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remember John L. Brinkley '59*



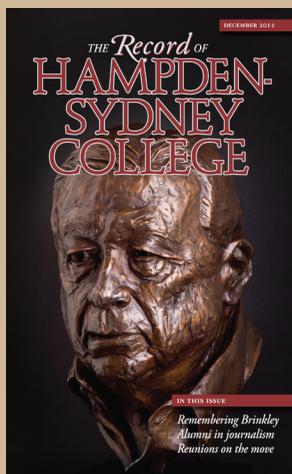
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*The bust of John L. Brinkley '59
in the Bortz Library.*

PHOTO BY STEPHEN O. MUSKIE

The man who loved Hampden-Sydney

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

Nothing could have kept John L. Brinkley '59 from becoming an integral part of the Hampden-Sydney story. Like the College itself, Brinkley was utterly unique.

His good friend and schoolmate The Rev. Dr. **Edgar C. Mayse** '57 says, "The first time I saw John, I knew right away that he was not going to be the typical freshman at Hampden-Sydney College. He was walking with a cane, with that air that said he had always walked with a cane. He was a character from the day he entered the College, and he knew it."

As a student, his confidence, intelligence, and conviviality helped him make many friends and work his way into many facets of campus life. He must have felt an instant connection with this College in the woods and the young men who came here. As quickly as he could after graduating, he returned to teach and never left.

Those same characteristics that made him a unique student made him an equally unique professor. Yes, he sometimes threw pieces of chalk at students, but they were usually small pieces. However, he also rewarded students for particularly insightful comments or answers—first nickels, then quarters.

To many students Professor Brinkley appeared gruff and unapproachable, but this was not the real man. Yes, he was demanding but he understood the value of working through adversity. Those who got to know him personally, either through fraternity life, classroom discussions, or just a common interest happened upon during a brief chat—those people found a man with a great appreciation for learning, for

life, for humor, and for people.

After John Brinkley died, many of his closest friends and former students wanted to share their memories of the man who had a tremendous influence in their lives. By reading these memories, hopefully you too will get a better

understanding of what made "Brinks" such a big part of this little college.

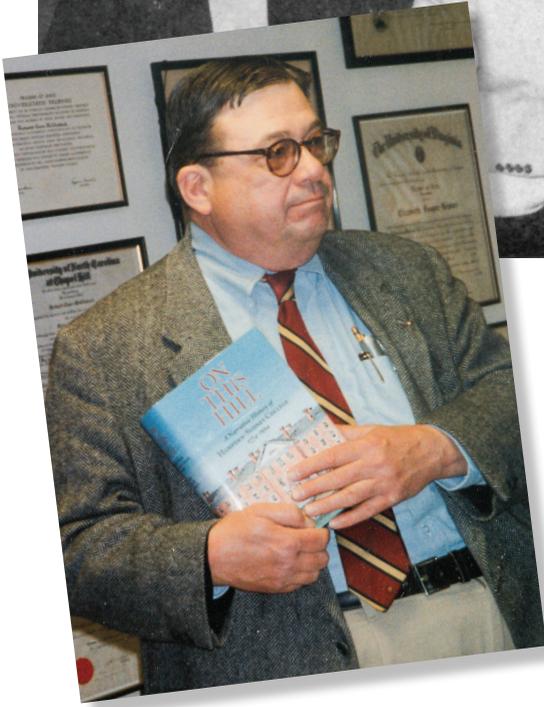
As a student, **Camm Morton** '73 developed a strong relationship with Brinkley. The professor offered many late-night meals and even loaned Morton his car to visit a high school sweetheart at William & Mary. Morton says that along with these acts of friendship, Brinkley's academic rigor had a lasting effect on him: "He made me strive longer and harder in class, on the field, and in life. Moro, as he liked to be called at the time, was a real

difference-maker and a lifelong friend."

Not all former students remember Brinkley as a supportive counselor. **Tripp Elliot** '92 says, "I have the distinct honor of having been one of the no doubt hundreds of young men that he yelled at for missing class. I remember it distinctly. I was out on the lawn between Morton and Bagby, before the big sidewalks that are now there. I was mucking about with some friends tossing a Frisbee or a football, when all of a sudden Brinkley threw up the sash on the third floor of Morton and yelled down to me, 'Mr. Elliott, you are five minutes late for my class!' Terrified of the campus legend, I rushed up to

"He relished rhetorical flourishes that left most of us scratching our heads in joyful confusion. He captured the essential authenticity of an existentialist individual in the pursuit of truth—he was himself."

FIL WILLIAMS '76



ABOVE: As a young student, Brinkley (back left beside Edgar Mayse '57) was self-assured, though small in stature. LEFT: Brinkley with one of the first copies of his book, *On this Hill*.

class, and he never mentioned it again. He had a droll sense of humor, at least from my perspective as a student, and a wealth of knowledge of the school's history."

Like Elliot being admonished from a Morton window, some sayings became shop-worn "Brinkley-isms," such as the one recalled by Tayloe Negus '88: "I remember going to Brinkley's office in the library where he was at the time writing *On This Hill*. I went into his office where there were papers everywhere. I suggested that he should be using a computer to get this done—that a computer would be much more efficient. He held up his pencil and said, 'This is my word processor, boy!'" That "word processor" of his went on to complete the scribbling of

his 880-page history of the College.

John Macfarlane III '76 also remembers struggling to make it to Professor Brinkley's classes on time, but, unlike Elliot, this Kappa Sigma brother (who were always held dear by Brinkley) got a little extra help getting to Morton Hall by 8:30 on Friday mornings. "Dangerously close to exceeding the class cut limit, I remember, on more than one occasion, a sharp rap on Bedinger's and my Kappa Sigma House bedroom door at 8:15 am, from a stern Brinkley, holding a cup of ice-cold orange juice."

Undoubtedly, John Brinkley was devoted to his students, however few there may have been. In the fall of 2002, Tommy Burk '06, then a freshman baseball player, signed up for Latin 101 only after finding all of the Spanish classes were filled.

"The first class had 15 students in attendance," recalls Burk. "The second had around 10; the third had four. I had never been in a class this small and quickly learned that I had to have a full grasp of every homework assignment in order to avoid the stern, raspy shout of,

‘Burk!’ and a point of Professor Brinkley’s cane. After my first semester with Professor Brinkley, I figured I was in for the long haul, so I enrolled in Latin 102. Again, the first class began with about 15 students in attendance. The second had about five students in attendance. To my amazement, upon hearing the bell ring for our third class to begin, I was the only student sitting in the classroom. For the next three semesters, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:30 am, I alone had Professor Brinkley’s full attention. My teammates on the baseball team told me I was crazy and that I’d never make it through. It was difficult, but I did.”

Like so many other students, Burk says his classes with Professor Brinkley covered so much more than the designated subject matter. Latin classes also covered history, etymology, language, life, even baseball.

D. H. Lee Perkins ’71, now a teacher of classical languages himself, remembers how working with Professor Brinkley one summer changed his life. Perkins was studying Roman historiography under Brinkley who introduced him to the writing of Albert B. Lord, a Harvard folklorist influential in developing a theory of oral composition. He says, “A few years later when I had passed my general exams in the context of a Ph.D. program in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations at Harvard, I was expected to become a teaching fellow in the College. Since I knew that Albert Lord taught a large undergraduate folklore course, I made an appointment with him to talk about the possibility of becoming one of his teaching fellows. Impressed by what Professor Brinkley had taught me about oral composition, Professor Lord hired me, and I remained one of his teaching fellows during the two years I spent writing my dissertation.”

Professor Brinkley enjoyed telling a good story or joke and appreciated the art of oratory. As a student he was very active in the Union-Philanthropic Literary Society, Hampden-Sydney’s debating organization. When he returned to teach at the College, he also renewed his connection with the UPLS. **Fil Williams** ’76 remembers Brinkley, the lively professor at those meetings where he “witnessed his oratorical supremacy first-hand.” He says, “Yes, it was in this forum where Brinkley, uninhibited by

classroom formality or structure, could be most entertaining with rhetoric, logic, and wit. He relished rhetorical flourishes that left most of us scratching our heads in joyful confusion. He captured the essential authenticity of an existentialist individual in the pursuit of truth—he was himself.”

After seeing Professor Brinkley at the front of the classroom for decades, some of us have a hard time believing that he was ever a student—a lowly freshman—but he was. When he first came to Hampden-Sydney in the fall of 1955, he was nearly waifish in size but his larger-than-life personality had already been set.

Henry Spalding, Jr. ’57 recalled at his dear friend’s memorial service: “With his ubiquitous umbrella—rain or shine—and his briefcase, he did not pose a threat to those of us chasing girls at Longwood.”

Can you imagine having John Brinkley as your roommate? **Raymond D. Houck** ’57 had the distinction as a senior when Brinkley was a sophomore. He says, “He came back from Farmville one day with a new fedora hat, which he squeezed and pounded into shapelessness, and then jumped up and down on a few times. He then put it on his head, looked in the mirror, and said, ‘Now *that* is a hat! He was a martyr to chronic bronchitis, which gave his voice a harsh, barking character; and he seemed to enjoy cultivating ill health. ‘I don’t need a wife,’ he would say, ‘I need a nurse.’ On one memorable occasion he stood before the Union-Philanthropic Literary Society (of which he was then the chaplain), overcoated, swathed in scarves, coughing and gasping, and said, in the service of whatever proposition he was defending, ‘I envisage an America broken on the rocks of ill fortune, and I trust I shall not live to see it.’ The walking stick, more brandished than leaned upon, also dates from this era, as do the cigars. He used to toss the cigar butts into a corner of the room. ‘The aroma gives the place character,’ he would say. You could smell your way from the front porch to our room.”

That same year, **Walter Walker** ’60 was a freshman who crossed paths with Brinkley outside of the classroom. “I remember John as a vigorous debater discussing British colonialism at the Union-Philanthropic Society,” he says.

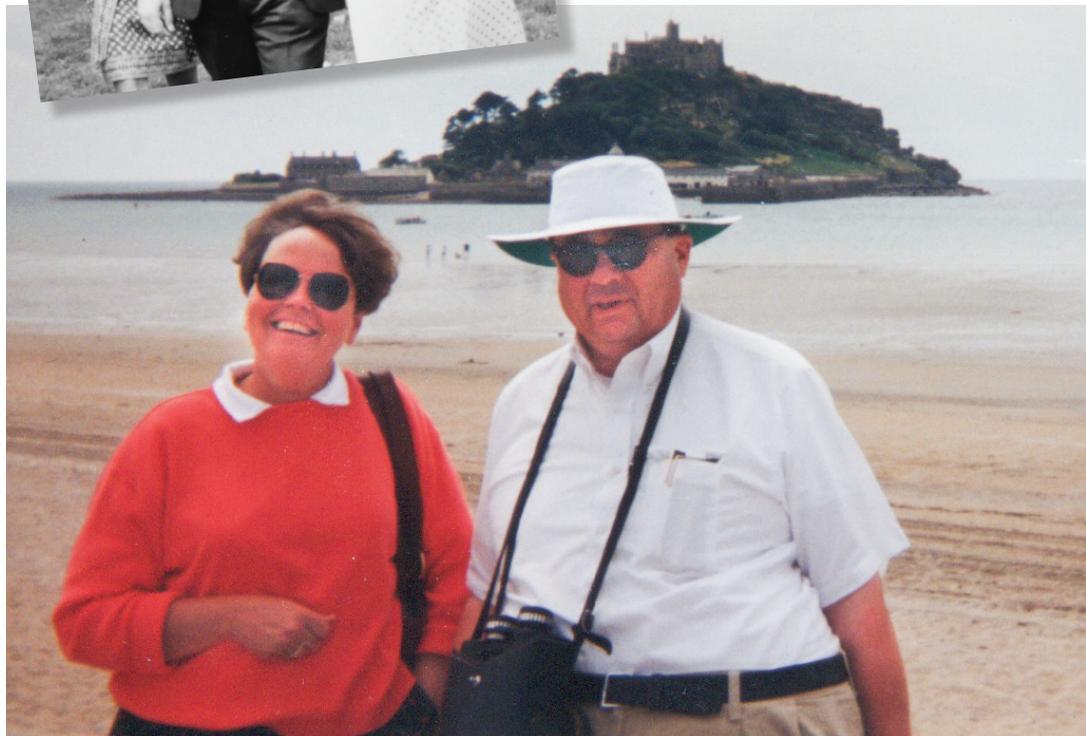
“John carried the day against the British Empire with a desire to remove its detested red color from world maps. That same year John discusses in his history of Hampden-Sydney College the most memorable event of my freshmen year: the McIlwaine Hall fire of 29 March 1957. His description of students turning on showers to frustrate the

the train has a wreck or is hours late getting us into Charlotte.’ It was always late getting us into Charlotte.”

