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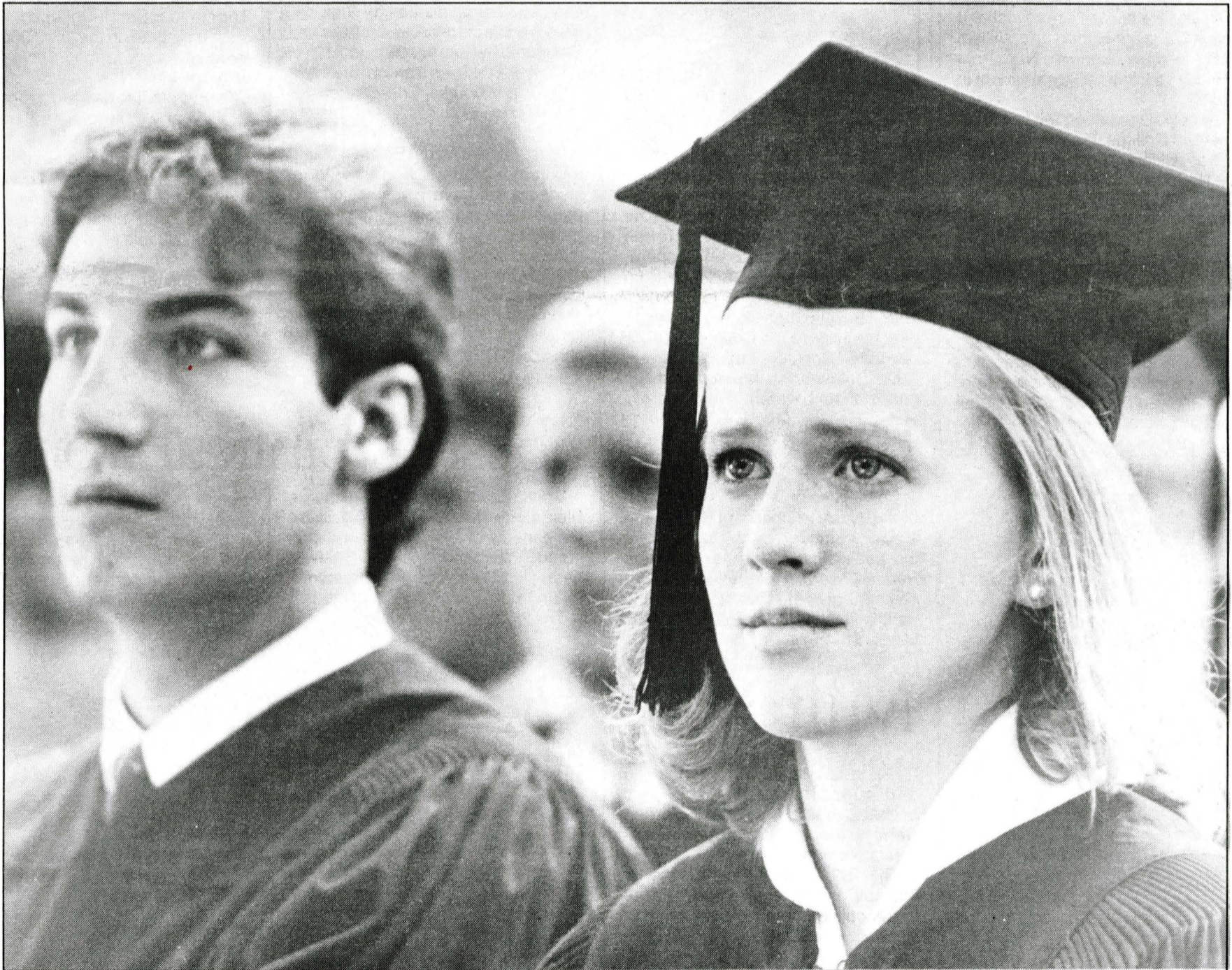
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COMMENCEMENT '87—Gene Adams and Susan Adams await bachelor of arts degrees at Rhodes' 138th Commencement ceremonies.

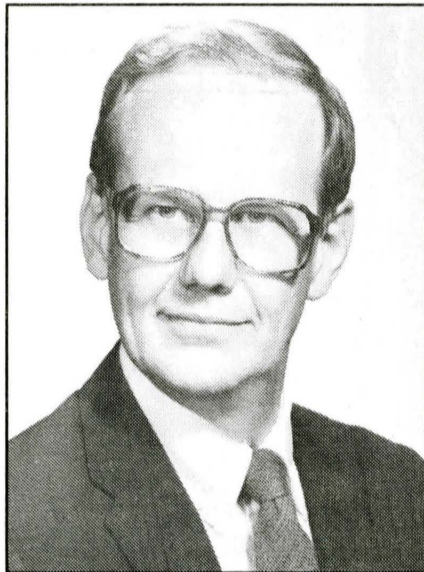
## Harmon Dunathan named to deanship

Dr. Harmon C. Dunathan, dean of faculty at Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass., has been named dean of academic affairs at Rhodes. The announcement was made recently by President James H. Daughdrill Jr.

Dr. Dunathan, who was chosen from a select group of top academicians from across the country, officially assumes his new post July 1. Dunathan, 54, holds a Ph.D. degree in chemistry from Yale University and a B.A. degree from Ohio Wesleyan University. He served as provost and dean of faculty at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, N.Y., from 1975-84, and was acting president in 1978-79.

The new dean joined the faculty of Haverford College, Haverford, Pa., in 1957 as assistant professor of chemistry. He was named a full professor in 1970, a post he held until 1975.

A noted teacher and researcher, Dr. Dunathan was an exchange fellow at the Institute of Molecular Biology of the Soviet Academy of Science, Moscow, from 1970-71 and a visiting faculty member at Stanford University and the University of California, Berkeley, in the 1960s. A frequent lecturer on national security education, he is also a member of the editorial board of *Liberal Education* and chair



Harmon Dunathan

of the organizing committee of the Five Colleges-National Science Foundation Conference on Cooperation in Undergraduate Science Education. From June 1984 to February 1985 Dr. Dunathan served as acting director of the Five Colleges' Peace and World Security Studies program.

Dr. Dunathan is married and the father of four children.

## Rhodes offers adult degree program

This fall Rhodes will open its doors even wider with an undergraduate degree program for "non-traditional" students—those aged 24 and over who have not completed college.

The re-entry program, sponsored by the Meeman Center for Special Studies, will begin with a maximum of 18 students who will take nine hours of credit over two semesters. With passing grades after that period, they can become candidates for their degrees, according to Dean of Special Studies Sally Thomason.

They will take, as a group, the interdisciplinary course *The Search for Values in the Light of Western History and Religion* along with courses in their respective fields. Besides taking a common course, non-traditional students will have a counselor and programs to aid them in the re-entry process.

Admissions are based on interviews, essays, and past college and/or high school transcripts, said Dean Thomason. The ACT and SAT test scores are not required, but will be considered if offered by the applicant.

Fees are \$260 per semester hour for students taking 10 hours or less, and partial scholarship money is available through the Durham Foundation of Memphis.

"Experience shows that these non-traditional students are so motivated, there are more Phi Beta Kappas and more honor students per capita in similar programs offered by other colleges and universities," said Dean Thomason. Smith College initiated such a program in the late 1960s and three years ago formed a consortium with nine other New England colleges offering similar degree programs. "This year we discovered there is a demand at Rhodes from students who took non-credit courses at the Meeman Center," Dean Thomason explained. "Many companies have expressed an interest in paying tuition for valuable employees to earn a degree," she added.

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## Dr. Brown publishes biblical work

Colleagues of Dr. Milton Brown, Albert B. Curry Professor of Bible, gathered on campus recently to celebrate the publication of his new book *To Hear the Word, Prolegomena for Serious Study of the Bible* (Mercer University Press, 256 pages, \$29.95; paper, \$14.95).

Written for the serious beginner in Bible study, *To Hear the Word* delivers the benefits of biblical scholarship in nontechnical language. One reviewer has called it "a 'user-friendly' textbook for undergraduates and laypersons."

The book provides critical discus-

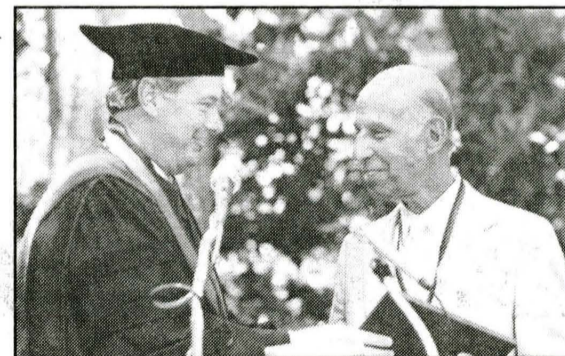
sion of such topics as how the Bible came to be, how it became "Scripture," how the text was transmitted and has been translated, and how the Bible has been and is now interpreted.

## Milton C. Picard honored

Milton C. Picard, longtime friend and supporter of Rhodes, was awarded the college's Distinguished Service Medal during commencement ceremonies.

The honor is given to a person who exemplifies able and selfless service to the college. It is an expression of Rhodes' appreciation and pays tribute to the high ideals, commitment, and hard work of the recipient.

Picard, a partner in the Memphis law firm of Picard, Caywood, Arthur and Taylor, has served on the executive committee of the President's Council at Rhodes. During the 1984-85 academic year, he, his wife Liz and their friends Stella and Hubert Menke



Milton Picard (right) and President Daughdrill

established the Hilda Menke Memorial Scholarship in honor of Mr. Menke's mother. The following year Picard and Menke gave the college an infrared sound system for the

hearing impaired for use in Hardie Auditorium. Mrs. Picard is a member of the Rhodes Art Council which administers the Lillian and Morrie Moss Endowment for the Visual Arts.

## Smith imparts lessons from company

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following excerpts are from the Commencement speech, "The Building of an American Institution, Lessons from Federal Express," delivered by Frederick W. Smith, founder and chief executive officer of Federal Express Corp.

People often ask me, "How do you explain Federal Express' success?" And many expect to hear an answer that includes our hubs and spokes system, or the importance of deregulation in our industry or our comical commercials. The truth is, those ideas are only peripheral....

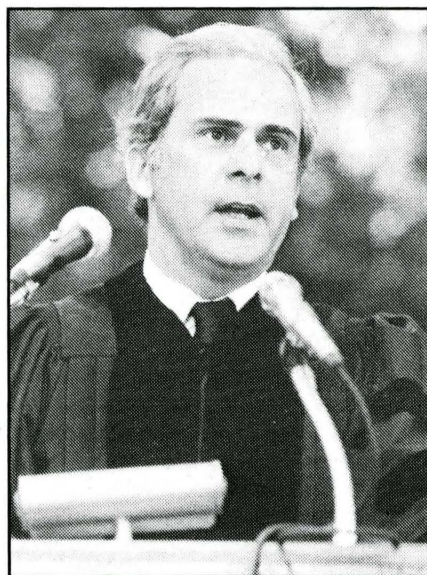
First, we see customer service as our number one mission....

We listen and respond to what [our customers] want instead of what's easiest to do.... This is certainly not a new idea. Karl Albrecht and Rom Zemke, in their book *Service America!* said, "The real management challenge of the 1980s is:

1. Creating services that meet customer needs
2. Designing systems and procedures that assist, not insist
3. Engineering customer contact jobs so employees can work for, not against, customers' needs."

That advice is merely an application of the Golden Rule, demonstrated in one form or another in every great religion of the world....

The second lesson that I hope might be learned from Federal Express focuses on any company's



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Frederick Smith

most strategic asset—its employees. The Golden Rule applies not only to customers, but to employees as well....

[Federal Express] putting people first didn't happen by accident. It also didn't happen because it sounds good. It happened because it works....

We've found that customer relations really begin with employee relations. So, if we take care of our employees, they'll deliver the quality service our customers have come to expect and our customers will con-

tinue to provide our profit which allows us to exist....

You might remember an electronic mail service we used to have at Federal Express called Zap Mail that was unsuccessful.... We shut the service down, although we went to great lengths to take care of our customers by providing the alternative equipment at no charge....

Well, in addition to having a few machines left over, we also had about 1,300 people.... We took action to reorganize and find new positions for every one of those 1,300 employees. So you can see that whether we're implementing a new technology or discontinuing an old service, people come first....

My bet is that history will reflect that the way Federal Express dealt with discontinuing Zap Mail may be one of our strongest moments as a company—because our commitment to both customers and employees was soundly demonstrated.

So, Seniors, I would say to you, if you try something new and it doesn't work, don't get your dauber down. Get back up, dust yourself off and get back in the game.

I remember there's a story floating around somewhere about a kid at Yale who got a "C" on a term paper because of some crazy idea about high priority air deliveries. By the way, that's funny everywhere but at Yale.

