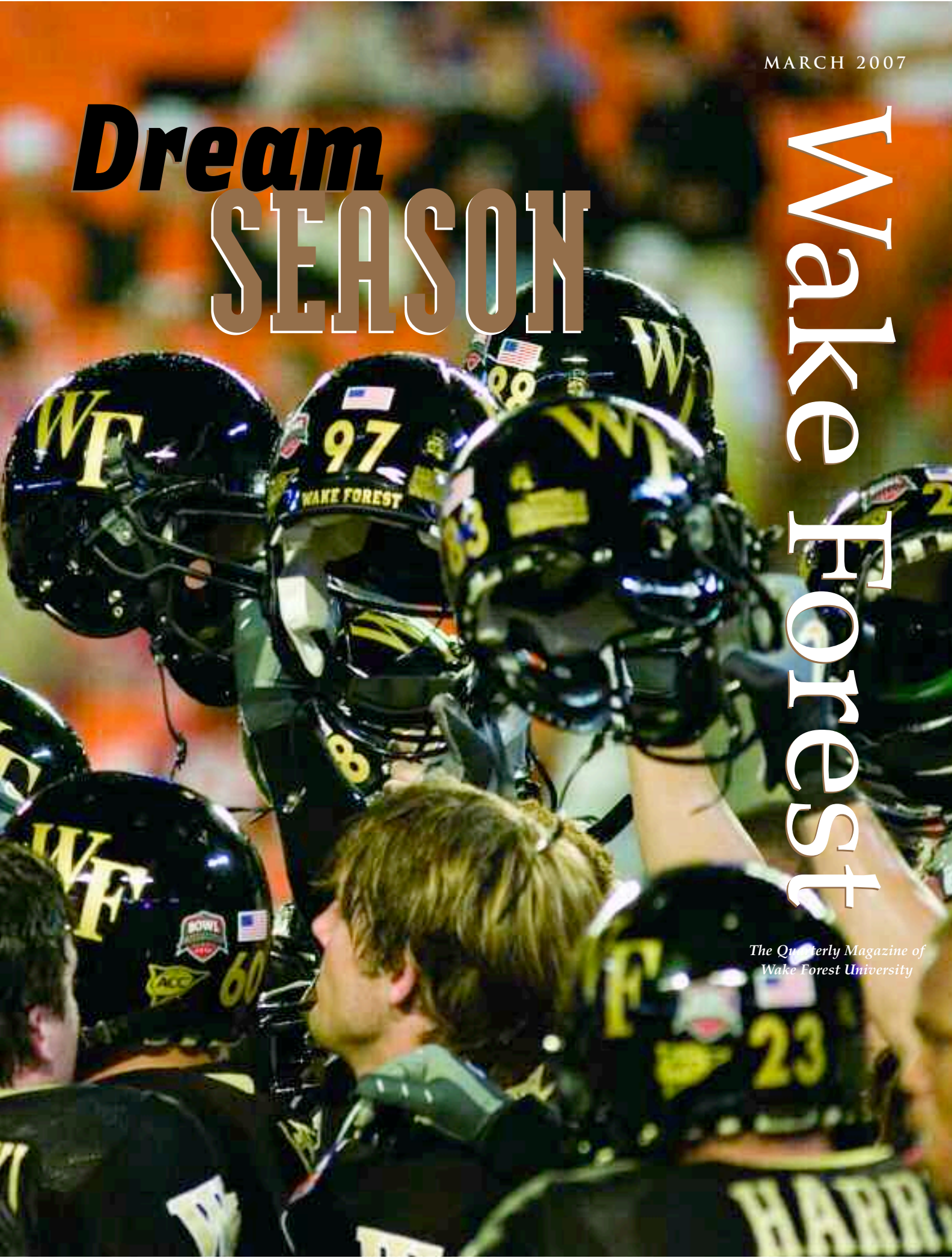


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Faculty honored; Christman receives Medallion of Merit

CHAPLAIN EMERITUS ED CHRISTMAN ('50, JD '53), counselor and friend to generations of students and Wake Forest's spiritual guiding force for decades, received the University's highest honor, the Medallion of Merit, at Founders' Day Convocation on February 22. Christman retired in 2003 after serving as chaplain for thirty-four years.

"Seldom does an institution spawn a graduate who so thoroughly embodies its soul, *Pro Humanitate*," said President Nathan O. Hatch. "His compassion and

kindness, combined with his witty and wonderfully irreverent spirit, have made some proclaim he is Wake Forest's demon deacon."

Christman came to Wake Forest intending to be an attorney, but after graduating from law school, he attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary on the Old Campus. He became Baptist campus minister in 1956 and was later named assistant chaplain and then chaplain in 1969.

Christman was honored following the Convocation address by Paul Rusesabagina, whose courage during the Rwandan genocide in 2004 inspired the film "Hotel Rwanda." Also during Convocation, the following awards were presented to faculty:

Kulynych Family Omicron Delta Kappa Award for Contribution to Student Life — DAVID YAMANE, *assistant professor of sociology*;

Kienzle Teaching Award — STEPHEN BRYAN, *assistant professor of accounting (Babcock School)*;

Cowan Faculty Research Prize — SARA MOELLER, *assistant professor of finance (Babcock School)*;

Joseph Branch Excellence in Teaching Award — WENDY PARKER, *professor of law*.

For more on Convocation, see www.wfu.edu/convocation.

Discovery: Atala's team makes history with groundbreaking stem-cell research



Atala

THE LATEST ANNOUNCEMENT by the medical school's Dr. Anthony Atala—that his team of researchers had discovered a new source of stem cells in amniotic fluid that could be used to produce a variety of tissue types—drew national attention and was cited on the floor of Congress by those for and against embryonic-stem-cell research.

Atala, along with colleagues from the Wake Forest School of Medicine and Harvard Medical School, reported that they had used stem cells drawn from amniotic fluid to create muscle, bone, fat, blood vessel, nerve, and liver cells in the laboratory. Their findings could lead to breakthroughs in replacing damaged cells and tissue in treating patients with spinal cord injuries, diabetes, and Alzheimer's, but preliminary tests in patients are still years away.

"Our hope is that these cells will provide a valuable resource for tissue repair and for engineered organs as well," said Atala, a senior researcher and director of the Institute for Regenerative Medicine. Atala's findings—the result of seven

years of research—were first published in January in the scientific journal *Nature Biotechnology*.

Atala and his colleagues reported that they had discovered that a small number of stem cells in amniotic fluid—estimated at 1 percent—can give rise to many of the specialized cell types found in the human body, although they aren't sure exactly how many different types. "So far, we've been successful with every cell type we've attempted to produce from these stem cells," he said. The newly discovered cells may represent an intermediate stage between embryonic stem cells and adult stem cells.

Amniotic stem cells come from the fluid surrounding unborn babies and their placentas. Atala's team obtained the cells using placentas or fluid from amniocentesis, a medical procedure commonly performed on unborn children to test for genetic diseases. Because amniotic-stem-cell research doesn't harm the fetus, Atala's research avoids the controversy that surrounds embryonic-stem-cell research.

President Bush vetoed legislation last year that would have

eased restrictions on federally funded embryonic-stem-cell research. In January, the same week that Atala's research was released, the U.S. House again passed legislation supporting government-funded research. The Senate had yet to take up the issue by late January.

Both sides in the House debate used Atala's research to support their positions, even as he cautioned that amniotic stem cells should not be considered a replacement for embryonic or adult stem cells. "It is essential that National Institutes of Health-funded researchers are able to fully pursue embryonic-stem-cell research as a complement to research into other forms of stem cells," he wrote in a letter to Congress.

Atala's announcement was the latest advance in regenerative medicine to come from his team since he moved to Wake Forest three years ago from Harvard University. Last year, he and his colleagues rebuilt bladders for seven young patients using tissue grown from the patient's own cells.

Gatewood receives international award for 'Diana Project'



Gatewood

BETSY GATEWOOD, director of the University's Office of Entrepreneurship and Liberal Arts, and four research partners at other universities have won a prestigious international award for their contributions to entrepreneurship and small business research over their careers, both individually and as a research team.

Gatewood, who is also a research professor in the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy, joined with professors from Harvard, Babson College (Massachusetts), and the University of St. Thomas (Minnesota) in 1999 to form a research consortium, the "Diana Project," to study women entrepreneurs and their businesses.

Gatewood and her colleagues received the FSF-NUTEK Award, which recognizes outstanding research on entrepreneurship and small-business development, and she will travel to Sweden in May to receive the award. The award, given annually since 1996, is sponsored by FSF, the Swedish Foundation for Small Business Research, and NUTEK, the Swedish Business Development Agency.

Eure named Associate Dean of the College

LONGTIME PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY Herman Eure (PhD '74) has been appointed an Associate Dean of the College. Eure will work on faculty development issues, while continuing to teach in the biology department. Eure joined the faculty in 1974 and served as chair of the biology department from 1998 through 2006.



Eure

Former student establishes chair to honor Goho

AFORMER STUDENT of professor Thomas S. Goho has established a chair of finance in the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy in Goho's honor. The donor, now a successful investment banker, asked to remain anonymous. Goho, who joined the faculty in 1977, will be the first holder of the chair.



Goho

Biology's Conner named AAAS Fellow

PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY William E. Conner has been named an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Fellow. Conner, who joined the faculty in 1988, is widely known for his research into animal communication and sexual selection in insects. AAAS is the world's largest general scientific society and publisher of the journal *Science*.



Conner

Student award honors Phillips, professor emerita

ASTUDENT AWARD has been established in honor of one of the University's first female faculty members, now retired Professor of English Elizabeth Phillips. The award will be presented during Commencement to the undergraduate or graduate student writing the best essay on women's and gender studies during the year. Phillips joined the faculty in 1957 and retired in 1989. She served as acting coordinator of the women's and



Phillips

gender studies program in 1990–91. She received the University's highest award for service, the Medallion of Merit, in 1992.

Kuhn receives mentoring award

WILLIAM L. POTEAT Professor of Biology Raymond E. Kuhn has been honored for his dedication to mentoring future scientists. Kuhn, who joined the faculty in 1968, received the 2007 Clark P. Read Mentor Award from the American Society of Parasitologists for training young scientists and inspiring a passion for research in parasitology.

WF moves up on Peace Corps list

WAKE FOREST HAS MOVED UP four spots to number seven on the list of small colleges and universities with the most volunteers serving in the Peace Corps, according to the 2007 rankings released by the Peace Corps in January. Twenty-one alumni currently are serving as Peace Corps volunteers. Since the Peace Corps was founded, 174 Wake Forest alumni have served as volunteers.

Student team wins accounting competition

A TEAM FROM THE CALLOWAY SCHOOL was one of the five winning teams in PricewaterhouseCoopers 4th Annual xTREME Accounting Case Competition. The Calloway team consisted of seniors Nicole Burnap of Queen Creek, Arizona, and Kristen Raliski of Winston-Salem; junior Cameron Hendrix of High Point, North Carolina; and sophomores Kristin Conrad of Fort Myers, Florida, and John Xenakis of Morris Plains, New Jersey. George R. Aldhizer III, PricewaterhouseCoopers Professor for Academic Excellence, was the team's faculty advisor.

Calloway grads top CPA exam scores—again

FOR THE SECOND STRAIGHT YEAR, graduates of the Calloway School rank first in the nation for their performance on the CPA exam. Wake Forest graduates taking the exam in 2005, the most recent scores available, ranked first in financial accounting and reporting, auditing and attestation, and regulation, and second in business environment and concepts. Wake Forest also ranked first for the number of candidates who passed all four sections of the exam (88 percent). Since the Calloway School began offering a master's degree in accounting in 1997, its graduates have ranked first or second on the CPA exam every year.

Deacon Tower moves forward

JUST WEEKS AFTER THE BIGGEST FOOTBALL GAME in Wake Forest history, the biggest renovation in Groves Stadium history got underway. The stadium press box was imploded on January 14 to make way for Deacon Tower, a \$40 million facility to house luxury boxes, club seating, and the press box.

Plans for Deacon Tower were announced last summer but were contingent on the success of early fund-raising. Athletics Director Ron Wellman said in December that more than enough luxury boxes and club seats had been sold to allow construction to begin. Deacon Tower is expected to be completed in time for the 2008 season.



NICK BABLADELIS '08

Construction begins on Deacon Tower following the groundbreaking ceremony on January 24.

A large crowd of students is gathered on a grassy field, many holding up white streamers. In the background, a large, intricate structure made of white streamers is visible, resembling a giant spiderweb or a complex sculpture. A brick building with arched windows is partially visible in the upper right corner.

Dream **SEASON**

A wish comes



true for Wake Forest football and its fans.

*Story by Dan Collins
Photos by Ken Bennett*

COACH JIM GROBE and his Wake Forest Deacons were a testament in 2006 to the old saying that if you live long enough, you're liable to see anything. Only those who have suffered with the Deacons over their largely unrequited 105-year affair with football can really appreciate what Grobe and his resourceful, resilient team did on their stunning run to an ACC championship and trip to Miami for the Orange Bowl.

Of all the adjectives used to describe the Deacons' 11–3 season that included a title-game victory over Georgia Tech



grand a national stage as the Orange Bowl, where the Deacons proved they belonged against Louisville by taking a lead into the fourth quarter before falling 24–13. Never before had Wake Forest captured college football's fancy with its steadfast refusal to be floored without a fight. And only once before in the fifty-three-year history of the ACC had Wake Forest won the conference title.

That was accomplished in 1970 with a 6–5 record so nondescript that the Deacons weren't even invited to play in a bowl.

"In every category that you look at what this team accomplished this year, there's nothing to compare it to," said Director of Athletics Ron Wellman.

Wellman has been at Wake Forest since 1992. Many fans, including alumnus Ashby Cook ('71), have been around much longer. Some have been around long enough to remember when the Deacons were a laughing-stock, not just of the ACC but college football in general. In the fifty-four years of ACC play, the Deacons have had more winless seasons (eight) than winning seasons (seven) against other



Wake Forest's incomparable and improbable season saw the Deacons capture only the school's second ACC Championship in a 9–6 win over Georgia Tech in Jacksonville, Florida, on December 2. Sophomore place-kicker Sam Swank (top) provided all the points and sent the Deacons on to the Orange Bowl.



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Redshirt freshman quarterback Riley Skinner (top), pressed into action after a season-ending injury to starter Ben Mauk, responded by leading the Deacons to the Orange Bowl. Junior running back De'Angelo Bryant finds a hole in the Louisville defense in the fourth quarter.

conference teams. "There's been nothing like this in my forty years at Wake Forest," Cook said. "Nothing even close."

There was a feeling around Wake Forest that the Deacons—after five years of patiently redshirting 114 of their 123 freshmen recruits to defer their eligibility—might be pretty good in 2006. But as of last July that sentiment had not spread to Jacksonville, where the ACC media picked the Deacons

the events that were soon to unfold at Wake Forest, where naturally, nothing ever comes easy. Benjamin Mauk, a junior who had been groomed for three years at quarterback, broke his arm and dislocated his shoulder in the opening game against Syracuse. His replacement, Riley Skinner, was a red-shirt freshman who received the final scholarship to be offered to his recruiting class. Skinner, the son, grandson,

to finish last in the Atlantic Division.

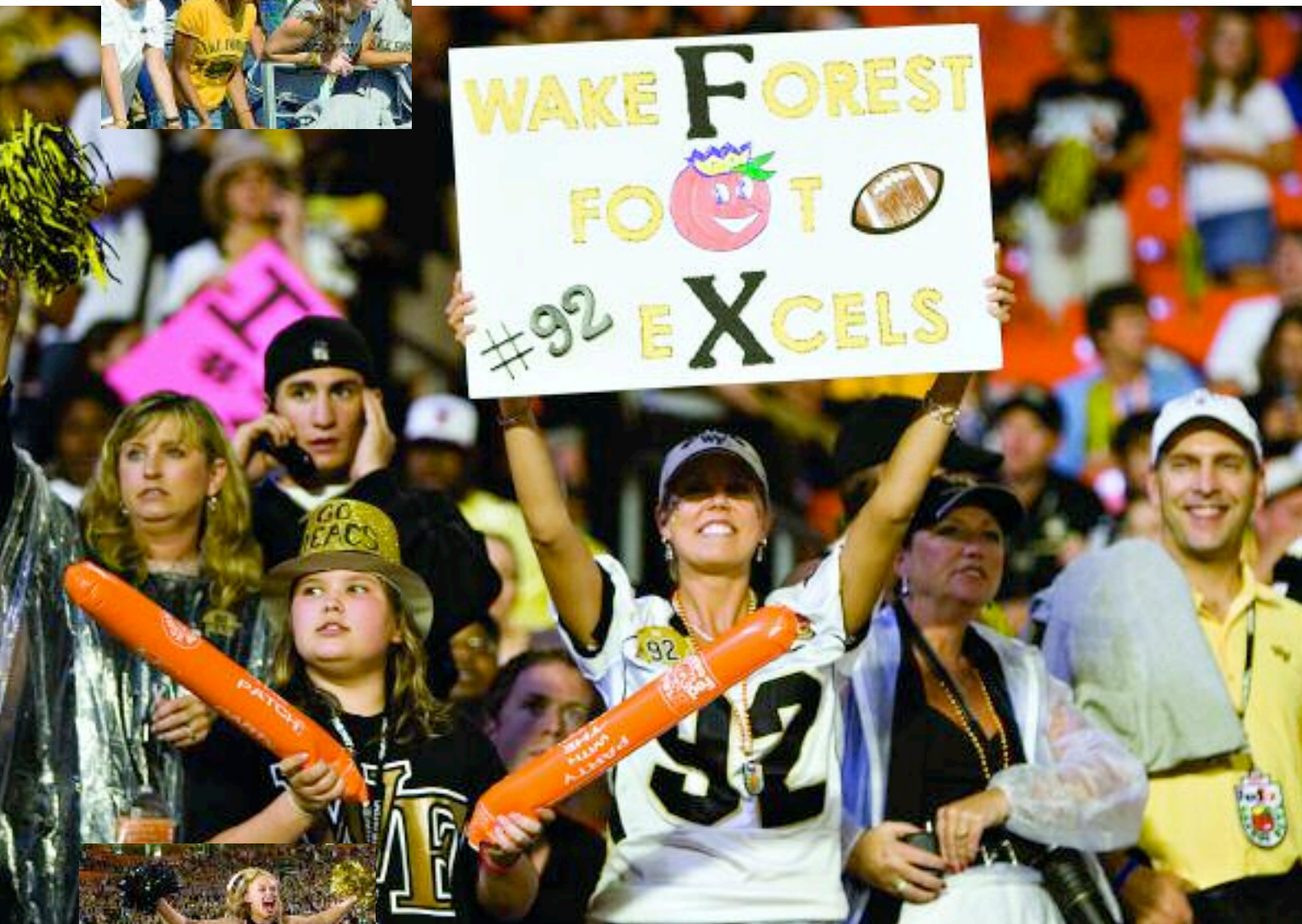
"I was a little miffed honestly back in July," Grobe said months later. "We had eighteen starters coming back. I'm not sure we didn't belong last in the division because we hadn't proven anything. But I had a sense that we were going to be a better football team."