“John at times had a wicked sense of humor. Although I did not witness this event, others did and spread the word all over the campus. Professor Lee Ryan was having a very difficult time with a student in his French class. He asked John, who was not a member of the class, to assist him with a measure which might scare the bejesus out of the student and thus straighten him out. Dr. Ryan began to read the exorcism ritual of the Catholic Church while John began to chant the same in Latin. Various students started to moan and groan in agony. The cure evidently worked

BELOW: *Dr. Mary Saunders and Brinkley at St. Michael's in Cornwall, England, in 1995.*

LEFT: *Brinkley enjoying the company of campus visitors.*



Farmville Volunteer Firemen is on the money!”

Rev. Mayse says as students the two traveled together often. “We were both from Charlotte, but neither of us had a car. For holidays, we caught the N&W train in Farmville, rode to Lynchburg where we changed stations and then on to Charlotte on the Southern Railway. John always carried a flask; ‘just in case,’ he said. ‘If

and the student reformed his ways and passed the class.”

Those who got to know John Brinkley found him to be a devoted friend. Though he never married and lived alone, he was quite social and enjoyed good company. Rare was the visitor to his small house on Fraternity Circle (its mystery only contributed to his legend), but



Brinkley holding court among many of his "sons."

he was frequently found about town; Brinkley was a member of the Farmville Rotary Club for decades.

As students transitioned into colleagues and friends, they reaped the benefit of knowing John Brinkley. **Bolling Lewis '81**, who began working in the College's development office after graduating, says Brinkley was a tremendous supporter: "I began running more and thought about competing in a marathon. John had driven and supported then-President **Si Bunting** during numerous marathons and offered to do the same for me. He suggested the St. Mary's Marathon in Maryland, which Bunting had completed several times. It was small, with about 100 runners, and therefore the logistics were easier than a large one. In late January 1982, he drove us to the race and had everything planned out, including his ability to drive his car along the course while I ran. He supported me wonderfully and thanks to him I had a great experience. After the race was over, he drove me back to campus while I mostly slept in the back seat of his car—barely able to walk."

Though never much of an athlete himself,



Brinkley did enjoy supporting the athletic endeavors of those around him. Baseball players likely recall the odor of cigar smoke behind home plate, just as football players dashing down the field knew they were at the 15-yard line when they passed Brinkley's wide-brimmed hat.

Being a bachelor at Hampden-Sydney allowed Brinkley to have many lovely relationships with his female colleagues. **Dr. Elizabeth Deis** recalls how much he loved going to the bake sale held by the Log Cabin pre-school, his neighbor on Fraternity Circle. For many years, parents of the Log Cabin children would raise money for the school each month by selling cookies and cakes in the College post office. She says John would buy up everything there was to be had and take it to the office of **Jane Holland**, the academic secretary in Morton Hall, for his colleagues in the building to enjoy. Ms. Holland says, "With a perfect smile on his face, he would fill the counter with snacks. He liked to say, 'I am river to my people.'"

But the snack sharing didn't end there. He was always sharing snacks with friends, especially those who knew where to look. Brinkley

was known to keep a cache of small candy bars in a cigar box on his desk and particular drawers in his filing cabinet were filled with cookies, cakes, and crackers.

Holland says, “Had people not taken them, I’m sure his feelings would have been hurt. John was just wonderful and he had a great sense of humor. When he laughed, he laughed with his whole self, all the way down to his toes. The only time he yelled at me was when I threatened to clean off his desk. And then he truly yelled at me, but I only threatened him to get him to yell. He was a wonderful man. There are no words to describe him. He was one of a kind.”

“As you know, John didn’t use computers or typewriters; everything was handwritten,” recalls **Maureen Culley**, the former secretary of the Dean of the Faculty. “So, he would send me his handwritten minutes from the faculty meetings for me to type. On the cover of his minutes would be a little note that he signed ‘Love, JB.’ Well one year he had surgery for a deviated septum and he was such a baby about it that I helped him with his bandages. To show his thanks, John sent me a dozen white roses and my student worker at the time, **Joel Velasco ’95**, folded one of those notes with ‘Love, JB’ on it and put it in my flowers before I saw them. John and I had a great laugh about it at the time, but from that point on every month when he sent me the faculty meeting minutes he included a short love poem that he had written. He wrote a different poem every month for more than 15 years.”

One of the first female faculty members at Hampden-Sydney College was Dr. **Mary Saunders**. Her office in Morton Hall was across the hall from Brinkley’s office and the two quickly became friends. One of their favorite subjects for discussion was grammar, which leads her to this: “Here is one of my favorite Brinkley one-liners: ‘Our dean is an eloquent man, but not, I fear, a

grammatical one.’ The chortling glee with which John rendered this verdict was as much fun as the observation itself.”

Dr. Saunders, too, remembers Brinkley’s fondness for treats and late-afternoon conversation in his office. When she was away for a long period recovering from an illness, he sent her notes and photographs of the campus in spring, as well as an “astounding bouquet” of white and blue carnations. “I like to think,” she says, “that I am the only woman ever to receive blue carnations from John Brinkley.”

“John’s humor was irrepressible: his everyday one-liners, his collection of block-that-metaphor howlers from the press, his stories, usually true. And the story that makes me laugh the most, the one that I summon for cheer in moments of gloom, is one I can’t tell—because I don’t have John’s priceless delivery and because it is, well, not fit for all eyes and ears. It features, believe it or not, a visit paid to the town of Martinsville by the Arch-

bishop of Canterbury. Details include a garment sometimes called a shimmy, which might or might not have required starch, an archangel, and a delightful, heavenly mistake. Some of you reading this will probably have heard it. Come back, John, and tell us again.”

Macfarlane said in his eulogy to Professor Brinkley, “John thought of us all as family. When he called us ‘son,’ he meant it. And when ‘son’ turned to ‘boy,’ there was little doubt that we had crossed a line of propriety in a notable way. I never counted, but my guess is that, while a student, I heard more ‘boys’ than ‘sons.’ But, the blessing of each admonishing ‘boy’ was the accompaniment of necessary advice, followed by a loving rap on the head or, depending on the severity, glance of the cane. Fortunately, lessons were learned and, as time went on, all of John’s boys turned into men and became his sons for life.”

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JANE HOLLAND
Academic Secretary,
Morton Hall

Getting to the bottom of the story with alumni in journalism

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

For decades at Hampden-Sydney College, writing has been the focus of the learning process. If our students can clearly explain in written form the ideas discussed in class and in readings, we believe they understand these ideas. If they can persuasively construct written arguments, we believe they have considered multiple perspectives to find truth.

Student writing at the College is not limited to English class and the social sciences; our students write extensively in classes such as chemistry, physics, and computer science, too.

As students transition into their careers, they use their writing skills to varying degrees. An insurance salesman may not write during the workday as much as an attorney. A veterinarian might write much more than we expect. Some Hampden-Sydney alumni, because of their experience writing and their comfort with composition, become the *de facto* writers of their organization. We can say without a shadow of a doubt, though, that some Hampden-Sydney graduates love writing and are putting their education to great use. Among them are journalists, including **Walter Miller '72**, a writer/producer at CNN;

Matthew Karnitschnig '94, Germany Bureau Chief for *The Wall Street Journal*; and **Matthew Philips '07**, an associate editor at *Bloomberg*

Businessweek.

Though they may work in different forms of media, live in different countries, or cover different topics, their work is remarkably similar. They all use their writing skills all day, every day.

All three of these alumni began their journalism careers at a local newspaper. Miller had just finished his master's degree in history and needed a break from academia. He took a job at his hometown newspaper and worked there for a year and a half before realizing that he really wanted to go overseas.

"I wanted to go to New Zealand, but, because of visa restrictions, I ended up going to Hong Kong where my sister and her husband were living. After soliciting every English-language newspaper and international wire service in the city, I had nearly worn out my

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WALTER MILLER '72
Writer/Producer
CNN

welcome."

Finally his luck came through. Someone had quit at United Press International's wire



Mathew Karnitschnig '94 (left), the Germany Bureau Chief for The Wall Street Journal makes a rare appearance on screen to explain the significance of the French election to the European economy.

service office and Miller was offered the job. For the next five years, he was an editor and correspondent, reporting around the region. He spent three months in Pakistan and traveled into Afghanistan with the mujahidin. Following a stint in India, Miller and his fiancé spent five months traveling on the cheap around India and China. In the mid-1980s, they moved to Japan, where he spent five years as the Asia reporter for Cox Newspapers.

Miller and his wife decided it was time to move back to the United States, so in 1989 he shifted gears, left the newspaper business, and turned to television with a job as a writer/producer for CNN. At this time, CNN was the only 24-hour cable news network and it was less than 10 years old. In 1986, it was the only network with live coverage of the explosion of Space Shuttle Challenger, but it would not be until the first Persian Gulf War that the network would reach viewers around the world and demonstrate its ability to provide continuous coverage of breaking news.

As Miller says, "A lot has changed about the job since then."

Now, he is a member of the team that produces the 11:00 am show hosted by Ashleigh Banfield. Every day, he researches and writes at least one segment for the program. He writes the anchor's script and talks with any non-CNN

guests in preparation for their appearance on the show. For his segment, he also compiles appropriate video, sound, and graphics. Unlike during the late 1980s, research is done primarily online, producers use social media to make contacts and attract viewers, even the anchor works hundreds of miles away from the production crew.

"The host is based in New York, but we are in Atlanta. Every morning we have a conference call to discuss the stories of the day and to work out the show. Though each show has a fair amount of flexibility, what we cover is somewhat dictated by the news on earlier shows and—of course—breaking news can result in all of your plans going out the window. Having your segment get bumped can be frustrating, but it's just part of the business."

When he is writing his segments, Miller has to keep in mind that he is writing for both an external audience and for the anchor. While the story must be clear and factual, it must also be written in a way that the anchor is comfortable reading.

"We are always told to write in the voice of the anchor. Those are nebulous instructions. When you sit down to write a script, you try to make it familiar and easy to read. Ashleigh Banfield has a very conversational delivery, so I have to take that into account. Every anchor has words and phrases he or she doesn't like. They all

have preferences. It's an ongoing battle that adds even more pressure to the job. I've seen writers taken off a show or even shown the door because they can't adapt their style."

The pace is quick. The deadline is firm. Every day is a new story going in a new direction. Miller says, "I enjoy the challenge. When it's over at the end of the day, which can be very intense, sometimes you are so drained you just want to find a place to go to sleep. You feel so exhausted from the focus you are putting on your work and from being under deadline. A lot is expected of you. It's unrealistic to say, but you just can't make mistakes."

Looming deadlines and the need for perfection are recurring themes in the world of journalism. As an associate editor specializing in oil and natural gas news for *Bloomberg Businessweek*, Matthew Philips works hard to keep up with the break-neck pace of the industry.

"I work in the front of the magazine," says Philips, "mostly in the global econ and markets and finance sections, editing, reporting, writing. We take a good part of the reporting and stories that are done by Bloomberg News, which has about 2,000 reporters around the world; it's a real nice asset to have in this day and age when places are shrinking. They tend to write for a finance audience, so we repackage that information for a general audience. I also write a lot about energy and a lot about natural gas. It's a good mix."

With the growing demand for web-based journalism, Philips writes two or three web stories for every print story. "I do tend to write daily for *Businessweek.com*."

Philips works with his editors to determine which stories to pursue and he has a significant influence in what he covers, particularly now that he has established himself in the energy market. His knowledge of the subject matter and access to sources is important to his success. He

says, "On a daily basis, I try to talk to an economist or an analyst. I do a lot of research, which is important in this industry. Trained economists are more often pointing things out than most people would themselves, so it's crucial for me to be in touch with them."

He says, "The economy is *the* story here and in China, as well as Europe. Whether we are writing about the fiscal cliff or consumer and business trends, there is plenty to write about."

Economics was not his major in college, so he has had a lot of on-the-job training. However, he also spent a year at Columbia Business School in New York on a fellowship. "I was a history major at Hampden-Sydney and I took only one economics class. I think it was Money & Banking with Dr. [Kenneth] Townsend."

"When I first started out, I was a generalist at *Newsweek* for the bulk of my time there. I think that helped me out because in

the world of magazines it boils down to clean copy, a nice narrative with a compelling story, and an understanding of the details. The most important skills transfer across topics. A lot of the things we pick up are very jargon heavy and in many cases it is up to us to 'unpack' it. You have to have a general audience in the back of your mind all the time. Whether you are writing about companies or banks or economies, the skill sets go across all subjects."

When he graduated from Hampden-Sydney, Philips took the advice of Professor **Susan Robbins** and went to work for a local daily in Virginia. "Totally by my good fortune, I cold-called the *Goochland Gazette* and they were looking for an editor. I was 22 and the extent of my experience was working on the college newspaper. They took a chance on me and for two years I ran the newspaper. I was writing, editing, doing the layout, taking photos. The experience

"You run into a lot of gray areas in this line of work and you need to be able to deal with those. This is a profession where your reputation for integrity is absolutely crucial. Once you lose that, you may as well quit."