The third lesson I would share with

you from Federal Express is to constantly try to improve and to be adaptable to change. In our case, we're constantly developing state of the art technology to help us perform to our customers' standards. Our customers expect continuous improvement in our service which motivates us to set higher and higher standards.

No matter what field you enter, I think these basics apply because when you think about it, everyone is involved in service, whether you're in business, education, medicine or law. And I believe most of you would certainly add parenting to that list—I can tell that I have!

If you make your goal to be the best you possibly can be at whatever it is you choose to do—

If you do something useful for others—from their perspective—

If you put the Golden Rule into action with your employees and your customers by putting them first—

And if you remain adaptable to change, you may be on the road to personal and career success....

Seniors: Continue to strive toward excellence. Don't be afraid to pursue your dreams. You can accomplish a great deal in life if you are committed to turning those dreams into realities. You can do it—I absolutely, positively guarantee it.

## Library heads toward goal

By Amanda G. Yandell  
Director for Grants

Rhodes alumni and friends have responded in a big way to the challenges issued by The Kresge Foundation and a Rhodes Trustee for the renovation of Burrow Library. (Each awarded the college separate challenge grants of \$300,000 each contingent on an additional \$1.19 million being raised by Dec. 31, 1987.)

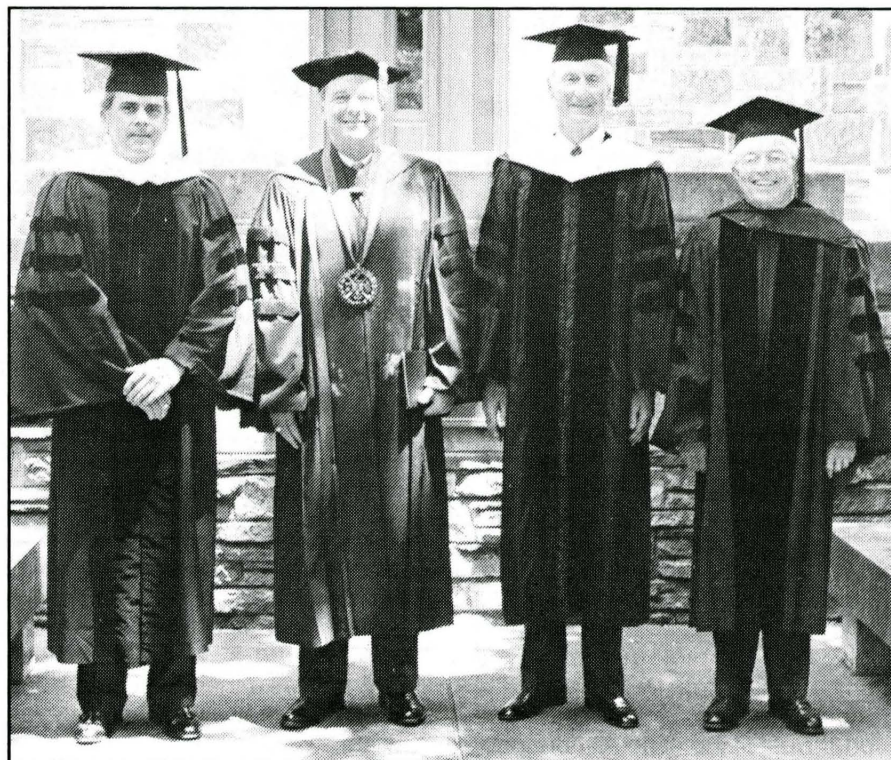
Of the total \$1.79 million (which includes the two challenge grants), \$1,324,370 has been committed, leaving more than \$465,000 to be raised. The gifts and pledges made by alumni for the library renovation project will also count toward the Alumni Challenge.

The north wing of the library, which comprises three floors, will be named for a donor in honor of a contribution to the general renovation fund. A commitment of \$150,000 from the E.L. Amis family, originally from Dyersburg, Tenn., will renovate the reference room, which will be named the Everett Lynes Amis Reference

Room in honor of the gift. Burlington Northern Foundation has contributed \$25,000 to the library project, and six gifts to endow collections in various areas of interest to the donors have been received.

"A number of opportunities remain for donors to honor a loved one and contribute significantly to the improvement of the library," said James A. Thomas III ('62), chair of the Library Task Force. "A gift of \$1 million to endow the operation of the library will name the main drive of the campus, now called Library Lane, \$500,000 will renovate and name the entire east wing which houses the bookstacks and \$5,000 will purchase one section of the new electronic shelving. As always, gifts of any size will help purchase books."

Library Director Lynne M. Blair noted that two major emphases of the project are air conditioning, which will double the life of the books printed between 1850-1950, and increased shelf capacity, which should make Burrow Library adequate through the end of the century.



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Federal Express' Frederick W. Smith (left) received an honorary degree at Commencement. Beside him is President Daughdrill and other honorary degree recipients L. Palmer Brown and Lewis Donelson.

## Travelers head for Alabama 'Tempest'

Alumni and friends of the college are heading for a "Tempest" in Alabama this summer. On July 18-19 the Meeman Center for Special Studies will sponsor a weekend theatre trip to the renowned Alabama Shakespeare Festival near Montgomery.

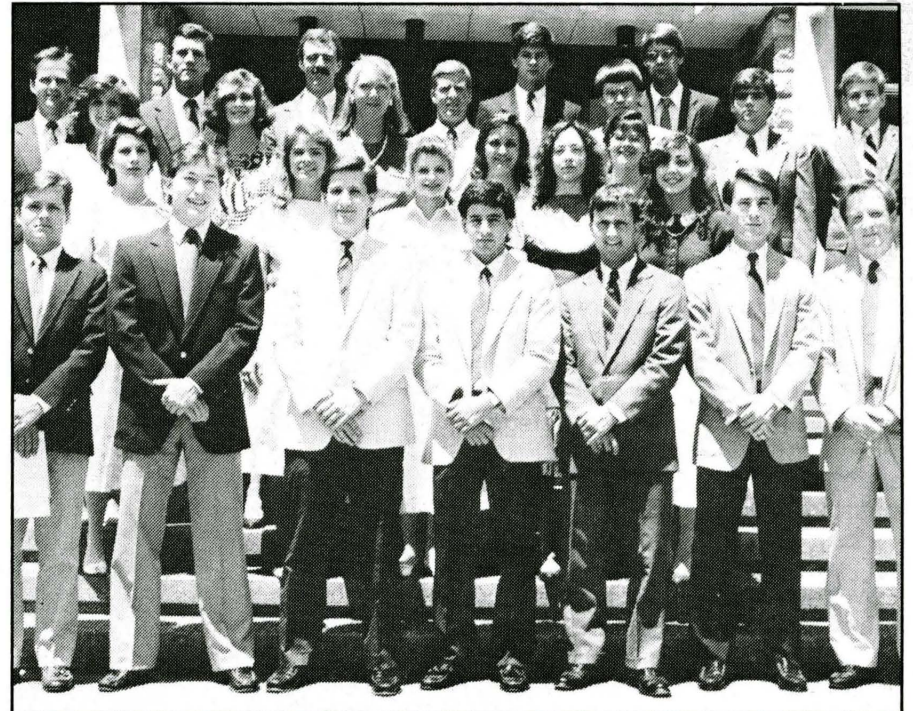
The spectacular new Alabama Shakespeare Festival with its dramatic two theatres and resident company is the vision of Rhodes friend and trustee Winton Blount. The \$21.5 million complex is set on 200 acres of rolling meadowland donated by the international construction magnate, art collector and former postmaster general.

Professor Emeritus of Theatre and Media Arts Ray Hill, who will accompany the tour, will also lead a discussion on campus of the featured play, Shakespeare's "The Tempest," from 6-8 p.m. July 14.

The "audience" will leave the Rhodes campus by bus at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 18, and return Sunday evening. After lunch and check-in at Montgomery's Madison Hotel, travelers will have Saturday afternoon and early evening free for sightseeing and dinner. That evening the group will see "The Tempest."

On Sunday morning theatre-goers will enjoy a champagne brunch in the hotel dining room before seeing their matinee choice of either George Bernard Shaw's "Misalliance" or Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew."

Cost of the theatre weekend is \$195 single, \$295 double. For those who do not take the trip, Prof. Hill's class by itself is \$10. For further information, contact the Meeman Center for Special Studies, Rhodes College, 2000 N. Parkway, Memphis, TN 38112-1690, (901)726-3965.



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New members of Phi Beta Kappa are (front row, left to right): Brian Davenport, Bill Casteel, Blake Ross, Greg Hanissian, Mark Daniel, Alan Truitt, Todd Doolin. (Second row): Elizabeth Jennings, Edie Vincent, Elizabeth Gibson, Karen Collins, Laura Richens. (Third row): Patricia Decker, Patricia Sisk, Melanie Swift, Jennifer Sandridge, Lydia Henegar. (Fourth row): Greg Carey, Alan Harris, Chris Caldwell, Robbie Baker, Phil McSween, Tim Davis, Joe Chesser, Steven Brammer, Matt Lembke

## Sullivan Awards recognize high ideals

Two students and a Rhodes alumnus who is a longtime member of the college administration each received a prestigious Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for outstanding contributions to the community and campus at the June 6 commencement ceremonies.

Student recipients were Melinda "Mindy" Gard of Cincinnati, Oh., and Ira Jackson of Atlanta, Ga. The non-student honoree was Loyd C. Templeton ('56), assistant to the president for college relations.

Sullivan, for whom the award is named, was a scholarly New York lawyer, orator, and renowned humanitarian who headed the New York Southern Society. When he died, the award was established in his memory at various colleges and universities to encourage and recognize commitment to humanitarian ideals. Each year, two Rhodes students are chosen by their classmates for the award, and one non-student recipient is chosen.

Ms. Gard, a biology major, is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership fraternity, and Mortar Board, the national honor society. This year she was named to Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges. During her junior year she was a Student Government Association class representative.



Ira Jackson



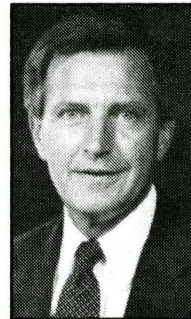
Mindy Gard

A member of the Dilemma Steering Committee for two years, Ms. Gard has also been a resident adviser and a volunteer in the Kinney Program. Active in the W.K. Kellogg Foundation Food for Thought program at Rhodes, she also served as treasurer of her sorority pledge class and later as the group's philanthropy chairman.

Jackson, a business major, was also named to the 1987 edition of Who's Who. Elected Mr. Rhodes this year by the 1,220-member student body, he was a member of the Honor Council for three years, and this year served as president.

Jackson has also been a Student Government Association welfare commissioner, a planner for residence hall social activities, and a letterman in track and field.

Templeton, married to the former



Loyd Templeton

Peggy Ross ('57), has been a member of the Rhodes administration for 19 years. In 1968 he left a successful career with New York's Kenyon & Eckhardt advertising firm to become director of development for the college.

In the early 1970s he was named director of institutional advancement, responsible for all publications of the college, public relations, alumni affairs, and special events. When the administrative organization was restructured in 1979, Templeton became dean of enrollment, a cabinet-level position that put him in charge of admissions, financial aid, institutional advancement, publications, and alumni affairs.

By 1984 the college and its needs had grown so rapidly that it was decided to make each of these cate-

gories its own department with separate administrators and staffs. Templeton was named assistant to the president for college relations, a newly-created cabinet post at the time. Currently he is in charge of all college publications, audiovisuals, marketing, and the growing number of special events.

In addition to his regular duties, Templeton chairs and serves on numerous campus committees. He is chair of the Rhodes Art Council, the group of college faculty, administrators, trustees, and friends who administer the Lillian and Morrie Moss Endowment for the Visual Arts. Begun two years ago, the Moss Endowment brings to the campus a series of renowned experts in the art world for public and private lectures. He also chairs the McCoy Visiting Artists Program.

Anyone who has ever seen the college catalogue, brochures, or video, attended a Moss lecture, commencement, a performance in the McCoy Visiting Artists series, or any one of dozens impressive Rhodes endeavors, has seen throughout each one the fine hand of Loyd Templeton at work. If he hasn't written or designed it, he's planned, produced, directed and carried it out with typical excellence and style.

## Students honored at Awards Convocation

Two outstanding professors and several students were honored at the annual Awards Convocation in May.

Prof. Rebecca Sue Legge and Dr. James Olcese received the highest faculty awards bestowed by the college each year. Ms. Legge, associate professor of business, won the \$5,000 Clarence Day Award for Outstanding Teaching, and Olcese, associate professor of biology, won the Dean's Award for Research and Creativity, which carries a \$4,000 honorarium. Both awards are endowed by the Memphis Day Foundation.

Memphis businessman Clarence Day, who announced the winners, established the awards in 1981. They are given annually with winners selected by a committee of faculty, students, staff, and trustees from nominations made by members of the college community and alumni. The prize for teaching excellence is one of the largest in the nation.