Even Grobe admits his optimism would have been severely strained by

and nephew of college athletes from Jacksonville, Florida, had never played a down in college.

His first snap, called prematurely from a shotgun formation, hit receiver Willie Idlette in the shoulder as Idlette





More than 18,000 fans followed the Deacons to Miami and cheered to the very end.

passed behind center in motion. “I was scared,” senior tackle Steve Vallos said.

Micah Andrews, a junior heir apparent to graduated Chris Barclay (Wake Forest’s all-time leader in rushing yards, touchdowns, and points scored) was lost for the season with a torn

knee ligament suffered in the third game against Connecticut. The injury set in motion a game of musical chairs that eventually, in the ninth week of the season, resulted in receiver Kenneth Moore being moved to tailback.

Over Grobe’s first five years at Wake Forest, the Deacons never averaged less than 197.5 rushing yards a game. His greatest team, the greatest in school history, averaged 149.

But Skinner proved to be better than anyone could have imagined, good enough to actually lead the ACC

in passing efficiency, be honored as the ACC Rookie of the Year, and be named second-team All-ACC despite not being on the ballot. He didn’t win games by himself, nor did he lose them. Of the 260 passes he threw, 171 were caught by teammates and five were intercepted.

The Deacons defined synergy—the whole being greater than the sum of the parts. That was especially true on a defense led by linebackers Jon Abbate and Aaron Curry, senior safeties Josh Gattis and Patrick Ghee, cornerback



The death of the younger brother of junior linebacker Jon Abbate (at right) inspired the Deacons throughout the year and led fans to hold up five fingers at the end of the third quarter of every game, a tribute to Luke Abbate, who wore number five on his high school football team. Abbate, senior safety Josh Gattis (far right), and their defensive teammates turned in solid performances week after week.



Riley Swanson, and defensive ends Jyles Tucker and Jeremy Thompson. A stout defense and reliable kicker can win games in football, and in Sam Swank, the Deacons had the best kicker in the ACC.

Those paying strict attention could tell early that something special was happening at Wake Forest. Chip Vaughn, playing only because starter Gattis had been hurt, blocked a chip-shot field goal and the Deacons survived weak sister Duke, 14–13. Swank kicked field goals of 51, 53, and 53

yards and the Deacons beat N.C. State 25–23. Abbate intercepted a last-gasp pass in the end zone and the Deacons beat North Carolina 24–17.

After Kevin Marion raced 81 yards on a fake reverse to help carry Wake Forest past 16th-ranked Boston College to a 21–14 victory, Grobe said it was perhaps time to start dreaming. But few, even in their wildest dreams, could anticipate the next week's 30–0 rout of Florida State in Tallahassee. The shutout was Bobby Bowden's first

at home in his thirty-one seasons as the Seminoles head coach.

"It seems like a dream," cornerback Alphonso Smith said afterward. "Who could have ever imagined? Even though you might say you imagined it, you didn't imagine that we were going to come in here and win 30–0. You didn't imagine that."



Not even a staggering 27–6 setback to Virginia Tech in Wake Forest's one decisive loss could knock the Deacons off their bead on the ACC championship. They rebounded to thump Maryland—a team Grobe had never beaten—by a convincing 38-24 score in College Park for the Atlantic Division title.

A week later, all the attributes that earned Grobe both ACC Coach of the Year honors and a trophy-case full of National Coach of the Year awards, were on full display. Playing field-position football, Grobe allowed Georgia Tech, and its talented but erratic quarterback Reggie Ball, to make the mistakes. The Deacons capitalized, getting two clutch completions from Skinner and three field goals from Swank to win the ACC title 9–6.

"I think the key was our offensive players and our coaches did not become impatient," Grobe said. "We kept trying to take what we could get, make a few first downs, give ourselves an opportunity and give our defense and our kicking game a chance to win."

In Wake Forest football's proudest hour, the 2007 Orange Bowl, one of the smallest schools in major college football came up huge.

There was concern that the school, with its undergraduate population of 4,321, might have trouble selling its allotment of 1,750 seats. That concern quickly proved unfounded as the available tickets sold out in days. On January 2 in Miami Gardens, the Deacon Nation showed up in force, stretching down one side of Dolphin

Stadium well into the end zone—upper deck and lower.

And on the field, the Deacons gave powerful Louisville, the fifth-ranked champions of the Big East, all it could handle. Swank kicked two field goals, Skinner threw a thirty-yard touchdown pass to Nate Morton and the Deacons led 13–10 into the fourth quarter before succumbing to two fourth-quarter touchdown drives.

Though dashed, the Deacons realized they would in time shake off their disappointment. "After we can get over the loss and everything, I think we've got a lot to be proud of," Gattis said the next morning.

The Deacons have also given their fans plenty to look forward to. Historically every brush with success has been followed by long periods of frustration. Grobe, who next season will welcome back as many as thirty-three players who were either first or second team in 2006, appears to have built a solid program, not just one great team.

His efforts to keep Wake Forest competitive should be facilitated by the construction of Deacon Tower, a seven-story state-of-the-art structure at Groves Stadium that will feature luxury seating, sky boxes, and a new press box. The project, which began in early January, is expected to be completed by the 2008 season.

"We've built something that ought to last," Grobe said. "We shouldn't be a flash in the pan."

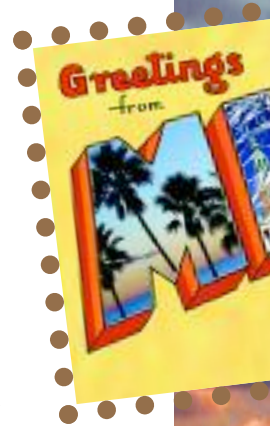
The departure of Abbate, who announced in January he will forego his senior season to make himself available for the NFL draft, was a bit of a blow. Abbate was a great player and an emotional leader, and the story of his brother's fatal car crash and the Abbate family's reaction to it was a

compelling one that helped rally people all season to the Deacons' cause.

But if Grobe has built as strong a program as his boss thinks he has, then Wake Forest football has never been on firmer footing. "It's just been a great, great year and I think the future is even brighter," Wellman said. "As you look at what we have coming back and the foundation that has been laid, I think we can see that Wake Forest football is here to stay."

Live long enough and you're liable to see anything. Stick around another year and you may just see it again.

Dan Collins is a veteran sportswriter for the Winston-Salem Journal who covers Wake Forest football.



In the aftermath of the Deacons' 24–13 loss to Louisville, freshman defensive end John Russell (51), sophomore cornerback Kevin Patterson (10), and other players leave the field with their "helmets held high," acknowledging the cheers still coming from the Deacon faithful. The loss sinks in for senior safety Patrick Ghee (top), waiting for reporters in the media room.



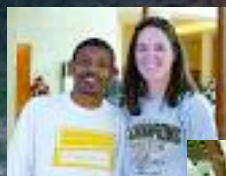
One journalist called it "Wakestock," the largest gathering ever of Wake Foresters. More than 18,000 alumni and other fans followed the Deacons to South Florida for the biggest football game/family reunion in Wake Forest history. Relive the excitement of the Orange Bowl and see more photos at www.wfu.edu/orangebowl/blog.



Sue Bray ('83) of Greensboro, North Carolina, and Kim Dennis Powell ('83) of Charlotte, proudly display their vintage "Proud to be a Deacon" bumper stickers from the late 1980s.



"We're here because of your son," Mike Spencer ('72) tells Oscar and Sharifah Vaughn, the parents of sophomore safety Chip Vaughn, referring to Vaughn's block of a short field goal to preserve the Deacons' early season win over Duke. Read more stories on the Orange Bowl blog.



Famed basketball star Muggsy Bogues ('87) turned out to support the football team, but he proved to be a big attraction for fellow alumni and even current students, such as junior Laura Crawford. Sophomore fullback Rich Belton signs autographs for young fans.



After morning practices at Nova Southeastern University in Davie, Florida, (above) the players reaped the rewards of a historic season, enjoying the fun and sun of South Florida.



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IN NOVEMBER 1985, THE RHODES Scholarship program announced that it had chosen Richard Chapman, a Wake Forest senior majoring in mathematics, to receive what is widely regarded as the world's most famous, prestigious, and intensely competitive award for post-graduation study. It was the first Rhodes Scholarship given to a Wake Forest graduate in sixty-eight years and only the third in the school's history.

In the decade after Chapman's honor, five more Wake Forest students would receive the Rhodes, followed by another five in the decade after that—four in the consecutive autumns of 2003–2006, including Michelle Sikes this year (*See story on page 25*). Prospects for prolonging the run seem promising: academic staff and faculty members have identified a number of juniors who should be strong contenders in next year's competition.

Mathematicians of Chapman's standing (for the past fourteen years he has served as Director of the Center for Innovations in Mobile, Pervasive, Agile Computing Technologies [iMPACT] in the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering at Auburn University)

Michelle Sikes: the latest in line.



Maria Merritt ('87): 'The experience made me a much more independent and self-motivated thinker.'

would be loath to attribute the streak to serendipity. What empirical factors are at work, they might ask?

The answer would be many. The string of Rhodes is simply one outcome of a concerted financial and programmatic effort that has intensified over the past quarter century to enroll and develop superior students. Honors programs and additions of new full-tuition merit scholarships (along with adjustments to an established scholarship program to stress quality over quantity in the students it supports) have planted ever more plentiful crops of top high school seniors at the University. Their cultivation and coming to fruition is being nurtured even more by the establishment in 2003 of the Wake Forest Scholars Program, an





Meet THE RHODES

Wake Forest's ten modern-era Rhodes Scholarship recipients besides the latest, Michelle Sikes—their majors at Wake Forest and what they have done since Oxford.

RICHARD CHAPMAN ('86)

Mathematics major. He completed master's and doctoral degrees in computer science at Cornell University and has been an associate professor and the director of the Center for Innovations in Mobile, Pervasive, Agile Computing Technologies in the Department of Computer Science and Software Engineering at Auburn University since 1993.

MARIA MERRITT ('87)

Biology major. Earned a doctoral degree in philosophy at the University of California at Berkeley and is now a faculty member in the Department of International Health at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

SCOTT PRETORIUS ('89)

Chemistry major. After receiving a medical degree from Johns Hopkins University, he served on the medical faculty and as a section chief at the University of Pennsylvania and is now in private medical practice.

ROBERT ESTHER ('91)

History major. After Oxford, he earned a master's degree in health policy from the University of London and a degree in medicine from Vanderbilt University. He did an internship and residency at the University of North Carolina Medical Center and a fellowship in musculoskeletal oncology at the Mayo Clinic and is now back in Chapel Hill as a member of the faculty of UNC School of Medicine.

CAROLYN FRANTZ ('94)

Philosophy major. She earned a law degree from the University of Michigan and is now practicing law in Chicago.

CHARLOTTE OPAL ('97)

Economics major. She serves as director of Product Development at TransFair USA, the only third-party Fair Trade certification agency in the U.S. (Fair Trade is a consumer label that guarantees fair prices for coffee, tea, cocoa, fruit, rice, sugar, and vanilla for producers in developing countries.) She co-authored the world's first textbook on Fair Trade, which is being translated into Japanese, and lives in Switzerland.

JENNIFER BUMGARNER ('99)

Political science major. At Wake Forest, she traveled to Eastern Europe to study the Roma people—also known as gypsies—and was a volunteer for the Red Cross in the Transcarpathia region of Ukraine, teaching English classes and helping set up a local crisis hotline for women. Formerly the executive director of the N.C. Alliance for Economic Justice, she now is a policy adviser to North Carolina Governor Michael Easley.

JENNIFER HARRIS ('04)


Political science major. At Wake Forest, she traveled extensively in Europe and elsewhere, researching refugee issues and serving refugees in Latvia, Croatia, and Sarajevo. She now is in her first year of law school at Yale University.

REBECCA COOK ('05)

Biology major. Born and raised in Kijabe, Kenya, where her parents are missionaries, she was co-founder of the Wake Forest Student Global AIDS Campaign, spending time in Kenya conducting research on ways of teaching new mothers practices that could help reduce infant mortality and volunteering at the hospital where she was born. She is in her second year at Oxford (*read her first-person reflections on page 18*). She plans to return to Africa as a primary care physician after completing medical school and training.

LAKSHMI KRISHNAN ('06)

English and German major. Born in India, she has lived in England and the United States. At Wake Forest, she wrote her senior honors thesis on vampires and blood contagion in nineteenth-century novels, relating them to modern anxieties about AIDS and other blood-transmitted diseases. As president of Wake Forest's chapter of Amnesty International, she focused on global AIDS and the political and ethical issues attendant to it. She also edited the *Philomathesian* literary journal. She is in her first year at Oxford (*read her first-person reflections on page 19*). After her Rhodes studies, she plans to attend medical school and devote her career to international health issues.



EDITOR'S NOTE: *In the following, the two Wake Forest Rhodes Scholars presently at Oxford—Rebecca Cook ('05), who is in her second year, and Lakshmi Krishnan ('06), who is in her first—reflect on their experiences.*

Cook (left) and Krishnan on the streets of Oxford.

REBECCA COOK

BY FAR, ONE OF THE BEST aspects of my time at Oxford thus far has been the people I have met: fellow Rhodes scholars, classmates, professors, and friends from college. Even for an American who has grown up abroad [in Kenya, as the daughter of missionaries], I think it's amazing that I count among my best friends here students from Malaysia, Tonga, Britain, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Kenya, Bermuda, and Taiwan. Much of my best growth here has been because of the passion and intelligence of my friends.

There is also an acceptance and even encouragement of eccentricity in Britain and Oxford in particular that

I find charming. Quintessential glimpses of Oxford: the eighty-something philosopher who sings with our chapel choir; an Oxford don in full academic dress ambling down Longwall Street with his robe tails dragging as he talks to himself; undergraduates in fancy dress eating from kebab vans late at night; and floods of tourists filling the cobblestone streets.

When I got the scholarship, one of my cousins was under the impression that the "Roads" scholarship was a travelling grant, where I would circle the globe and write about my adventures. While it is not the stated purpose of the scholarship, travel certainly

is one of the benefits. Having spent most of my previous time in Europe on layovers in the airport, I've really enjoyed the opportunity to explore the continent—to practice my Spanish in Seville at the height of Semana Santa, seep in the historical significance of "East versus West" in Berlin, and climb mountains on the edge of Sofia. Teaching science for six weeks in the Caribbean and two months of field work coming up this year also provide opportunities to explore new regions of the developing world.

In applying and interviewing for the scholarship, I don't think I knew what it meant to "be an American

Rhodes Scholar” in terms of the hype associated with the scholarship. Being a person who generally prefers to be behind-the-scenes, I found those first months after the scholarship overwhelming, but also an opportunity to share what I’m passionate about with a larger audience. At first I felt somewhat daunted by the expectations others seem to have of Rhodes scholars; any notions of academic genius or future presidency simply do not apply in my case, but I think you learn to disregard these expectations, try not to calculate how in the world you ended up here, and simply respond with gratitude to the opportunity and determination to appreciate and use it to the best of your ability.