MATTHEW KARNITSCHNIG '94
Germany Bureau Chief
The Wall Street Journal

showed me exactly what is involved in putting together a newspaper.”

From there he went to *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* and then to *Richmond.com* where his goal was “to always scoop *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*.” In 2005 he applied to Columbia University’s journalism school; he saw it as a way to learn about the profession and to get to New

cutting back,’ ‘why is the economy so schizophrenic right now?’ Those questions to me are very interesting.”

Hampden-Sydney College really prepared Philips for his chosen career, and not just because he worked for the student newspaper. He says the emphasis on writing and analysis developed skills that he uses every day.



Walter Miller '72 transitioned to television from newspapers in the late 1980s and writing continues to be a crucial element of his work.

York City. He landed an internship at *Newsweek*, which recently announced it would end its print version and appear only online, and was hired after that. He worked at the weekly magazine for five years, went to *Freakonomics.com* for a year, and has now been at *Bloomberg Businessweek* for a year.

Philips sees his job as more than being a simple messenger. He is putting news into context and explaining why it is important. “I can report on the monthly jobless claims just as well as anybody but the trick is explaining why it matters, what is interesting about this month versus last month, and being able to extrapolate and explain what’s going on. With economics reporting you are trying to wrap your head around things like ‘why are consumers buying while at the same time businesses are

“I sometimes miss those history classes with Dr. [James] Simms and Dr. [Ronald] Heine-mann; I learned a lot. Those were classes where I learned to take in a volume of information, analyze it, form an opinion about it, and write about it. Learning to do that over and over for papers at Hampden-Sydney has served my career for certain.”

When he first graduated from college, Philips admits that he felt like an anomaly among his friends, most of whom were in finance or law. He says, “Maybe I was a little naïve to think that I could have a career doing what I love, that I could make it work and that writing was not just something to do in my spare time. I really am fortunate that I get paid to do what motivates me.”

There was a brief time, while he was in

business school that he thought he might want to change careers, but he quickly realized that was not the case. “There I was learning about debt and equity and that kind of stuff and I’m thinking how I could have written a story differently if I had known that sooner. I was catching myself translating this information into how I can use it as a journalist. That’s when I said, ‘You are what you are.’” Philips was clearly a journalist for good.

Realizing a commitment to a career in journalism came a little sooner for Matthew Karnitschnig. He studied abroad during his junior year and held an internship at ABC News in London, primarily with the radio division. There he learned to write quickly and concisely. The following summer, he had another journalism internship at his home in Arizona. He was not completely certain what to do with his life after graduating from Hampden-Sydney in 1994, so he returned to Europe to study at the University of Vienna to “figure out what to do with the rest of my life.” It was then that he decided to go to journalism school, like Philips, at Columbia.

“This was before the Internet had taken off, and I had a lot of old school professors like Ray Cave (who worked for decades



“I can report on the monthly jobless claims just as well as anybody but the trick is explaining why it matters, what is interesting about this month versus last month, and being able to extrapolate and explain what’s going on. With economics reporting you are trying to wrap your head around things like ‘why are consumers buying while at the same time businesses are cutting back,’ ‘why is the economy so schizophrenic right now?’ Those questions to me are very interesting.”

MATTHEW PHILIPS '07
Associate Editor
Bloomberg Businessweek

at *Sports Illustrated* and *Time*), who was a wonderful mentor for me. He had also gone to a small, liberal arts school and he advised me to go back to the South and work in a small daily newspaper to really learn the trade, and that’s what I did.”

Though many of his classmates stayed in New York, Karnitschnig set out to get his feet wet elsewhere. He worked for about nine months in Kinston, North Carolina, where he covered the “classic cub reporter beat” of courts and police. He also covered a hurricane that gave him additional exposure and a major story.

“After almost a year, I got a call from someone at Columbia, which is one reason that going to Columbia became quite useful, about an opening with an American news agency in Germany—Bloomberg—and because I spoke German they wondered if I would be interested in applying. I did and I decided to do it.”

He moved to Frankfurt for his introduction to overseas reporting and to covering economics. For Bloomberg News’ wire service, Karnitschnig covered Germany’s economy for a professional audience. After a couple of years, he left Bloomberg to lead a team of reporters at Reuters cover-

ing corporations in Germany. Another couple of years later, he began writing for *Businessweek* in Germany. *The Wall Street Journal* came calling a year later, courting Karnitschnig to write for them in Vienna. He has been with the *Journal* ever since, spending some time in New York, first covering major media companies and then mergers and acquisitions during the financial collapse of 2008. “That was a very stressful period. That beat is a sink or swim scenario. If you do well, you can be very successful. If you screw it up, it can be very bad for your career.”

Karnitschnig is now the Germany bureau chief in Berlin, overseeing the paper’s coverage of all things Germany, such as politics, the automotive industry, and the economy. The office is also responsible for covering the European Central Bank, so his office has been key in covering the European debt crisis. “Because I am the economics editor, that is what I focus most of my time on: Greece and Spain and the future of the Euro, what this crisis means for Europe going forward.”

Meanwhile, *The Wall Street Journal* has overtaken *USA Today* as the most widely read paper in the United States, and it has a significant global footprint. “It is an American paper and it is read by business elites around the world. Most of the stories we write are written to be accessible to a lay reader but also relevant to a professional reader. Because we cover such a broad spectrum of subjects—there are people in the U.S. who are interested in European politics; there might be people in China who are also interested in what’s going on in German politics right now—so we try to write in a way that people—no matter where they are—can understand what is going on and what is important. The goal of the paper, I think, is to be a primer for people in important positions around the world about what’s going on in the global economy at any given time.”

Karnitschnig agrees with Miller and Philips that a liberal arts education is perfect for someone in journalism. He says, “If you have that kind of background, as opposed to a narrow focus, it enables you to jump into subjects that you might not have spent years studying but to capture the essence of what’s going on, to understand complex issues, and then to be able to explain them to other people. That’s essentially

what we’re doing.”

He also says that a journalist also needs unflappable integrity: “You run into a lot of gray areas in this line of work and you need to be able to deal with those. This is a profession where your reputation for integrity is absolutely crucial. Once you lose that, you may as well quit.”

“The emphasis on writing,” says Karnitschnig of his Hampden-Sydney experience, “was probably the best preparation I had for doing this type of work. I had Professor [Mary] Saunders, who was instrumental in so many ways, and Professor [Lawrence] Martin was too. Going to Hampden-Sydney was a decision that influenced the rest of my career.”

As the leader of the Germany bureau, Karnitschnig spends much of his time behind the scenes. He shies away from social media and commentating on news events. He says, “I am the person a lot of people don’t see because I oversee a lot of reporters. I drive the coverage. I help people come up with ideas about what we are going to cover and how we are going to cover it and I edit the stories that are going in the paper. Every now and again I will appear on TV to talk about what’s going, but really it’s not about me.”

For each of these men, being a reporter is not about them, it is about finding the news, deciphering the news, and writing the news. However, this doesn’t mean their work goes unnoticed. Karnitschnig, for one, was part of a reporting team that was a finalist for the 2012 Gerald Loeb Award, which is given annually for excellence in financial and business reporting. Miller’s work at CNN as led to numerous Peabody Awards, a DuPont-Columbia Award, and an Emmy Award.

While these men—and many other Hampden-Sydney alumni working as journalists—are getting the most out of the composition-based curriculum at the College, we all understand the value of what we learned on The Hill. Whether we spent all of our time in Gilmer Hall labs or in economics classes in Morton, we value the positive influence that learning to write well has had on our lives.

Hampden-Sydney launches new reunion program

ANN S. CASSELL, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Starting in 2013, the Hampden-Sydney Alumni Association will begin implementation of a new reunion program for all alumni.

Held in early June, the weekend will provide a wonderful opportunity for alumni to return to the Hill, reconnect with classmates, and enjoy activities designed specifically for alumni and their families. The inaugural reunion weekend, planned for May 31-June 2, 2013, will welcome back the classes of 1963, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1993, and 2003.

The Alumni Relations office is eager to implement this new model as it will allow the College to provide an unforgettable experience for Hampden-Sydney alumni who return to campus and will offer new and important opportunities to truly celebrate the friendships and extraordinary connections that make Hampden-Sydney such a special place.

WHAT ABOUT THE CLASS REUNIONS THAT ARE HELD AT HOMECOMING?

Homecoming weekend will of course continue to be a very important weekend for all alumni each fall. However, class reunions will transition away from Homecoming weekend beginning this year. The limited hotel space available, combined with the high level of activity already taking place over the weekend, has made it difficult for many alumni to fully participate in a class reunion held in conjunction with Homecoming. By hold-

ing class reunions in June, Hampden-Sydney will be able to offer many more opportunities for alumni-focused programming and events, and the availability of accommodations will far exceed the current capacity available to reunion alumni. Favorite activities, such as class dinners, will still be offered during the June weekend – along with many new classes, workshops, and events designed to reconnect alumni with each other and with H-SC today.

In 2013, as the Alumni Association begins implementation of this program, several classes (1968, 1978, and 1998) will continue to hold their class reunions in the fall during the Homecoming weekend. By 2014, all reunion year classes will hold their reunions on campus in June.

WHEN WILL THE PATRICK HENRY SOCIETY GATHER ON CAMPUS?

The Patrick Henry Society, honoring alumni who have graduated from Hampden-Sydney 50 years or more ago, will hold its annual gathering on reunion weekend as well. While the Patrick Henry Society will still enjoy its own schedule

of special events, the opportunity to gather so many loyal H-SC alumni across the generations together on The Hill will further enhance the reunion experience for all attendees.

WHEN IS MY REUNION?

Classes of 1963, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1993, and 2003; and the Patrick Henry Society: May 31 – June 2, 2013

Classes of 1968, 1978, and 1998: Homecoming 2013

Classes ending in “4” or “9”: June 6-8, 2014

Classes ending in “5” or “0”: June 2015 (exact dates TBA)

Classes ending in “1” or “6”: June 2016 (exact dates TBA)

Classes ending in “2” or “7”: June 2017 (exact dates TBA)



During the weekend, the Class of 1963 will be officially inducted into the Patrick Henry Society as well. This special honor acknowledges fifty years of loyalty to Hampden-Sydney and promises to be a highlight of the weekend.

WHAT ABOUT SUMMER COLLEGE?

The Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest will continue to offer the popular Summer College program with support from the Alumni Relations office. Open to all alumni, Summer College will coincide with reunion weekend. This year's program, Renaissance, Reformation and Revolution: The Foundation of American Exceptionalism, will feature multiple faculty speakers and allow attendees to recapture the stimulating classroom environment they experienced while a student at H-SC. As usual, alumni and friends of Hampden-Sydney will have the opportunity to register solely for the Summer College program. Reunion participants will have the option to register for Summer College in addition to the weekend's other reunion events.

WHAT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES ARE SCHEDULED?

Activities of interest to alumni and family members of all ages will be offered throughout the weekend. Outdoor opportunities, including golf and skeet shooting, will be available as well as classes and workshops offered by faculty and alumni. A bourbon, wine, and beer tasting is being planned and, of course, there will definitely be good music and good times. While some meals will provide the chance for alumni to dine together as a class, others will feature all reunion attendees. The Alumni Association will also host a gathering to acknowledge outstand-

ing alumni, celebrate the generosity of reunion classes to the College, and share an update from President Howard on the state of the college. The weekend will be yours to enjoy – take in as many activities as you want or just relax, reminisce with friends, and revel in the beautiful setting.

WHERE CAN I STAY?

Alumni who attend reunion weekend will be able to stay on-campus in dormitories or off-campus in local hotels. As most H-SC alumni are already aware, hotel rooms are very difficult to come by on Homecoming weekend. By moving reunions to June, hotel space in Farmville will be plentiful and there will be many more lodging options available to alumni. Dormitory space will also be available both for alumni and families, so those who wish to stay on campus throughout the weekend will be able to do so. Each reunion class will also have a class hospitality room on campus for the weekend to serve as a central gathering spot for reunion classmates, whether they have opted to stay on-campus or in a nearby hotel.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Registration materials will be sent from the College this spring to alumni in the classes of '63, '73, '83, '88, '93, and '03. The reunion web site <http://alumni.hsc.edu> will also be updated frequently with information on the weekend. To update your contact information (preferred address, email, and phone number) with the Alumni Association, please call (434) 223-6776 or email reunions@hsc.edu to ensure that you receive all upcoming reunion communications from the College.