Five seniors were inducted into the Hall of Fame. They include: Susan Adams, Mindy Gard, Ira Jackson, Wendy Tallent, and Lauren Wellford.

The following student award recip-

ients were announced at the convocation:

**Art:** Apollonian Award: Scott Srnka; Dionysian Award—Laura Richens

**Anthropology/Sociology:** Francis and Edwina Hickman Award—Joe Chesser

**Athletics:** The Freeman C. Marr Award—Rick Neal; J. Hal Daughdrill Award—David Maddux

**Biology:** The Award for Excellence in Biology—Lisa Trolinger

**Chemistry:** CRC Freshman Chemistry Award—Steve Hipp and Blaik Mathews; Sophomore Chemistry Award—Bruce Kellerman; ACS Division of Analytical Chemistry Award—Andrew Fong; The William Spadow Scholarship in Chemistry—Andrew Fong

**Economics/Business Administration:** The Seidman Awards in Economics—Tim Davis and Marguerite Wiese; The Wall Street Journal/Departmental Award in Finance—Robbie Baker; The Ralph C. Hon Leadership Award—Wendy Tallent; The Sue Legge Accounting Scholar Award—Carson Hampson; The Ward Archer Sr. Award in Marketing—Katherine Knapp

**Education:** The Joye Fourmy Cobb Romeiser Award—Maggie Eikner

**English:** John R. Benish Award—Meg Beeson; Jane Donaldson Kepple Writing

Prizes—Debbie Gehrs and Derek Van Lynn (freshmen), Julie Rold (senior), Sandra Johnson and Kathryn Murphy (poetry, fiction and drama); Allen Tate English Award—Nathan Tipton

**Foreign Languages:** The Jared E. Wenger Award—Alan Harris and John Rosser; Greek Award—Mary Jane Park

**History:** The John Henry Davis Award: Phil McSween, Rob Bruce and Jane Schaefer; Colonial Dames Award—Joe Chesser

**International Studies:** Bobby Dough-tie Memorial Award—Julianne Johnson; The Donald J. Gattas Memorial Award—Cole Clark and Martha McGeachy; Ann Rorie Memorial Award—Jason Hood

**Interdisciplinary Humanities:** The Fred W. Neal Award—Tom Park; The W.O. Shewmaker Award—Julianne Johnson

**Mathematics:** The Jack U. Russell Awards in Mathematics—Debbie Gehrs, Bruce Kellerman and Elisa Allgood; The William Spadow Scholarship in Mathematics—Debbie Thissen

**Music:** The Jane Soderstrom Memorial Award in Music—Regina Murphy; The Louise Mercer Award—Julie Owens

**Philosophy:** The Laurence F. Kinney Prize—Blake Ross

**Physics:** The William Spadow Scholarship in Physics—Alan Spies; The Physics Department Award—Allen Bacon

**Political Science:** The Seidman Awards in Political Science—Steven Brammer (senior) and Jen Engle (freshman); Mike Cody Award in Political Science—Matt Lembke; Abe Fortas Award for Excellence in Legal Studies—Anthony Pietrangelo

**Psychology:** E. Llewellyn Queener Award—Blake Ross; Merit Award in Psychology—Susan Adams

**Religion:** The Religious Studies Award—Greg Carey

**Theatre and Media Arts:** Outstanding Senior Award—Katherine Bres; Mark Lee Stephens Memorial Award—Leigh Ann Vaughn

### NON-DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

**The Emma Tull Award:** Becky Womeldorf

**The Estelle R. Cone Award for Outstanding Kinney Volunteer:** Andi Williams

**The Seidman Trophy in Athletics:** Robbie Baker

**ODK Sophomore Man of the Year:** Kurt Low

**Mortar Board Sophomore Woman of the Year:** Gretchen Greiner

**The John Henry Davis Scholarships for British Studies:** Mary Jane Park, Heather Habicht, and Kris Dwelle

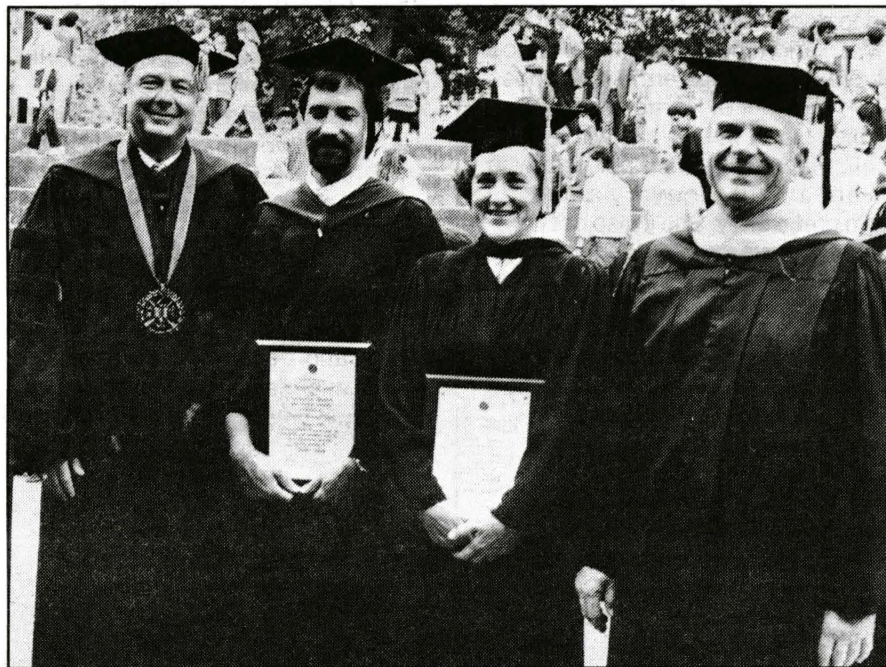
## Legge, Olcese receive top faculty awards

Neither expected it, but the cheers from their students and colleagues told it all when Prof. Rebecca Sue Legge and Dr. James Olcese were respectively named recipients of the Clarence Day Award for Outstanding Teaching and the Dean's Award for Research and Creative Activity at the May Awards Convocation.

Prof. Legge, associate professor of economics and business administration, is renowned for the number and quality of her former students who go to work for the "Big Eight" accounting firms. In addition to his teaching duties, Dr. Olcese, recently approved for tenure and now an associate professor of biology, is currently involved in research on the physiology of magnetic field detection with the help of a two-year, \$50,000 grant from the National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Disorders and Stroke.

One of Prof. Legge's students once told her, "You never give us a chance to say 'no!'" "That's because whenever students come to me convinced they can't do something, I always tell them at least to try," she laughed.

Also at the spring Awards Convocation, the first Sue Legge Accounting Scholar Award was bestowed. "The award goes to a rising senior who embodies everything you'd want to have in an accountant. Grades do count, but the recipient should be an



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Dr. James Olcese and Prof. Sue Legge (center) share proud moment with President Daughdrill (left) and Clarence Day.

all-around person," explained Prof. Legge.

Prof. Legge is both a certified public accountant (CPA) and certified management accountant (CMA). She holds B.B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from the University of Mississippi where she enrolled after working for 16 years as teller and bookkeeper at the Bank of Sardis, Miss.

"I entered Northwest Junior College as a freshman when I was 33 years old and transferred to Ole Miss second semester. The students accepted me with open arms and treated me just like I was their age. At the end of the master's program the university asked me to teach while I worked on my Ph.D. I probably should have been, but wasn't a bit nervous when I walked into my first

class. I felt I was finally doing what God intended me to do, and I've never been happier."

Teacher, researcher, musician, social activist, Dr. James Olcese rightly admires the ideal of Renaissance man.

A noted researcher, he took a two-year leave as an invited member of an international research team in Mainz, West Germany, studying the effects of light and magnetism on the pineal gland. Next summer he plans to take a 1½-year sabbatical for further research either in Germany or Copenhagen.

A specialist in animal physiology, Dr. Olcese supervises his fair share of student directed inquiries (D.I.s). Working one-on-one, Dr. Olcese gets to know the students and their interests.

Dr. Olcese is a published poet and an amateur musician and actor. He began playing flute at age six and was guitarist for a rock group in high school and college. In fact, he entered college as a music major. Science won out, though, and he earned his B.S. degree at Emory and his Ph.D. at Marquette.

A social activist, a commitment he says that goes back to the 1960s, Dr. Olcese is a member of the Union of Concerned Scientists and has been active in the Memphis Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign.

## Perseverance pays off for 1987 graduates<sup>6</sup>

By Ricci Hellman '88

Jennifer Sandridge of Birmingham, Ala., entered Rhodes intending to major in math. She set her sights even further her sophomore year when she expressed a desire to become an actuary. She encountered a small problem, though. Rhodes does not offer classes designed for actuarial training. But Ms. Sandridge did not let that stop her. She sought out practical job experience and took what classes she could within her major which could be of use in her career field.

"I worked for an insurance company in Birmingham the summer after my sophomore year," Ms. Sandridge explained, "to find out just exactly what an actuary does and to see if I'd like it. An actuary is a business mathematician who uses problem-solving skills in business applications—things like setting pension plans, setting premiums, and establishing employee benefit plans."

Upon returning to Rhodes, Ms. Sandridge took an advanced probability and statistics course, plus the actuarial exams. Full actuaries must pass a series of ten exams. The following summer she returned to the same insurance company for more experience.

Where she really jumped in front of other job applicants for actuarial positions, was when she began writing letters to companies in Connecticut in the fall of 1986 expressing an interest and asking for information on their programs. Out of 20 letters, she received 12 responses, which, after five interviews, turned into five job offers.

"I knew that I had a specific market I wanted to target. And I knew that the chances for a Connecticut firm to come to Rhodes were minute. So once I decided exactly where I wanted to be jobwise and geographically, I knew I would have to do the looking," said Ms. Sandridge.

She credited her parents with a lot of emotional support and Rhodes ca-

reer counselor Tina Fockler with help on a resumé, setting salary expectations, and tips on interviewing. She found that her investment at Rhodes paid off, too, when the insurance companies noticed her solid liberal arts background.



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Marshall Cheney

Choosing from five companies then became Ms. Sandridge's main concern. She had already beat the odds in finding the job, but then she had to decide which was the best bet.

Ms. Sandridge investigated her top two choices during Term II and chose to join the staff of Hartford Life Insurance. At Hartford Life, she will receive a salary above \$25,000 per year with advancement for every actuarial exam proficiency. She'll also get training for the exams, and expenditures for exam costs, in addition to common business employee benefits.

Marshall Cheney, a psychology major from Florence, Ala., who chose to pursue graduate studies, was one of eight women to be awarded an Olin Fellowship for Women in Graduate Study at Washington University this fall. Her fellowship, which will cover four years of study, not necessarily

consecutive, is for \$20,000 per year. The amount includes full tuition plus a \$9,000 yearly living stipend.

The fellowships were awarded to the eight outstanding women candidates who will conduct advanced study at any of the university's gradu-



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Jennifer Sandridge

ate and professional programs. Ms. Cheney said she had no idea how many applicants were cut from the first draft, but when she interviewed with the university earlier this year, 40 college seniors from around the nation were in attendance.

"What helped me win was that I had worked very hard on the Graduate Record Examination and that I had spent a lot of time with [psychology department chair] Dr. Herbert Smith in independent research," she said. "The research aspect played a very important role because it was above and beyond the normal academic experience. And the dean of academic affairs said they look for students who have made distinct contributions to their field of study."

Saying she hopes to pursue a Ph.D. in clinical psychology for the

aging, Ms. Cheney noted the Hospice and neuroscience opportunities at the university as major factors in her applying to Washington U. "On top of the research I will be able to conduct in my field of study, I will be working with professors whose findings I've cited in research here at Rhodes."

Katherine Ann Knapp, a business/economics major, has been playing against the odds all of her life, but as she proved at her college graduation, a handicap is only a hindrance to those who let it. Ms. Knapp has been deaf since birth.

"I don't consider myself handicapped," Ms. Knapp said, "and I don't want to be treated any differently than anybody else."

She began her education at an oral school in St. Louis and continued there until third grade. But after that time she attended public schools before coming to Rhodes.

"I haven't had any problems really. I sit where I can see the professors when they turn to write on the board so I can read their lips," she explained. "I generally catch about 95 per cent of what the professors say."

Ms. Knapp said that her friends helped her with her personal success at Rhodes. She demonstrated how a friend can listen on a phone extension in her room to repeat what a caller is saying so she can respond. Her family can send more private messages over her computer.

Ms. Knapp's academic success is all her own, though. The 1987 recipient of the Ward Archer Sr., Award in Marketing, Ms. Knapp said, "I have to set goals to keep myself motivated. I know what I want to do, so I keep trying."

