, recently hitting Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Zimbabwe and Amsterdam, where he met up with Elaine Odle, as well as Dominican Republic, where he met up with Casey Hall. He’s currently training for a half Iron Man. Slow down, dude!

Valerie Power is also abroad, living in Tanzania. Valerie moved to Africa to work for a NGO after finishing her M.A. in international education with a focus on international development from George Washington University.

As part of his dental school training, Peter Igoe recently completed a three-week clinic in Chechnya where he attended to oral hygiene needs of the civil war victims. Allyson and baby Igoe did not travel with Peter, but needless to say, they are happy he made it home safely.

Mills Ramsay is also abroad, but a little closer to home. Despite the recession, Mills is working for a hedge fund in the Bahamas and enjoys snorkeling and exploring Colonial-era pirate wreckage. It must be nice …

At the end of summer, Palmer Snodgrass deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom for seven months.

And yes, there are some 2004 graduates who still live in the good ole USA.

A year ago, Robert and Sarah Edgecombe ’03 moved to North Carolina, where Robert is pursuing a master’s at UNC and Sarah is entering her second year of social work.

The recently married Catherine Ogle Egenes has begun a new job with a boutique public relations agency, Wicked PR, in Atlanta. To celebrate, the young couple got a Jack Russell terrier puppy.

Marcus Cox and wife Karrie recently finished the film, “Los Encinos,” which features the talents of John Gordon, Spencer Pharr and Sandi Russon. The film, a human element story that explores tragedy and forgiveness, was shot on location in South Texas. Major props guys—well done.

Since the last update, Erin Fleischer and Lee Thomas have continued to expand their expertise in marine life. Through their work at Sea World San Diego, the two became increasingly interested in killer whales. Reproduction in captivity for this variety of whales is a very rare and delicate process with which the girls have become “intimately” involved.

Whitney Garman, Julie Clary, Maggie Goodman, Katie Walsh, Katie Maxwell, Ashley Kutz and Jenny Dill traveled to Napa Valley for a wine-filled weekend last Labor Day. They loved every minute spent in sunny California, but the biggest highlight was definitely going to Luna Vineyards to visit fellow Rhodes alum Mike Drash ’91. The girls were looking forward to their cruise to the Bahamas this Labor Day!

Katherine Mauzy and Elizabeth Cooley have both found their passion in show business. Katherine’s lovely voice can be heard across the nation on a new in-flight safety announcement for JetBlue Airlines. So the next time you “fasten those seat belts” think of Miss Mauzy.

The new announcements will debut this fall. Elizabeth will soon become one of the premiere models for Keds’ ballet flat line. She recently had this to say about her latest endeavor: “I have always loved Keds. I remained loyal to the brand despite being made fun of in college. Who knew my loyalty would literally pay off one day?” Elizabeth can be seen on the official Keds Web site from the knee down.

As for yours truly, I continue to weather the financial storm and allegations of being a “vampire squid wrapped across the face of humanity.” I also just finished my first year of a part-time MBA program which has been rather ho-hum.

As always, please reach out and let us know what’s new in your life.

Takin’ care of business,
-ckyle
2005

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Emily Robbins Liverman recently accepted the position of academic adviser/assistant director/student services at Indiana University in Bloomington. She writes, “This position is with the Russian and East European Institute. I am in charge of publicity for the institute, advising all of our students and recruiting for the institute, as well as SWSEEL, the intensive summer language program.”

Stephen Ogden has been awarded one of the 15 Lilly Graduate Fellowships. He is currently finishing a MA at Yale, where he has been accepted into the religious studies doctoral program as well as Notre Dame’s doctoral program in philosophy, with top graduate fellowships from both programs. He will attend Notre Dame to study medieval philosophy with a focus on Arabic philosophy.

Katherine Jameson, who is still in graduate school studying cancer biology, completed her first-ever full marathon in May and is training for more with Team in Training—a nonprofit offshoot of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Tripp and Ashley Wells Hullender ’07 recently married in Jackson, MS. He sends his thanks to all of the alumni who attended their wedding.

Megan Adams has moved to Jackson, MS, where she began her first year at Mississippi College School of Law in August.

Craig Cooper is currently an associate attorney at Faber & Brand in Columbia, MO. Other than traveling to various courts throughout the state, Craig has been actively involved in community theater in the Columbia area. Having recently finished a local production of “My Fair Lady,” he will be performing the role of Schroeder in “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown” this fall. Craig is planning on sitting for the Kentucky Bar this February.