Kirby Field House shines with color





Ford Scott '16 makes his way from the Fitness Center in the newly repainted Kirby Field House. After sporting a muted brown exterior since its construction in the 1970s, Kirby now shows its Tiger pride in a bright garnet and gray. It took crews approximately 350 gallons of paint to cover the building's 103,000 square-foot exterior. The Fitness Center

opened in 2004 and more than 150 people visit every day. In addition to Leggett Pool (which has been upgraded with diving blocks and timing equipment for the swim team), racquetball courts, a group aerobics room, and a multitude of free weights, the Center also features top-of-the-line fitness equipment from Woodway, Matrix, and LifeFitness.

Taking on Capitol Hill

Dozens of students interested in careers in politics or government joined Dr. **David Marion** for the annual trip to Washington, D.C., with the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest. For many years, Dr. Marion has introduced students to alumni working in a variety of roles, from Congressional aides and elected officials to lobbyists and agency executives. This year was no different.

Hugo Rodriguez '88, deputy director of the Office of Mexican Affairs at the U.S. Department of State, and **Scott Pietan '95**, director of domestic policy at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, talked to the Hampden-Sydney delegation about the complex global economy and the emergence of countries such as Brazil.

Pietan says, "I don't get back to Hampden-Sydney as often as I would like, but this event and others like it give me a chance to talk with today's students and—I hope—help them better understand the many, different opportunities available to them after they graduate. It's great that Dr. Marion and the Wilson Center do this every year. It's a real asset for the students."

Chris Cooper '92, Democratic Party strate-

gist, and **Chris Stirewalt '97**, digital politics editor and commentator at FOX News, reviewed the recently completed presidential election and, if you can believe it, what both political parties have planned for 2016.

David Brown '87, vice president for governmental affairs at Exelon Corp; **Tucker Shumack '95**, partner at GDS Partners LLC; and **Paul Cooksey '70**, chief of staff and senior advisor to the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, discussed the practice of lobbying Congress and federal agencies as the federal government wrestles with options in spending, taxation, and possible sequestration.

For the final meeting of the day, a group of congressional aids and staff members gave students first-hand perspective on working on Capitol Hill. **Hunter Pickels '05**, **Thomas Craig '99**, **Thomas Doheny '09**, **William Pace '10**, **Jack Ruddy '10** and **Mac McKinney '11** discussed their day-to-day activities and what to expect from Congress during the lame-duck session.

"I remember making the trip to visit Capitol Hill with the Wilson Center only a few years ago," says Pace, a staff assistant for U.S. Representative **Robert Hurt '91**. "I'm happy to already be able to give back to the College this way



Chris Cooper '92 (left) and Chris Stirewalt '97 met with students from the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest. Dr. David Marion (right) takes the students each year to learn from alumni on Capitol Hill.

and to continue taking part in this important program.”

Before heading back to Hampden-Sydney, the students attended a gathering of the DC Alumni Club at the St. Regis Hotel. The event included a panel discussion on philanthropy with opinions from Dr. Carol Adelman, senior fellow and director of the Center for Global Prosperity at the Hudson Institute; Peter B. Kellner from Endeavor Global; and **Charles Payne '88** of Hirschler Fleischer Law Firm.

Hight publishes Berkeley book

Under Cambridge University Press, philosophy professor **Marc Hight** has published his second book, *The Correspondence of George Berkeley*. This complete collection of Berkeley's extant correspondence includes letters written by him and to him, supplemented by extensive explanatory and critical notes by Hight.

Berkeley (1685-1753) was the Bishop of Coyne and Irish philosopher whose work contributed to the fields of economics, mathematics, political theory, and theology. He pioneered the theory of “immaterialism” and his work ranges over many philosophical issues that remain of interest today.

Dr. Hight's first book is 2008's *Ideas and Ontology*. He is also the coordinating editor of the journal *Berkeley Studies*.

Archers honor Jim Kidd

Pianist **Frank Archer '73** and his wife, flutist **Mary Ann Archer**, have published two musical transcriptions. They are both music professors at Hampden-Sydney.

The first is *Four Brazilian Rags* by Ernesto Nazareth. From the extensive output of Nazareth's dance collection, the Archers have created

an exciting addition to the repertoire of the modern piccolo soloist. Hot, rhythmic, and totally engaging, these three tangos and a polka are sure to be a hit on any program. They are dedicated to the Barger Emeritus Professor of Music at Hampden-Sydney, **James Kidd**, who suggested the arrangements.

The second is *Tambourin Chinois* by Fritz Kreisler. Originally from Provence, the traditional tambourin has been performed for centuries on the galoubet (a small flute) with a drum. Kreisler, a virtuoso violinist, wrote this piece as a showpiece encore.

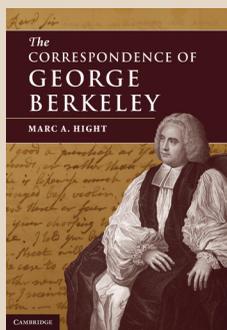
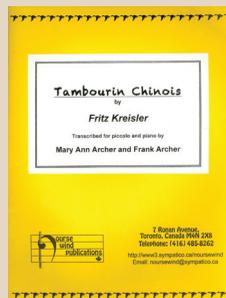
In celebration of their accomplishment, the Archers have been performing the works this fall at many venues, including the University of Virginia, Louisiana State University, and Caldwell College where Mr. Archer previously taught.

Albumleaves unlocked

A collection of contemporary music features nine pieces by fine arts professor **David Salvage**. *Lock and Key* on Navona Records includes about 20 minutes of Salvage's original music, all of which has come from his music blog *Albumleaves.com*.

“For the album, I selected works that I thought were representative of the project. Among them are three inspired by buildings designed by Thomas Jefferson: Monticello, Poplar Forest, and the Rotunda. This past summer, I gave my first public performance of *Albumleaves*. This was a part of the Bologna Estate Festival in Italy. I will give a more formal performance in March at Longwood. Hopefully still more performances will take place during 2013.

“*Sequenza21.com* [a contemporary music



website for which Dr. Salvage was previously the managing editor] featured me on the homepage,” says Salvage. “And my Poplar Forest piece recently was broadcast on WRUV radio in Burlington, Vermont.”

Dr. Salvage has been uploading his work to *Albumleaves* since early 2010. The site features more than 90 works written and performed by him, as well as improvisations, pieces from the classical music canon, and quotations about music from literature. Salvage is happy to report that his site has had visitors from around the globe.

Imagination’s alive on the Hampden-Sydney stage

Audiences—large ones, indeed—filled Johns Auditorium for the Theatre Department’s fall production *The 39 Steps*, a theatrical production of Alfred Hitchcock’s version of the novel by John Buchan. That convoluted lineage is important, because Professor **Shirley Kagan** and her students needed plenty of creativity to reproduce a film on stage, a film shot on many locations with a whole host of characters.

As Kagan said in her Director’s Note: “This



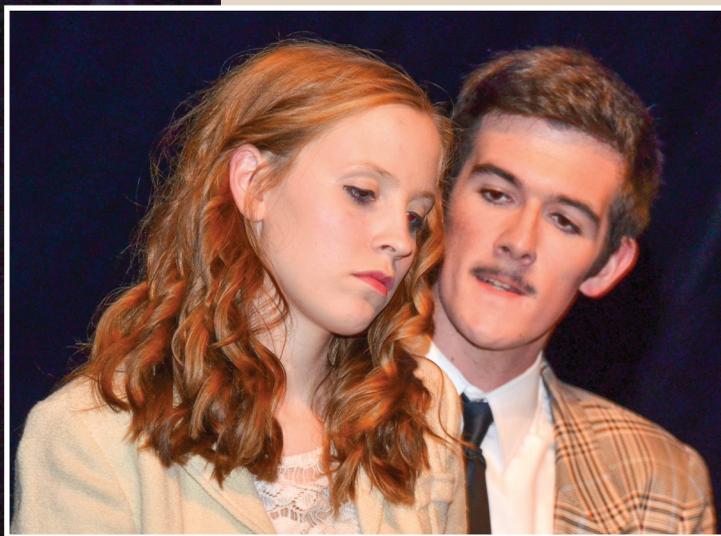
means that staging this play is a struggle of the most joyous kind, not only because six actors take on over 40 characters, or because this one simple stage houses over a dozen locations, but because in doing this, the very emphasis on the limits of theatricality call attention to what the stage *can* do: it puts the body of the actor in the same room as you, the audience; it revels in the interplay that you share; most importantly it takes us back to that time in our lives when a box could be a house, four chairs could be a car, and in doing so, it celebrates our most incredible human gift: the power of imagination.”

The show was a great success, with wonderful performances by the students and energetic crowds, some of the largest in recent years.

Taking part in a theatrical production is a great way to meet people and to make new friends. *The 39 Steps* featured four freshmen in its cast: **Andrew Dame** of Charlottesville; **Taylor Anctil** of Concord, California; **Patrick Ford** of Marion; and **Joseph Link** of Lynchburg.

Joseph, who appeared in many plays at Heritage High School, says, “I never really expected that I would be getting involved with theatre at Hampden-Sydney. I thought I had given up doing theatre altogether, but I was thrilled when I found out my academic adviser signed me up for the Acting I course. From there I found out about the show, auditioned, and then got the lead role. It was a really exciting experience. I love doing theater because of the joy you can give an audience, whether they are 20 or 200.”

In late February, the Theatre Department will be putting on *Good*, a tragedy by C. P. Taylor in which a German professor is seduced into Nazism. The production is part of a symposium on the Holocaust.



The 39 Steps had something for everyone, from laughs—with Taylor Anctil '16 (far left) and Patrick Ford '16 (left)—to drama—with Joseph Link '16 (above right) and Elizabeth Glass '13 from Longwood University.

New classroom technology allows easy collaboration



Students in Dr. Ed Devlin's biology class break off into study groups easily thanks to recent renovations and upgrades, including the popular "bumper car" desks. Before the changes to room 105 in Gilmer Hall, students and their professors were separated by anchored tables that ran the width of the room. "I couldn't even get to the students," says Devlin, "but now I can walk to the back of the room to help a student if I need to. This is a much better teaching environment."

The renovations and upgrades across campus were possible thanks to a grant from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations and generous contributions from the members of the Parents Council to *Igniting Sound Learning: A Campaign for the Classroom*, the College's fundraising initiative to modernize its learning spaces. Many of our classrooms were

outfitted to accommodate teaching styles made popular in the 1960s and '70s. As teaching has evolved to become more student-centered, classrooms need to evolve as well.

Also under consideration for upgrades is the Writing Center in Morton Hall. This Center has helped thousands of students prepare for the Rhetoric Proficiency Exam and polish essays for class. Writing Center tutors provide valuable after-hours guidance in curriculum at the core of the Hampden-Sydney experience. It is crucial for the College to modernize this facility that has remained largely unchanged since it was originally funded in the late 1980s.

If you are interested in supporting the *Igniting Sound Learning* campaign, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at (434) 223-6137.



Helping students relax during finals preparation



Bortz Library was filled with students like **Chris Williams '16** (below) as they prepared for final exams. To relieve some of the stress, library staff held events such as indoor mini-golf, brought in a masseuse, and let students play with dogs during study breaks.

Grady Bing '13 and **Chase Grogg '13** (inset), members of H-SC's Animal Rescue

Club, brought Annie and Lola to mingle with students at the library. The Animal Rescue Club has been rehabilitating abused and neglected dogs so they can be adopted by a new family. Bringing Annie and Lola to the library improves their socialization skills and is great fun for the guys. Both dogs are available for adoption.



Getting writing right

THE NATIONAL DEBATE ON HOW TO TEACH WRITING

The value of writing in education has always been a hot topic. Peg Tyre's article "The Writing Revolution" in the October 2012 issue of *The Atlantic* magazine added flames to the fire.

Hampden-Sydney College's Rhetoric Program—in place since 1986—aims at ensuring that our graduates can write and speak competently, so we decided to weigh in on the debate. Rhetoric professors Dr. Elizabeth Deis and Dr. Lowell Frye wrote an article for *The Atlantic* with President Chris Howard.

Tyre, the author of *The Good School* and *The Trouble With Boys*, says in *The Atlantic*, "For most of the 1990s, elementary- and middle-school children kept journals in which they wrote personal narratives, poetry, and memoirs and engaged in 'peer editing,' without much attention to formal composition. Middle- and high-school teachers were supposed to provide the expository- and persuasive-writing instruction."

These practices, she says, led to a period when the skills that students need to be effective communicators began

to erode, and the students ultimately became less effective learners. Tyre then documents the radical attempt by New Dorp High School on Staten Island to improve its students' dismal academic record by shifting the educational focus to improving writing.

New Dorp's faculty first examined students' understanding of language. Tyre writes: "A light bulb, says [English teacher Fran] Simmons, went on in her head. These 14- and 15-year-olds didn't know how to use some basic parts of speech. With such grammatical gaps, it was a wonder they learned as much as they did. 'Yes, they could read simple sentences,' but works like the Gettysburg Address were beyond them—not because they were too lazy to look up words they didn't know, but because 'they were missing a crucial understanding of how language works.