She indicated that what she wants is to pursue an entry-level marketing job in Little Rock or Memphis. After working a few years, she hopes to complete her master's of business administration degree and reenter her career field in management.



In conjunction with a course on World War I taught by Andrew Pouncey ('73) and Cynthia Pitcock through the Meeman Center for Special Studies this summer, Pouncey's collection of World War I memorabilia will be on display in Clough-Hanson Gallery through Sept. 15.

The exhibit, "World War I: America Over Here/Over There," explores how the Great War affected the lives of many Americans. The journey begins in the United States training camps, continues through England, France, and the trip back home. Among the items on display are soldiers' art and souvenirs, contemporary and current photographs, and soldiers' accoutrements.

Gallery hours for the exhibit are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

## Dr. Queener retires after 38 full years

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Dr. E. Llewellyn Queener, professor of psychology at Rhodes for 38 years, retired in June. The following article, which is an account of his final class, appeared in *The Commercial Appeal* Friday, May 29, 1987. Reprinted by Permission of *The Commercial Appeal*.

**By William Thomas  
Commercial Appeal Staff  
Reporter**

It happened just as Dr. Lew Queener ended his lecture yesterday on the nature of revelation:

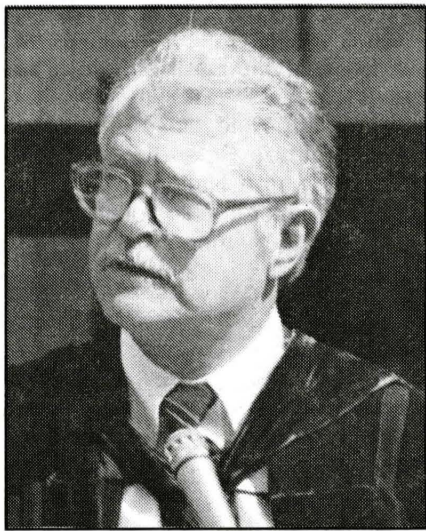
"The aim of this course has been to get you to feel a surge of awe, wonder and amazement..." he was saying, when all of those sensations suddenly hit the classroom like a gentle bomb.

In the open doorway of room 114 at Rhodes College, a crowd of excited faces appeared. The crowd moved in. Names were spoken. Hands touched. Hugs were given and returned. A daughter materialized. Surprise turned to laughter. There were kisses, applause, even tears.

Thus did Dr. Queener, 68, close the book on a teaching career of almost 40 years, the last 38 at Rhodes.

The end came in Psychology 226—a course in the psychology of religion—where 26 students had gathered for the final lecture of a career that began shortly after Dr. Queener graduated from Yale 40 years ago. By then, he had already glimpsed his future.

"There was always this fantasy in which I would see myself in a tweed jacket, smoking a pipe and walking



Dr. Llewellyn Queener

into a building with ivy on it. Well, I've had it all—the jacket, the pipe, the ivy-covered buildings and even the absent-mindedness that comes to a person who has a love for what he is doing and puts all his thoughts into it."

That dedication paid off yesterday when some of Dr. Queener's former students—four of them from the graduating class of 1952—showed up at the last lecture to help celebrate his retirement. Also on hand were his wife, Lea, his son, Edward, and his daughter, Camilla, who surprised him by flying in from Dayton, Ohio.

It was a storybook ending for a much-liked man who for years was "a counselor without portfolio" for Rhodes students who needed somebody to tell their troubles to.

"I came at a time when it was believed that young men and women who'd been properly brought up didn't have mental or emotional problems.

So the idea of having a campus therapist was considered wrong. If anyone was to have an emotional problem it had better be a pretty good one so you could say it was medical rather than emotional."

Despite the belief, Dr. Queener found himself counseling students, who, he feels, have always been under pressure. "It may be that the kind of people who go to a fairly demanding college are people who have lived a stressful life—a lot is expected of them. I remember one boy in particular—so bright that he seemed to understand what I was talking about before I did. He took his own life, and that is still just incomprehensible."

Although today's students are still under enormous pressure to succeed, Dr. Queener has noticed a happy development.

"Nowadays, it seems to me that students laugh a lot. One thing I've enjoyed is the sound of their laughter coming from classes."

Twenty years ago, in the turbulent 1960s, the laughter was bitter, Dr. Queener says. "I think that generation liberated all of us in a number of ways. But they were not joyful."

Dr. Queener remembers his own early encounter with what was to become the women's movement. "I made a generalization in which I said that women innately were not as violent as men. I thought it was a nice thing to say. But afterwards, a couple of women came up and said, 'How dare you?'"

Although the pros and cons of the sexual revolution are still being de-

bated, Dr. Queener believes that it has changed the concerns of college students. "Once, it was believed more unconscious problems rose off sexual concerns. That pressure has been relieved. Now, the main thing college students contend with is fear—fear of failure and the repressed hostility that comes from being afraid."

Dr. Queener, who grew up in Knoxville, came to Memphis in the fall of 1949. Many of the students were veterans working seriously toward the good life they had been dreaming about during the tight, sacrificial years of World War II.

"In many ways they were like the students of the 1980s—quieter and more dedicated to a good standard of living. It also strikes me that students today are intellectually a little more able. Out of any class of 30, I always have five or six who catch on so fast it's like they understood it even before I got it said."

And what has Dr. Queener been saying all this time?

"The main thing I was trying to convey to students was not simply content, but the real delight and joy in the fact that there are things here to be known. Lately, several have indicated that they caught on to the joy of knowing—and that has made me feel very good about what I have done."

Yesterday, after his class, students, friends, fellow professors and members of his family helped him celebrate what he has done:

They went upstairs and broke out the wine.



Todd Emily

The Rhodes Singers and Singers alumni, along with the Memphis Symphony Chamber Orchestra, celebrated the group's 50th anniversary with the performance of Bach's Mass in B-Minor at Evergreen Presbyterian Church in May.



Terry Sweeney

Memphis Rotary president James Fri (right) presented President James Daughdrill the organization's 1987 Community Service Award in April.

## Outstanding freshmen set sights on Rhodes

Six outstanding 1987 high school graduates have been awarded the highest scholarships the college offers for the 1987-88 academic year. The four Walter D. Bellingrath Scholarships and two J.R. Hyde Scholarships, each worth more than \$51,000, were announced this spring.

Penny Tucker, Stanton, Tenn., and Jennifer White, Baltimore, Md., were awarded Bellingrath-at-Large Scholarships. JoAnn Lynen, Valrico, Fla., was the Presbyterian Bellingrath winner, and Michelle Long, Florence, Ala., received the Alabama Bellingrath Scholarship. The scholarships are named for the late Walter Bellingrath of Mobile, Ala., founder of the Bellingrath-Morse Foundation of which Rhodes is a beneficiary.

Veronica Lawson, Nashville, Tenn., was awarded a Tennessee Hyde Scholarship, and Jonathan Smoke,

Hot Springs, Ark., a Hyde-at-Large Scholarship. The J.R. Hyde Scholarships were established by the Memphis-based J.R. Hyde Foundation and its board of directors.

The merit scholarships cover full tuition, room, and board for a four-year period. Candidates are nominated by alumni and friends of the college, high school counselors, principals or headmasters, and Presbyterian ministers. Selection is based on academic standing, leadership and personal achievement. This year approximately 700 high school seniors were nominated.

Penny Tucker was salutatorian of her class at Stanton's Haywood High School and a National Achievement semifinalist. President of the student council and Beta Club, she also attended the Governor's School for Humanities and served as a member

of Brownsville Bank's junior board of directors.

Jennifer White, class valedictorian at Baltimore's Roland Park Country School, was a National Merit semifinalist, editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, member of a select singing group, and treasurer of the French Honor Society.

JoAnn Lynen, a National Merit finalist, ranked third in her class of 750 students at Valrico's Brandon Senior High School. She was editor-in-chief of the yearbook, a student government senator, and was named the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Outstanding Sophomore.

Michelle Long, who ranked third in her class at Florence's Coffee High School, served as head of the Government Club and the Catholic Youth Organization. A member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta,

and Science Club, Ms. Long was the 1986 National Exchange Club Girl of the Year.

Veronica Lawson was valedictorian of her class at St. Bernard Academy in Nashville, captain of the girl's basketball team, and editor of the yearbook. She attended the Governor's School for the Sciences, served as governor of Girls' State, and a state senator at Girls' Nation. Ms. Lawson was a semifinalist for both the National Merit and National Negro Merit competitions.

Jonathan Smoke, class valedictorian at Hot Springs Senior High School, was also a National Merit finalist. President of the student council, he was also editor of the school newspaper and captain of the Hot Springs Quiz Bowl team. He attended Arkansas Boys' State and the Governor's School.

## Taylor reunion planned

Professor of Physics Jack Taylor has a lot to celebrate in the coming months. His 65th birthday is in July, and the following month marks the beginning of his 31st year of teaching at Rhodes. It's not as if he needs any help in observing these occasions; nonetheless, a number of his former students are planning a gala celebration Oct. 8-9, preceding Homecoming events that weekend.

The idea for a reunion of Dr. Taylor's former students is the brainchild of Robert MacQueen ('60), assistant director of the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) in Boulder, Colo., and Bill Mankin ('62), an atmospheric scientist at NCAR. They and classmate Jack Streete ('60), chair of Rhodes' physics department, have been working on the project for two years.

"It's a good time for all of us to get together. Dr. Taylor's former students can enjoy their reunion and then participate in all the following Homecoming activities," said Streete.

The celebration will begin at 7:30 Thursday evening, Oct. 8, with a cocktail buffet for Dr. and Mrs. Taylor and their former students and families in the Orgill Room of Clough Hall. On Friday six distinguished physicists, all of whom studied under Dr. Taylor at Rhodes, will speak to the group in a series of morning and afternoon sessions. A noon luncheon is scheduled in the East Lounge of the Thomas W. Briggs Student Center.

Former students of Dr. Taylor who haven't responded to the mailed invitations are asked to complete and mail the following form:

### Former Students of Dr. Jack Taylor Reunion Celebration

**Yes! I plan to attend the Reunion Celebration.**

Full name \_\_\_\_\_ Class year \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Dr. John L. Streete,  
Department of Physics,  
Rhodes College, 2000 N. Parkway,  
Memphis, TN 38112

## Dean Allen retires

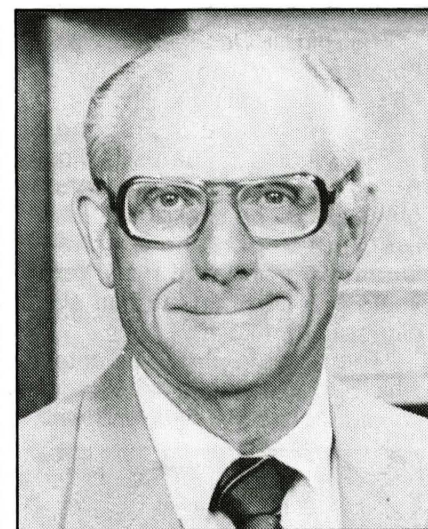
After many years of distinguished service to the college, Dr. Ray M. Allen ('44), dean of financial aid, retired at the end of Term 3.

A teacher, administrator, and minister, Dean Allen returned to his alma mater in 1963 as dean of admissions and financial aid and professor of Bible and religion. Throughout his years at Rhodes Dean Allen has served the students and the college fully. Not only has he sought the best students, he has taught them, and seen to it that each has received the best financial aid available. An avid tennis player, he has also shown them a shot or two on the college courts.

As an undergraduate at Rhodes Dean Allen was an outstanding campus leader, president of the Student Government Association, Honor Council, and Omicron Delta Kappa. He was also named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Dean Allen is married to Rhodes alumna Julia Wellford Allen ('47). One of their daughters, the Rev. Julie Allen Berger, is a member of the class of 1976.

From 1947-49 Dean Allen served as associate minister at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Memphis and director of the Wesley Foundation at Memphis State University. He went on to earn his B.D. and Ph.D. degrees at Duke University where he directed the Methodist Student Movement from 1950-52.

In the 1950s Dean Allen was assistant professor of religion and director of the Student Christian Association



Dean Ray Allen

at Wofford College. At Lambuth College he served as professor of religion and chair of the department of religion and philosophy.

Not exactly a "retiring" type, Dean Allen will continue his association with the college as a colloquium leader for the two-year interdisciplinary course *The Search for Values in the Light of Western History and Religion*. He also plans to serve the nearby Germantown United Methodist Church in its visitation evangelism program, continue with his beloved tennis and golf, and take up world travel again in the near future. "I don't plan to 'do nothing,'" he said. "I will remain close to the college and make as many contributions as possible to Rhodes, the church, and the community."