Garney Caldwell recently moved back to his hometown of Chattanooga, TN, where he is opening an electric bicycle store called Chattanooga Hybrids.

After a crazy and fun fourth year that included working in a hospital in Tanzania and backpacking in eastern Europe, Lauren Jackson graduated from the University of Louisville medical school in May. She is now doing her internship in internal medicine at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.

Eliza Hanson moved to Austin, TX, where she is getting certified in special education and English language arts through Texas Teaching Fellows.

After living in Memphis for 10 years, Karen Dobyns will be starting her first job as an occupational therapist for Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation in Georgia.

Laura Stanford and Vanderbilt graduate Brent McDade married in July 2009.

Amanda Sirota and Christopher “Topher” Ollison of Grosse Pointe, MI, married in May 2009; they continue to reside in Houston.

Not only is Evan Weinberger finishing his doctorate in industrial/organizational psychology at the University of Houston, he is continuing to build his successful academic coaching company that he started in late 2005.

2006

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Joseph and Leslie Longtin Bayless are happy to announce their marriage on May 2, 2009, in Seagrove Beach, FL. They currently reside in Fredericksburg, VA. Rhodes alumni in attendance included: Tiffany Moore ’04 (bridesmaid), Katherine Mullins, Sarah Fairchild, Jen Hudson, Becca Franklin ’04, Brandon Nugent and Garrett Honea.

A 10-day honeymoon in Istanbul, Turkey followed. Leslie also writes, “I was recently promoted to a senior analyst position within the Department of Defense. I am also set to receive my master’s from Georgetown University next year.”

Margaret Sommer received a master of arts in political science from the University of Memphis May 9, 2009.

Will Waring is in his third year of law school at Mercer in Macon, GA, and will graduate in May 2010.

2007

After one year of living in Paris, Deborah Clarke, now fluent in French, was hired by EDF, the European energy company.

Edith Garrett was featured in the Boston Globe on July 9, 2009, when the drug Avastin, prescribed for other purposes, restored her hearing in one ear. In December 2006, she scored eight percent on a standard hearing test; she now stands at 98 percent in one ear.

Jamie Underwood recently accepted a position as assistant editor of CFA Magazine at the CFA Institute in Charlottesville, VA. She also received a master of mass communications in journalism from the University of South Carolina May 8, 2009.

Krystal and Charles White ’06 are happy to announce the birth of their son, Cyrus Gregory, May 5, 2009.

2008

Anna Casteen received a master of arts in teaching in mathematics from Bard College May 30, 2009. She writes, “I have accepted a teaching position in the Urban Assembly School for Wildlife Conservation in the Bronx, NY, for the 2009-10 school year. I hope to impart to my students an appreciation of mathematics that was instilled in me during my time at Rhodes. I am a Math for America 2008 fellow and have made a commitment to teach in New York City for four years.”

Natasha Jain writes, “I am in graduate school at Saint Louis University pursuing a dual degree program in which I’ll receive both my MBA and MHA (master in health administration).”

Jaala Spencer has been promoted to district manager in charge of the Arlington territory for Vector Marketing/CUTCO Cutlery. She will be responsible for all aspects of the business including recruiting, advertising, administrative and financial success.

Brooke Poklemba was crowned Miss Maryland at the Miss Maryland Scholarship Pageant. She will receive a $10,000 scholarship and other gifts and will represent the state of Maryland at the Miss America pageant. Her platform is “Autism
Class Notes
Awareness: The Importance of Early Intervention.

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Grant and Kristine

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‘38 Polly Jane Cohen Cooper of Memphis, May 27, 2009. An active member of the Church of the River, she gave years of service to significant Memphis institutions including the Memphis Symphony and Memphis College of Art, for which she served as director of publicity. She was also executive director of the Volunteer Service Bureau and hosted a talk show on WHER, the first all-female radio station in America. She collaborated with her husband, the late Rhodes English Professor Robert Cooper, on a three-volume Literary Guide and Companion to Southern, Middle and Northern England, also taking charge of the revision process 10 years later. She leaves a son, a daughter, four grandchildren, her niece and her caregivers.