They didn't understand that the key information in a sentence doesn't always come at the beginning of that sentence.”

The Staten Island high school witnessed success with its rediscovery of instructional fundamentals, but the idea that students should focus on concepts such as grammar and composition rather than self-expression proved to be controversial, as indicated in *Atlantic* articles such as “Creativity Is Not the Enemy of Good Writing” by Bob Fecho and Stephanie Jones and “A Passionate, Unapologetic Plea for Creative Writing in Schools” by Rebecca Wallace-Segall.

With education professionals quickly taking sides on the issue, Drs. Deis, Frye, and Howard responded to the notion that creativity and the core competencies of writing are mutually exclusive, using Hampden-Sydney College's Rhetoric Program as a model in which the two approaches could coexist. They wrote:

“First, like the program at New Dorp High School, Hampden-Sydney creates a culture in which writing is important. Our rhetoric program engages the active participation of faculty across the College. Students see that writing well is important in biology and political science, just as it is in English and history. Students at Hampden-Sydney hear again and again about the features of good writing; they are held to a consistently high standard of quality for the writing they do in all of their academic courses. As a result, students develop and sustain good writing habits.

Second, if the bar for achievement is set high, the same standards are enforced across the board, and significant support services are made readily available, students will work hard to achieve success. Finally,

the program is grounded in the belief that developing creativity and an individual writing voice is as important as understanding the structures of argument and the basic building-block of any written work, the sentence.”

Though educators from across the country debate exactly how students should be taught writing, Hampden-Sydney College continues to help students develop their skills by emphasizing the connection between creativity and a solid knowledge of the structures basic to language and composition in order to give our students the tools they need to understand and contribute meaningfully to the 21st Century world.



ABOVE: Dr. Lowell Frye and Dr. Elizabeth Deis, stalwarts of the College's Rhetoric Program. LEFT: The *Atlantic* article that fueled the debate on teaching writing.



Mister Opportunity

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF EVERYTHING H-SC HAS TO OFFER IS PAYING OFF FOR THIS TIGER.

“Basketball never has been everything for me,” says **Khobi Williamson**, the 6’ 7” junior from Norfolk. “That was one of the reasons I decided to come to Hampden-Sydney. Knowing that I would get lots of different opportunities here was very appealing.”

As a senior at Maury High School, his team went to the state tournament. Khobi was recruited by a number of schools, and he turned down a full scholarship to a Division I school for Hampden-Sydney College.

“I was recruited pretty heavily by Virginia Wesleyan, too,” he adds. “The school is only ten minutes from my house in Norfolk, so when we play them, it’s a pretty big game for me.”

When Khobi arrived as a freshman, then-senior **Colin O’Neill** was playing center for the Tigers. “He was a great mentor for me. He taught me a lot about playing the position and what would be expected from me when I became a starter. The team has really come together this year. We all know what role we play and that has led to huge success on the court.”

Khobi credits Head Coach **Dee Vick ’94** for teaching each group of freshmen college-level basketball and a variety of different systems that have proven effective.

As a physics major, Khobi spends long hours in the lab before hustling to the gym for many more hours in basketball practice. Math has long been a “strong suit” of the self-described analytical student, so as an alternative to physics he is also considering a career in finance. He participates in Hampden-Sydney’s Hobbie Business and Ethics program and this summer he was accepted into the Management Leadership for Tomorrow program.

Khobi certainly has found those opportunities he knew Hampden-Sydney would offer

him and he doesn’t regret choosing to be a Tiger. “I love how the professors, administrators, and coaches all get to know me on a personal level. At some other school, I would just be a basketball player. At Hampden-Sydney, I am much, much more.”



Sports News

DAVIS YAKE '08, SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

FOR TIGER SCHEDULES AND THE LATEST PROGRESS ON THE SEASON, VISIT WWW.HSC.EDU/ATHLETICS.HTML

Athletics Hall of Fame taps four

Four alumni were inducted into the Hampden-Sydney College Athletic Hall of Fame on October 27. This year included the induction of an outstanding soccer player and an unprecedented three special citations.

Jeff Mencini '84 was a two-time ODAC Player of the Year, earning the title along with First Team honors in 1981 and 1983. Mencini was a Virginia Independent Soccer Association All-Star selection in 1979. He still stands as one of the program's best goal scorers, as his 21 goals in 15 games in 1981 are a school record and his 15 goals in 1983 stand second. He ranks second in career goals with 46 and career points with 105, and his 47 points in 1981 are a program best. In the ODAC ranks, he is in the top ten for career goals though just playing only three years. His mark of 21 goals is tied for third in league history.

Johnny Ellis '70 (special citation) played one year of varsity baseball in 1967 before founding the College's rugby program in 1968 and serving as team captain for two years. Ellis has since

been a vital part in increasing rugby's status to a varsity club program—the only one in the state of Virginia. His dedication to H-SC Rugby has been relentless, as evidenced by his invaluable assistance with coaching, clinics, and financial support. Ellis has played and coached rugby at the highest levels, including international competitions representing his College, his clubs, and Virginia during his 47 years of rugby. He was the First Inductee into the Virginia Cardinals Rugby Hall of Fame. Ellis' strong involvement has continued in his post-graduate years, as he has served on the Athletic Committee of the Board of Trustees for nine of the past 11 years and has helped support the College and the athletic department in countless and immeasurable ways.

Bill Kirk '72 (special citation) was a four-year defensive starter on the Tiger football team, including both Knute Rockne Bowl squads in 1970 and 1971. On the gridiron, he earned First Team All-State and First Team All Mason-Dixon Conference honors as a senior and helped lead the Tigers to their first-ever 10-0 season in 1971. That same year, the defensive tackle anchored a talented unit that led the nation in total and scoring defense. Kirk was also a member of the



2012 Hall of Fame inductees Jeff Mencini '84, Joe Viar '63, Bill Kirk '72, and Johnny Ellis '70

College's wrestling team and finished fourth overall in the 1970 Mason-Dixon Tournament. He is the major benefactor for the Kirk Athletic Center, which has profoundly improved the lives of coaches and student-athletes at Hampden-Sydney. He has served on the Athletic Committee of the Board of Trustees for five years.

Joe Viar '63 (special citation) was a two-way player on the football field as a defensive end and tight end from 1959-1962. As a senior, he led the team in receiving yards with 204 to go with a touchdown. He was also named First Team All Mason-Dixon Conference and All Little-Eight that season. Viar has shown unwaivering support and devotion to the College throughout the years, highlighted by co-founding the Athletics Hall of Fame with Hall of Fame Athletic Director **Louis "Weenie" Miller**; he has served as the master of ceremonies of the induction ceremony for a number of years. In addition, Viar serves on the Gridiron Club Advisory Board and has served on the Athletic Committee of the Board of Trustees for ten of the last 12 years.

Soccer battles tough conference

The 2012 Hampden-Sydney Soccer team finished with a 6-11 record and a 5-6 Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) record while playing a very tough strength of schedule. Hampden-Sydney narrowly missed out on making the tournament with a near .500 record, a feat that would have been unheard of just merely one season ago.

H-SC went on the road to once again beat Randolph-Macon, this time by a score of 1-0. They also defeated Lynchburg 3-0 on the road, a team perennially ranked in the region and contending for the ODAC championship, and defeated Bridgewater College 3-0 on senior day.

Three student-athletes made the All-ODAC team with **Nick DeProspero** and **Curran Blackwell** earning first-team honors while **Bryan Talbert** was tabbed to the third-team. It was the third consecutive year on the first-team for DeProspero and the second straight year on the first-team for Blackwell.

The Tigers graduated four seniors that were yearlong starters in DeProspero, Blackwell, **Chris Whiteside**, and **Andre Graham**. DeProspero completed his four-year career second in H-SC

history for career assists with 28.

Two barriers to regional

The Cross Country team finished ninth at the ODAC Championship meet this year and sent two runners to the NCAA South/Southeast Regional meet for the second year in a row. The Tigers top team finish was fifth at the Washington & Lee Invitational.

The 2012 team grew significantly to 21 runners after averaging just nine runners per season over the last three seasons.

Andrew Stoddard continued to excel as he posted the top three times on the team and five of the top ten. He placed eighth in a time of 29:59 to open the season at the ODAC Preview Meet and followed with a sixth place finish in 30:08 at the W&L Invitational. He boasted a season best time of 27:23 at the Christopher Newport Invitational.

Freshman **William Imeson** proved to be a welcome addition to the squad, registering the fourth fastest time on the team, a 29:28 at the Christopher Newport Invitational. **Yonathan Tarekge Ararso** also had a strong year, posting his fastest time of the season – 29:51 – at the Christopher Newport Invitational. **Andrew Craver** also recorded one sub-30 minute race, pacing the CNU Invitational in 29:59.

Big wins in the pool

The Swimming team got off to an outstanding start to the year, winning its first three dual meets in blowout fashion.

The Tigers opened their season at Hollins University on October 27, first battling Greensboro College followed by Gallaudet University. H-SC took down Greensboro 62-33 and Gallaudet 76-18. H-SC won four of the races against Greensboro and Gallaudet while finishing runner up in seven events.

H-SC returned to Hollins on November 12 to take down Davis and Elkins 126-34. An even strong performance out of the swimmers, the Tigers won eight events and took runner up honors in four competitions.

While H-SC only placed fifth at the R-MC Yellow Jacket Invitational, the team had its strongest meet of the year. H-SC set season-best times in many events against a strong field of teams.

Homecoming 2012



Photographer Josh Black '09 provided a couple of Homecoming photos. LEFT: Jackson Roeske, father of Eric Roeske '09, gets a helping hand at the tailgate grill from Chuck Horton, father of Ned Horton '12. ABOVE: Alex Divers '10 with a furry friend.

RIGHT: The daughters of Carter Brooks '93 and Matt Whitaker '92 enjoyed the Homecoming tailgate.

BELOW RIGHT: Pete Vaughn '97, Jason Tillerson '97 (with Pete's daughter Laura), and Brian Crum '97.

BELOW: Cameron Morck '16, Alex Lemieux '12, Forest Allen '13, General Jenkins '12, Wesley Morck '13, Charles Parrish '12, and Brinson White '13.





ABOVE LEFT: *Spencer Conover '10 (right) recognizes the Class of 2010 and class representative James C. Darling '10 for winning the Brinkley Challenge.* ABOVE RIGHT: *David Noftinger, Sr. '81, Sue Noftinger, David Noftinger, Jr. '14, and Ben Noftinger following the students/alumni lacrosse game.* BELOW LEFT: *Former trustees Bill Boinest '59 and Bill Shumadine '66.* BELOW RIGHT: *President Howard joined the family of James R. Whorley '70 for the naming of the football scoreboard in the late Mr. Whorley's memory.*



LEFT: *Theta Chi brothers James Hendrickson '15, Patrick Adams '13, and Tucker Bulleit '15.* ABOVE: *The 2012 Alumni Citation was presented to Maj. Gen. Gordon C. Nash USMC (Ret.) '71.* BELOW: *Sigma Nus Mikey Toy '14, Slade Weldon '12, Tanner Knox '13, and Nate Shepherd '14.* LEFT: *Dr. Howard and Baxter Vendrick '98 (right) present Michael Palmore '97 with the Waters Cup for the Richmond Alumni Club.*



Alumni Activities

MARK MEITZ '95, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

H-SC men step out on the town from New York to North Carolina

Following the fall Alumni Council meeting, local Hampden-Sydney clubs launched into fall with a wide array of events and gatherings. In September, the New York City Club welcomed guests to The University Club for a reception and dinner featuring Dr. **Ken Townsend** and President **Chris Howard**. Special thanks to event sponsors **Jack Forbes '68**, **Sal Giannetti '91**, **Matt Gormly '81**, and **Chris Schoen '88** for making this memorable evening for H-SC alumni and friends possible. On November 26, the Club also hosted a happy hour at The Park Avenue Tavern to kick off the Holiday season and has a full calendar of events planned for 2013.

Homecoming weekend was once again an alumni favorite, and guests this year were blessed with great weather and a Tigers victory. In Snyder Hall

prior to the game, the Alumni Awards Ceremony honored Major General **Gordon C. Nash '71** with The Alumni Citation, The Hampden-Sydney Club of Richmond with The Waters Cup, and The Class of 2010 with The Brinkley Challenge 'Raising Cane' Award. On behalf of the Alumni Association, congratulations to all who received awards this year!

Class reunions were another highlight of the Homecoming weekend and it was a pleasure to welcome so many alumni back to campus. Please note that 2012 marked the final year that class reunions will be held during Homecoming weekend. For more information on our new reunion plan, please see page 14.