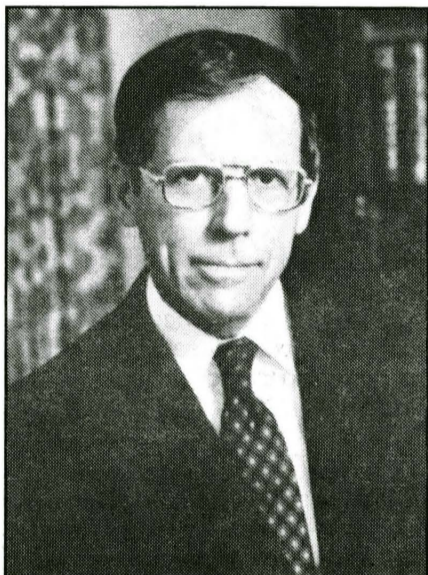
## William Winter joins Board of Trustees

William Winter, senior partner in the law firm of Watkins Ludlam & Stennis, Jackson, Miss., and former governor of Mississippi, has been elected to the Rhodes Board of Trustees. Representing the Synod of the Mid-South, he assumes the post occupied by the late Mrs. Anne Potter Wilson of Nashville, Tenn., who died last November.

Reelected to the board were Robert H. Buckman, Memphis; W. Lipscomb Davis Jr., Nashville; John Hull Dobbs, Memphis; and Frank M. Mitchener Jr., Memphis. All represent the Synod of the Mid-South.

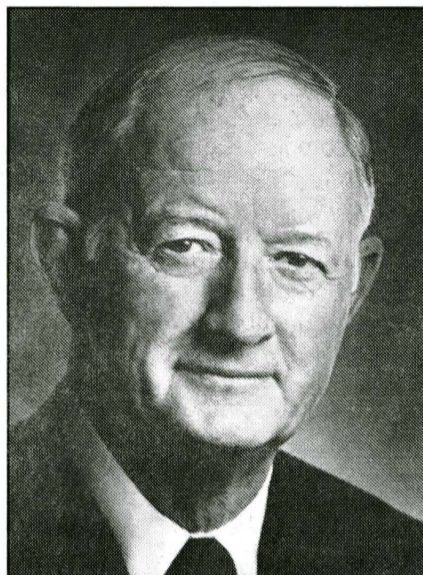
Mitchener, who has served as board chair for six years, will officially step down from that position in October. Former board member Winton M. Blount of Montgomery, Ala., will assume the chairmanship at that time.

Winter, whose daughter Anne (Mrs. Steven C. Williams) of McComb, Miss., graduated from Rhodes in 1974, served three terms in the Mis-



William Winter

issippi state House of Representatives, two terms as state tax collector, and one as state treasurer. He was elected lieutenant governor for the



Winton Blount

1972-76 term and governor from 1980-84.

A Presbyterian elder, Winter is active in numerous local and church-

wide endeavors. As governor, he targeted education as a primary concern of his administration. He has since served as chairman of the Southern Regional Education Board and its Commission on Quality in Education. His involvement with the South includes past chairmanship of the Southern Growth Policies Board, Appalachian Regional Commission, and Commission on the Future of the South.

Winter has served on the boards of several institutions such as Belhaven College, Columbia Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and the Mississippi Association for Mental Health. He currently is a board member of the Mississippi Foundation of Independent Colleges, Kettering Foundation, and the Southern Center for International Studies, Atlanta, Ga.

A graduate of the University of Mississippi and its law school, Winter was named to ODK, the national leadership fraternity, and the university Hall of Fame.

## Students get earful in four years' time

Members of the Rhodes Class of 1987 have received the finest liberal arts education available. As students, they have responded splendidly to an outstanding faculty. And thanks to a host of campus programs made available by alumni and friends of the college, they have been exposed to a variety of renowned authors, scholars, and performers.

In their four years at Rhodes, members of the Class of 1987 have had the opportunity to hear:

Authors Chaim Potok, *The Chosen*; Shelby Foote, *The Civil War, Vols. 1-3*; Eudora Welty, *Delta Wedding*; Michael Harrington, *The New American Poverty*; Stuart Butler, *Enterprise Zones*; Thomas Peters, *In Search of Excellence*; Kenneth Blanchard, *The One Minute Manager*; Frederick Harmon, *The Vital Difference: Unleashing the Power of Sustained Corporate Growth*; Richard Adams, *Watership Down*; Allen Ginsburg, *Collected Poems 1947-1980*; Ellen Gilchrist, *Drunk with Love*; John Naisbitt and Patricia Aburdene, *Re-inventing the Corporation*; Francis Moore

Lappe, *Diet for a Small Planet*; Paul Starr, *The Social Transformation of American Medicine*; William Griffin, *Clive Staples Lewis: A Dramatic Life*; Walter Hooper, *Through Joy and Beyond: A Pictorial Biography of C.S. Lewis*

Academicians Robert Reich, Harvard University; Harriet Sheridan, dean of Brown University; Peter Caws, professor of philosophy, George Washington University; Morrice James, Lord St. Brides, former British high commissioner to Australia; Joel Williamson, professor of history, and Bland Simpson, creative writing, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Kelly Cherry, professor of English, University of Wisconsin, Madison; David Morgan, senior lecturer in U.S. government and politics, University of Liverpool; Jessie Poesch, professor of American art, Tulane University; John B. Jackson, former professor at Harvard and the University of California, Berkeley; Patricia Hills, professor of art history, Boston University; George Gore, editor of *The Sewanee Review*; Peter Draper, lecturer in the history of art, Bir-

beck College, London; Ronald Sharp, Kenyon College; Rachel Brownstein, Brooklyn College, CUNY; Haruko and Ichiro Fukuda, Tokyo Woman's Christian University; Harry Swinney ('61), professor of physics, University of Texas; Frank Riga, professor of English, Canasius College; Anne Loades, professor of divinity, Durham University, England; Paul Holmer, professor of philosophical theology, Yale University; Rolland Hein, professor of English, Wheaton College

Pianists Paul Badura-Skoda and Alicia de Larrocha; musicologist Karl Haas; designer/filmmaker Hilton McConnico; actress Zoe Caldwell; The Chicago Brass Ensemble; New York Woodwind Quintet; theatrical director Gavin Cameron-Webb

Attorney and former president of the National Urban League Inc. Vernon E. Jordan Jr.

Business leader Frederick W. Smith, chairman and chief executive officer, Federal Express Corp.

Labor leaders Douglas Fraser and Francis Blanchard  
Psychologist Henry Gleitman

*The New York Times'* Leonard Silk and Edward B. Fiske; CBS News' Ike Pappas; PBS "Washington Week in Review's" Haynes Johnson, Paul Duke, Charles McDowell, Georgie Anne Geyer, and Jack Nelson; NPR's Bob Edwards, Cokie Roberts, and Scott Simon; BBC's Lord Asa Briggs

NASA astronomer Stephen P. Maran

Art critic Robert Hughes of *TIME* magazine; architect Robert A.M. Stern; John Wilmerding, deputy director, National Gallery of Art; T.G.H. James, keeper of Egyptian antiquities, British Museum; Cornelius Vermeule, curator of classical art, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; architectural historian William L. McDonald

Religious leader Samuel Lloyd III, rector of the Church of St. Paul and the Redeemer, Chicago

International experts Dr. Micho Nagai, former Japanese minister of education; Takashi Miyazaki, consul general of Japan; Ni Yaoli, consul general of the People's Republic of China, Tom McKay ('65), associate director of the Agency for International Development.

## Inquiring minds find outlets at Rhodes

By Ricci Hellman '88

At Rhodes, a directed inquiry (D.I.) is an ideal way for a student to delve into a favorite subject, learn valuable research techniques, and find out what independent study is all about.

A D.I. can be anything from a laboratory experiment, special readings on a given topic, art work, or writing essays, for example. Working with a professor, a student designs his or her own project and works one-on-one with that professor who serves as adviser and critiques the results.

"If any student were to talk to others who are doing a D.I. and ask them if it was a valuable experience, or ask them if it were something they would do again, every student would say yes," said Dr. John Olsen, biology department chair. And according to a sampling of students involved in independent studies at Rhodes, Dr. Olsen is right.

"If you want to do research, you can. You just have to show a lot of desire," maintains Jay Marecki, a rising sophomore from Grand Bay, Ala.

Indeed, Marecki and Memphian Steve Hipp, also a rising sophomore, did show a great deal of desire to do research this year, overcoming the one big restriction: freshmen are generally not allowed to conduct D.I.s.

Marecki said that he has been doing research since his junior year of high school initially working at the University of South Alabama with biochemistry chair and Rhodes alumnus Dr. Joe McCord ('66). When Marecki entered Rhodes, he approached chemistry department chairman Dr. Harold Lyons with a letter of recommendation from Dr. McCord in hand and asked about getting involved in research at the college. And involved he got. In fact, Dr. Lyons let Marecki chose his research from a number of project ideas.

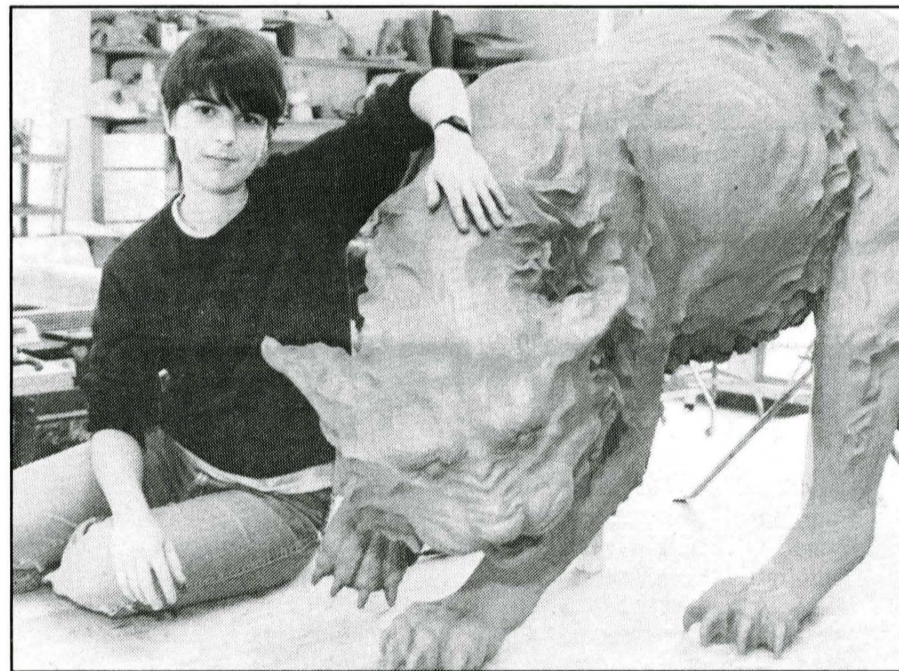
Marecki continued research started a few years ago by John Guidi ('86), studying what physiological factors, if any, affect blood pressure.

Guidi laid the groundwork by theorizing that glycosaminoglycans (blood sugars) are directly related to blood pressure levels. Marecki hoped to reproduce Guidi's results by testing rat kidney cells provided by Memphis' Baptist Memorial Hospital.

Tedious and sometimes frustrating, Marecki's work started with incubated cells collected from the hospital in a frozen carbon dioxide preparation. To extract the glycosaminoglycans Marecki thawed the cells, treated them with ethanol, and spun the mixture in a centrifuge four times at

speeds near 13,000 r.p.m.s for specified periods of time. In spinning the mixture, he chanced losing the very sugars he was after.

The complex sugars were then isolated from the extract by precipitating them with cetyl pyridinium chloride, a compound which forms insoluble complexes with the sugars being studied. The isolated sugars, which had been incubated with radioactive precursors, were then analyzed by measuring the amount of radioactivity using a liquid scintillation counter.



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Ann Moore ('88) and clay model of Lynx sculpture

Though Marecki learned a lot of new procedures and mastered the use of sophisticated equipment, some of his results didn't conform to what he'd expected. Marecki also indicated that his research on rat cells does not translate to humans and their blood pressure levels.

Memphian Ann Moore anticipates a beneficial experience from her independent project, the creation of a larger-than-life bronze Lynx sculpture. An art major, Ms. Moore was commissioned in her sophomore year to sculpt a Lynx, the Rhodes mascot, for display at the college. Now entering the summer before her senior year, she is looking at a project very close to completion.

Ms. Moore said the commission came as a total surprise to her. "I was a biology major my freshman year when I took a sculpture class. I really enjoyed it, and Lon Anthony [chairman of the art department] talked to me about majoring in art. When I came

back my sophomore year, I changed my major, choosing Lon as my new adviser. That's when he asked me if I would be interested in sculpting the Lynx."

She explained the complex process of her work. The first step, designing the Lynx's pose, entailed studying the cats at the zoo, sketching various postures, and constructing small wax casts of those attitudes for presentation to the committee. Every detail is important in the sculpture, Ms. Moore indicated. "It's really important to not

psychology department. But on occasion, a student proposes a D.I. which encompasses many academic areas. Take, for instance, Memphian Harrison Copper.