Belonging to a group of incredibly accomplished peers has generated self-doubt and also pushed my conceptions of my potential and capabilities in some really helpful directions. Some see the scholarship as a ticket in life: a credential that will put them on the “fast track.” Others view it more in terms of future obligations and expectations of how we should be involved in “fighting the world’s fight,” as Cecil [Rhodes] put it. I think it has to be some of both. Undeniably, the scholarship will open doors that would not have been open to me otherwise and allow me access to a sphere of influence, particularly in terms of the friends I have made here. But I regard the scholarship in the long-term more as a tremendous privilege that carries with it expectations: not a specific list of acceptable careers, but an acknowledgement that I was not given this opportunity to get ahead myself, but rather to improve the life chances of others.

THE RHODES HAS AFFORDED ME the opportunity to move beyond a rigid path and experience a wider intellectual and social milieu. The chance to go to Oxford, to study literature before going to medical school, to have the license to read widely and deeply in new disciplines, to explore an entirely new educational culture, and to craft along the way a self-directed path—these, to me, are some of the best things that the scholarship has offered. Navigating the challenges of Oxford’s decentralized, intensively student-motivated system is a prospect about which I’m both anxious and excited. I am sure that adjusting to this newness will tax and alter my preconceptions of myself, particularly as I just graduated and attained a degree of comfort that Wake Forest’s nurturing, individualized atmosphere helped to create. Oxford, I realize, will be a very different proposition. I’m experiencing the natural worry that accompanies being a freshman (“fresher,” in the U.K.), along with the complexities of moving abroad and—for the first time since enrolling at Wake Forest—leaving home for uncharted territory. But I cannot think of a better time to delve into such an experience; fresh from an English degree at Wake Forest, I have the chance to study literature at the same university where my literary heroes were undergraduates. It’s a dizzying opportunity. The Rhodes has been a liberating force in my life, since it has carved into a previously determined course several years in which to expand and shape myself as an academic, a traveler, a friend, and a person.

office dedicated to identifying and advising the cream of the scholastic crop and to acting as a clearinghouse for post-graduation funding opportunities (see *box on page 21*).

In the twenty years since Chapman won his Rhodes (and in addition to the other Rhodes recipients during that period), more than seventy Wake Forest seniors have received some of the world’s most illustrious and competitive post-graduation scholarships. Among their ranks are twenty-nine Fulbright Scholars, fourteen Truman Scholars, at least nine Rotary Scholars, six Luce and six Goldwater Scholars, three Beinecke and three Mellon Scholars, and two Marshall Scholars. So impressed were Truman Scholarship officials with Wake Forest’s success with its program that it presented a special award to the University in 2001. The overall numbers are all the more striking in light of the College’s comparatively modest size and the somewhat decentralized and unofficial approach it took to honors scholarship advising before creating the Wake Forest Scholars Program.

The Fulbright Scholars program is a good example of the positive effect the Wake Forest Scholars Program is having on the quantity and success rate of scholarship applications. Fulbright grants provide to recent college graduates ten to twelve months of post-graduate research, study, or experience teaching English in one of more than 140 countries. From 1975 to 2002, Wake Forest averaged less than one Fulbright recipient a year. In 2004–05, the institution nominated six students for the Fulbright and received four. Last year, it nominated twelve and won six. This year, it nominated twenty-four.

The number of eminent and highly competitive post-graduation scholarship

programs for Americans has risen substantially in recent years, but the Rhodes is still the gold standard, if nowhere else than in public perception. Established in 1902 from the estate of Cecil Rhodes, a legendary British-born South African businessman, mining magnate, and politician who founded the monopolistic diamond company De Beers and colonized the state of Rhodesia (now Zambia and Zimbabwe), the program each year awards full-cost scholarships to thirty-two American college seniors for two years (with the possibility of a third year) of study at Oxford University in England, the oldest university in the English-speaking world and among the most esteemed anywhere on Earth.

“Intellectual distinction is a necessary but not sufficient condition for election to a Rhodes Scholarship,” its official description states. “Selection committees are charged to seek excellence in qualities of mind and in qualities of person which, in combination, offer the promise of effective service to the world in the decades ahead.”

Each of sixteen regional committees chooses two recipients from among those nominated by colleges and universities from all fifty states. Each year, roughly twelve hundred scholastic stars apply for the Rhodes, but that number fails to account for the hundreds of additional bright and accomplished students who covet the scholarship but don’t bother to apply because they feel they have no chance of winning. The very application process can be daunting—a grueling and stressful ordeal that includes soliciting eight letters of application; writing an eight-hundred-word essay that not only must be composed impeccably but also must articulate distinctiveness of vision and fervency and authenticity of passion; and a harrowing and pressure-

packed interview by a committee that includes past Rhodes Scholars and to which the applicants must demonstrate depth of reflection on why Oxford and its programs are an ideal fit for them.

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—RICHARD CHAPMAN (’86)

“The process requires vast resources of will and energy,” says James Barefield, professor emeritus of history who mentored the earliest of the school’s recent Rhodes winners. “In writing their essays, they have to get themselves into eight hundred words—what they’re really about. It can’t be surface stuff. You can’t fake it. The only way they’ll get the scholarship is if the person [the committee members] see on paper is the one in front of them. And there is so much luck involved. Who else from your school has applied that year? What sort of questions does the committee ask in your interview? Everything has to go just right.”

But the few who prevail are rewarded with an experience unlike any other: total immersion in the one-of-a-kind intellectual and social ambience that is Oxford. The student body alone

affords an unrivaled opportunity for cultural enrichment: more than 130 nationalities are represented in its student body of over 18,000. And few, if any, universities in the world offer richer options for study or a more venerable faculty than the nine-hundred-year-old institution. Discipline, self-motivation, and independent scholarship are the Oxford way; students might go weeks without consulting their mentors. But for those with vision, ingenuity, and a penchant for hard work, the outcomes can far surpass the credential. They can include the attainment of wisdom and lifelong habits of entrepreneurial endeavor and achievement.

“[At Oxford] I came to see the whole global picture of my academic discipline, and to first get a sense of where I fit into it,” Chapman recalls. “The world was much wider than it had seemed in Winston-Salem.” Robert Esther (’91), who became Wake Forest’s fourth modern Rhodes winner, says his time in Oxford “mostly reinforced my own predisposition to draw on different disciplines. As a history major at Wake Forest, I valued the opportunity to work intensely in the sciences and humanities. The history curriculum at Oxford was very open and exposed me to different academic areas and new approaches to asking and answering questions.”

Maria Merritt (’87), who extended her scholarship for a third year, attributes her decision to forego medical school to pursue a doctoral degree and an academic career in philosophy to the example of her mentors at Oxford. “The experience,” she says, “made me a much more independent and self-motivated thinker.” Charlotte Opal (’97), whose favorite pastime at Oxford was taking winter walks through Port Meadow, a pasture

owned jointly by the “Commoners of Wolvercote” for over a millennium, to the Trout pub to drink mulled wine, feels privileged to have studied at Oxford with “super achievers” from all parts of the world. “I feel a special responsibility to ensure that I utilize this privilege to the fullest,” she says. “I am constantly evaluating my work. Am I functioning at my highest potential? Am I achieving all that I can?”

Three years after the scholarship was founded, Wake Forest received its first Rhodes, awarded to Harry Trantham (1905). The next arrived thirteen years later, when Robert Lee Humber ('18, LLB '21) of Greenville won. Known for his sophistication and erudition, Humber became an international lawyer of renown and resided in Paris for a number of years. Perhaps as a result of having come of age during World War I, he helped found and was active in the World Federalist Movement and lectured widely on world peace. In North Carolina, he was best known for his role in founding and developing the State Art Museum in Raleigh. A lifelong Wake Forest benefactor, Humber served a term as chair of its Board of Trustees and urged many of its brightest students over the years—including an exceptionally promising lad from a small North Carolina town named Edwin G. Wilson, Jr. ('43)—to apply for the Rhodes. But very few did. “Wake Forest always had students who could have been Rhodes Scholars,” Wilson says, “but there was not a concerted effort to encourage it.”

But during Wilson's early years as dean and provost, events transpired that changed the climate. First, in the early sixties, he facilitated the creation of an interdisciplinary honors program to engage superior students. Then, in 1968, alumnus Guy T. Carswell ('22, LLD '62) bequeathed half of his



A PROGRAM FOR SCHOLARS

THE WAKE FOREST SCHOLARS PROGRAM seeks to identify and assist recent graduates as well as students who are qualified for and interested in post-graduate scholarships, fellowships, and service programs.

Created in 2003, the office strives to match one's gifts, interests, and achievements with possible funding in a wide range of disciplines and programs for potentially life-changing domestic and international research and academic experiences.

Recent graduates with strong undergraduate academic and extracurricular records and strengths of experience in graduate and professional schooling, business, education, and other pursuits are urged to contact program director Thomas O. Phillips ('74, MA '78) at phillito@wfu.edu to note their interest in possible funding. Among the large roster of awards available for domestic or international study are scholarships for alumni ages 24 and 35.



Thomas O. Phillips ('74, MA '78)

For more information, go to www.wfu.edu/scholars.



James Barefield: skilled at 'seeing an intellectual spark.'

estate—\$1.3 million—to the College, from which it created an academic merit scholarship fund. Carswell grants, valued at up to \$2,000 a year (which for many years constituted half of Wake Forest's tuition), were, in Wilson's words, "the first effort to go out and invite the best students to come to Wake Forest."

Still, with only the half-tuition Carswell at its disposal, the University found it difficult to compete for the best students with peer institutions that offered full-ride merit scholarships,

such as the University of North Carolina with its Morehead. The playing field, though, started to level for Wake Forest in 1982 when it inaugurated the Reynolds Scholarship. "Wake Forest was among the institutions in the South that realized that full scholarships was an avenue to stop the best Southern students from going north for college," notes Thomas O. Phillips ('74, MA '78), director of the Wake Forest Scholars Program. "With the advent of the Reynolds, we began to develop a larger critical mass of very

bright students fairly quickly." Enriching that mass was what might be termed the "competition factor:" vying for a Reynolds is an intense experience, which conditions and builds confidence in winners to compete for the most coveted of post-graduation scholarships as upperclassmen. It is no coincidence that all eleven of Wake Forest's modern Rhodes Scholars had academic scholarships, and that all but one was either a Reynolds or a Carswell. As Phillips observes, "Cream tends to rise to the top." The critical mass is being concentrated at the top even more by the conversion three years ago of the Carswell to a full-ride merit scholarship.

Attracting top students with scholarship money is one thing; cultivating their potential once they are enrolled is another. In Barefield, the University had an exceptionally talented and dedicated faculty member in that capacity. Teaching for more than thirty years in the Honors Program, he was a friend and mentor to generations of Wake Forest's finest students and functioned as the College's unofficial Rhodes adviser until 1998. Having retired from full faculty status in 2004, he still teaches classes each fall.

"Jim Barefield is a truly remarkable teacher," Wilson says. "I know of no one on our faculty who was better at analyzing, discovering, and encouraging the truly great student. He is particularly skilled at seeing an intellectual spark or excitement for learning in a young person that might not always be apparent to others."

By the late seventies and early eighties, Wilson and Barefield, among others on the faculty and staff, were intentionally looking for qualities in their best students that conformed to the Rhodes profile and then encouraging the best prospects to apply. "The [Rhodes] program has changed

an awful lot over the years,” Barefield notes. “It used to be a kind of ‘Tennis, anyone?’ situation, in which the selection committee would look for someone from Princeton in a white sweater. It became much more expansive.”

In Barefield’s view, Chapman’s winning “broke the ice,” letting loose the flow of winners that followed. “Suddenly, [the Rhodes] became a possibility for our competitive students,” he says. “It became part of their expectations.” He notes that two of Wake Forest’s first four modern-era Rhodes recipients were not Reynolds Scholars, having instead been given the “runner-up prize” of the O.W. Wilson Scholarship, a full-tuition grant without the stipend for summer study and other perks of the Reynolds. The perceived slight no doubt supplied additional motivation. “As competitive people,” he says, “they were happy to show the Reynolds Committee that it had been wrong.”

Chapman and Merritt exemplified a quality seen in many of Wake Forest’s Rhodes Scholars: varied academic and extracurricular talents and interests. “Richard was very good in literature as well as math,” Barefield recalls. “He wrote an art history paper in Venice that [longtime Venice Program teacher] Teresio Pignatti thought could have been published.” As an undergraduate, Merritt majored in biology, but switched to philosophy and Italian at Oxford, where she won a poetry contest. At Wake Forest, she competed on the track and cross-country teams as a walk-on and was active in the campus Literary Society. On trips to Italy while at Oxford, she worked at a summer camp and picked apples. Merritt went on to earn a doctoral degree in philosophy from the University of California at Berkeley and did a fellowship in bioethics at the National Institutes of

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Health. Today, she is a first-year faculty member at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, where she probes, among other problems pertinent to science and philosophy, the ethics of medical research on human subjects. Scott Pretorius ('89) excelled in chemistry in college and then studied English on his Rhodes Scholarship before obtaining a degree in medicine at

Johns Hopkins. As an undergraduate, Esther had his sights on a medical career, but his major was history and he did a summer internship at *The Wall Street Journal*. While at Oxford, he retraced poet John Keats’ famed walking trek from London to Scotland. Today, he is a pediatric oncologist on the faculty of the University of North Carolina School of Medicine.

“The Rhodes scholarship is a great opportunity for the Renaissance types, but it’s not always the best fit for every student,” says Katy Harriger, a professor of political science who served as post-graduate scholarship adviser from 1999 to 2003. “I had a kid who would have been an excellent candidate, but he wanted to go to medical school. He felt pressure to apply [for the Rhodes] but it wasn’t what he really wanted to do, and he didn’t. I respected him for that.” Barefield routinely encouraged prospective applicants to examine themselves and their motives carefully beforehand and talked a number of students out of applying over the years because he didn’t think it would be in their best interests. “But applicants do get benefit [from the process] even if they are unsuccessful,” he notes, “because it leads them to self-examination. It makes them think about themselves and their future in a deeper way.”

If, as someone once said, preparation is 90 percent of success, then the Wake Forest Rhodes run should come as no surprise. “While I clearly matured and developed personally and intellectually at Oxford, those experiences were and remain clearly secondary in my mind to my experiences as an undergraduate at Wake Forest,” Esther says. “Without the challenges of the curriculum and the intellectual and personal support of the Reynolds program, none of what transpired at Oxford would have been possible.”



A great run

In academics and athletics, senior Michelle Sikes sets the pace.

By Cherin C. Poovey (P '08)

MICHELLE SIKES LOVES RUNNING AND WINNING. On a chilly weekend last November, she did both.

In Pittsburgh to interview for the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship, Sikes was not about to let the day go by without a good run. She took to the streets, exploring the city with a fellow Rhodes candidate. Later that day she learned she had become Wake Forest's newest Rhodes Scholar—its eleventh since 1986.

Sikes, a mathematical economics major and captain of the women's cross-country team whose senior-year resume is a laundry list of academic and athletic honors, will travel to Oxford University next fall for two years of study. She hopes to pursue a master's degree in economics as well as a master's of science in global health sciences, that will prepare her for a career related to her area of interest—organ donation.

When Sikes was a high school senior in Lakewood, Ohio, she was looking for a school that successfully combined top-level programs in academics and athletics. She considered Duke and Stanford, as well as Wake Forest. She was impressed with Wake Forest's small-school atmosphere and Division I program. She connected well with her future coach, Annie Bennett, and enjoyed the friendliness of the women on the cross-country team. All those factors, combined with what she considered great weather, led her to choose Wake Forest.

"Wake Forest has exceeded all my expectations," Sikes said recently as she stretched after a morning run. Part of the Rhodes application process was asking eight people to write letters on my behalf. Five of those letters came from College professors, one from a law professor, and one from the director of athletics, she said. "The network of support

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you find at Wake Forest is one of those intangibles that you don't appreciate until you're applying for graduate school or a job in the real world."

Michael Lawlor, professor of economics and Sikes' academic advisor, says she has been a great student. "Michelle is really interested in the notion of applying economics to crucial social issues," he says. To fulfill a requirement for her health policy administration minor, she worked last summer at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy, a think tank of scholars who actively research in health, political science, and economics. She was a health policy intern for a researcher studying the organ donation system.

Fluent in Spanish, Sikes volunteers as an interpreter at El Centro

Clinico, a clinic for low-income Hispanic residents in Winston-Salem. She also serves as a Student Government representative.

Sikes acknowledges that running is the part of her day that she most looks forward to. "I love to spend time with my friends and compete in the sport I love," she says. "I would do it even if I didn't have a team around me."

A 2001 state champion and 2002 All-American at her high school in Ohio, Sikes placed second in her collegiate debut and was named ACC Rookie of the Year in 2003. Her athletic honors include Academic All-ACC, All Southeast-Region, and two-time ACC Performer of the Week. She paced the women's cross-country team to a 27th overall finish at the 2006 NCAA Championships in Terre Haute, Indiana, finishing thirteenth overall out of 253 runners in the 6K race. Sikes earned All-American honors as a result of her finish in the top 30.

In May, as she prepares to walk across the stage at Commencement, Sikes says she will probably be reflecting on how amazing the last four years have been and how much she's looking forward to the next two. "I feel so fortunate to have had the opportunity to enjoy stimulating academics, membership in an intensely competitive sports conference, and an incomparably supportive and friendly environment during my time here."