In addition to all of the Homecoming and reunion activities on campus, October

featured several other outstanding events. **Charlie Payne '88** sponsored a reception for Fredericksburg alumni, parents, and friends at The Courtyard by Marriott. After President Howard's welcoming remarks, Dr. **Saranna Thornton** along with seniors **Ryan Carter '13** and **Steven Thacker '13** spoke about Hampden-Sydney's 'Learning by Giving' class. Made possible by Doris Buffett, who was also in attendance at the event, the class teaches students the value of philanthropy through direct service work in local agencies. Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of The Morton Award to **Waldo H. Beck '44**.

Also in October, the Charlottesville Club gathered at Positively 4th St. on the Downtown Mall for a Happy Hour, and got a special surprise as Dr. **James Pontuso** happened to stop by for dinner. Another surprise arrived just 24 hours after the event, with the arrival of Club President Dr. **Nolan Wages '04** second son. Congratulations Nolan! In Lynchburg, The Club's fall luncheons featured Dr. **Lee King '94** leading an interactive discussion of the College's new marketing strategy followed in November with a special session featuring Dr. **Ronald Heinemann**.

The Richmond Club offered a strong slate of speak-



Alumni gathered at Charlotte's Triple C Brewery, owned by Chris Harker '01, to watch the Macon Game.



Ryan Carter '13, Dr. Saranna Thornton, Steven Thacker '13, and Director of Civic Engagement Karin Gollin at the Fredericksburg event with Doris Buffett (second from left).



President Howard presented the Morton Award to Waldo Beck '44 (center) at the Fredericksburg event sponsored by Charlie Payne '88 (right).

ers for its fall luncheon series. President Howard kicked off the series in September and **John Macfarlane '76** served as the speaker for October. Coaches **Marty Favret**, **Jeff Kinne**, **Josh Laux**, and **Ray Rostan** provided a recap of the fall sports seasons at November's luncheon. Alumni in Richmond also continue to gather on the second Wednesday of each month for monthly happy hours. The 2013 lunch series will kick off on January 22 at the Commonwealth Club with remarks from Hampden-

Sydney Board of Trustees Chairman **Thomas Allen '60**.

The Washington D.C. Club also continued their monthly lunch meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at Famous Luigi's. The Club held its annual event with students, faculty, and staff from the Wilson Center at The St. Regis on November 15. After a full day on Capitol Hill, a group of 40 Hampden-Sydney students were welcomed to the evening event by area alumni. In addition to networking with each other, students and

alumni enjoyed a panel discussion moderated by President Howard. Featuring Dr. Carol Adelman, Senior Fellow & Director, Center for Global Prosperity at the Hudson Institute, Mr. Peter Kellner founder and managing partner at Richmond Global/co-founder and director of Endeavor Global, and Mr. **Charlie Payne '88**, Partner, Hirschler Fleischer Law firm, the panel discussed the changing role of giving in the making of public policy.

Wrapping up a great year of alumni activities, The Roanoke Club held its Holiday Party at The Ritz Room at Billy's, and The Baltimore Club welcomed guests to the Maryland Club for some holiday cheer as well. 2013 is already shaping up to be an exciting year and we hope you will contact us if you would like to plan an event in your area! Please visit <http://alumni.hsc.edu> for a list of upcoming events.



The Circle event was a great chance for old friends to relive good times and swap stories.

A successful second Circle celebration

On Friday, November 9, alumni, parents, and friends gathered for the second annual *Circle* event. This year's event attendance surpassed last year's inaugural event. In fact, ticket sales had to be cut off in the week prior to the event, so get your 2013 tickets early! After President Howard and Michael Palmore '97, the Richmond Club president, welcomed guests to the event, Doug Clark and The Hot Nuts began playing familiar favorites that span generations of Hampden-Sydney men.

Between sets, guests participated in a live auction with fantastic items, including front row seats to any Los Angeles Dodgers baseball game, a golf trip to Ireland, wine tasting in Napa, and vacation packages to Jackson Hole, Costa Rica, and Corolla. For the sportsmen in the group there were hunting and fishing trips, even a "Sunday Funday" package, whose winner will enjoy an afternoon shooting skeet

with cigars on a plantation near Richmond followed by a bourbon tasting, and steak dinner—with limousine transportation for 8 to and from the outing.

As the band rocked through the second set and into the night, members of The Circle Committee, **Matt Anderson '04, Jason Angus '97, Deane Cheatham '88, Berkeley Edmunds '95, Bill Flowers '71, Charlie Guthridge '68, John Hopper '89, Whitey Lipscomb '66, Michael**

Palmore '97, Will Shumadine '94, Stephen Spraker '97, Tom Walker '77, and John Wyatt '92 celebrated another successful event.

Proceeds from the event go to The Circle Internship Fund, The Circle Endowed Scholarship, and a 'Welcome to The Circle' event for freshmen. Save the date now for next year's event: Friday, November 15, 2013. Register early! *The Circle* 2013 is already shaping up to be another sell out.



Kevin Harris '77 and his son Ben Harris '09 (Lambda Chi brothers) enjoyed the Circle event.

H-SC Rockfish tournament

The 2012 H-SC vs. R-MC Rockfish showdown began on November 30 in Virginia Beach at the captains' party with crews gathering to register their boats, pick up their tournament items, and reunite with old friends. Participants spent the evening reminiscing and planning for the great day to come. As tournament director **Daniel LeGrande '02** said Friday evening, "We have been blessed with light winds, warm temperatures, and excellent fishing. Combine that with great friends and a college rivalry and we're in for an outstanding event!"

Crews awoke to slick waters and mild temperatures. It wasn't long before large rockfish began hitting the decks, and pictures started making their way through the tournament fleet by text. Around 2 pm, the boats began racing back to weigh the fish before an anxious crowd at The Back Deck Bar on Lynhaven Inlet. As one might imagine, the dock was quickly filled with stories of how the big one was landed or, naturally, the one that got away. On the day, more than 800 lbs of fish were caught.

As the fishermen retired to clean themselves, the tournament crew cleaned the day's catch that would serve as the main course for the awards ceremony. Country music singer/songwriter **Drew Kennedy '02** came in from Austin, Texas, to add an H-SC stamp on the event.



A day on the water proved a good time for many Hampden-Sydney and Randolph-Macon alumni, including Team Gates (above). In addition to catching a lot of fish, the Rockfish Tournament raised thousands of dollars for each school.

Hampden-Sydney won the 2012 title boasting a clean sweep of all places. Including the Calcutta, teams were awarded more than \$4,000 in prizes. The event raised \$2,000 for each school and more than \$1,000 for the Southeastern Virginia Foodbank, which will provide 3,125 meals over the holidays.

A special "Thank you" goes out to the Tournament Committee: Chairman **Daniel LeGrande '02**; Co-Chairs **Jonathan Dehart '03** and **Brian Steadman (R-MC)**; Sponsorship Director **Garrett Holden '02**; and **Katie LeGrande** and **Kate Mcknew** in charge of registration and operations. This event, which is held on the first weekend in December, is open to everyone, and there are boats available for charter. You can find the event on Facebook, or by

contacting Daniel LeGrande at hscrmcrockfish@gmail.com. Next year's tournament will be on December 7, so mark your calendar now.

Winners:

- **1st. Place (66.0 lbs)** – Team Just Right (**Ben Winters '02**, **Jay Golden '02**, **Hayes Ludlum '02**, **Neil Gillis '99**)
- **2nd. Place (61.4 lbs)** – Team Wet Paint (**Wayne Enroughty '83**, **Hank Sibley '88**)
- **3rd. Place (60.2 lbs)** – Team LeGrande Slam (**Daniel LeGrande '02**, **Keith LeGrande '06**, **Connor Mathis '06**, **Joe Farmer '08**, **Andy Mahoney '02**)

Class Notes

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Send items for Class Notes to classnotes@hsc.edu.
For searchable alumni news, posted as it arrives, visit
www.hsc.edu/Constituents/Alumni.html

1960

THOMAS H. JONES has been inducted into Washington & Lee University's Athletics Hall of Fame. He was the University's head athletics



trainer for 33 years, from 1970 until his retirement in 2003. He has been very active in the Virginia Athletic Trainers Association and received the National Athletic Trainers Association's 25-Year Membership Certificate, the Service Award, and the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award.



*Somme American Cemetery, Bony, France.
Photograph by Brian Grogan © 2010*

1962

DAVID E. "DEE" LAIRD, JR., has been elected to a second term as chairman of the Seventh Judicial District Community Corrections Board and has been appointed to the Seventh Judicial District Drug Offender Treatment Board. He lives in Montrose, Colorado.

Dr. DONALD B. NOLAN



received the Lifetime Achievement Award for 2012 from the Roanoke Valley Academy of

Medicine. Dr. Nolan is a retired neurologist with a medical degree from the University of Virginia. He lives in Roanoke.

1963

NORWOOD H. DAVIS, JR., and his wife Marguerite Davis, both former trustees of Hampden-Sydney College, have joined the Foundation Council of the Focused Ultrasound Foundation.

1964

Dr. CHARLES F. SYDNOR is a member of the Board of Directors of Company Shops Market, a co-op grocery store in Burlington, North Carolina, that sells

local products. Dr. Sydnor is an ophthalmologist who has been cattle farming since 1975. In the late 1990s, he switched his herd to exclusively grass-fed cattle and began working with neighboring farms to promote local products. The Market, which opened in May 2011, is the latest move by Sydnor and his colleagues to feed both the local economy and the local residents.

1965

W. BIRCH DOUGLAS III has been reappointed to the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond.

1967

Dr. C. BRUCE ALEXANDER



was elected president of the Alpha Omega Alpha National Honor Society at the 2012 Annual

Meeting of the AOA Board of Directors on October 6, 2012. He was first elected to AOA as a student in 1970 at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He has been a member of the Board of Directors since 2002. In September 2012, Dr. Alexander delivered the annual Stanley L. Robbins,

M.D. Lecture at The Brigham and Woman's Hospital at Harvard University Medical Center. Dr. Alexander is a pathologist with the University of Alabama-Birmingham Health System.

1969

MICHAEL J. KRUPIN has launched Krupin Partners LLC, an insurance advisory firm with offices in California, New York, and Virginia.

1971

I. BENJAMIN WATSON III has been elected chairman of the Board of Directors of The Grand Foundation, which provides philanthropic support to non-profit organizations in Grand County, Colorado. Mr. Watson has been an executive vice president of Sprint Corporation and PeopleSoft Corporation, a Chairman of the Board of the Kansas City Area Full Employment Council, and a trustee of the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He lives with his wife Kathryn on their ranch outside of Winter Park, Colorado.

1973

BRIAN GROGAN has been commissioned by the National Park Service and the American Battle Monuments Commission to

produce historical documentation photographs of eight World War I American military cemeteries in Europe for inclusion in the Historic American Buildings Survey and Historic American Landscapes Survey archives at the Library of Congress. Working in a collaborative effort with historians and architects, the results of the documentation will be prepared for publication and exhibition in commemoration of the centennial anniversary of the Great War.

GERALD MONTAIGNE

III has retired after 29 years with Morrisette Paper Company, Inc. He lives in Reidsville, North Carolina.

1975

KENNETH E. POWELL is a senior vice president and wealth advisor for US Trust in Richmond and has recently joined the Boards of The Richmond Symphony and the University of Richmond Law School Alumni Association.



Ken Powell '75 gets a dry towel from his wife Cicely at the finish of the Alcatraz Sharkfest Swim in San Francisco this summer.

1977

Dr. **LAWRENCE K. HILL** is listed in *Best Doctors in America* for 2011-2012; he has received this honor for more than 20 years. Dr. Hill is a urologist

in private practice and has joined the Department of Surgery, Division of Urology at the South Carolina School of Medicine-Greenville.



Mark Gormus / Times Dispatch

Patrick B. Kane '87 is the head football coach at Hermitage High School in Richmond. Kane's team was in the spotlight this year when they played Fork Union Military Academy in a nationally televised game on ESPN. Hermitage made the most of the exposure, beating Fork Union 38-0.

1980

HERBERT H. BATEMAN, JR.,



was elected vice mayor of Newport News. The term, voted on by the City Council, continues until

June 30, 2014. Mr. Bateman is senior vice president and commercial banker with TowneBank.

1982

MICHAEL R. CHEVALIER has returned to independent consulting in market research. He has also extended his engagement with Bellevue University in Omaha, Nebraska, as an adjunct lecturer for the online undergraduate and graduate business programs. He was most recently the manager of occupational and industrial research for the North Carolina Employment Security Division.

JONATHAN L. KYLE has been promoted to the position of director of plastic fixtures operations, Kitchen & Bath Americas

for Kohler Company. His responsibilities include the Huntsville, Alabama, Brownwood, Texas, and Spartanburg, South Carolina, plastics operations and manufacturing engineering facilities. He lives in Madison, Alabama.