‘40 Elizabeth “Betty” Orgill Archer of Memphis, April 27, 2009. A communicant of Calvary Episcopal Church, she was a past president of the Women of Calvary, a member of the Woman’s Exchange and the Midtown Mental Health Center board. The widow of Robert Neil Archer Jr., she leaves a daughter, two sons, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

‘40 Marjorie Elwood McEllroy of Memphis, September 22, 2008. A member of Second Presbyterian Church for 58 years, where she was a soloist in the choir for about 50 years, she also sang for weddings, various social organizations and institutions. She leaves several nieces and great-nephews.

‘40 Walter “Rip” Rowan of Little Rock, AR, April 8, 2009. After serving in the Army as a 2nd lieutenant, he returned to Memphis and was employed by McKesson Robbins Wholesale Drug Co., where he eventually became a division manager. He organized and managed The City Beautiful Kids Project, which employed teenagers during the summer to help clean up the city, for which he received an Outstanding Service Award from the governor. He was an active member of Pulaski Heights United Methodist church, the Butler Sunday School Class and Helping Hands Respite Care. He leaves his wife of 63 years, Barbara Legge Rowan, a daughter, a son, six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

‘43 Beverly McFall Mitchell of Memphis, May 16, 2009. A dedicated patron of the Memphis Public Library, the Junior League of Memphis and the Woman’s Exchange, she was an accomplished painter, with works displayed at the Memphis College of Art, Memphis Botanic Garden, the Alice Bingham Gallery and the David Lusk Gallery. The widow of Tom Mitchell Jr., to whom she was married for more than 50 years, she leaves a daughter, a son, two grandsons and a sister.

‘43 Robert Henry Seabrook of Jackson, TN, June 18, 2009. A World War II veteran, he served in the European Theatre under Gen. George Patton in France, Germany and Ireland and was in the Battle of the Bulge. He later was in charge of the Seabrook Paint Co. of Jackson. A member of the Gideons organization for more than 60 years, he was also involved in prison ministry. He leaves his wife, Virginia Lee Strathern Seabrook, two daughters, a son, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

‘44 Virginia Hughes “Peggy” Taliaferro of Kennesaw, GA, April 23, 2009. She was a teacher and director of the Adult Literacy Program of Dalton College for more than 20 years, as well as an active member of Dalton First United Methodist Church. The widow of Robert E. Taliaferro Jr., she leaves two daughters, two sons, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

‘45 Edward Clancy Boldt of Memphis, June 30, 2009. The founder of Boyle Development Co., he also was in the Naval Reserve and saw active duty in the Pacific during World War II. He served as president of both the Memphis and the Tennessee Home Builders Associations, was a senior lifetime director of the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, DC, and served on the boards of The Dixon Gallery and Gardens, the Van Vleet Foundation, the University of Tennessee Development Council, the University of Tennessee Medical School Round Table and the Boyle Trust Co. He was a founding member of the Memphis Chapter of Confrerie des
Chevaliers du Tastevin, a worldwide French wine society. He attended Calvary Episcopal Church. He leaves his wife of 56 years, Daphne Harriet Hoger Beasley Boyle, two daughters and six grandchildren.

'46 Garnet Field Miller of Crystal River, FL, May 2, 2009. She organized a Sunday school, the Junior Choir, Junior Church and Vacation Bible Schools at the first Presbyterian Church of Crystal River. She became involved with Word of Life Fellowship and formed a Bible club for teenagers, fielding retreats and tour bus trips to camp. She served as a social case worker and director of the Key Training Center, which included special education for three counties. She toured as a speaker for Stonecroft Ministries and Christian Women’s Clubs, as well as serving on the original board of directors for the Seven Rivers Christian School. The widow of Sam Miller, she leaves six children, 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

'48 Samuel Royal Fudge of Chapel Hill, NC, May 29, 2009. He was a B17 navigator in the U.S. Army Air Corps, European Theater, during World War II, discharged from service as a 1st lieutenant and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was pastor of Presbyterian churches in Tennessee and North Carolina, and served on the faculties of the University of North Carolina and the University of Houston. He was director of the Group Child Care Project at the School of Social Work, UNC and a child care consultant, nationally and internationally. He published a book, Living with Today’s Teenagers, and served as a task force member on the Committee on Rights of Children in Residential Treatment for the World Federation for Mental Health. He leaves his wife of 65 years, Elizabeth Shuler Fudge, a daughter, three sons, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

'48 Howard Bruce Hurt of Knoxville, TN, Jan. 29, 2009. He proudly served his country during World War II and was a POW. He obtained his Ph.D. in clinical psychology and led the clinical psychology program at Oak Ridge National Laboratory until his retirement in 1979. He leaves a nephew, a niece and a great-nephew.