The Hermit in the Wait Chapel Tower

Samuel Weber—the first Roman Catholic priest ever appointed to the divinity faculty of an institution with Baptist heritage—helps infuse Wake Forest Divinity School with “true ecumenism.”

By David Fyten

REV. SAMUEL F. WEBER, O.S.B., is a man of routine. Most weekdays he eats his midday meal in the Reynolda Hall dining area officially called the Fresh Food Company but known still to many on campus as simply “The Pit.” He teaches in late afternoon on Mondays and Wednesdays, attends faculty functions, and meets with students by appointment in his office in the tower of Wait Chapel. Otherwise, he almost certainly is in his unit in Faculty Apartments, living the life of a Roman Catholic monk as it has been lived for fourteen centuries.

Weber, an associate professor of early Christianity and spiritual formation at the Wake Forest Divinity School, is a priest in the Order of Saint Benedict, a monastic order founded by its namesake in the sixth century. Weber, like all Benedictines, adheres to the Rule of Saint Benedict,



a voluminous tome that regulates every aspect of monastic life, from dress and diet to strict obedience of superiors and moderation of speech, including periods of complete silence. Seven times each day at specified hours, Weber recites aloud sets of prayers in Latin known in the aggregate as the Divine Office, or Canonical Hours. Other times are given to study and work. The monastic discipline is one of solitude and separateness, with no purpose in life other than to exist and to serve God and one's spiritual community. Apart

from his monastery, he is classified as a hermit.

His scholarship mirrors his conservatism, in the classic sense of the word. A skilled organist and expert in liturgical music, he has been commissioned to create a Benedictine Monastic Office for the Saint Bernard Abbey in Cullman, Alabama, and Propers of the Mass of the Roman Rite for the Archdiocese of Charleston, South Carolina—the former a ten-year project. His work includes text translation, commissioning of poets to translate hymns, and composition and arrangement of chant melodies based on the monastic tradition. He even does the design and layout, basing his musical notation on a form developed for chant a millenium ago. He also has prepared a hymnal and settings for all Lauds and Vespers for the entire liturgical year, has completed a setting of



Samuel Weber: 'True ecumenism is telling your story with an attitude of respect.'

the Passion of Saint John for parish use, and responds to occasional requests from cathedrals and parishes around the country for various liturgical works.

But this is no dour ascetic we're talking about here. A warm and open man with a quick smile and sense of humor, he enjoys reading a Louis L'Amour novel or watching a comedy on DVD as much as the next guy. Precise in his thinking and articulate in his expression, Sam

Weber strikes even the most casual acquaintance as one who knows precisely who he is, who is true to it, and who makes no apologies or compromises in expressing it.

Weber and others also know precisely what he represents, and contributes, to Wake Forest and its divinity program. It wasn't too long ago that the presence of a Roman Catholic clergyman on the divinity faculty of a historically Baptist institution would have been unthinkable.

Indeed, to anyone's knowledge, he is the first Roman Catholic priest ever to be appointed to the divinity faculty of an institution with Baptist heritage. It is he, along with the rabbi and other faculty members with diverse theological and denominational backgrounds, who give Wake Forest Divinity School its distinctively—and, among its peer institutions, uniquely—ecumenical focus, and its graduates an informed and inclusive outlook toward other religions and beliefs.

Born Fred Lewis Weber ("Samuel" is his religious name) in Chicago in 1947, Weber was raised by devoutly Catholic parents in a blue-collar neighborhood. Despite the working-class environment, he attended Benedictine schools from first grade on, receiving a liberal education permeated with philosophy, Latin, theology, and other classical subjects. "It was a very happy environment; very secure," says Weber of his home life and schooling. "At school, we prayed the Canonical Hours and generally lived the life of the liturgy every day. It was a wonderful education. I'm so grateful for it."

Hearing the call of God, Weber entered the monastery in 1963 and professed his religious vows in 1969 upon graduating from Benedictine-affiliated Saint Meinrad College in Indiana. He went on to earn a Master of Divinity degree from Saint Meinrad School of Theology, a Master of Arts in Greek and Latin Literature and Ancient Art and Archeology from the University of Colorado, and a Licentiate in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical Athenaeum in Rome. He has studied and done research in Europe, has been a regular lecturer at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in

Louisville, Kentucky, and has been a visiting professor at the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary and the Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky. During the summer, he has taught at the Liturgical Institute in Illinois, serving as choirmaster of its summer sessions. He edits and contributes to the Saint Meinrad Liturgical Music series and the Resources for the Divine Office series, has served as an associate editor of the *American Benedictine Review*, and contributes to a variety of periodicals and journals.

Weber was on the faculty of St. Meinrad College in 1998–99 when a surprising but intriguing opportunity presented itself. Wake Forest was in the process of assembling a faculty in preparation for opening its new divinity school in fall 1999 and sought to appoint a Catholic priest to advance its ecumenical agenda. Through contacts at Belmont Abbey, a Benedictine college in Charlotte, Wake Forest officials learned of Weber and extended an offer. Weber sought the guidance and approval of his abbot at St. Meinrad, who gave his blessing. In May 1999, one week after Weber's appointment was announced on Vatican Radio, Francis Cardinal Arinze, the eminent Catholic prelate who oversees the preservation and renewal of the traditional Roman Rite liturgy worldwide, came to Wake Forest as its Commencement speaker. In the presence of the gathered dignitaries, Arinze said to Weber: "The Holy Father knows of your good work here and sends you his blessing." Later, the cardinal spoke to Weber privately about the importance of the appointment and its ecumenical implications.

Weber credits Dean Bill J. Leonard, and especially former President

Thomas K. Hearn, Jr., with "setting the tone" for his successful tenure. "Dr. Hearn and I talked at great length about spiritual subjects and his vision for the Divinity School," he

"The two things that matter most are to know the truth and to be in love. My job is to tell my story—to teach the fullness of Catholic truth."

says. "He did everything he could to foster my presence here and encourage me. I can't tell you how warm the welcome here has been for me."

He describes Wake Forest as "a wonderful place" to teach. "The students are excellent and a joy to work with, and the administration is so sensitive and responsive. As for my commissions and scholarly work, Dean Leonard has nurtured my

projects from the start. The environment here is so life giving; it's as if Wake Forest wants to say, 'Let us give life to the human family.' My experience has been totally positive."

Weber has not the slightest of doubts about the veracity of his faith, but in his courses on Catholic spirituality, church history, worship, and Latin, he makes no attempts to proselytize. "I've never been expected to be anything other than what I am, and I don't expect my students to be anything other than what they are," he states. "The two things that matter most are to know the truth and to be in love. My job is to tell my story—to teach the fullness of Catholic truth."

"We are here not to argue," he goes on. "We are here to do what we can, not what we can't. True ecumenism is telling your story with an attitude of respect. Consider the Latin origin of the word 'respect'—*re+spicere*, which means to look upon another with an intention of good will. We bear any tensions we might have [in the classroom] in a spirit of blessing for the greater good."



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GREETINGS FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION! I want to take a moment to explain some of the ways you can assist Wake Forest and get involved with upcoming programs:

Orange Bowl Registration —Alumni are continuing to celebrate our historic football season and revel in the “Orange Glow” provided by our first Orange Bowl experience. We believe that the Orange Bowl was the largest single gathering of Wake Foresters in history, and we want to be sure to count all our alumni in our attendance numbers. You can help us make the case that we “travel well” and deserve consideration for future bowl games. If you attended the Orange Bowl but have not already registered your attendance, please do so today at: www.wfu.edu/orangebowl/count

Alumni Admissions Forum—June 15

The 15th annual Alumni Admissions Forum will be held June 15. If your child is a rising high school sophomore or junior, mark your calendar to attend this event. The Alumni Admissions Forum is designed to provide alumni children and their families with a comprehensive look at the college search and selection process, whether your child is interested in Wake Forest or in other selective schools. For more information, please contact Betsy Chapman ('92, MA '94) at chapmaea@wfu.edu or see the additional information on the inside back cover.

Lifelong Learning Course—June 28-29

The Alumni Association is pleased to offer its second Lifelong Learning course, “Re-Thinking Dixie: The Modern South in Historical Perspective,” taught by Michele Gillespie, Kahle Associate Professor of History. The Lifelong Learning program provides educational opportunities for Wake Foresters long after graduation. For more information (including pricing and accommodations), please contact Betsy Chapman at chapmaea@wfu.edu or see the additional information on page 40.

Help us reach our College Fund goal! Please make your gift by June 30! Wake Forest finished first in the ACC in football, but second in the ACC in alumni giving as ranked by *U.S. News and World Report*. Our alumni giving percentage is 34 percent, trailing Duke by 10 percentage points. Let's show our school pride and make us first in ACC giving as well as football! If you haven't done so already, please make a gift—at whatever level you can. You will not only be supporting the College and Calloway Funds (which support our students and faculty), but your gift will also help us increase our alumni giving percentage, which is a factor that directly impacts our national rankings. Please join me and give generously. You may make a gift online at www.wfu.edu/alumni/giving/.

Wake Forest Clubs

Spring is a very active time in the Wake Forest Clubs network. Take advantage of this great opportunity to network with others in the Wake Forest community by attending Club events. Stay tuned to the Clubs Web site (www.wfu.edu/clubs) for more information on Wake Forest Days, the regional club events that will be held throughout the spring.

There is so much to be proud of at Wake Forest, and I am grateful for the many ways you support our alma mater. Best wishes for a wonderful spring.

Ruffin Branham ('69)

President, Wake Forest Alumni Association

If you have news you would like to share,

please send it to CLASSNOTES editor, *Wake Forest Magazine*, P.O. Box 7205, Winston-Salem, NC 27109-7205. CLASSNOTES can be e-mailed to classnotes@wfu.edu or entered in an online form at www.wfu.edu/magazine/classnotes. It is important that you include your class year(s) and degree(s) with each note. The person submitting information must provide a telephone number for verification and accept responsibility for the accuracy of the information. The deadline for CLASSNOTES is the 15th day of the month two months prior to the issue date. For example, the deadline for the June issue is April 15.



GUTH ('57, MD '62)



STEPHENS ('67, JD '70)

1930s

Charles R. Jervis ('37) reports he is 90 years old. He and his wife, Gladys, have been married 67 years.

1940s

Archie L. Smith (JD '40) celebrated his 90th birthday in July. He attends all the Wake Forest football and basketball games, and he went to the ACC Championship in Jacksonville and the Orange Bowl in Miami.

Bernard B. Hollowell (JD '48) and his wife, Marybelle, are proud of their grandson, **Matthew E. Lee (JD '06)**, who is practicing law in New Bern, NC.

1950s

Elizabeth Hutchins Grigg ('50) is a retired Gaston County school teacher. She has been a resident at The Gardens of Taylor Glen Baptist Retirement Home in Concord, NC, for four years. She is proud that 10 Wake Forest alums live there. She participates in exercise, art, basketry and drama classes.

Ruth M. Wall ('51) retired from teaching in 1986. Her husband, **Allan Wall ('53)**, died in 1991, and she moved to Jasper, GA, in 1997. She is vice president of education and scholarship chairperson of the Council of Auxiliaries/Volunteers of the Georgia Hospital Association. She has a daughter and two grandchildren.

Zeb V. Moss ('52) reports he attended the ground-breaking ceremony in Winston-Salem when President Truman spoke. He and his wife spent 38 years with the International Mission Board. He retired in 1997 and has since served as pastor and interim pastor at several churches.

Caryl J. Guth ('57, MD '62)

received the 2006 Distinguished Service Award from the California Society of Anesthesiologists. She is retired and living in the Winston-Salem area.

S.J. Webster Jr. (JD '59) received the 2006 Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award from the Town of Madison, NC.

1960s

Andrew P. Terrell ('64) has been appointed to the North Carolina Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission.

Joseph O. Shaw ('67) and his football crew were selected to officiate the New Jersey Group IV State Championship football game at Giants Stadium.

Eddie Speas ('67, JD '71) practices litigation with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been included on the 2007 "Legal Elite" list by *Business North Carolina*.

Robert C. Stephens ('67, JD '70) is president-elect of the Mecklenburg County Bar and has been named one of the "Legal Elite" in construction law by *Business North Carolina*.

1970s

Dianne Ford ('71) is a serials and documents librarian at Elon University. She is serving on a committee advising the State Library of North Carolina on the preservation and distribution of digital state government publications.

Kathy Sirkel Hackshaw ('71) is chief operating officer of Spa Sydel's eight locations in the Atlanta area. She and her husband, Robert Gonzalez, live in Dunwoody, GA. They have four children, **Christy Hackshaw McFalls ('92)**,

Brett Hackshaw ('98), Sarah Gonzalez and Daniel Gonzalez.

D. Clark Smith Jr. ('72, JD '75) is with Brinkley Walser PLLC in Lexington, NC. He has been included in "The Best Lawyers in America" for personal injury litigation.

Catharine Biggs Arrowood ('73, JD '76) has been sworn in as president of the Wake County Bar Association and 10th Judicial Bar Association for 2007.

Deborah Malmo ('75, MBA '79) has joined the Prudential Carolinas Realty Oakwood Office in Winston-Salem.

Curt Tucker ('75) is executive director of the Jacksonville/Onslow County Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. He and his wife, **Jeri Radich Tucker ('76)**, live in Emerald Isle, NC.

Deborah Richardson-Moore ('76) completed her MDiv from Erskine Theological Seminary in Due West, SC. She is senior pastor at the Triune Mercy Center, a mission church to the homeless in Greenville, SC.

Stephen D. Coles ('77, JD '80) is with Brinkley Walser PLLC in Lexington, NC. He has been included in "The Best Lawyers in America" for personal injury litigation.

James M. Dubinsky ('77) is associate professor of English and director of the professional writing program at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA. He received the Edward S. Diggs Teaching Scholar Award.

Donald A. Girard ('77) is a gastroenterologist in private practice in Wilmington, DE. He is president of the Drexel University College of Medicine Alumni Association and has been elected to the Drexel University College of Medicine Board of Trustees.



SMITH ('72, JD '75)



ARROWOOD ('73, JD '76)



MALMO ('75, MBA '79)



COLES ('77, JD '80)



DUBINSKY ('77)



GIRARD ('77)

Richard Burr ('78), U.S. Senator, lost a wager with Kentucky Senator Mitch McConnell, a Louisville alum, over the outcome of the Orange Bowl. It cost him an authentic North Carolina barbecue lunch, but he was proud of the Demon Deacon's successful season.

Terri L. Gardner ('78, JD '81) is with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC. She has been recognized by *Business North*

Carolina as a 2007 "Legal Elite" and the top bankruptcy lawyer in the state.

Jo Sager Gilley ('78) is vice president of marketing for Chicago Sky, the city's Women's National Basketball Association team.

Brad Wilson (JD '78) is chief operating officer of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, NC.

1980s

Howard L. Borum (JD '80) has been named to *Business North Carolina's* 2007 "Legal Elite" for real estate.

Thomas N. Griffin III ('80) practices environmental law at Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He has been named to the 2007 "Legal Elite" by *Business North Carolina*.

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WILSON (JD '78)



BORUM (JD '80)



GRIFFIN ('80)



POOLE ('80, PhD '88)



DUNHAM ('82)



HUDSON ('82)

Leslie B. Poole ('80, PhD '88) is a professor of biochemistry at the Wake Forest School of Medicine. She has been named director of the Center for Structural Biology.



Benjamin K. Hodge ('81) reported on the possible first-ever unfurling of the Wake Forest flag, alumni club meeting and tailgate party of alums stationed in Iraq with the U.S. Army. Celebrating were **Luke Burnett (PhD '05)**, **James "Bert" Concepcion (JD '86)**, **Javid Heravi ('91, MS '99)**, **Ben Hodge ('81)** and **Russell "Rusty" Parson ('94)**. Hodge is a U.S. Army chaplain (lieutenant colonel) with the N.C. National Guard 105th Combat Engineer Group. During his Christmas services he gave out more than 2,000 gifts to military and civilian personnel, provided by churches and civic groups around Winston-Salem and in Smithfield, NC, home of his parents, **Ray ('50)** and Joyce Hodge. Ben and his wife, Kate, have two children, John and Eleanor.

Mike Jeske ('81) is vice president and assistant controller for Hanesbrands Inc. in Winston-Salem. He and his wife, Lea Anne, and daughter Emily live in Clemmons, NC.

Mike G. Riley ('81) is senior vice president and editor of the *Congressional Quarterly* in Washington.

Jeff Dunham ('82) is special counsel in the Greensboro, NC, office of Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier PLLC.

Margaret W. "Midge" Hudson ('82) has been appointed Circuit Judge for the seventh judicial circuit in the state of Florida. She hears civil cases in Deland, FL.

Peter Kemeny ('83) is pastor of Good News Presbyterian Church in Frederick, MD. He and his wife, Becky, have four daughters.

Steven Miner (JD '83) is with Daley Zucker Meilton Miner & Gingrich LLC in Harrisburg, PA.

Michael Dunlap ('84) is senior vice president and chief financial officer of Epes Carriers Inc., based in Greensboro, NC. He and his wife, Cheryl, have three sons, Alex, Payne and Mitchell.

Brent C. Shaffer ('84, JD '87) is a partner with Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP in Wilmington, DE. He practices commercial real estate law. He is editor of *The Sublease and Assignment Deskbook*, published by the American Bar Association, and serves as an associate articles editor of *Probate & Property* magazine.