1986

J. CHARLES COLLIE is a senior brand strategist at The Firestarter Group in Richmond.

JOHN R. FRAZIER, JR.'s new book, *Protecting Your Family's Assets in Florida: How to Legally Use Medicaid to Pay for Nursing Home and Assisted Living Care (Second Edition)*, is the silver medal winner in both the Florida Adult Nonfiction and eBook categories of the 2012 Florida Publishers Association, Inc. Mr. Frazier is an attorney in Largo, Florida.

MAURICE A. JONES was the recipient of the 2012 Medical Diplomat Award given by Physicians for Peace. He is the deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. In May, Mr. Jones was the commencement speaker at Virginia Wesleyan College.

1987

JOHN CURRENCE is an executive producer of the film *The Man Who Ate New Orleans*, a documentary about a Presbyterian minister who moved to New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina and decided to eat a meal at each of the city's more than 700 restaurants.

PATRICK B. KANE is the head football coach at Hermitage High School in Richmond. Kane's team was in the spotlight this year when they played Fork Union Military Academy in a nationally televised game on ESPNU. Hermitage made the most of the exposure, beating Fork Union 38-0.

1988

CHRISTOPHER W. HUGHES has been promoted to colonel by the U.S. Marine Corps. He is deputy director of U.S. Marine Corps Public Affairs.

1989

RALPH W. BAKER, JR., has written the book *Shock Exchange: How Inner-City Kids From Brooklyn Predicted The Great Recession And The Pain Ahead*. Mr.

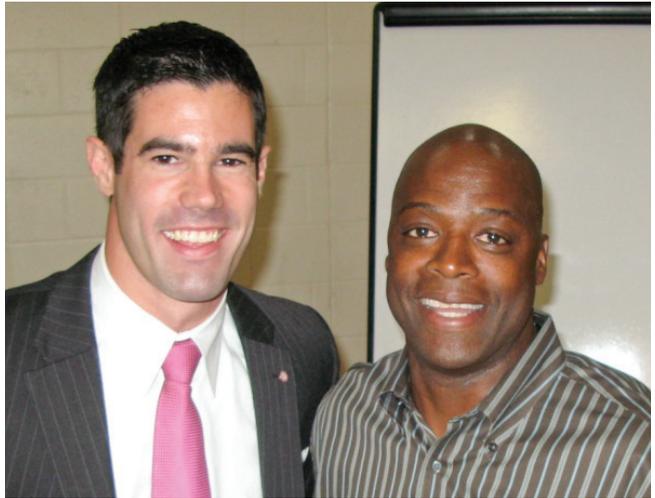
Baker is the executive director of New York Shock Exchange, a youth basketball team that teaches players the fundamentals of finance. He also works in mergers and acquisitions and lives in Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES W. RAPIER has joined The NOLA Media Group's high school sports coverage team. A native New Orleanian, he has worked at *The Times-Picayune* since 1995.

STEVEN M. RIDDLE has moved to London, England, from Moscow, Russia. He works for Ernst & Young's Tax division leading business development across Europe, the Middle East, India, and Africa.

1991

Dr. **GARY H. DARDEN** is an associate professor of history at Fairleigh Dickinson University.



Christopher Lindsay '06, president of the New Kent Educational Foundation, recently partnered with Hall of Fame Washington Redskin Darrell Green (right) to institute a wellness program for the teachers and staff of New Kent County Public Schools.

During the fall semester of 2012, he is a Faculty in Residence at Wroxton College, Fairleigh's United Kingdom campus in Oxfordshire, England.

JAMES S. "CHARLIE"



LIVERMON III has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America 2013*. He is a lawyer with Poyner & Spruill LLP in

Rocky Mount, North Carolina, focusing on bankruptcy, commercial and retail collections, foreclosures, and claim and delivery.

1993

WILLIAM P. M. "SCOTT" SCHWIND has taken a position as partner at the Houston office of the law firm Jones Day. He focuses on international energy and natural resources issues.



W. MORGAN WATSON has been named managing director at National Financial Legacy Group, an insurance and investment firm based in Hunt Valley, Maryland.

1995

IAN McDADE has been named to the Board of Trustees at North Cross School in Roanoke. He is a senior vice president at Merrill Lynch and a graduate of North Cross.

MATTHEW D. MICHAEL was named as division counsel to three divisions of the 3M Company. He serves as counsel to the Defense Markets Division, Security Services Division, and Building & Commercial Services Division.

Dr. **DANIEL CROSS TURNER**, a professor at Coastal Carolina University, has written a book on Southern poetry, *Southern Crossings: Poetry, Memory, and the Transcultural South*, published by the University of Tennessee Press in 2012.

ANTHONY C. "TONY" WININGER has been named vice president and commercial lender for John Marshall Bank in Leesburg.

1997

JASON S. ANGUS has been named to the Maymont Foundation for 2012-2013. He is the chief marketing officer for The Hill Group.

BRADFORD T. BROWN is an associate broker and director of development at Robert Brown & Associates, Inc., in Newport News. (See *Advanced Studies*.)

1998

Dr. RANDY A. JONES, the assistant director of the University of Virginia's Center for Nursing Research and a registered nurse at the school's Medical Center, has been named a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. Dr. Jones earned his Ph.D. in nursing from UVA. He is a Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Faculty Scholar, a National Black Nurses Association Institute of Excellence Scholar, and the recipient of several research awards from the National Institutes of Health and the American Cancer Society.

1999

JAMES ASHBY IV is vice



president and commercial real estate broker at Cushman & Wakefield/Thalhimer in Henrico. He

was featured in the *Richmond Times-Dispatch's* "Getting to Know" column.

BRAXTON G. NAFF has been re-appointed as a commissioner on the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, which serves the 5th Planning District of Virginia.

MICHAEL L. REIDY, owner of West Group, was listed among the "40 Under 40" by *SD Metro* magazine. He is the owner of San Diego's popular nightclub Bar West, the music venue The Griffin, and Gaijin Noodle & Sake House. Mr. Reidy is also active in Operation Smile and has gone on multiple international missions to Peru and Vietnam.

2000

Dr. BRAD D. WASHINGTON is an assistant professor in the University of San Francisco's School of Education. In addition to teaching in the International Education Department at USF, he will also fulfill the role of the online program coordinator for a new Master's of Arts in Teaching English as a Second Language degree to begin in Spring 2013.

2001

CURTIS D. COLGATE, a member of the Board of the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, was a delegate at the 2012 Republican National Convention in Tampa, Florida.

2002

D. CRAIG BROWN is the dockmaster and on-site property manager of Whitehouse Cove Marina in Poquoson. He was featured in an article in *The Daily Press* of Newport News.

J. ANDREW MULLEK II has written the book *He Used a Stone*, which uses the Biblical story of David to strengthen readers' relationship with God. Mr. Mullek lives in South Africa.

2003

WILLIAM S. KOEHLER, an attorney with Rogers Townsend & Thomas PC in Columbia, South Carolina, has been selected for the Leadership Columbia Class of 2013. The 10-month program is sponsored by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce for existing and emerging community leaders. Mr. Koehler concentrates his law practice in the areas of real estate and mortgage foreclosures.

ROBERT C. LUTHER III has been appointed adjunct professor of law at William & Mary Law School.

MICHAEL W. SERVER has been promoted to major in the U.S. Army. After serving two tours in Iraq as a Black Hawk helicopter pilot, he is assigned to Fort Irwin, California. Soon, he will be attending the Naval War College in Rhode Island.

2004

NATE D'APORE, president and CEO of PeopleMatter, has been named to the Charleston [South Carolina] Digital Corridor Foundation, a non-profit creative initiative to attract, nurture, and promote Charleston's knowledge economy.

CONRAD M. SINGH works at Gonzaga College High School as a gift officer, new media coordinator, and assistant football coach.

2005

WILLIAM A. ALBRIGHT is the vice president of corporate development for Integrated Electrical Services, Inc., a national provider of electrical and communications systems and services. He lives in New York City.

2006

CHRISTOPHER LINDSAY, president of the New Kent Educational Foundation, recently partnered with Hall of Fame Washington Redskins Darrell Green to institute a wellness program for the teachers and staff of New Kent County Public Schools designed to promote a healthier, more active lifestyle, eventually leading to lower healthcare premiums for the county employees.

2007

RALEIGH H. COOPER is the director of business growth for the CJW Medical Center in Richmond.

The Rev. BRANDON SCOTT MCGUIRE was ordained at Ginter Park Baptist Church on September 16, 2012.

2008

Dr. MICHAEL L. ANTOLINI



is a family practice resident at AccessHealth Teaching Health Center of Beckley in West Virginia.

He is a graduate of the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine.

GARRETT D. TREGO is an associate in the commercial litigation group at Drinker Biddle & Reath in Philadelphia. (*See Advanced Studies.*)

2009

SPENCER R. MOBLEY has



joined the law firm of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP in Birmingham, Alabama. As a first-year

associate, he will serve as a member of the litigation practice

group. Mr. Mobley previously was a summer associate at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings and served as a clerk for the Honorable J. Scott Vowell, presiding judge of the 10th Judicial Circuit.

2010

JAMES HOFFMAN is a registered lobbyist with Davis Consultants, Inc., in Richmond. (See *Advanced Studies*.)

C. BLAKE N. SALMON is a



mortgage consultant with New American Mortgage in Virginia Beach.

2012

CHRISTOPHER H. GRIGGS is a member of the editorial staff of the *South Hill Enterprise*.

Trustee

JOHN HILLEN, president and CEO of Sotera Defense Solutions, has been elected chairman of the Professional Services Council, the national trade association of professional and technical services contractors serving the federal government. His term runs through October 2013.

Advanced Studies

1997

BRADFORD T. BROWN earned his MBA in 2012 from the College of William & Mary Mason School of Business.

2008

WILLIAM P. GUTSHALL graduated from Cornell University with a master of regional planning degree in economic development and a graduate minor in real estate.

GARRETT D. TREGO graduated from William & Mary Law School in May 2012 and has been admitted to the Pennsylvania bar.

2010

JAMES HOFFMAN has completed the inaugural Emerging Leaders

Program at The Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at The University of Virginia, a one-month leadership development program for young residents of Virginia who have worked in state government and are interested in becoming more active in public service and public policy.

2012

S. BARRON FRAZIER was awarded the Dorothy M. Middleton Scholarship at Eastern Virginia Medical School. This scholarship is given to one member of each entering class to provide full tuition for four years.

Weddings

1963

HAROLD P. SETTLE and **VIRNA ANDRES** were married on April 21, 2012, at his home in Cropwell, Alabama. His eight granddaughters were flower girls and his grandson was the ring bearer.



Harold Settle '63 married Virna Andres on April 21, 2012.

1989

JAKE RASOR III and **ELIZABETH REID GARRISON** were married on September 22, 2012. The bride is a graduate of Clemson University and is the owner of Ever-Green Recycling in Greenville, South Carolina. The groom has a graduate degree from the University of South Carolina and is the owner of Whiteford's Inc., in Greenwood, South Carolina. They live in Greenwood.



At the wedding of Thomas Burk '06 and Briana Mills on April 21, 2012.

1998

CECIL SMYTH and **DEEDEE CADA** were married on April 28, 2012, in Chicago, Illinois. In attendance were Terrell Wilson '98, Derek Elder '98, Andrew Legge '98, Tad Hewit '98, Brent Duncan '98, Travers Edwards III '97, Harrison Hitt '00, and Matt Baird '98. They live in Chicago.

1999

MATTHEW S. GARRISON and **LINDSAY THOMPSON HEIDRICK** were married on April 9, 2011, in Chicago. Groomsmen included John J. Toner V '00, W. Christian Mellon '02, William G. M. Tornabene '99, J. Bradley Grafton '99, Thomas R. Waskom '99, and Gregory A. Thomas '99. Also in attendance were Timothy B. Hampton '75, Andrew B. Hampton '99, Paul V. Lozito '99, Baxter F. "Trip" Phillips III '97, Michael S. York '98, J. Campbell Palmer '98, Conner B. Framptom '01, Servais "Ev" Neil '98, G. Cory Chastang '99, Daniel E. Hunter '99, and Anthony J. Hix '98. The bride is a graduate of the University of Kansas and National Louis University; she is a school psychologist. The groom is a consultant with The Gordian Group, Inc. They live in Chicago.

2000

IAN E. SCHEU and **CINDY FOSTER** were married on July 1, 2012, in Prospect. They were married by Fr. James DeViese '02. They live in Richmond.

2004

MARSHALL FANT CAMAK and **SARAH BETH LARUE** were married on July 21, 2012, in Winter Haven, Florida. In attendance was **John-Michael Fleming '04**. The bride is a graduate of Auburn University. They live in Greenville, South Carolina.

JOSEPH GRAMLING PRAYTOR and **ASHLEY NICOLE ENGLISH** were married on May 26, 2012, at Belin United Methodist Church in Murrells Inlet, South Carolina. The bride is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and is a surgical device specialist with Corvidian. The groom earned a doctor of medicine degree from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine and is a third-year pediatric resident with the Greenville Hospital System. They live in Greenville, South Carolina.