Copper, an economics major and rising junior, is currently conducting a D.I. in Japan. With the help of Assistant Professor of History George Apperson, Copper designed independent study that would take him to Japan for Term III and the summer of 1987 to explore Japanese history and contemporary society. Besides living on his own in the country during his study, Copper will attend Sophia University in Tokyo next year.

Dr. Apperson said Copper approached him about the D.I. after Copper completed a course in modern Chinese history. "He became very curious about Japanese culture and history because in the Chinese history course we studied how Japanese and Chinese history began to intertwine in the 19th century," Apperson reflected. "Harrison realized how little he really knew about the Japanese and asked me to help him with this project." This is his fourth trip to Japan in 19 years: he lived in that country from the time he was five to eight years old. Copper grew up speaking Japanese, Chinese, and English in his home, so he should have no trouble communicating in Japan.

"I plan to major in economics and learn about Japan so that in the future I can make a career in the field of international trade or business between the U.S. and Japan," he said. He pointed out that the Japanese consider someone a poor business person if he or she is ignorant of Japanese history and culture.

Apperson said he is looking forward to incorporating Copper's findings in the History of Modern Japan course. "It's the best reward of all to have students who realize that knowledge is a partnership," he said. "How many cases do you know where a professor can and will learn from his students?"

Assistant Professor of Religion Valarie Morris admits that she, too, has learned from a study recently conducted by Greg Carey ('87), a religion major from Muscle Shoals, Ala. Carey developed a project examining modern religious fundamentalism's relationship with 19th century revivalism, areas with which Ms. Morris was already familiar. Carey raised questions, though, that neither of them could answer without in-depth study.

only know anatomy from an academic standpoint, but to get some of the personalities of the animals you're trying to sculpt."

The next step in her project fell to the committee: where to put the cat. Ms. Moore said the decision to put the Lynx outside of Rhodes Tower above the amphitheatre helped her finish the pose and design by providing a setting in which she could place its "attitude."

During the summer, Ms. Moore will work with a foundry in Earle, Ark., to cast the sculpture piece by piece in wax and then in bronze. Then the pieces will be welded together, and she will apply the patina which will protect and color the bronze.

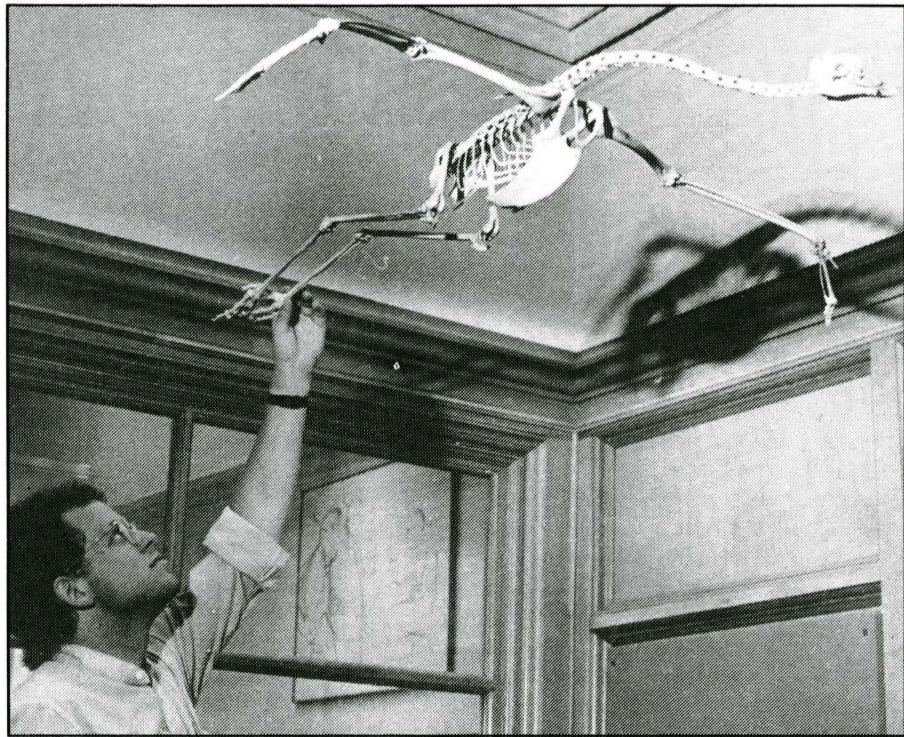
Students generally conduct independent studies in one area of interest. Most work within their majors. In fact, every year roughly 5.5 per cent of the Rhodes student body registers for D.I.s, with percentages jumping as high as 35 per cent in the biology department and some 20 per cent in the

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Billy King ('87) and African crowned crane skeleton

Carey wanted to study the fundamentalist movement because of how it may affect his future career. Carey is a non-fundamentalist Southern Baptist and he worries that the preponderance of fundamentalists in the denomination will hurt his chances of working for the church. For the next two years he will work in a ministry for the homeless at the Home Mission Board in Richmond, Va. Though he may continue in that capacity when his term is over, he may pursue graduate studies in theology and divinity school.

"I think that classic 19th century revivalism was headed in a different direction than modern fundamentalism," said Carey. "They had almost the same theological assumption—a very high need for individual conversion, excited church services, "born-again" believers. But they differed in that the revivalists were willing to try new things theologically. They were willing to make new biblical interpretations. Fundamentalists are more interested in formulating what they think is classic Christian hermeneutics or biblical interpretation and holding it."

Carey found one of his biggest challenges came not in researching, though, but in writing. The most painful part of his project, he said, was formalizing his thoughts into written words and then having Professor Morris critique them and suggest methods for restructuring.

Overall, Carey said he felt his 12 credit hours of work were worth the effort. He gained an in-depth knowledge of modern fundamentalism, improved his writing skills, and re-

thought issues which pertain to his own future.

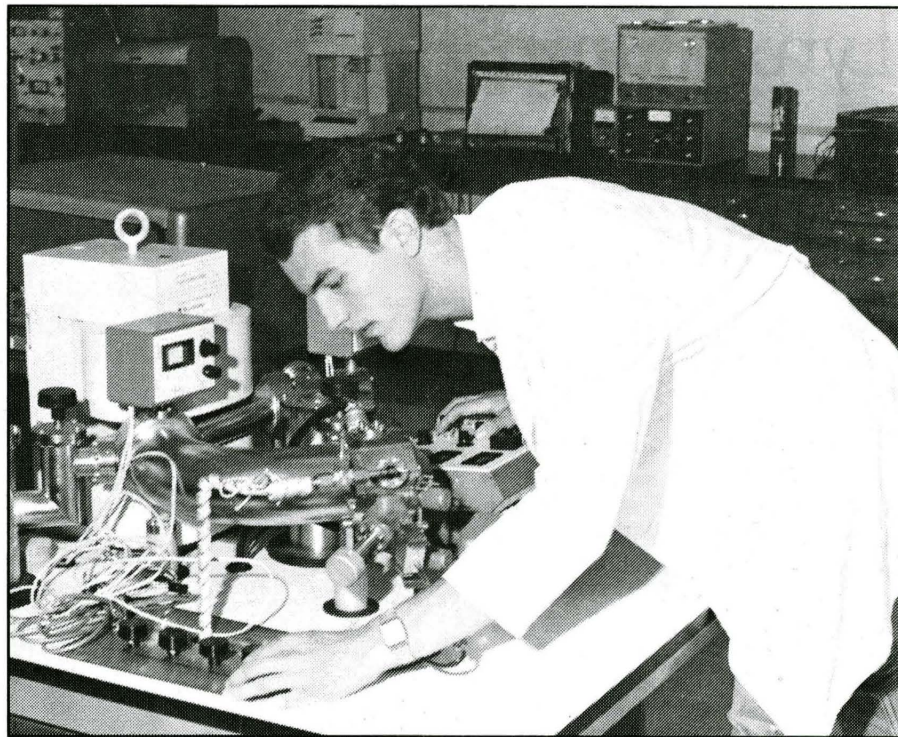
Another student doing independent study abroad this summer is Ann Sartwell, a rising senior international studies major from Corvallis, Ore., who is doing an internship at a rural campus of India's Gujarat Vidyapith University, founded in 1920 by Mahatma Gandhi. Ms. Sartwell will look at rural development problems in India, working through a program conducted by the Fulbright Foundation.

Ms. Sartwell became interested in underdeveloped countries and ways to provide aid during her junior year of high school when she traveled to Sri Lanka as a foreign exchange student. She saw then how badly development programs were needed.

She continued her involvement in international aid issues through the Food for Thought program at Rhodes. A term paper she wrote for one of the Food for Thought classes was accepted for presentation at the Conference on Hunger, Population, and International Development held at California State University, Long Beach, last October.

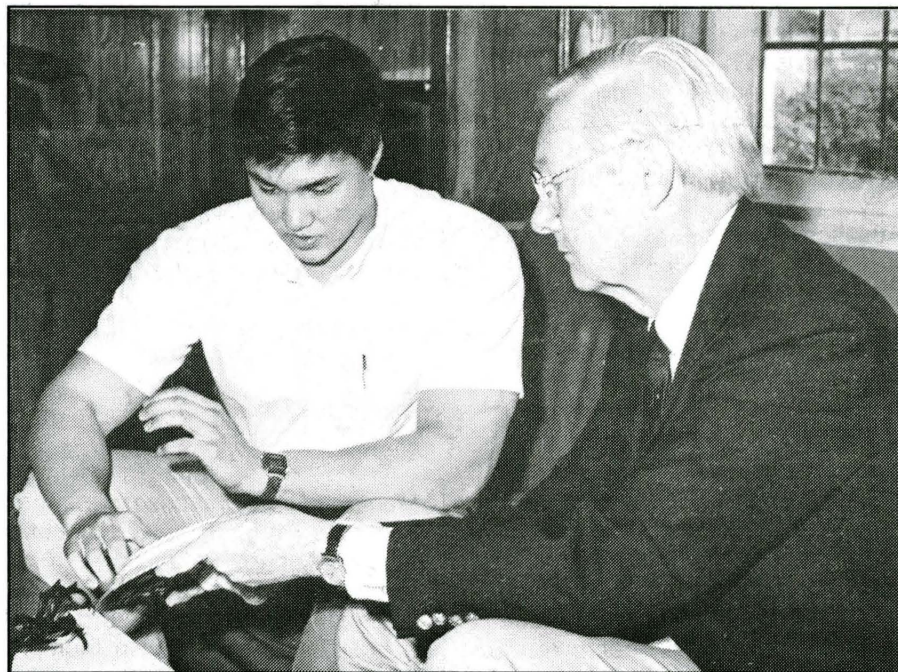
Ms. Sartwell competed against graduate students and professors in the selection process, and was chosen over six others to present her paper, "Does There Exist a Moral Imperative To Aid the Hungry?"

Ms. Sartwell will receive six hours of academic credit for her work in India this summer. She will write an experience-summary paper upon her return for Associate Professor of International Studies Dr. Grant Hammond, who is supervising her internship. During the 1987-88 academic year she will make presenta-



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Jay Marecki ('90) checks results in lab



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Harrison Copper ('89) and Dr. George Apperson

tions to local groups, producing material evidence of the need for aid.

The result of biology major Billy King's D.I. is an African crowned crane skeleton, mounted in flight, which is currently on display in the lobby of Burrow Library.

Looking forward to a career in veterinary medicine, King cited the methods of study, comparison, and research of the skeletal system as some of the benefits of his D.I. Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. Alan Jaslow benefited as well, receiving the skeleton for use in his comparative vertebrate morphology course.

King, a recent graduate from Shreveport, La., said that an unexpected benefit of his D.I. was working one-on-one with a faculty member. "I was able to be a lot closer to Dr. Jaslow. I could go down to the biology department and ask questions and work with him on problems whenever I needed," he commented.

Dr. Jaslow agreed with King, saying that D.I.s are excellent opportunities not only for students to do research on their own, but to get to know professors personally. He said that faculty and students can learn a lot from one another by discussing topics outside the classroom.

## Lynx alumni plan August reunion

An August 29 reunion is planned for all former Rhodes football players, head coach Mike Clary ('77) announced recently.

Lynx alumni have been invited to preview the 1987 squad, attend a scrimmage and a dinner to meet next year's players. "The last reunion we had in 1984 drew more than 60 Lynx alumni. As a former player here, I feel there's a lot of value in our current players meeting former ones," said Clary. "The alumni meet some fine young men and are brought up to date on the football program. Members of our current squad, on the other hand, have an opportunity to see how former players have made their time and hard work pay off both on the field and in their lives."

Clary advised Lynx alumni who do not receive reunion information by July 1 to contact him at the Rhodes Athletic Department, 2000 N. Parkway, Memphis, TN 38112.