Michael G. Takac ('84) has been elected to the office of Circuit Court Judge in Florida's fifth judicial circuit, encompassing Citrus, Hernando, Lake, Marion and Sumter counties.

David O. Dyer Jr. ('85) is a partner with Beck Lindsey & Dyer LLP in Charlotte, NC. He and his wife, Cathy, have two sons, Duncan (7) and Heath (3).

Thomas C. Grella (JD '85) is chair of the American Bar Association's Law Practice Management Section for 2006-07. He is with McGuire Wood & Bissette PA in Asheville, NC.

G. Clark Hering IV ('85) is a partner at Pinto Coates Kyre & Brown in Greensboro,

NC. He and his wife, **Beverly Abernathy Hering ('85)**, have three sons, Clay, Tanner and Flinn.

John Spicer ('85) has taught social studies at Hibriten High School in Lenoir, NC, for the past 15 years and works for the N.C. Teacher Academy. He has been selected Caldwell County Teacher of the Year.

Lisa Jeffries Caldwell (JD '86) is senior vice president of human resources at Reynolds American Inc. in Winston-Salem.

Keith F. Cronan ('86) has been appointed to the Virginia Board for Asbestos, Lead and Home Inspectors.

Mary Morgan (JD '88) is legal counsel for the North Carolina Community Foundation in Raleigh, NC.

Cindy Freed ('89) is director of marketing solutions for Yahoo! in New York.

Ric Roberts ('89) has released a solo CD, "Maximum Karma Power," available only on his band's Web site, www.the33andathird.com.

Glen M. Sanginario ('89) is group vice president of credit/finance with FleetOne LLC, a subsidiary of Suntrust Bank. He is a licensed national "E" soccer coach. He and his wife, Angela, and their two sons live in Nashville, TN.

Lillian Booe Stokes ('89) reports she and a group of alums meet once a year at Sunset Beach, NC, and when possible on other occasions. They were all in the Lynks society and graduated together. They are **Margaret Holt Bunn ('89)**, **Maira Davis ('89)**, **Tracie Dellinger ('89)**, **Cindy Freed ('89)**, **Susie Broecker Hanson ('89)**, **MaryBeth Magee ('89)**, **Lori Leonard Mann ('89)** and **Stephanie Rierison Welton ('89)**.



SHAFFER ('84, JD '87)



GRELLA (JD '85)



SPICER ('85)



CALDWELL (JD '86)



MORGAN (JD '88)



O'DONNELL ('92, MA '97)

1990

Rob Blair (JD) practices family law with Horack Talley PA in Charlotte, NC. He has been selected one of the "Legal Elite" by *Business North Carolina*.

Michael Porter Citrini received his master's in pastoral studies from Loyola University of New Orleans. He took a sabbatical this winter and worked at the Lone Mountain Ranch near Yellowstone National Park.

Joseph B. "Bo" Dempster (JD) is a managing partner of Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh, NC. He has been included in the 2007 "Legal Elite" by *Business North Carolina*.

Paul Reinisch is director of athletics, physical education, health and safety for the Troy City School District in Troy, NY. He and his wife, Melissa, have three children, Jake, Sydney and Cooper. They live in Clifton Park, NY.

1991

Reynolds "Tad" Clodfelter Jr. is chief executive officer of SouthLight Inc., a non-profit organization seeking to eliminate addiction, abuse and misuse of drugs based in Raleigh, NC.

1992

Frank Castor was elected Palm Beach County Judge. He and his wife, Rita, and two daughters, Kerry (9) and Katie (5), live in Wellington, FL.

Brent McNeal is pursuing a law degree at Florida State University.

Timothy M. O'Donnell (MA '97) is associate professor of speech and director of debate at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA. He received a Faculty Achievement Award.

Cindy Allison Thompson teaches Spanish part-time at Southwestern Community College in Sylva, NC.

Ken Whitehurst (MBA) is senior vice president of strategy and business development at Reynolds American Inc. in Winston-Salem.

1993

Paul Lancaster Adams (JD) has joined the labor and employment and commercial litigation departments of Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads LLP in Philadelphia.

Dana Morgan Fady is an attorney at Cooper & Scully PC practicing medical malpractice defense. She and her husband, Reid, live in Celina, TX. They have two children, Bennett Reid (3) and Makena Rose (1 1/2).

Thomas V. Gocke III (PA) is a clinical product specialist with Thomson Healthcare in Durham, NC, providing support for mobile medical and healthcare information and Healthcare IT solutions.

Andrea Memmen McGrath (MD '97) is an internist with the Mecklenburg Medical Group in Charlotte, NC.

Andrew W. Snorton III teaches in the Gwinnett County public school system in Norcross, GA. He was profiled in December by People TV's "People Are People" series for his work with middle and high school youth in the Alpha Leadership Program for High Achievement. He launched "The Lyricist's Lounge" at Pinckneyville Middle School and hosted a "Power of Poetry" program. He is also a consultant for the Youth Motivation Task Force Program in partnership with Albany (GA) State University.

Orange Bowl

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WHITEHURST (MBA '92)



SNORTON ('93)



CANODY ('95, JD '99)



COOK (JD '95)



WRENN ('96, MBA '05)



HERKO (MBA '97)

Blair Whitley completed her first marathon, the Richmond Marathon.

1994

Amy Wallace Stewart graduated from the University School of Law at the University of Missouri, Columbia.

William L. Thomas is director of corporate finance and treasury for Six Flags Inc. in their Times Square office. He lives in New Providence, NJ.

1995

Renee A. Canody (JD '99) practices employment law and litigation with Ford & Harrison LLP in Atlanta. She is the assistant editor of the *Georgia Employment Law Letter*. She has been named an "Up & Comer—40 Under 40" by the *Atlanta Business Chronicle*.

P. Neal Cook (JD) practices business law at Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte, NC. He has been named to the 2007 "Legal Elite" by *Business North Carolina*.

Anna Caldwell Edwards and **Laura Wootton Chadd** have started Babs & Buffy Designs, a custom children's clothing business.

Peter J. Mohler is assistant professor in the cardiovascular diseases division of the Department of Internal Medicine of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. He and his wife, **Nancy LeCroy Mohler ('94)**, live in Iowa City, IA, with their daughters, Ella and Caroline.

Wendell L. Taylor is a partner in the Washington office of Hunton & Williams on the global competition team. He practices complex federal trial litigation, antitrust, intellectual property and white-collar criminal defense.

Alan F. Zoccolillo is a partner in the mergers and acquisitions group of Baker & McKenzie LLP in New York. He and his wife, **Patty ('96)**, and their two children, Anna (3) and Patrick (1), live in New Canaan, CT.

1996

Ronny A. Bell (MS) is an associate professor of public health sciences—epidemiology and prevention at the Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center and co-director of the Health Sciences Research Master's Degree Program at the School of Medicine. He has been named interim associate director of the Maya Angelou Research Center on Minority Health. He and his wife, Natalie, live in Greensboro, NC, with their three sons.

Brian C. Brady is vice president of operations with Southeastern Manufacturing Inc. in Greenville, SC.

Lori A. Wrenn (MBA '05) is a banking officer and private banking analyst in the wealth management division of BB&T in Winston-Salem.

1997

Daniel Herko (MBA) is vice president of reduced risk and applied development with the research and development department at R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in Winston-Salem.

Susan Serad Jackson (JD) is with Kennedy Covington LLP in Charlotte, NC, and is president of the Charlotte Women's Bar. She was on the cover of a special insert, "The Business of Law and Accounting," in the *Charlotte Business Journal*.

Norman F. Klick Jr. (JD) has been named to *Business North Carolina's* 2007 "Legal Elite" in their newest category, "Young Guns," for lawyers under 40.

Rebecca Sellers is a special agent for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. She is currently assigned to the Kingsland field office in the coastal region.

Jennifer H. Yankanich (JD) practices commercial litigation. She has become a shareholder in Mette Evans & Woodside in Harrisburg, PA.

1998

Doug Crets is senior associate and editor of the *Asia Media Journal* and *Media Route 26* for Media Partners Asia Ltd., a Hong Kong-based information services and consulting company. He has lived in Hong Kong for four years.

1999

Josh Creason received his PhD in Christian counseling and marriage and family studies from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is an ordained pastor and minister to young families at Germantown Baptist Church in Germantown, TN. He and his wife, **Courtney Schmidt Creason ('00)**, have a daughter, Elise Caroline.

Missing your news?

Because of computer problems, some class notes that were submitted electronically before Jan. 1 may not have been received. If you sent in news to the magazine before then and it hasn't been published, please re-send it to: classnotes@wfu.edu. Please keep in mind that the deadline for each issue is two months prior to the issue, so the deadline for this issue was Jan. 15. The deadline for the June issue is April 15.



CLICK (JD '97)



McTYEIRE (JD '04)

Cedric McCarthy Foster is a senior producer for Spike TV Digital in New York. He is engaged to be married.

Ivan Newton Herman was ordained as a minister at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington. He is associate pastor at Balmoral Presbyterian Church in Memphis, TN. His brother, **Stephen Herman ('03)**, proudly attended the service which was convened by **Beth Braxton ('66)**.

Dawn Kuhlmeier Hudson (JD) served for seven years as an assistant state attorney, and has been elected County Court Judge in Duval County. She and her husband, **Ashton ('94, JD '97)**, live in Jacksonville, FL.

Ryo Kawamura (LL.M.), Yoriko Sakai (LL.M '02), Jun Furuta (LL.M '05), Hiroshi Kishimoto (LL.M '05) and Katsuo Yamaura (LL.M '06) attended the Tokyo LL.M Alumni Club send-off dinner for the "incoming" Japanese LL.M students.

Ketevan Kvartskhava (LL.M) is a partner in Business & Legal Consulting in Tbilisi, Georgia, and a member of the Ethics Committee of the Georgian Bar Association. She was one of two former Muskie scholars invited by the Muskie Foundation to attend a workshop in Washington.

Patrick Murphy completed his MBA from the LeBow College of Business at Drexel University in Philadelphia. He is a cardiovascular sales specialist with AstraZeneca. He and his wife, Nicole, and daughter, Katherine Rose, live in Hockessin, DE.

Christopher Parsons is chief information officer for Steinberg Architects. He and his wife, Denise, live in San Francisco.

2000

Karen Stephan Borchert and Jessica Jackson Shortall started Wake Forest's Homerun project in 1999. They have developed the original project into The Campus Kitchens Project at Wake Forest and other universities for students to make nutritious meals for the needy in their communities.

Danny Murphy (JD '06) is a captain in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps, serving as a trial counsel and a special assistant to the U.S. Attorney's Office at Fort Sill, OK.

Stephen A. Oberg (JD '00) is an associate with Council Baradel Kosmerl & Nolan PA in Annapolis, MD.

Julie S. Eling Penry is an assistant attorney general with the business transactions division of the Oregon Department of Justice.

2001

Rachel Martin Butler completed the doctor of physical therapy program at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She is an orthopedic and women's health physical therapist at Brookwood Hospital's outpatient rehab department in Birmingham, AL.

Rob Holland is a partner with Creo Capital Partners in Los Angeles.

Kyle "Matt" Price is assistant director of player development for the Atlanta Braves.

Christopher P. Sandberg (MBA) is vice president, internal audit, with Whirlpool Corporation in Chicago.

Masaru Takeyasu (LL.M) is a member of the legal department of Kao Corporation-Tokyo. He is studying the Chinese language and legal system at the University of Hong Kong.

Kevin L. Taylor (MD '06) is completing a residency in emergency medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center.

D. Michael Tucker (JD) is a deputy staff judge advocate with the 379th Air Expeditionary Wing in Southwest Asia.

2002

Lachina Dovodova (LL.M) is an associate at Fracassi Mahdavi Sissman & Rand LLP in Fairfax, VA.

Manuel Peralta is pursuing an MBA at the UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School in Chapel Hill.

2003

Aidh Sultan Al-Baqme (LL.M) is pursuing an S.J.D. at the University of Western Australia School of Law.

Stephen Herman is an athletic trainer at Landon School for Boys in Bethesda, MD.

Weibke Holzapfel (LL.M) is practicing with Cleary Gottlieb in Frankfurt, Germany.

Katherine Houle graduated from the University of Denver College of Law. She has been admitted to the Colorado Bar and works at the U.S. Department of Housing and Development in Denver.

Erica Ramey Kojetin (JD) is assistant vice president of Fifth Third Bancorp. She and her husband, Douglas, live in Cincinnati.

Erin Lorraine Lunn graduated from Stetson University College of Law. She is with Clark Campbell & Mawhinney PA in Lakeland, FL, practicing general civil litigation.

Christopher D. Rolle Jr. is assistant vice president and business services officer at BB&T in Frederick, MD.

Joshua Schwartz (MD, MBA '06) is a licensing associate in the Office of Technology Asset Management at Wake Forest Health Sciences.

2004

Ed Dickey is team leader for technical recruiters at Oxford International in Ft. Worth, TX. He is engaged to marry **Courtney Hicks ('04)**.

Courtney Hicks is a third-year student at Baylor University School of Law.

John H. McTyeire (JD) has joined the transactional department of Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Raleigh, NC.

Ginny Bowen Olson (MBA) is completing her first year as the retail marketing director for the Starmount Company, overseeing marketing initiatives for Friendly Center and The Shops at Friendly Center in Greensboro, NC.

2005

Anne Bersagel, a former cross country and track and field star at Wake Forest, was named the 2006 NCAA Woman of the Year.

Samuel Chacon (LL.M) is practicing with Galicia-y-Robles SC in Mexico City, Mexico.

Su-Beom Lee (LL.M) is with the Law Office of P.J. Lee in Los Angeles.

Yung-Chi Tan (LL.M) and **Jun Furuta (LL.M '05)** celebrated their engagement at a party in Taipei.

S'Thembisio Tembe (LL.M) is a state law advisor with the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development in Cape Town, South Africa.

2006

Muhanad Assaf (LL.M) is teaching banking law at a Palestinian university.

Rebekah G. Ballard (JD) has joined the litigation department of Frost Brown Todd LLC in Lexington, KY.

Steven Curfman was selected by the Real Salt Lake with the fourth pick in the third round in the 2007 Major League Soccer SuperDraft.

Sam Marrero studied for several months at the Arabic Language Institute in Fez, Morocco.

Stephen Marshall (JD) is an associate in the litigation group of Fish & Richardson PC in Boston.

Yousef Nasrallah (LL.M) is bureau chief for the Chief Justice Office in Palestine.

Mariya Orlyk (LL.M) completed an internship at the main office of CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz in Vienna, Austria,

to prepare for her position as attorney in the Kiev office.

Amanda Sullivan Swain and her husband, **Matthew Paul Swain ('06)**, are attending the University of Oklahoma Law School.

Wells Thompson was selected by the New England Revolution with the fifth overall pick, the highest ever for a Demon Deacon, in the 2007 Major League Soccer SuperDraft.

Marriages

Frances Jean Westbook ('52) and **Brightie E. White Jr. ('53)**. 11/25/06 in Wilmington, NC. They were college sweethearts in 1950. They live in both Wilmington and Hillsborough, NC.

Lillian Hill Pinto ('80, JD '83) and Robert L. Watson. 10/14/06. They live in Greensboro, NC, with Lillian's children, Caroline (15) and Wake Forest freshman Andrew.

Linda Lea Brueggeman ('83) and Christopher Edward Hunt. 2/4/07. They live in Raleigh, NC.

Steven P. Yova (JD '83) and Frederique Denjean. 9/6/06 in Vienne, France. They live in Rougemont, NC.

Andrea Memmen ('93, MD '97) and Bryan P. McGrath. 11/4/06 in Florida. The wedding party included Anne Barnard Schmit ('91). Attending were Carrie Dow-Smith ('92) and Lindsey James Prewitt ('93).

Andrew W. Snorton III ('93) and Andrea D. Albritten. 11/18/06 in Atlanta. They live in Snellville, GA. The wedding party included Jeff Bradsher ('94, MBA '05), Kevin Cokley ('91), Camille French ('93), T. Nathaniel French ('93) and Quentin McPhatter ('96). Attending were Julie Bowser ('93), Gregg Jewett ('93), Tamah Morant ('93), Daniel Walker ('95) and Terrance Weik ('93).

Laine Thomas ('93) and Timothy Conway. 11/19/06 in Winston-Salem. They live in Falls Church, VA. The wedding party included Jennifer Richwine ('93).

Tanya J. Augustson ('95) and Christopher L. Camarra. 7/29/06 in St. Michaels, MD. They live in Washington. The wedding party included Traci Tucker Buddie ('95), Leanne Jackson Link ('95), Sarah Washburn Olson ('95) and Karina Donnelly Tabor ('96). Attending were Mike Buddie ('04), Meredith Burgess ('96) and Jennifer Feore Cowley ('95).

Joe Weeks ('95, MBA '01) and Christina Goldsworthy. 5/20/06. They live in Fort Worth, TX.

Carl Beck III ('96) and **Sarah Boxley Parrott ('02)**. 10/14/06 in Roanoke, VA. They live in Richmond, VA. The wedding party included Meredith Bouts ('02), Scott Cislo ('98), Andrew Harris ('97), Robert Neely ('96) and Marc Wisehart ('96).