'49 Carol Symons Hawk of Albany, GA, Dec. 5, 2008. She worked for the U.S. Census and taught second grade Sunday school at Porterfield United Methodist Church, where she was also involved in women’s and youth activities. She was involved in the Wesley Glen Ministries, Vashon and the City Mission Board, the Flint River Girl Scouts (for which she earned the highest honor (the Thanks Badge II award), the PTA, Theatre Albany, Albany Hospice, Meals on Wheels and the Albany Symphony. She was chosen by WALB-TV as one of the Ten Who Make a Difference. The widow of Herbert E. Hawk, she leaves four daughters and their families.

'49 Ralph H. Teed Jr. of Little Rock, AR, July 7, 2009. Director of rates and research at Arkansas Power and Light Co. until retiring in 1991, he was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting and fishing with his sons and grandchildren. A member of Covenant Presbyterian Church, he leaves his wife, Elizabeth Teed, three sons, 10 grandchildren and two brothers.

'50 Gale Beverly Martin Evans of Honca Park, SC, May 18, 2009. A member of Trinity United Methodist Church, she leaves her husband of 59 years, Cecil Evans ’49, two daughters, a sister, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

'50 James Edgar “Ed” Strain of Kingston, TN, October 12, 2008. A member of Grace Lutheran Church, he served in the U.S. Navy for 3 1/2 years as a nuclear weapons inspector, then worked with Oak Ridge National Laboratory until his retirement. He was presented the Award of Excellence for significant contribution to the Nuclear Weapons Program. He was also a member of the Roan County Tennis Association, the Environmental Review Board, Three Rivers Ramblers Square and Round Dancing Club, the Roane County Republican Party and the Knoxville Ski Club. The widower of Lib Strain, he leaves a daughter, two sons and two grandchildren.

'51 Dr. William Ralph “Bill” Giddens of Shreveport, LA, May 2, 2009. A physician who practiced internal medicine for 35 years, he also was a medical officer in the U.S. Air Force with the rank of captain. He participated in the formation of Louisiana State University School of Medicine in Shreveport as a clinical professor of internal medicine and was a pilot, sailor, chess player and avid coin collector. A lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church, where he served as deacon, elder and Sunday school teacher, he leaves his wife of 50 years, Jacquelyn Bricker Giddens; three daughters including Julia Wynn ’89; three sons, including Jeffrey Giddens ’84 and Joel Giddens ’86; 13 grandchildren; and a brother.

'52 Frank Montesi of Memphis, April 22, 2009. He was one of the owners of the Fred Montesi Grocery Stores and Liberty Cash Warehouse. He leaves his wife of 58 years, Tish Dille Montesi, two daughters, four sons and 17 grandchildren.

'54 Elizabeth Perkins “Beth” Graham of Memphis, April 4, 2009. A teacher in Memphis City Schools for many years, she was an avid gardener, a member of the D.A.R. and a longtime active member of second Presbyterian Church. She leaves her husband of 53 years, William T. “Bill” Graham, two daughters, a granddaughter and a sister.

'58 John E. Martin of Dunwoody, GA, June 10, 2009. A general agent for Berkshire Life, he was an avid backpacker and hiked most of the Appalachian Trail. He also bicycled from Savannah to San Diego as well as through Europe. He leaves his wife, Patricia “Tish” Martin, three sons, three daughters, 18 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and two brothers.

'58 David Louis Simpson III of Memphis, May 21, 2009. He was an associate with the law firm Larkey, Dudley, Blanchard and McRae before serving as the secretary and general counsel for the legal department at Conwood Corp. He served on the board of the Memphis Pink Palace as its legal counsel and was instrumental in...
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obtaining the museum’s IMAX Theater. A past president of the Rhodes Alumni Association, a former member of the MIFA Development Board and a longtime member of Idlewild Presbyterian Church, he coached boys’ soccer and baseball for the church and served as a tutor at Idlewild Elementary School. He leaves his wife of 50 years, Beth LeMaster Simpson ’58, a daughter, two sons, six grandchildren, his mother, a brother, Jon Simpson ’59, and a sister.

‘60 Beryl Friddle Looney of Ruskin, FL, July 21, 2009. A kindergarten teacher who taught in Riverview, Gibsonton and Ruskin, FL, she leaves her husband, David Looney, two daughters, a son, three daughters by marriage and 11 grandchildren.