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Most Valuable Players honored at the May Athletic Awards Banquet are (left to right) David Maddux, football; Darlene Jordan, basketball; Robert Watkins, tennis; Lie Kiely, volleyball; John Tibbetts, basketball; Lisa Marks, tennis; Richard Brazzel, cross country; Vanessa Allen, tennis; Norm Pauley, baseball; Rick Neal, track; Glenn Tillery, golf; and Kristen Denmon, soccer. Not pictured are soccer MVPs Robin Vallelunga and Eddie Fincher.

## Lacrosse club ends fourth season; stuns Sewanee 12-1

By Steve Beckham '88

The Rhodes lacrosse club has just finished its fourth season of team play. In March, George Plummer and Charlie Curro of the Memphis Lacrosse Club took over as head coach and assistant head coach, respectively. Since then, the team has shown noticeable improvement as seen by its stunning 12-1 victory over Sewanee.

Although Rhodes' record was 1-6, the morale on the team is high. "We have a hard time competing with big schools like Alabama and city club teams like St. Louis because of the nature of the sport," explained team captain Andrew Schaffner ('88).

"Lacrosse is a game that requires years of practice for a player to become highly skilled," Schaffner said. "Alabama and St. Louis have more people to choose from and often get many players who have been playing since high school. Almost all of our players at Rhodes have picked the game up in one or two years. But we were evenly matched with Sewanee—that's why the victory was so sweet."

The Rhodes team played in the Memphis in May lacrosse tournament held recently on campus, competing against Auburn University and city clubs from St. Louis and Memphis. Ironically, Rhodes assistant coach Curro played for his own Memphis Lacrosse Club team and won Most Valuable Defense Award for his goal-keeping.

Rhodes now has two official wins under its belt (both against Sewanee) and co-captain Eddie Fincher ('88) is optimistic: "We showed the big schools we could play this year. Next year we'll show them we can win."

## Football 1987

Sept. 5	Lane	H
Sept. 12	Fordham	A
Sept. 19	Trinity	H
Sept. 26	Lambuth	H
Oct. 3	Millsaps	A
Oct. 10	Sewanee	HOME COMING
Oct. 17	Austin	A
Oct. 31	Earlham	A
Nov. 7	Rose-Hulman	H
Nov. 14	Centre	A

## Rubin goes to nationals

Competing against 16 other colleges and universities, the Rhodes equestrian team finished the season ranked sixth in the region. And for the first time ever, Rhodes was represented at the national collegiate competition in May. Team captain Elizabeth Rubin ('88) marched in the parade and competed in the over fences category in Indianapolis, Ind.

"The team was really dedicated this year," said Ms. Rubin, who said her goal for next year is to get more people to qualify for regional competition, and ultimately, the finals.

Citing the need for additional team support, Ms. Rubin explained that the Rhodes equestrians this year provided their own riding clothes, plus entrance fees for the 10 shows they entered as well as transportation and accommodations. During the year club members paid half their own training fees. The college picked up the other half, plus the expenses for Ms. Rubin to go to the nationals.

Club sports at Rhodes such as equestrian, lacrosse, and rugby are not varsity sports and therefore are not included in the varsity budget.



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Equestrian team captain Elizabeth Rubin takes a jump

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### '49

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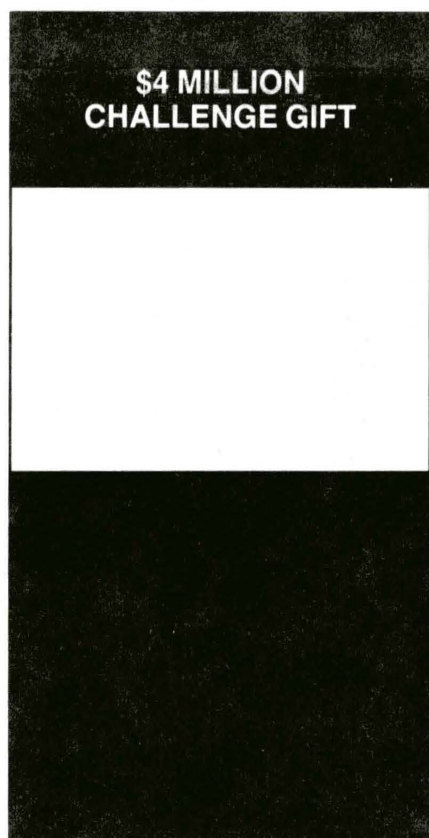
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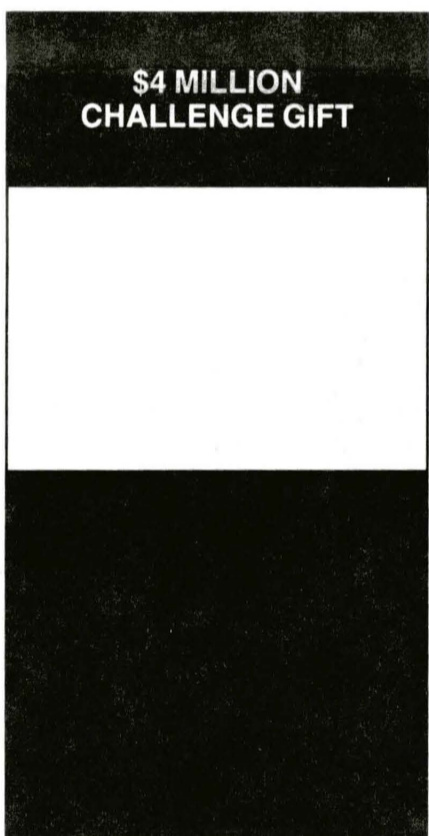
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**Robert Bush** is a planner for the Houston (Texas) Metropolitan Transit Authority. He and Diane Lynn Fogarty, a medical editor at M.D. Anderson Hospital, were married Feb. 28. His best man was **Foster Reding** ('79) and **Rick Wornat** ('78) was a groomsman. Robert's father, one of the participating clergy, performed the vows, and **Chris Ramsey** ('80) was a wedding guest. SEE MARRIAGES

**Dr. Russell Galloway** and his wife Sherry have completed their residencies in emergency medicine in Jacksonville, Fla., and plan to begin practice in Greenville, S.C., in July.

**Denny Gracey** is a product manager for M-Tech Inc. in Memphis. He manages the development, support, and installations of financial computer systems for the M-Tech Credit Union Division.

**Chris Ramsey** continues to work for NASA at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Tex. He is currently employed by the training division in the Space Station Operations Section where he is actively involved in writing and defining

requirements for the planned Space Station Trainers/Simulators and the ground control centers.

**Dr. Merrill Wise** writes, "June 1987 marks the end of my pediatrics residency program and the beginning of my child neurology fellowship at Baylor in Houston. Nancy and I are enjoying our son Collin—the best way I know to learn pediatrics!"

'81

**Edward Burton** received his Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in March. In October he accepted a position as a staff analytical chemist in the Food and Beverage Technology Division of Procter & Gamble, Cincinnati, Oh.

**Alice Jarvis Crawford** is a supervisor, product evaluation, at Schering Plough Inc., Memphis.

**Greta Fowinkle** is assistant nurse coordinator in neonatal intensive care at Vanderbilt Hospital.

**Dr. Steve Jacobson** is an internal medicine resident at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

**Cathy Woods** is a medical librarian at Johns Hopkins University. She is cur-

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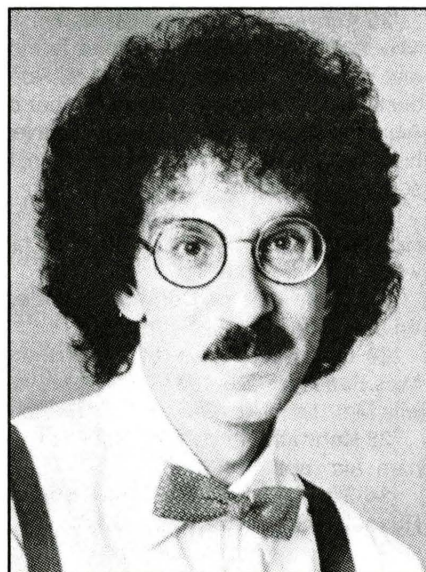
## Book review: *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* By Steve Stern ('70); Viking, \$16.95

By Nancy K. Crowell ('77)

To be caught in a Pinch takes on new meaning when writer Steve Stern infuses imagination into a Jewish neighborhood by this name atop the Memphis river bluff. Readers who enter the world of Pinch through Stern's short stories will find an altogether unpredictable world where little boys fly away with pigeons attached to their pants, old men whose bodies are already decaying refuse to relinquish their souls to the Angel of Death, the Lord speaks openly to the owner of coin laundries, and a ghost becomes a writer's partner.

It is a topsy-turvy, startling world Stern has created. Mixed elements of Jewish lore, childhood fantasies and wise-cracking wit take the reader on a journey through a land that is at the same time captivating, repulsive and amusing. It certainly doesn't resemble any actual Memphis neighborhood I've ever seen, but then I can't say I have the vision of Steve Stern. In Stern's world, characters are dispatched to bloody deaths or metaphorical ends with equal alacrity. He doesn't mind sacrificing a few souls to teach a lesson or two to those left behind.

For instance, in the story "Aaron Makes a Match" a young boy pairs his spinster Aunt Esther with the archangel Azrael because he fears she'll dry



Steve Stern ('70)

up and blow away if she remains a virgin. In the end he parts with her physical body anyway, because "his sympathies had always lain more with the spirit of Aunt Esther rather than with the flesh."

In "The book of Mordecai" an old man writes his own history—backwards, and thus seals his own fate.

Stern's characters show a marked propensity for magic—be it the stuff of boiling cauldrons or vivid dreams. In creating his own land of Pinch, where absolutely anything can, and does,



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happen, Stern has revealed his own propensity for magical storytelling. He has managed to retain that childlike quality of playfulness that allows him to go anywhere and do anything he wants with the characters he's created. His readers are the beneficiaries of this bountiful imagination.

My favorite story in this collection is also the longest. It is the story of "The Ghost and Saul Bozoff," which might just explain Stern's inspiration for the rest of the book, only in metaphorical terms. As a writer myself, I like the

idea that Saul Bozoff teams up with the ghost of a writer he admires to produce more stories in her style, for there is an element of truth in it which no writer can deny.

Stern has chosen a quote from the musical group The Band to open this story: "When you awake you will remember everything." It reveals something of Stern himself, for certainly his writing has a dreamlike quality about it. Reading *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* is a lot like a journey through a fascinating dreamscape. It is a dreamscape you're likely to return to again and again.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** A native Memphian, Steve Stern is author of the novel *The Moon and Ruben Shein*. An earlier collection of stories, *Isaac and the Undertaker's Daughter*, received the *Pushcart Writer's Choice Award*, and the title story of that collection won an *O. Henry Prize*. *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* has received excellent reviews from the country's top literary critics.

Nancy Crowell, a freelance writer/editor, lives in Orlando, Fla. Formerly associated with *Windsurfing magazine*, she currently covers sports events around the country for several magazines.

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 reently working toward her master of administrative science degree.

**'82**

**The Class of '82 will celebrate its fifth reunion during Homecoming Weekend Oct. 9-10. Andrea Gilliom Anderson is reunion class chair.**

**Claire Tunnell Darbonne** and her husband Wade recently bought a home in Dallas. Wade is a graduate of the University of Texas, and Claire is a sales manager for Ismar, Inc., at the World Trade Center in Dallas. SEE MARRIAGES

**David and Briget Elsken ('85) Haynes** visited friends on campus recently. They have moved to Knoxville where David, who has a M.S. degree in hospital administration, has joined the Baptist Health System.

**Andy Marr** is now associated with the Memphis law firm of Griffin, Clint & Burns.

**Paul Melton**, an investment banker with Townes and Co. Inc. in Memphis, reports that he passed the C.P.A. exam in Tennessee.

**Charles Moss III** received his M.D. from the University of Alabama and will be a pediatric resident at Vanderbilt University. His wife **Laura Jane Smith Moss ('85)** is a senior accountant with Deloitte Haskins Sells. SEE MARRIAGES

**John Murphy** teaches chemistry, physics, and biology at St. Agnes Academy in Memphis. In addition, he coaches basketball and soccer at the girls' prep school.

Navy Lt. **David E. Nelson** of Jacksonville, Fla., is a patrol plane commander in the P3C in charge of a crew of 12. Their job includes anti-submarine warfare, drug interdiction flights, and search and rescue when necessary.

**Melissa Coleman Savage** is account coordinator/systems manager at The Legal Assistants Corp. in New York.

**'83**

**Laura Leigh Benson** attends Vanderbilt Divinity School. She also works as editor of a newsletter for a small publishing company and does freelance architectural renderings. "I am attending divinity school in order to be a hospital chaplain,"

she writes. "This came about from majoring in biology indirectly and from taking courses at Rhodes like 'Pain, Suffering and Death.'"