Erin Crabtree ('97) and **Ben Martin ('95)**. 9/30/06 in Charlotte, NC. Attending were Jason Albano ('95), Shelly Jacobs Ellerhorst ('97), Zach Everson ('98), Aaron Gibson ('97), Brian Hall ('95), Graham Honaker ('97), Jeff Jones ('96), Tracey Parrington Jones ('95), Jamie Keller ('96), Jennifer Fort Martin ('96), Alen McKnight ('95), Jeff Naper ('94), Kaiya Cloud Ramsey ('97), Matt Robida ('97), Mark Schofield ('96), Teresa Dingboom Schofield ('97), Jill Skowronek ('97), Mike Smith ('96), Missy Summerell Spainhour (JD '01) and Paayal Mehta Vyas ('97).

Scott Aaron Marcus ('97) and **Melodie Gayle Watts ('97)**. 10/28/06 near Asheville, NC. They live in Midland, NC. The wedding party included Amanda Marcus ('01) and former Professor of Religion Ralph Wood. Attending were Emily Brewer ('98), Andrea Lupo ('96) and Patrick McDonough ('97).

Kathleen Biddick ('98) and Christopher Smith. 9/30/06 in Swartwood, NJ. They live in Centreville, VA. The wedding party included Anne Kasab ('00).

Carrie Michelle Bowden ('98) and David Samuel Freed. 11/4/06 in Richmond, VA. The wedding party included Frances Nicole Baldwin ('98), Laura Brooke Farren ('98) and Elizabeth Metz Schindler ('00).

Brian Daniel Ostasiewski ('98) and **Meghna Bantwal Baliga ('00, MS '05)**. 8/12/06 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Charlie Benson ('99), Leslie Choplin ('00), Jason Gamble ('00), Jeni

Sigmon Huffman ('00), Karen Vucic Keys ('00, MSA '01), Dave Marshburn ('98) and Christie Straube Masinick ('00).

Jamie Michelle Womack ('98) and Michael Thomas Primak. 6/10/06 in Asheville, NC.

Michael Hoffmann (LL.M '99) and Kristina. 4/06 in Hamburg, Germany.

Laura Anne Montgomery ('99) and **William Thomas Parrott IV (JD '06)**. 8/16/06. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Shelley Slaughter Holden ('00, JD '03), Daniel John Murphy ('00, JD '06) and Erin Nicole Wermuth ('99).

Megan Allen Ramsey ('99, MDiv '02) and Grant Darian Reynolds. 8/5/06 in Nashville, TN. They live in Atlanta. The wedding party included Sherry Casanova ('99), Kathryn Tompkins Edgcombe ('98) and Heather Scalf ('99).

Tisha Smithson ('99) and **Greg Sage ('98)**. 10/14/06 in Nashville, TN. They live in Franklin, TN. The wedding party included Stephen Carter ('98), Jason Cogdill ('98, JD '01), Stephanie Falk ('99) and Denny Wesley ('98).

Jovita Jolla ('00) and Ryan Newman. 10/28/06 in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Tonya Coles ('01), Pamela Dawkins ('00), Charlene Fleming (MD '06), Maggie Moore ('00) and Crystal Simms ('00). Attending were Shawn Fleming (MD '04), Alicia Glass ('00, MSA '01), Lauren Hamilton ('02), Katie Krupel (MS '01), Heather Lewis ('98, MSA '99, JD '04), Shannon Mihalko ('92), Maryam Rahman-Esene ('00) and Latanya Scott ('01).

Jenny Everett ('01) and Aryn Lakhani. 7/1/06 in Asheville, NC. They live in Charlotte, NC.

Kyle Matthew "Matt" Price ('01) and Caroline Taylor. 11/11/06 in Atlanta. The wedding party included Jon Palmieri ('99) and Scott Siemon ('01).

Kevin L. Taylor ('01, MD '06) and Joelle Elyse Karch. 9/06. Attending were Kyle Covington ('01), Suzanne Covington ('01, MD '05), Ellen Dunlap ('03), Neal Dunlap ('01), Megan Lane Hurst ('01), McHenry Kane ('97), Craig A. Taylor ('98, JD '01) and Kevin Welch (MS '02).

Benjamin David Alston ('02) and Jessica Rose Grabau. 7/1/05 in College Park, MD. They live in Ellicott City, MD. The wedding party included Derek West ('02).

Katherine A. Biebl ('02) and **Benjamin P. Duckworth ('02)**. 5/13/06 in Minneapolis, MN. The wedding party included Ian Doody ('02), Kathryn Frederick ('02), Adrianna Giuliani ('02), Genevieve Heckman ('02), Kathryn Jackson ('02), Wil Lavender ('02), Robert Poidomani ('02), Matthew Snyder ('02) and Reed Walden ('02).

Jonathan Riddle Scarff ('02) and **Anna Leigh Moseley ('03)**. 5/20/06 in Hatteras, NC. They live in Greenville, NC. The wedding party included Goldyn Austria Besas ('03), Robert Manning Christopher ('02), Angelo Michael Del Re ('03), Manissa Dobbins Featherstone ('03), Nathan Paul Franke ('03), Jennifer Elizabeth Long ('03), Tracie Ann McDonald ('03, MSA '04), Ellen Rebecca Scarff ('00) and John Edwin Scarff Jr. (MD '63).

Jennifer Zile ('02) and Thomas Mock. 12/2/06 in Charleston, SC. The wedding party included Sara Belsches ('02), Chrissy Engle Raver ('03), Todd Raver ('02) and Meg Carriere Wright ('02).

Katherine Hollingsworth Brown ('03) and Charles Gelatt. 5/6/06 in Washington. The wedding party included

Bryn Mumma ('03) and Alex Snyder ('03). In attendance were Brett Bechtel ('03), Spencer Bolln ('04), Andrea D'Emidio ('03), Cori Raynor Haden ('03), Lindsey Rushing Keuffner ('03), Lindsey Klein ('04), Kathryn Larson ('03), Kristen O'Kane ('03), Kathleen Overly ('03), Kelly Ross ('03), Scott Stilmar ('03), Katie Tymann ('03, MSA '04) and Derek West ('02).

Jennifer Simon Darneille ('03) and Jay Jameson. 9/9/06 in Claiborne, MD. They live in Atlanta. The wedding party included Marshall Darneille ('06), Mary Craven Hines ('03), Kathleen Stelling Hodgson ('03), Emily Saunders Schneider ('03), Eve Tannery ('03), Sarah Tejan ('04) and Breck Valentine ('03). Attending were Ryan Boughan ('05), Elizabeth Condo ('03), Tommy Fenton ('03), Jeffrey Graham ('03, MSA '04), Mac Hodgson ('03), Chelsea Kirkpatrick ('04), Garry Laney ('03), Helen Owens Martinez ('03), Sarah Mastalir ('03), Elizabeth Diorio McCormack ('02), Steve Mullen ('03), Louis Oliver ('03, MSA '04), Carrington Rice ('03), Chris Schneider ('03, MSA '04), Drew Smith ('03, MSA '04) and Sarah Wilson ('03).

Elizabeth Johnson (MA '03) and Robert Avery. 8/5/06 in Athens, GA. They live in Knoxville, TN. Robert's father is Richard Avery ('59). The wedding party included Becca Atchison ('03) and Jarrod Atchison ('01, MA '03). Attending were Stan Browning (JD '03), Kellie Carlyle (MA '03), Amy Hall Goforth (MA '03), Denise

Fall Weekends 2007 (and Thursday nights, too!)

Saturday, September 8 Wake Forest vs. Nebraska football game
President's Weekend

Saturday, September 15 Wake Forest vs. Army football game
Homecoming

Saturday, September 22 Wake Forest vs. Maryland football game

Thursday, October 11 Wake Forest vs. Florida State football game

Saturday, October 27 Wake Forest vs. UNC football game
Family Weekend

Saturday, November 17 Wake Forest vs. NC State football game

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Jodlowski (MA '04), Kristen McCauliff (MA '04), Adjunct Professor Dee Oseroff-Varnell and Drew Shermeta ('01).

Amber Laureen Stachniak ('03) and **Drew Charles Parker ('04)**. 5/27/06 in Greenville, SC. They live in Chicago.

Jennifer Reid Burgess ('04) and Richard Keith Snipes. 11/11/06 in Winston-Salem. They live in Elon, NC.

Sarah Rachel Pickar ('04) and **Kyle Allan Sleeth ('01)**. 1/14/07 in Orlando, FL.

Dale Vecere ('04) and Bradford Seabury. 11/4/06 in Cape May, NJ. The wedding party included Heidi Smithson Compton ('04), Christine Dorney ('04), Kate Farber ('04), Danielle Fisher ('04), Michelle Gallagher ('04), Lily Melton ('04), Kristin Snyder ('04) and Mary Catherine Williams ('05). Attending were Sara Clement ('04), Daniel Pennella ('04), Caroline Satterfield ('05), Emily Nemith Saunders ('04) and Weston Saunders ('04).

Dennis James "Jim" Delaney ('05) and Sara Lynn Hoekstra. 10/28/06 in Winston-Salem. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Jaz Dhaliwal ('05), Adam Piegari ('05), Chris Sobey ('05) and sophomore Bobby Hoekstra.

Leslie Erin Sait (JD '06) and **A. Jordan Sykes (JD '06)**. 10/21/06 in Mebane, NC. They live in Charlotte, NC. The wedding party included Candice Ada Ching So (JD '06). Attending were Julian Arronte (JD '06), Gregory Beckwith (JD '04), Mark Bentley (JD '06), Saad Gul (JD '06), Gail Sullivan (JD '06) and Professor Michael Kent Curtis.

Amanda M. Sullivan ('06) and **Matthew Paul Swain ('06)**. 7/15/06 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included Leigh Allen ('06), Adam Alterman ('06), Kimberly Chambers ('05), Nick Dunkman ('06), Naequan Jones ('06) and Paul Lund ('06). Father Jude DeAngelo participated. Attending were Rory Gavin ('06), Robert James ('06), Nicole Longa ('06), Sean Mangan ('06), Tricia Tate ('05) and Josh Traeger ('05).

Births/Adoptions

Scott Maclaren Lawrence ('83) and Kathy Lawrence, Elkridge, MD: adopted a son from the Philippines, Joseph Labajo (12). 9/22/06

Raquel Aronhime ('86) and Scott Tobias, Burlington, VT: a son, Samuel Robert. 6/1/06. He joins his sister, Eva Grace (3 1/2).

Pamela Muller Swartzberg ('88) and Mark Swartzberg, Franklin Lakes, NJ: a son, Joshua Alexander. 11/8/06. Born 11/23/05 in Guatemala. He joins his sisters, Anna (8), Allyson (6) and Mary (3), and brothers, Peter (5) and Matthew (5).

Laurie Jackson Draper ('89) and Reed Draper, Alpharetta, GA: a daughter, Anna Reed. 2/15/06. She joins her brother, Dylan (6), and sister, Katie (4).

Glen Michael Sanginario ('89) and Angela Sanginario, Nashville, TN: a son, Evan Michael. 3/6/06. He joins his brother, Kyle Thomas (8).

Jon Scott Logel ('90) and Peg Logel, Kapolei, HI, a son, Benjamin William. 2/3/06. He joins his sister, Charlotte (1).

Joseph Paul Whittington ('90) and Laura Whittington, Buffalo, WV: a son, Cole Thomas. 8/22/06. He joins his brother David Joseph (4).

Amy Peacock Trojanowski ('91) and Brian Trojanowski, Kennett Square, PA: a son, Adam Robert. 7/16/06. He joins his brothers, Tanner (3 1/2) and William (1 1/2).

Chris Gregory Baugher ('92) and **Dorothy Candler Baugher ('92)**, Atlanta: a son, Luke Benjamin. 6/20/06. He joins his sister, Charlotte Nance (3).

William Brumsey ('92, JD '99) and **Joanna Garbee Brumsey ('92)**, Currituck, NC: a son, William Brumsey V. 5/15/06. He joins his sisters, Emma (4) and Paige (1 1/2).

Charissa Wong Horton ('92) and **William L. Horton ('91)**, Annandale, VA: a daughter, Katherine "Kate" Song Lin. 12/15/06. She joins her brother, Peter.

Craig Kaplowitz ('92) and Emily Kaplowitz, Elgin, IL: a daughter, Allison Reese. 11/29/06. She joins her brothers, Jackson (7) and Graham (5).

Kavita Shah Mehta ('92) and Prashant Mehta, San Carlos, CA: twin daughters, Sofya and Reyna. 6/14/06. They join their sister, Saiya (3).

William I. Petty ('92) and Tonya Petty, Hilton Head Island, SC: twin sons, Holden McNeal and Mason Rheinhart. 9/13/06

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Cindy Allison Thompson ('92) and Bill Thompson, Cullowhee, NC: a son, John Curtis. 5/3/06

Elizabeth "Jeanne" Ward Benfield ('93) and Floyd Benfield, Wilmington, NC: twins, Anna Jean and Jackson Ward. 1/7/06. They join their sister, Grace Elizabeth (3).

Thomas V. Goeke III (PA '93) and Cheryl Hailey Goeke, Cary, NC: adopted a daughter from China, Hailey Rose. 12/06

Christian Hall ('93) and **Rebecca Hall ('93)**, Canton, GA: a daughter, Allison Eden. 10/28/06. She joins her brother, Nathaniel, and her sister, Evelyn.

Kevin J. McTigue ('93) and Alicia McTigue, Milford, CT: a daughter, Katie. 6/27/06. She joins her sister, Megan (2).

Cowan Banks ('94) and **Brett Banks ('94)**, Potomac, MD: a daughter, Caitlin James. 12/5/06

Scott Christopher Cross ('94) and **Laurie DiLodovico Cross ('93)**, Los Angeles: a daughter, Samantha Ann. 11/18/06. She joins her brother, Evan (3).

Betsy Cracker Kauffman ('94) and Rick Kauffman, Jacksboro, TN: a daughter, Margaret Lily. 5/1/06. She joins her brother, Griffin (3).

Lauren Bianchi Metz ('94) and Klaus Metz, Garden City, NY: a daughter, Emily Eileen. 7/19/06. She joins her brother, Aidan Jakob (2 1/2).

Anna Caldwell Edwards ('95) and William Edwards, Hillsborough, NC: a daughter, Stella Rose. 11/2/06

Peter J. Mohler ('95) and **Nancy LeCroy Mohler ('94)**, Iowa City, IA: a daughter, Caroline. 8/28/06. She joins her sister, Ella (2).

John Rinker ('96) and **Erika Hille Rinker ('98)**, St. Louis: a son, Klaus Hille. 6/11/06. He joins his sister, Clara Anneliese (3).

Deb Murphy Holcomb ('97) and **Jones Daniel Holcomb ('96)**, San Antonio: a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth. 10/17/06. She joins her brother, Wesley Grant (3), and sister, Meredith Grace (2).

Bryan Thomas ('97) and Kristin Thomas, Malvern, PA: twin sons, Jackson "Jack" Hayden and Redford "Red" Miller. 8/8/06

Danielle Lynn Deaver ('98) and **Brian Joseph Uzwiak ('96)**, Winston-Salem: a son, Christopher Thomas. 8/21/06

Michelle France Eckman ('98) and John Eckman, Randolph, NJ: a son, Charles "Charlie" France. 6/23/06

Clay Hall ('98, MBA '04) and Ashley Mattar Hall, Charlotte, NC: a daughter, Bennett Catherine. 11/20/06

David Joyner ('98, MSA '99) and **Caitlin Maier Joyner ('99)**, Nokomis, FL: a son, Austin David. 1/1/07

Kristin Wontka Longo ('98) and Steve Longo, Quincy, MA: a son, Scott Richard. 9/27/06

Amanda Kennedy Malone ('98, MD '02) and **Kevin Malone ('98, MD '02)**, Annapolis, MD: a son, William Michael. 11/4/06

Laura Kirby Murdock ('98) and Brian Murdock, Charlotte, NC: a son, Colin Thomas. 11/2/06

Jennifer Kay Self ('98) and Eric Self, Alpharetta, GA: a daughter, Adrienne Ellen. 10/20/06

Shauna Carter Bachmeier ('99) and **Kyle David Bachmeier ('99)**, Marietta, GA: a daughter, Nia Lois. 7/26/06

Sara Elizabeth Burke Bradford ('99) and **Will Bradford ('99)**, Charlotte, NC: a son, William Earl III. 8/20/06. He joins his sister, Lily Grace (2).