‘61 Stewart Coleman Whittle of Knoxville, TN, June 30, 2009. He served three years in the U.S. Army and for 35 years, was employed by the National Security Agency, during which time he held posts in Germany, Japan and the United Kingdom. After retiring from the NSA, he formed and operated a computer consulting firm in Maryland. He was a member of the Tennessee and Maryland chapters of The Order of the Founders and Patriots, St. George’s Society of Maryland and the Washington Assembly. He was a vestryman at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Elliptic City, MD. He leaves his wife, Sue Braceyell Whittle ’61, and a daughter, Allison Elisabeth Whittle Hodges ’97.

‘64 Carl David Bird of Lighthouse Point, FL, December 21, 2008.

‘66 Claire Campbell Massey of Longwood, FL, June 15, 2009. A social worker in the mental health field, she worked with the Orange County Public Schools, then at the University of Central Florida, where she served on the Community Advisory Board and was the field education coordinator for the School of Social Work. She was also a member of the Council on Social Work Education and a former board member of The Grove. A member of the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection where she sang in the choir, she leaves a daughter, a son and a granddaughter.

‘66 William “Bill” Kossuth Weber of Lancaster, PA, July 15, 2009. A member of the Lone Oak Church of Christ, he was a labor relations and benefits plans manager for the U.S. Energy Corporation and served as a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He leaves his wife, Melinda Gates Weber ’69, a daughter, a son, two granddaughters and three brothers.

‘70 Trudy Reed Brown of Memphis, May 4, 2009. She served as director of medical records at Lakeside Hospital and at Baptist Memorial Hospital East, and was a reimbursement specialist at Cardiology Specialists. A master gardener who loved sailing and being outdoors, she was involved in the Girl Scouts. A member of Idlewild Presbyterian Church, she leaves her husband of 32 years, Joshua Goodlett Brown ’65, two daughters including Natalie Ensinger Gildea ’91, a grandson, her father and two sisters.

‘73 Regina Ann Copeland Harkness of Holly Springs, MS, April 18, 2009. A chemist at A & L Analytical, she leaves a son, a brother and her mother.

‘75 David Joel Lambert of Phoenix, AZ, June 17, 2009. He worked as a commodity trader and then as a bond, currency and derivative trader in Memphis, then for the U.S. Food Service and Jefferson Wells as a computer information technology auditor and governance professional. He was a sports car enthusiast and enjoyed cross-country motorcycle trips. He was an expert marksman, avid photographer and wine connoisseur. He loved his church community and participated wherever he lived, including Bethany Community Church in Temple and Cornerstone in Chandler. He leaves his parents and two brothers.

‘76 Steven Earl McAmis of Georgetown, TN, April 16, 2009. He coached high school football and taught psychology and sociology. A member of and music director at West Cleveland Baptist Church, he had also served as music and youth director at several area churches. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and training Labrador retrievers. He leaves his wife of 33 years, Doris McAmis, a daughter, a grandson, his parents, two brothers and a half-sister.

‘81 Gregory Clay Volgas of Memphis, July 17, 2009. The manager of the Product Development Lab for Helena Chemical Co., he also played soccer for the Memphis Kickers, Memphis Rogues and the Milwaukee Wave. He was involved with the Boy Scouts for 13 years and was scoutmaster of Troop 255. He enjoyed hiking, backpacking and camping in the Smoky Mountains National Park. He leaves his wife, Julie Volgas; a son, Nicholas Volgas ’11; his parents; and a brother, David Volgas ’75.

‘83 Karen Lydia “Prissy”+ McLellan Pamplin of Franklin, TN, May 29, 2009. A loan officer with Equity Mortgage, she leaves her husband, Christopher J. Pamplin, two sons, her mother and two brothers, including Kevin A. McLellan ’81.

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1959 . . . . . . . . . . 63%
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1957 . . . . . . . . . . 62%
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1955 . . . . . . . . . . 57%
1954 . . . . . . . . . . 55%
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1946 . . . . . . . . . . 39%
1937 . . . . . . . . . . 25%
1936 . . . . . . . . . . 50%
1935 . . . . . . . . . . 50%
1934 . . . . . . . . . . 55%
1933 . . . . . . . . . . 48%
1932 . . . . . . . . . . 48%
1931 . . . . . . . . . . 55%
1930 . . . . . . . . . . 48%
1929 . . . . . . . . . . 54%
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1923 . . . . . . . . . . 52%
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1919 . . . . . . . . . . 50%
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