**Cindy Brown-Morrow**, married to Wayne Morrow April 5, 1986, is currently in management at the Park Plaza branch of Dillard's department store in Little Rock, Ark. The "most significant change in my life recently," she reports, "is that my husband's two sons are living with us now. They are Marcus, 8, and Erik, 6."

**Margarett Cahill Zavodny** works for the Memphis and Shelby County Unit of the American Cancer Society. Her husband Thomas is an engineer for the pollution control division of the health department. SEE MARRIAGES

**Anne Clarendon** is a paralegal for Hanover, Walsh, Jalenak & Blair in Memphis.

**Dr. Karen Gehrs** recently graduated cum laude from the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Columbia. She will begin a transitional internship at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis in July. She plans to do an ophthalmology residency at Duke University beginning in July 1988.

**Scott Rye** of Mobile, Ala., has been named to the board of directors of the Arthritis Foundation, South Alabama Chapter. His wife **Ruth Metcalfe ('84) Rye**, who teaches English at Bayside Academy, is completing work on her master's degree in education at the University of South Alabama.

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As an accounts administrator, **John Aslinger** manages an administrative team at IBM in Dallas, Tex.

**Dev Butler** is a research technician at Biotherapeutics Inc. in Memphis. He plans to begin the Ph.D. program in psychobiology at Emory University in the fall.

**Danny Channell** is a senior research technician at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis. He is involved in surveillance work to determine the distribution of avian influenza subtypes among certain populations of inland waterfowl and shorebirds each year. In addition, he is investigating causes of virulence.

Marine 2nd Lt. **Kevin Christen**, with the 26th Marine Amphibious Unit, Camp

## For the Record

### Marriages

'74 Lisa Irene Davidson to **James Hugh McKinnon Jr.**, May 16, 1987, Nashville, Tenn.

'77 Joyce Annette LaTorre to **Dr. Lowrey King**, May 2, 1987, Charleston, S.C.

'80 Diane Lynn Fogarty to **Robert Bush**, Feb. 28, 1987, Houston, Tex.

'80 **Margaret Elizabeth Sanders** to **Charles Keith Winn**, May 2, 1987, Columbus, Miss.

'82 **Claire Delaney Tunnell** to Wade John Darbonne, May 2, 1987, Dallas, Tex.

'83 **Sarah Caroline Stockton** to **James Hughes Butler Jr.**, May 16, 1987, Atlanta, Ga.

'83 **Margaret Rose Cahill** to Thomas Arthur Joseph Zavodny, May 2, 1987, Memphis.

'83 Clara Gwendolyn Wilson to **Benjamin Rush Waller**, Dec. 20, 1986, Jackson, Miss.

'83 Vanessa Gaye Wilson to **Norman Paul Watson**, May 24, 1987, Jackson, Miss.

'84 **Mary Lee Bowling** to **John Wesley Reed ('81)**, June 6, 1987, Jackson, Miss.

'84 **Jody Lewis** to Gregory Scott Driver, May 3, 1986, Memphis.

'85 Hilary Alison Hines to **Scott Douglas Patterson**, May 8, 1987, Memphis.

'85 **Laura Jane Smith** to **Charles A. Moss III ('82)**, May 30, 1987, Nashville, Tenn.

'86 **Charlotte Craig** to **Richard Linderman ('84)**, June 6, 1987, Atlanta, Ga.

'86 Avery Lipscomb Patton to **William Brooks Albritton**, June 6, 1987, Memphis, Tenn.

'87 **Elizabeth Ann Gibson** to **Charles William Clogston ('85)**, Feb. 14, 1987, Memphis.

### Births

'69 **John Howell** and Laura Weymouth, a daughter, Julia Elizabeth, Nov. 20, 1986

'73 **John J.** and Barbara Sheehan, a daughter, Megan Elizabeth, May 4, 1987

'74 **Scott** and **Louise Pryor Campbell**, a son, Benjamin Michael, April 4, 1987

'76 Talmadge and **Georgia McGehee Atkins**, a daughter, Eleanor Winn, March 31, 1987

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'77 Liz and **Pat Williams**, a son, James Cameron, Jan. 7, 1987

'78 Angie and **Dr. Harry McCool**, a daughter, Angela Virginia, Aug. 16, 1986

'79 Eric and **Leslie Doubleday Helzmann**, a daughter, Katherine Christian, May 8, 1987

'82 Jodie and **Paul Poole**, a son, Robert Paul, Jan. 7, 1987

'83 **James** and **Sharon Pendergrass ('84) Batey**, a son, Charles Alexander, April 17, 1987

### Obituaries

'11 The death of **Howard L. Smith** of Goodlettsville, Tenn., Aug. 19, 1984, was recently reported to the Alumni Office. He is survived by his wife Christine L. Smith.

'20 **William Harris Lynn** of Memphis, May 6, 1987. An attorney, he practiced law in Ripley, Tenn., until 1941. He retired in Memphis as chief deputy court clerk of the U.S. Federal Courts. An Army veteran of World War I and a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, he was the oldest living Rhodes graduate. He leaves his wife Mrs. Henrietta C. Lynn.

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'24 The death of **Lillian E. Wilson Smith** of Dunedin, Fla., April 22, 1982, was recently reported to the Alumni Office. She is survived by her husband Charles Currien Smith.

'25 **Minerva McCraw Herndon** of Russellville, Ky., June 15, 1986. She is survived by her husband Grover M. Herndon.

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'26 **Dr. Frederick S. Taber** of Morgan Hill, Calif., May 15, 1986. He leaves his wife Mrs. Mary Frances Faires Taber.

'27 **Minna Weems Cunningham Martin** of Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23, 1986.

'28 **Eugene Caruthers** of Crenshaw, Miss., January 23, 1987. He leaves his wife Mrs. Jimmie E. Caruthers and a son.

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**Leslie Doubleday Heizman** of Little Rock, Ark., is an account executive at the local NBC television affiliate. She and her husband Eric have a new baby and home. SEE BIRTHS

**'80**

**Robert Bush** is a planner for the Houston (Texas) Metropolitan Transit Authority. He and Diane Lynn Fogarty, a medical editor at M.D. Anderson Hospital, were married Feb. 28. His best man was **Foster Reding** ('79) and **Rick Wornat** ('78) was a groomsman. Robert's father, one of the participating clergy, performed the vows, and **Chris Ramsey** ('80) was a wedding guest. SEE MARRIAGES

**Dr. Russell Galloway** and his wife Sherry have completed their residencies in emergency medicine in Jacksonville, Fla., and plan to begin practice in Greenville, S.C., in July.

**Denny Gracey** is a product manager for M-Tech Inc. in Memphis. He manages the development, support, and installations of financial computer systems for the M-Tech Credit Union Division.

**Chris Ramsey** continues to work for NASA at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Tex. He is currently employed by the training division in the Space Station Operations Section where he is actively involved in writing and defining

requirements for the planned Space Station Trainers/Simulators and the ground control centers.

**Dr. Merrill Wise** writes, "June 1987 marks the end of my pediatrics residency program and the beginning of my child neurology fellowship at Baylor in Houston. Nancy and I are enjoying our son Collin—the best way I know to learn pediatrics!"

**'81**

**Edward Burton** received his Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in March. In October he accepted a position as a staff analytical chemist in the Food and Beverage Technology Division of Procter & Gamble, Cincinnati, Oh.

**Alice Jarvis Crawford** is a supervisor, product evaluation, at Schering Plough Inc., Memphis.

**Greta Fowinkle** is assistant nurse coordinator in neonatal intensive care at Vanderbilt Hospital.

**Dr. Steve Jacobson** is an internal medicine resident at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.

**Cathy Woods** is a medical librarian at Johns Hopkins University. She is cur-

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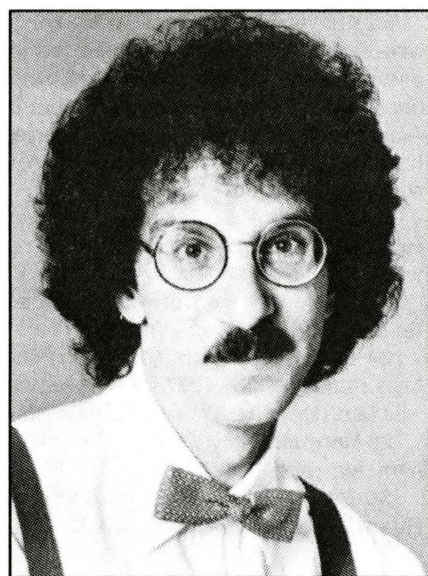
## Book review: *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* By Steve Stern ('70); Viking, \$16.95

By Nancy K. Crowell ('77)

To be caught in a Pinch takes on new meaning when writer Steve Stern infuses imagination into a Jewish neighborhood by this name atop the Memphis river bluff. Readers who enter the world of Pinch through Stern's short stories will find an altogether unpredictable world where little boys fly away with pigeons attached to their pants, old men whose bodies are already decaying refuse to relinquish their souls to the Angel of Death, the Lord speaks openly to the owner of coin laundries, and a ghost becomes a writer's partner.

It is a topsy-turvy, startling world Stern has created. Mixed elements of Jewish lore, childhood fantasies and wise-cracking wit take the reader on a journey through a land that is at the same time captivating, repulsive and amusing. It certainly doesn't resemble any actual Memphis neighborhood I've ever seen, but then I can't say I have the vision of Steve Stern. In Stern's world, characters are dispatched to bloody deaths or metaphorical ends with equal alacrity. He doesn't mind sacrificing a few souls to teach a lesson or two to those left behind.

For instance, in the story "Aaron Makes a Match" a young boy pairs his spinster Aunt Esther with the archangel Azrael because he fears she'll dry



Steve Stern ('70)

up and blow away if she remains a virgin. In the end he parts with her physical body anyway, because "his sympathies had always lain more with the spirit of Aunt Esther rather than with the flesh."

In "The book of Mordecai" an old man writes his own history—backwards, and thus seals his own fate.

Stern's characters show a marked propensity for magic—be it the stuff of boiling cauldrons or vivid dreams. In creating his own land of Pinch, where absolutely anything can, and does,



Nancy Crowell ('77)

happen, Stern has revealed his own propensity for magical storytelling. He has managed to retain that childlike quality of playfulness that allows him to go anywhere and do anything he wants with the characters he's created. His readers are the beneficiaries of this bountiful imagination.

My favorite story in this collection is also the longest. It is the story of "The Ghost and Saul Bozoff," which might just explain Stern's inspiration for the rest of the book, only in metaphorical terms. As a writer myself, I like the

idea that Saul Bozoff teams up with the ghost of a writer he admires to produce more stories in her style, for there is an element of truth in it which no writer can deny.

Stern has chosen a quote from the musical group The Band to open this story: "When you awake you will remember everything." It reveals something of Stern himself, for certainly his writing has a dreamlike quality about it. Reading *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* is a lot like a journey through a fascinating dreamscape. It is a dreamscape you're likely to return to again and again.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** A native Memphian, Steve Stern is author of the novel *The Moon and Ruben Shein*. An earlier collection of stories, *Isaac and the Undertaker's Daughter*, received the *Pushcart Writer's Choice Award*, and the title story of that collection won an *O. Henry Prize*. *Lazar Malkin Enters Heaven* has received excellent reviews from the country's top literary critics.

Nancy Crowell, a freelance writer/editor, lives in Orlando, Fla. Formerly associated with *Windsurfing magazine*, she currently covers sports events around the country for several magazines.

Lejeune, N.C., recently participated in a weeklong combined landing and cross training exercise with Spanish and Italian military forces on the island of Sardinia.

**Jody Lewis Driver** was recently promoted to product manager at Plough, Inc., in Memphis. She is currently handling the Water Babies Sunscreen and Shade Sunscreens by Coppertone. SEE MARRIAGES

**Bill Hargis** is a sales representative for Thomas J. Lipton Inc. in South Bend, Ind.

**Elizabeth Sheppard Hurley** has recently taken a job as coordinator of the Women's Board at the Field Museum of Art in Chicago, Ill.

**'85**

**Susan Bahner** received her M.A. in creative writing from Vanderbilt in May. In

September she will be a teaching assistant and will begin work on her Ph.D.

**Brent Hedges** is the owner of Pest Stop Termite & Pest in Camden, Tenn.

**Ellen Hopkins** graduated in May from the University of Missouri, Columbia, School of Law.

**Andrew Watts** has joined the State of Tennessee Treasury Investments Department in Nashville as a securities analyst.

## Correction

In the birth announcements of the April 30, 1987, *Rhodes Today*, the names of Rick ('74) and Gennie Bruce Bostock ('74) and their son Gregory Chrisman were misspelled. *Rhodes Today* regrets the error.

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