William Morrison Kennedy ('99) and Sarah Kennedy, Round Rock, TX: a son, Sloane McGill. 12/19/06

Emily Jewell Newman Mora ('99) and Miguel Mora, Charlottesville, VA: a son, Brandon Andres. 10/30/06

Patrick Murphy ('99) and Nicole Murphy, Hockessin, DE: a daughter, Katherine Rose. 11/8/06

Kevin John Richardson ('99) and **Laura Vieta Richardson ('99, MA '01)**,

Kensington, MD: a daughter, Ashley Kathryn. 11/28/06

Nicholas Bender ('00, MAEd '01) and **Danielle Johnson Bender ('00)**, Whitehall, PA: a daughter, Breelyn. 4/4/06

Beth Eggleston Lorsbach (JD '00) and Justin Lorsbach, Antrim, NH: a daughter, Hannah Maria. 2/2/06

Cate Calhoun McGowan ('00) and **Conor McGowan ('00)**, Columbia, MD: a daughter, Eva Mary. 11/8/06

Valerie Parker Mirshak ('00) and **Brian T. Mirshak ('01)**, Baltimore: a son, Samuel Timothy. 12/24/06

Stephen A. Oberg (JD '00) and Julie A. Oberg, Annapolis, MD: a daughter, Chloe Elizabeth. 11/26/06

Leah Grace Stewart ('00) and Josh Stewart, Charlotte, NC: a son, Carter David. 11/2/06

Amy Beisswanger Yoder ('00, MD '04) and **Jonathan Scott Yoder ('00, MD '04)**, Winston-Salem: a son, Brayden Russell. 12/25/06

Louise Fiorello Flynn (JD '01) and Mark Flynn, Orchard Park, NY: a son, Daimon Matthew. 8/30/06. He joins his brothers, Jaiden Christopher (4) and Ashton Andrew (4).

Peng Wang (MBA '01) and Wendy Wang, Fremont, CA: a daughter, Lindsay Yawen. 3/06. She joins her sister, Caroline Yafei (2).

Angelo Bagnarosa (LL.M '04) and Nina Horvath, Paris, France: a son, Luca. 10/17/06

Deaths

Dewey A. Long ('31), May 31, 2006, King, NC. He was owner of King Meat Market, began a home building construction company, and later opened King Pool Builders and Supplies, which he operated until 2004. He was elected mayor pro tem for the city of King and was a city councilman from 1983-1991.

Willard Wyan "Doc" Washburn ('34, MD '41), Oct. 23, 2006, Shelby, NC. He

OBITUARY

Egbert L. Davis Jr.



Egbert L. Davis Jr. ('33), a member of one of Wake Forest's oldest families and one of the University's strongest supporters, died on Nov. 10. He was 95.

Davis followed in the footsteps of his father, Egbert L. Davis (LLB 1904), a longtime trustee who oversaw much of the planning of the Reynolda Campus. (Davis Residence Hall was named for him when the new campus opened.) Egbert Davis Jr. and his brother, Thomas Davis (LLD '84), who died in 1999, both became prominent members of the University's board of trustees.

"He exemplified the legacy of loyalty, leadership and philanthropy for Wake Forest established by his father and many other members of the Davis family across the generations, helping make the Davis family name one of the most distinguished in Wake Forest's history," said President Nathan O. Hatch.

Over the years, Davis and other family members funded scholarships in his name in the College and Divinity School, and Davis funded a scholarship in his wife's name, Eleanor Layfield Davis, in the art department. Egbert and Tom Davis and their sister, Pauline Davis Perry, were early supporters of the Wake Forest Divinity School and donated funds for the addition to Wingate Hall for the school. In 1998, they donated to the University their family's homeplace, Sunnynoll, at the corner of Reynolda and Polo roads; the residence was renovated and is now leased to Allen Tate Realty.

Davis served as president of the College Alumni Council, and he served three terms on the Board of Trustees between 1963 and 1988, including a year as chairman in 1977. He received the University's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1965 and the University's highest honor, the Medallion of Merit, in 1976.

Davis was a native of Yadkin County, NC. His father was with R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and was a founder of Security Life and Trust Co. in Winston-Salem, which later became Integon Corp. Davis' brother, Tom Davis, founded Piedmont Airlines, which was later bought by what became US Airways.

After graduating from Wake Forest in 1933 with a degree in mathematics, Davis studied economics at Princeton University. He was a salesman for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. for three years before joining his family's wholesale plumbing and heating distributor, Atlas Supply Company, in 1937. He was president of the company from 1945 until retiring in 1974.

He is survived by his sister, Pauline Davis Perry; four children, E. Lawrence Davis III and his wife, Sandra; Linwood L. Davis and his wife, Martha; Anne D. Hummel and her husband, Sam; and Patricia D. Duke and her husband, Rusty ('70, JD '74); 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

was a reporter and news editor for *The Shelby Star* in the 1930s before earning his MD. During World War II he was a chief medical officer in the Army Medical Corps. He was a general practitioner for more than 35 years, including service as attending physician for Gardner-Webb College and administrator of Royster Memorial Hospital.

Clarence Heyward Lovell ('36), Dec. 22, 2006, Greensboro, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps during World War II. He was a teacher in Craven and Guilford counties for 41 years.

Clifford C. Byrum Sr. ('37, MD '41), Dec. 22, 2006, Raleigh, NC. He earned four Battle Stars in World War II, serving as a field doctor in Europe. He started a private family practice in Belhaven, NC, in 1946. He later specialized in obstetrics and gynecology and relocated to Raleigh in 1955. He served as chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Rex Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Ruby, three daughters, Virginia, Jeanette and Cheryl, a son, **Clifford Jr. ('84)**, and 12 grandchildren, including **Bryan DeGabrielle ('94)**.

John Alderman Freeman ('38, MA '40), Jan. 5, 2007, Brevard, NC. His family has had a long history connected with Wake Forest. His father, Dr. L.E.M. Freeman, spoke at the N.C. Baptist Convention in 1925 in support of Pres. William Louis Poteat who wanted to continue the teaching of evolutionary theory at the College. He taught biology and chemistry at Wake Forest in the early 1940s and then obtained his PhD in zoology at Duke University in 1949. He taught at Tulane University and then at Winthrop College for 30 years before retiring in 1983; for much of that time he was chairman of the biology department. He was known as an excellent teacher and had a wide range of interests. He published several books on gardening and also the poetry books written by his wife, Grace Beacham Freeman. His brothers, Thomas Freeman ('39) and Charles Freeman ('42), predeceased him. He is survived by a brother, **David ('48, MD '51)**, two sons, **John ('65, MD '70)** and Henry, eight grandchildren including **John A. Freeman III ('90)**, and four great-grandchildren.

William Sharpe Jones ('38), Dec. 25, 2006, Oxford, NC. He was a veteran of World War II. He and his wife owned and

operated Sharpe's ladies apparel shops in Oxford, Henderson and Clarksville, VA, for 40 years.

Walter S. Rogers ('38), Nov. 28, 2006, Roxboro, NC. He was a PT boat commander in the U.S. Navy during World War II and received the Bronze Star. He taught and coached at Roxboro and Charles L. Coon high schools in Wilson, NC, was principal of Roxboro High School and retired as superintendent after 14 years. He later had 24 years of service at Boyette Automall. He was inducted into the N.C. High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame and was a charter member of the Christian Help Center in Roxboro.

Lee Hyman Sanders ('38, MD '39), Dec. 15, 2006, Raleigh, NC. He had a pediatric practice for 30 years before becoming medical director of Student Health Services at N.C. State University. He served on the Wake County Board of Health, was a charter member of the Royster Medical Society, former president of the staff of Rex and Wake hospitals, former member of the Alumni Council at Wake Forest, former board member, chairman and physician at the Methodist Home for Children, and physician at the Morehead School for the Blind.

Frank H. Sanders ('38), Nov. 24, 2006, Austin, TX. He spent 40 years in sales for the Atlantic and Seaboard Coastline Railroad. After retiring in 1978, he devoted time to his church and charitable pursuits.

William Wayne Staton ('38, JD '41), Oct. 1, 2006, Sanford, NC. He served in World War II, receiving a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. He practiced law for 56 years, serving as senior partner with Staton Doster Post & Silverman in Sanford. He was a member of the N.C. General Assembly for 22 years. He served on the Wake Forest Board of Trustees when the school moved from Wake Forest to Winston-Salem. He is survived by two sons, William Wayne Staton Jr. and **Allyn Moore Staton ('75)**, and a brother, **Benjamin S. Staton ('40)**.

Rex Dowtin ('39), Oct. 13, 2006, Asheville, NC. He was a command pilot and combat veteran of World War II, retiring as a colonel after 30 years in the U.S. Air Force.

James Royster Minton ('39), Nov. 29, 2006, Greensboro, NC. He worked for Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co. before serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He returned to Greensboro and Jefferson Life Insurance Co., retiring as a senior officer.

John P. "JP" Spencer Jr. ('39), Oct. 24, 2006, Jackson, NC. He was a World War II Army veteran. He was a rural mail carrier with the U.S. Postal Service for 35 years. He was named a Jack Stickley Fellow by the N.C. Lions Foundation and a Melvin Jones Fellow by the Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Carl Everett Compton ('42), Dec. 4, 2006, Myrtle Beach, SC. He served as a U.S. Navy Chaplain during World War II. He was pastor of First Baptist Church of Myrtle Beach for 37 years. He was the 1979 Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year.

Claude Lafayette Greene Jr. ('42), Oct. 30, 2006, Belhaven, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was director of the Florida State Office of the Farmers Home Administration in Gainesville, FL, retiring in 1977. He was a real estate investor in Florida before moving to Belhaven in 2001.

Wiley J. Mitchiner ('45), Oct. 29, 2006, Raleigh, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was owner and operator of W.J. Mitchiner Co. in Micro, NC, serving farmers in Johnston County.

Allen Wilson Kilpatrick ('48), Nov. 30, 2006, Stephens City, VA. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was editor and general manager of the *Brunswick Times Gazette* from 1952 to 1966 and was retired from the production department of the *Washington Post*. In retirement he operated Ace Computers, a computer repair business.

Murray Johnson Small Sr. ('48), Nov. 9, 2006, Charlotte, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. His 34-year career in hospital administration included Rex Hospital in Raleigh, NC, Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville, NC, and Halifax Memorial Hospital in Roanoke Rapids, NC. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; son **Murray Jr. ('74)** and wife Beth; daughter **Betty Hurley ('77)**; son Robert and wife Caren; three grand-

sons; brother **Leonard Small ('52)** and sister Marie Hamilton.

Katherine Isbell Fredman ('49), Dec. 30, 2006, Pine Knoll Shores, NC. She was active with the Republican Party in McLean, VA, president of the Virginia Federation of Republican Women and active with the League of Women Voters. She was a retired legal secretary and office administrator for the U.S. Machine Tools Association. She is survived by her daughter, her mother and a sister, **Elizabeth Isbell Bulla ('51)**.

William Ryan "Pop" Shelton ('49), Dec. 30, 2006, Lincolnton, NC. He was a teacher and administrator with the Lincoln County Schools for 35 years. He loved Wake Forest sports and served on the Wake Forest Poteat Scholarship Committee.

Joseph Harold Coggins ('50), Jan. 5, 2007, Rocky Mount, NC. He served as a chaplain in the U.S. Air Force in Alaska, Colorado, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Taiwan and Japan. After retiring, he was active in various ministries in North Carolina. He is survived by five children, Diane, Janet, **David ('75)**, Michael and Kathy, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Fred Carroll Crisp ('50), Feb. 7, 2006, Gastonia, NC. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He pastored Baptist churches in Kittrel, Raleigh, Zebulon, Shelby, Grover and Dallas, NC. He was retired from Westmoreland Baptist Church in Charlotte, NC.

John Angus McLeod Jr. ('50, MD '54), Aug. 4, 2006, Pawleys Island, SC. He was a retired pathologist at Mission St. Joseph Hospital in Asheville, NC. He is survived by his wife, Judith; sons, **John Angus III ('79)**; **David (MD '85)** and his wife Lynda; and Mark and his wife Li; daughter, Martha Newson, and five grandsons.

Shirley Rivers Munroe (MD '50), Dec. 22, 2006, Paradise Valley, AZ. She was awarded fellowships in research hematology (Sloan Kettering) and the National Cancer Institute Emory University. She was a clinical associate professor at Emory University School of Medicine, Grady Memorial Hospital, and assistant professor in the School of Allied Sciences at Georgia State University. She was

the director for the Red Cross Southern Arizona Regional Blood Program from 1977 until retiring in 1993.

Shirley Parker Reece ('50), Jan. 19, 2007, Winston-Salem. She was the widow of longtime Dean of Men and later Dean of Students **Mark Reece ('49)**. She taught high school English in Durham, NC, until following Wake Forest to Winston-Salem in 1956 when her husband was hired as associate director of alumni activities. In 1961, they settled on Faculty Drive, where she continued to live until shortly before her death. She was the "quintessential" faculty wife, who loved Wake Forest and welcomed students into her home, said neighbor and fellow faculty wife Emily Wilson (MA '62), in her eulogy. "When graduates came back to Wake Forest, often to see Dean Reece, Shirley put the home in homecoming." She is survived by a daughter, **Lisa Harris ('77)**, and three sons, **Mark Reece Jr.**, **John Reece II ('81)** and **Jordan Reece ('85)**, and 10 grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Mark and Shirley Reece Scholarship Fund, a need based undergraduate scholarship established by the family in 2000, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Bobby M. Russ ('50), Nov. 12, 2006, Wrightsville Beach, NC. He served as a pharmacist's mate in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was a dentist in Wilmington, NC, for 40 years.

Richard Robert Watts ('50), Dec. 24, 2006, Mobile, AL. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

Charles M. Garrett ('51), July 6, 2006, Newark, DE. He taught school in North Carolina and the Newark (DE) School District and was a tape librarian at the University of Delaware until his retirement. He enjoyed all types of music and performed with the Wilmington Madrigal Singers, the Newark Chorale and local church choirs.

John Crofford Saunders Jr. ('51), Dec. 7, 2006, Camden, SC. He retired in 1985 after 35 years with the DuPont Company.

William R. Turpin (MD '61), Oct. 20, 2006, Austin, TX. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II, receiving the Air Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was a neurosurgeon in

the Air Force for six years and then had a private practice in Austin, TX, for 42 years.

Paul Forrester Williams ('51), Jan. 11, 2007, Burlington, NC. He spent two years in Morocco as a U.S. Air Force captain and head of medical services at the 3922nd Air Force Hospital. He practiced medicine in Burlington and served as chief of staff at Memorial Hospital. He served on the Wake Forest Alumni Council. He is survived by his wife, Sally; three children, Paul; **James ('88)** and his wife, **Marty Todd ('88)**; and **Mary Holcomb ('89)** and her husband **Rick ('89)**; six grandchildren; and a brother, **Charles E. Williams Jr. ('50, JD '54)**.

Betty Riddle Daniel ('52), Dec. 2, 2006, Concord, NC. She taught school for many years, the last 10 at Corriher-Lipe Middle School in Landis. She worked hard as a pastor's wife and was gifted in music. She is survived by her husband, **Edward H. Daniel ('51)**; a son, James, and his wife, Patti; and three grandchildren, **Will ('08)**, Maggie and Katie.

Jacqueline Harris Bridges ('53), Dec. 30, 2006, Sunset Beach, NC. She was a volunteer for her community and served periodically as pianist at Seaside United Methodist Church.

Carol Moore Hensley ('53), Nov. 24, 2006, Charlotte, NC. She was a buyer for Thalhimers' Department Store in Richmond, VA, and co-founder of a tour company, Charlotte Visitours, in Charlotte, NC.

Joseph William Mauney ('53, JD '55), Jan. 5, 2007, Shelby, NC. He served in the U.S. Army as a lieutenant colonel and practiced law with Hamrick Mauney Flowers & Martin for over 40 years, remaining a senior partner after retiring. He was a member of the debate team when Wake Forest was one of the top debate teams in the South. He served on the Wake Forest Alumni Council. He is survived by his wife, Sue, three daughters and their husbands, **Elizabeth Baggerly ('86)** and Phil; Anna May and Brian, and **Susan Perry ('92, MAEd '94)** and **Drew ('92)**; two brothers, **Peter ('55)** and James; and sisters, Helen, Louise and Ann.

Hugh Bell Smith ('53), Dec. 7, 2006, Charlotte, NC. He played baseball for

the Charlotte Hornets in 1953-54 and coached basketball at UNC-Charlotte from 1955-60. He was with Blythe Construction Company, retiring after 33 years. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, daughters, Amber and Heather, son, **Brick ('81)**, and three grandchildren.

Leon A. Podaras ('54), Dec. 10, 2006, Melbourne, FL. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was ordained by the Pentecostal Holiness Church in 1953 and pastored churches in Falls of Neuse and Asheboro, NC, was an evangelist in Wilmington, NC, joined his brother in ministry in Gastonia, NC, and pastored churches in Charlotte and Bessemer City, NC, before retiring to Melbourne.

Bobby Lee Caldwell ('55, MD '59), Dec. 1, 2006, Kanawha City, WV. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He was chief of the Department of Pathology at the Charleston Area Medical Center from 1976 to 1994. He was a clinical professor of pathology at the Marshall University School of Medicine and the West Virginia University Medical Center, on the faculty of the CAMC School of Cytology, director of the laboratory for CAMC Medical Center Inc., and a member of the Braxton County Memorial Hospital staff and the Eye & Ear Clinic.

Joseph Ramsey Hutchins ('56), Oct. 23, 2006, Winston-Salem. He was co-owner of Michael's Restaurant.

Paul Stafford "Bud" Kelly ('56), Nov. 28, 2006, Chapel Hill, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and worked at N.C. Equipment Company as a salesman for 20 years. He established the Construction Equipment Parts Company in Goldston, NC, and was CEO.

Ruth Parker Sellers ('56), Jan. 13, 2007, Clinton, NC.

Charles G. Vaughan Jr. ('57), Oct. 25, 2006, Bennettsville, SC.

Joseph Norris Wallwork Sr. ('57), Nov. 23, 2006, Clemmons, NC. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked for Prudential Insurance, Wachovia, Henry Shavitz Realty Co., NCNB Mortgage Corp., McTeer Real Estate, O. Marshall Dodds, his own commercial real estate appraisal office and Nations Bank.

Donald Dorton Almond ('58), Nov. 20, 2006, Hudson, NC. He served 25 years as minister of music and education at First Baptist Church of Hudson, retiring in 2000. He also served as minister of music or minister of education at First Baptist Church in Myrtle Beach, SC, Whitesburg, KY, and Cramerton, NC and Southside Baptist Church and Bessemer Baptist Church in Greensboro, NC; He was a member of the N.C. Baptist Singers for over 35 years.

John Garden Shields ('58), Dec. 30, 2006, Asheboro, NC. He served in the National Guard, was employed almost 19 years with Klopman Mills in Asheboro, NC, and 20 years as a textile products sales engineer with Day International, Greenville, SC, retiring in 1998. He is survived by his wife, **Ann Alexander Shields ('58)**, and two daughters. He bequeathed his body for research and study to the Wake Forest University Medical Center, hoping to help find a cure for cancer.

William Bryan Booe Jr. ('59), Nov. 27, 2006, Winston-Salem. He was in the insurance business for 40 years with Smithdeal Co. Inc., retiring as president in 2001. He is survived by his wife, Mary, two daughters and sons-in-law, **Dawson Bartholomew ('86)** and Max, and **Lillian Stokes ('89)** and Ranse, and four grandchildren.

Suzanne Ellis Hawley ('60), Dec. 5, 2006, Winston-Salem. She served in the WAVES during World War II. She taught English and Latin in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools for 22 years. After retiring, she volunteered at Samaritan Ministries and the St. Paul's Episcopal Church library.

Pat Hollingsworth Holshouser ('61), Dec. 6, 2006, Southern Pines, NC. She was a patient care coordinator and a hospice and palliative care nurse through Hospice of Scotland County. She served as First Lady of North Carolina from 1973-77 and as chair of the N.C. Commission on Citizen Participation. She is survived by her husband, Former Governor James Holshouser, a daughter, **Ginny Mills ('85, MAEd '96)**, and her husband, John, two granddaughters, Holly and Maggie, and two sisters, **Nancy Brown ('61)** and Linda Simms.

OBITUARY

James A. "Al" Martin



James A. "Al" Martin ('37), who had a distinguished academic career before "retiring" to Wake Forest where he taught interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate courses for 20 years, died Jan. 24 in Decatur, GA. He was 89.

Martin had already taught for nearly 40 years when he retired from the religion department at Columbia University and returned to his native North Carolina. He was chairing the Board of Visitors of the College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences—a voluntary position—when he was invited to join the faculty in 1983 as a University Professor, the first person hired to fill an interdisciplinary appointment.

He had remained close to the University throughout his career, said Provost Emeritus Edwin G. Wilson ('43). Martin received an honorary degree in 1965 and the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1971. "He was a man with a superb background in religion and philosophy," Wilson said. "He was known to be a splendid teacher, and he had authored a number of publications."

Martin, who was also an ordained Episcopal priest, taught classes in the religion department, but he was better known for the wide-ranging interdisciplinary honors and humanities courses he taught over the years. He retired as University Professor in 2003.

He also taught a class almost every year in the Liberal Studies program. He was a "star" in the Liberal Studies program, whose classes were always full, said Cecilia Solano, director of the program and interim dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. In 1995, he won a national award for the best teacher in a graduate liberal studies program.

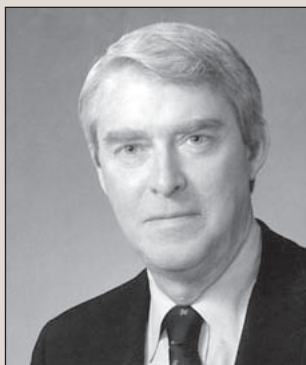
Martin was the author of several books, including *Empirical Philosophies of Religion* (1944), *Ways of Faith* (1953), *Faith, Fact and Fiction* (1960) and *The New Dialogue between Philosophy and Theology* (1966). After coming to Wake Forest, he wrote *Beauty and Holiness: the Dialogue Between Aesthetics and Religion*, published in 1990 by Princeton University Press.

Martin was a native of Lumberton, NC. After graduating from Wake Forest, he received his master's degree from Duke University in 1938 and then returned to Wake Forest where he taught philosophy and psychology for two years. He earned his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1944 and served as a chaplain in the Navy for two years.

He taught at Amherst College from 1946 until 1960 and at Union Theological Seminary from 1960 until 1967, where he was the Danforth Professor of Religion. He joined the faculty at Columbia University in 1967 and chaired the religion department for 10 years before retiring in 1982 and moving to Winston-Salem.

OBITUARY

Zachary T. Smith II



Zachary T. Smith II, who played a prominent role in the Reynolds and Babcock family foundations' philanthropy to Wake Forest, died on Jan. 14 in Winston-Salem. Smith, who was 83, was a past president of the Z. Smith Reynolds and Mary Reynolds Babcock foundations and a nephew of Katharine Smith Reynolds, wife of tobacco magnate R.J. Reynolds.

"He was a cherished friend of Wake Forest who continued his family's legacy of service and philanthropy to the University," said President Nathan O. Hatch. "And he was a wise advisor and personal friend to four Wake Forest presidents." Smith served on the University's Board of Trustees from 1985-1988 and 1990-1994 and was named a life trustee in 1995. He received an honorary doctor of laws degree in 1989.

Smith joined the Reynolds Foundation board in 1966 and was president for two terms, 1979-1983 and 1987-1991. In the early 1980s, the foundation endowed the University's most prestigious professorships and undergraduate scholarships, the Reynolds Professorship and the Nancy Susan Reynolds Scholarship. Smith served on the Reynolds Scholarship selection committee during its early years. He also served on the board of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

In 1996, the Reynolds Foundation established the Zachary T. Smith Leadership Scholarship fund for North Carolina students; about 14 undergraduates are receiving partial tuition grants from that fund this year. Smith was also a generous individual donor. In 1992, he funded a professorship, the Zachary T. Smith Professorship, currently held by associate professors Sylvain Boko of Economics and Sharon Andrews of Theatre, that is awarded to promising young faculty members for a three-year term.

A native of Mt. Airy, NC, Smith served in the Navy during World War II and then attended UNC-Chapel Hill. He began working at R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. in 1947, starting out as an inventory clerk, and retired in 1985 as treasurer. He is survived by a nephew, Gray Smith (JD '76), and four nieces.

John Allen Michaux ('61), Oct. 25, 2006, Waynesville, NC. He was general manager of New York Life Insurance Company, retiring after 31 years.

Robert Leo Burchfield (BBA '62), July 17, 2006, Gastonia, NC.

Eric W. Jones ('63), Nov. 8, 2006, Elizabethton, TN. He was a guidance counselor for the Johnson City School System and a retired senior psychological examiner from the Carter County School System.

Marvin Key Blount Jr. (JD '66), Nov. 24, 2006, Greenville, NC. He served in the U.S. Army Reserve and was admitted to the N.C. Bar in 1966. His private practice, The Blount Law Firm PA, specialized in personal injury, class action and complex litigation. He was the first recipient of the Pitt County Bar Association Outstanding Service Award. He served on the Wake Forest Law Board of Visitors. He is survived by his wife, Jan, two sons, **Marvin III (JD '96)** and James, a daughter, Jane, a stepson, Charles, a stepdaughter, Anna, and eight grandchildren.

David William Skamarak ('66), Jan. 7, 2007.

Lewin Gray Wilson ('71, MBA '86), Jan. 1, 2007, Wesley Chapel, FL. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked with Leggett Stores in Durham, NC, and transferred to human resources in Lynchburg, VA, until 1983. After completing his MBA he began a stock brokerage career in Winston-Salem. He was with UBS PaineWebber in Petersburg, FL.

Don Leon Alexander ('72), Jan. 1, 2007, Spartanburg, SC. He was a sales representative with Owens-Illinois in Sumter, SC. He is survived by his wife, Rebecca, a son, **William Shaun (JD '92)**, a daughter, Kristen, and three grandchildren.

Janet Gibson Becker ('73), Oct. 1, 2006, Silver Spring, MD. She is survived by her husband, **Perry J. Becker ('73)**, and two daughters.

John R. Campbell (MBA '73), Nov. 9, 2006, Winston-Salem. He was rector at St. Stephen's, Trinity and Grace Episcopal Churches in Bedford County, VA, and Christ Church in Pulaski, VA. He served as rector of St. Timothy's Episcopal

Church in Winston-Salem from 1968 to 1988. After retirement, he substituted as minister at St. Stephen's in Winston-Salem and Ascension in Fork, NC.

Daniel A. Frazier (JD '73), Nov. 20, 2006, Pfafftown, NC. He was owner of Northside Legal Services and a member of the N.C. Bar since 1973.

John Lewis Alsobrooks ('74), Nov. 29, 2006, Vincennes, IN. He taught in the funeral service program at Vincennes University starting in 1982, and in 1990 he became chairman. He was on the National Accreditation Team of Funeral Service Educators, a member of the Indiana Funeral Directors Association Education Board and the American Board of Funeral Service Education. He was past president of the University Mortuary Science Education Association and a Nolte Scholar.

Rosalyn Isaacs Andrews (MD '75), Oct. 15, 2006, Lexington, NC. She was a senior resident in pathology at the Wake Forest School of Medicine until 1983 and began a practice at Lexington Memorial Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Kearney, and daughter, **Clara Anne Adele Andrews ('98)**.

John Alex Mincey ('75), Nov. 1, 2006, Myrtle Beach, SC. He was president of Global Strategies Group in San Francisco and a former member of the Alumni Council. He is survived by his wife, Ana, and daughter Roxanna. Memorials may be made to Wake Forest University, PO Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

Norman Scott Strickland (MBA '78), July 16, 2006, Durham, NC. He was an electrical engineer and manager for the General Electric Co., retiring after 40 years.

Lisa Thompson Kelly ('80, JD '85), Nov. 5, 2006, Charlotte, NC. She was an estate-planning attorney for 20 years, most of that time at Essex Richards PA. She recently co-founded Foster Kelly PA. She is survived by her husband, **Peter ('79)**, two daughters, Erin and Allison, and her parents.

Samuel Phillip Page ('81), Jan. 5, 2007, Marvin, NC. He spent his professional career in telecommunications and networking sales and engineering. He is survived by his wife, Claiborne, and their

three daughters, his parents, **Buddy ('56)** and Ann, and two sisters.

John David Thalheimer (JD '95), Oct. 30, 2006, Marietta, GA.

Richard D. Wilson (MBA '00), Dec. 15, 2006, Greensboro, NC. He was employed by DELL.

Maria E. Whitehead ('03), Nov. 1, 2006, Durham, NC. She was a two-time All-ACC field hockey selection who helped lead the Demon Deacons to three Final Fours and the team's first national championship in 2002. Starting all but 10 games in her four-year career, she scored 14 goals and had 40 assists, fourth best in school history. She also played on and coached several U.S. field hockey teams. After graduating, she was head coach of the field hockey team at Saint Louis University for three years before becoming an assistant coach at Duke University in early 2006. Memorials may be made to the Preston Robert Tisch Brain Tumor Center, Duke University, PO Box 3624, Durham, NC, 27710.

Friends, Faculty/Staff

Frances Tatum Council, Oct. 12, 2006, Raleigh, NC. She and her late husband, **C.R. Council ('36)**, established a scholarship in the Wake Forest Divinity School.

William "Ray" Dixon, Nov. 28, 2006, Boonville, NC. He worked in maintenance at Wake Forest for 20 years.

Talmadge G. Hinkle, Oct. 7, 2006, Winston-Salem. He served in the U.S. Marines during World War II. He was with Hinkle's Inc., the company his father founded, retiring in 1993 as CEO. He was the brother of **Sanford O. Hinkle Jr. ('40)**.

Kim H. Tan, Oct. 14, 2006, Winston-Salem. He was a professor at Winston-Salem State and an adjunct professor at the Wake Forest medical school. He is survived by his wife, Chio, and three sons, Joshua, **John ('01)** and Timothy.

Ledell Williams, Oct. 12, 2006, Winston-Salem. He served in the U.S. Air Force and retired from the U.S. Army National Guard and Wake Forest.

OBITUARY Professor Emeritus of History Buck Yearns

Professor Emeritus of History Wilfred Buck Yearns Jr., who taught American history and the history of the South for more than 40 years, died on Nov. 16. Yearns joined the faculty on the Old Campus in 1945, moved with the College to Winston-Salem, where he settled on Faculty Drive, and retired in 1988.

He will be remembered "for the careful, thorough way in which he chose to teach his courses and for the high expectations he had for his students," said friend and colleague Tom Mullen, Dean of the College Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of History, in his eulogy. "He clearly considered teaching a serious business, one to which he gave his heart and mind and soul."

A native of Georgia, Yearns graduated from Duke University and went on to earn his master's degree from the University of Georgia and his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. He authored several books including *The Confederate Congress*, *The Biographical Register of the Confederate Congressmen*, *North Carolina Civil War Documentary* and *The Confederate Governors*. He received two Fulbright grants to teach history in Calcutta, India, and a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to spend a summer in Brazil. He also taught at the Wake Forest houses in London and Venice.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marguerite Ward Yearns ('68, MAEd '76). He is survived by three sons, Bill Yearns ('73, PA '75), Ward Yearns ('81) and Warren Yearns ('77), a daughter, Margaret, and seven grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the History Department, Wake Forest University, PO Box 7806, Winston-Salem, NC, 27109.

The little school that did

By Dave Joseph

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OPPPOSITE WORLD IS COOL.

That's what we learned here Tuesday night at the FedEx Orange Bowl. In a game featuring a school no one ever expected to be in a BCS game and in a game many thought would be tedious because it had no national championship implications or pre-game hype—tiny Wake Forest gave Louisville's emerging program and an announced crowd of 74,470 a memorable game.

How refreshing. Suddenly, a BCS game didn't have to be life-and-death to be appealing. It didn't have to come down to a coach's job on the line. It didn't have to feature behemoths like Florida State or Miami. It could star a small, tie-dyed school from Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Yes, the favored Cardinals won, scoring 14 fourth-quarter points to beat the Demon Deacons 24–13. But how could you not come away from this game enamored by the Demon Deacons? Wake Forest. The little engine that could...*I think I can...I think I can...* How could you not like a school of 6,700 students, only 4,300 undergraduates, stuffing it to those ACC giants like Florida State? How could you not like the smallest school ever to compete in a BCS game?

These things don't happen anymore in big-time college football. Heck, even "little" Boise State has

18,000 students, Louisville 25,000. Demon Deacons coach Jim Grobe had to put a team together with local kids who weren't highly recruited or necessarily motivated by the size of a school's stadium or, ironically, its chance of playing in a BCS game.

Wake Forest. In a BCS game. Only in opposite world.

Think about it: If every current undergraduate and graduate student at Wake Forest attended Tuesday's game, Dolphin Stadium would have mirrored a Tuesday afternoon game in August between the Marlins and Nationals. Heck, if every living Wake Forest graduate attended the Orange Bowl, there would have still been 20,000 empty seats Tuesday night.

But here were the Demon Deacons playing in a BCS game in front of probably the largest gathering of Wake Forest alumni in school history. Black and gold, tie-dyed crazies from Winston-Salem, North Carolina. The kind of students who celebrate school victories by covering the center of campus with toilet paper. Every Deadhead should adopt this school. Jerry Garcia meets Mr. Whipple. The smallest school and coolest. And a team that refused to believe it couldn't succeed.

This was the culmination for the Demon Deacons of an improbable year, one that could have been lost

back in September when they managed to block a last-second field goal attempt to beat lowly Duke. Despite losses to Clemson and Virginia Tech, the Demon Deacons never went away. They beat Georgia Tech and Florida State and Maryland on the road. And they did it all after losing their starting quarterback, running back and left tackle.

And now this.

After going down 10–3 after Louisville stole a play from their playbook by scoring on a modified flea flicker, Cinderella got mad. Wake Forest tied the game on a 30-yard touchdown to Nate Morton from Riley Skinner, formerly the Deacons' third-string quarterback. Then they took the lead in the fourth quarter on a 36-yard field goal by Sam Swank. But they fumbled deep inside Cardinals territory twice, and they couldn't stop the No. 5-ranked Cardinals in the fourth quarter. Suddenly, the magic had run out. Midnight had approached. It was too bad, really.

Back to the real world.

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Sign of the Times

When Mike Huffman ('64) and his wife Nancy planned a family trip to New York City for the holidays, they did it long before they knew Wake Forest would be competing for its first ACC football championship in thirty-six years. The Huffmans, along with their children and grandchildren, were walking back to their hotel via Times Square when the news ticker announced to the world that the Deacons had won! As the family cheered, Angie Huffman Evatt captured the moment with her camera. For information on the photo, contact her at Devatt@carolina.rr.com.