At the wedding of Cecil Smyth '98 and Deedee Cada on April 28, 2012.



At the wedding of Ian Scheu '00 and Cindy Foster on July 1, 2012.

2006

THOMAS A. BURK and **BRIANA D. MILLS** were married on April 21, 2012, in Purcellville. In attendance were **Luke Brinkley '06**, **David Toney '08**, **Ben Agee '05**, and **Bryan Mangas '06**. The bride is a graduate of James Madison University and is a business analyst at Four, Inc. The groom is a geospatial analyst with Geoeye. They live in Leesburg.



At the wedding of Matthew Garrison '99 and Lindsay Heidrick on April 9, 2011.

2007

WILLIAM G. KAMMERER III and **SARAH WHITLEY SHOEMAKE** were married on June 23, 2012, at The Woodlands United Methodist Church in The Woodlands, Texas. In attendance were **Andrew S. Brendle '07**, **Alex C. Crouch '07**, **J. Gardner Meek III '07**, **Robert W. Bedinger III '07**, and **C. Clifford Edahl, Jr. '07**. The bride is a graduate of Sweet Briar College and works as a financial consultant with BBVA Compass Bank. The groom is a bank officer with PNC Bank, NA.



At the wedding of James Gresham II '08 and Julia Church on November 26, 2011.

2008

JAMES L. GRESHAM II and **JULIA ANN CHURCH** were married on November 26, 2011.



At the wedding of Brett M. Wilson '09 and Nicole McKee on June 2, 2012.



At the wedding of James Barnes '10 and Reagan Kerr on August 4, 2012.



At the wedding of Troiani S. Meyers '10 and Mariana Ochoa on July 17, 2012.

In attendance were Benjamin J. Barnhill '08, Hunter L. Rooker '06, M. Watson Mulkey '08, John M. Boswell, Jr. '08, Patrick A. Rowe '09, Jacob L. Newton '10, R. Wesley Julian '08, John M. "Jack" Boswell '65, Dean David A. Klein '78, and Religion professor J. Michael Utzinger. The bride is a graduate of Virginia Tech and works as a CPA with Dixon Hughes Goodman, LLP, in Raleigh, North Carolina. They live in Clayton, North Carolina.

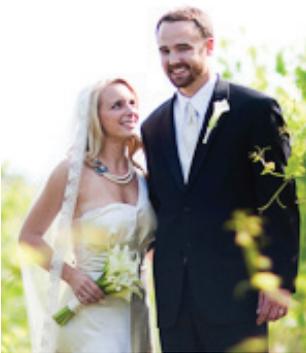
TODD ANTHONY HARRELL and **LAURAN ASHLEIGH HUFFMAN** were married on June 11, 2011, in Suffolk. In attendance were John Tuttle '07, Kevin Hill '08, Matthew Venezuela '08, David Toney '08, Daniel Prieto '08, Robert Crickenberger '08, and Benton Crickenberger '09. The bride is a graduate of Old Dominion University and a post-closing executive for Southern Trust Mortgage. The groom is a sales and distribution representative for Hoffman Beverage Company. They live in Portsmouth.

2009

ALEXANDER PRESTON BRENGLE and **CHELSEA GRACE CLAISER** were married on July 21, 2012, in West Chester, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Matthew Carrington '10, Christopher McMeekin '09, Andrew Kochan '10, Jamin Riley '11, and James Fattorini '11. The bride is a graduate of (SUNY) Fredonia State University. She is an actress and works for the University of Dela-



At the wedding of Todd Harrell '08 and Lauran Huffman on June 11, 2011.



Travis Wertz '09 married Jessica Moore on June 16, 2012.

ware's Center for Disability Studies. The groom is an analyst at Harvest Fund Advisors, LLC. They live in Wilmington, Delaware.

TRAVIS WERTZ and JESSICA MOORE were married on June 16, 2012, in Mount Airy, Maryland. Gevorg Stepanyan '09 was a groomsman. Also in attendance were Hakob Stepanyan '08, Landon Portner '09, Clifford Hagy '09, and Andrew Busan '10. The bride is a graduate of James Madison University and has a master's degree from the University of Maryland. They live in Burtonsville, Maryland.

BRETT MICHAEL WILSON and NICOLE MCKEE were married on June 2, 2012, in Charleston, South Carolina. In attendance were Josh Simpson '09, J. O. Hall Toledano III '09, Andrew Sellers '10, Corey Sedlar '10, Kevin Morrison '09, and Luke Swiney '09. The bride is a graduate of North Carolina State University; she works as an office manager at Advanced Covert Technology. The groom is a financial advisor at Merrill Lynch. They live in Grovetown, Georgia.

2010

Lt. JAMES GRANT BARNES and REAGAN MARLENE KERR were married on August 4, 2012, at Grace Episcopal Church in Keswick. In attendance were Joseph Hackney '10, Bryce Pike '10, Richard Snell '71, Lt. Thomas Price '10, Peyton Lambert '11, Brendan Hanley '09, Ryan Ash '07, Jon Kastenbaum '10, Luke Wilson '10, William Moss '10, Joshua Bascom '10, and Scott Shepherd '12. The bride is a graduate of Washington & Lee University. She is chief event planner for Kristin Stewart Designs in Charleston, South Carolina. The groom is an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps.

TROIANI SCOTT MEYERS and MARIANA MOSQUERA OCHOA were married on May 14, 2011, at the Tides Inn in Irvington. Groomsmen included Brian Thompson '09 and Aaron Williams '09. The bride holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Longwood University. They live in Reston.



At the wedding of Alexander Brengle '09 and Chelsea Grace Claiser on July 21, 2012.

Births

1992

To **CHARLES B. ATWILL II** and **AMELIA ATWILL**, a son, Charles Bailey Atwill III, on April 14, 2012. He joins his sister Pierce at their home in Richmond.

1994

To **JOHN** and **LINDSEY STONE**, a daughter, Alexandra Walker Stone, on August 9, 2012. They live in Chesterfield. Lexi was delivered by Dr. B. Boyden Clary III '94.



1996

To **DAVID** and **JILL CAMP**, a son, Owen David Camp, on February 4, 2012. They live in Farmville.

2000

To **MICHAEL** and **MISHAYLA SCHMIDT**, a son, Thierry Tomo Schmidt, on August 29, 2012. They live in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

2001

To **MICHAEL** and **CHRISTINE GREGORY**, a daughter, Ollie Makayla Gregory, on October 22, 2012. The grandfather is **Tom Gregory**, Physical Plant Director at Hampden-Sydney.

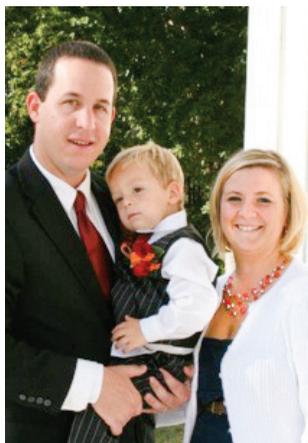
2003

To **PHILLIP** and **MARY DICK**, a son, Wilson Banks Dick, on April 30, 2012. They live in Salem.



2005

To **BEN** and **SHANNA AGEE**, a son, Garrison Daniel Agee, on April 16, 2010. They live in Farmville.



2006

To **F. MILLER RUFF III** and **JESSICA RUFF**, a daughter, Juliana Malay Ruff, on May 11, 2012.



2008

To **JOSHUA** and **BRITTANY MICHAEL**, a son, Carter Ellington Michael, on June 16, 2012. They live in Stephens City.

To **JONATHAN** and **CAROLINE HUNOLT**, a son, Lucas Benjamin Hunolt, on May 28, 2012. They live in McLean.



2009

To **JAMES E. BARTON, JR.**, and **NATALIE BARTON**, a daughter, Eleanor McLean Barton, on September 13, 2012. They live in Shanghai, China.



Faculty

To **STEELE NOWLIN** and **VERNA KALE**, a son, Julian Steele Nowlin, on August 14, 2012. Dr. Kale is a visiting assistant professor of rhetoric. Dr. Nowlin is an assistant professor of English. Julian joins their daughter Betty.

To **DAVID SALVAGE** and **GABRIELLA GRUDER-PONI**, a son, Lawrence "Lorenzo" Jacob Salvage, on September 23, 2012. Dr. Salvage is an assistant professor of fine arts.

Deaths

1935

JOHN I. ARMSTRONG of Fairfax died on August 26, 2012. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of World War II and had a long and successful career with the World Health Organization. He joined the WHO shortly after the end of the war and moved with his wife to Geneva, Switzerland, where they raised their children.

1944

BENJAMIN IRVING JOHNS of Charlottesville died on October 5, 2012. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and earned a master's degree from the University of Virginia. He taught for 39 years, first at St. Stephen's School in Alexandria, then at Episcopal High School from 1958 until his retirement in 1989. He coached football, basketball, and tennis. The IAC honored Mr. Johns by naming the league tennis tournament the Ben Johns Invitational.

1946

Dr. **WILLIAM SAUNDERS**



COXE of St. Louis, Missouri, died on August 2, 2012. He was a graduate of Johns Hopkins School of

Medicine and a veteran of the U.S. Army. For decades he practiced pediatric neurosurgery. Dr. Coxé was awarded the Distinguished Service Award from Washington University in 2002.

Rev. **ROCKWELL MAC-**



DONALD SMITH of Black Mountain, North Carolina, died on October 19, 2012. He was

an Army veteran of the Korean Conflict and a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary. As a Presbyterian minister, he served churches in Saltville, Virginia; Lakeland, Florida; Norton, Virginia; Swainsboro, Georgia; and Tazwell, Virginia.

1947

HENRY HAMNER GAY of Lynchburg died on September 22, 2012. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia. He was president of his father's company, S.R. Gay Co. Inc., and later formed his own company, H. Hamner Gay and Co. Inc. In 2008, he received the Architectural Medal for the Blue Ridge Chapter of Architects for his lifetime contribution to the industry. He also served on the Lynchburg City Council (1966-1974) and as Lynchburg's mayor (1971-74).

1948

HUBERT SHANDS TAYLOR,



JR., of Richmond died on July 26, 2012. He was retired from Davenport & Company LLC after 43 years.

Mr. Taylor was active in many local organizations and an avid golfer; he was a six-time winner of the Country Club of Virginia Seniors Club Championship, a record that still stands. He is the father of the late **H. Shands Taylor III '82**.

WILLIAM F. WATKINS, JR.,



of Farmville died on August 15, 2012. He earned his law degree from the University of Virginia and practiced law in

Farmville for 50 years. He was the town's mayor during the 1960s, served as the town attorney, and had been the commonwealth's attorney for more than 28 years. Mr. Watkins was a member of the Board of Directors and President of Southside Community Hospital for 36 years.

1951

BOBBY LEE CASTEEN of Charlottesville died on September 5, 2012. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne Division. He worked for 40 years for the Southland Life Insurance Company, retiring in 1989 as vice president of the eastern region.

Dr. **JOHN HENRY MOLING III** of Bowie, Maryland, died on September 14, 2012. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict and attended Hampden-Sydney College, University of Richmond, and the University of Virginia Medical School. He was a pediatrician from 1964 until his retirement in 1996.

1952

RALPH W. BIDDLECOMB of



Millersville, Maryland, died on July 30, 2012. He earned a master's degree from Johns Hopkins

University and served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as an electrical engineer for the Martin Marietta

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Company before joining Westinghouse Defense, from which he retired in 1990. During his retirement he enjoyed traveling the world.

DAVID NATHAN MARTIN



of Richmond died on October 2, 2012. In 1965, he co-founded Martin & Woltz and in 1975 renamed it

The Martin Agency, serving as CEO until 1987. The agency became one of the largest in the nation and produced several award-winning campaigns, such as "Virginia is for Lovers." His career continued with Hawley Martin Partners, Fahlgren Martin, and Martin Branding. He was inducted into the Virginia Communications Hall of Fame and the Richmond Business Hall of Fame and authored two books on marketing. He helped establish VCU's Brand Center and the Miami Ad School. He was a prolific painter and golfer. His own portrait by **Louis Briel '66** was added to the National Portrait Gallery collection at the Smithsonian in Washington. He is the brother of **Stephen Hawley Martin '67**.

1954

Dr. FREDERICK C. DAVIS, JR.,



of Newport News died on August 20, 2012. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia Medical School

and a member of the Virginia

Chapter of the American Medical Association. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army before settling in Newport News, where he practiced pathology at Riverside Hospital for 38 years.

Dr. GEORGE MACHIR



WILLIAMS of Cumberland, Maryland, died on July 27, 2012. He earned his master's degree and Ph.D. in

physics from West Virginia University and was a member of Sigma Pi Sigma and Sigma Xi honor societies. He was a Navy veteran and retired from the U.S. Naval Reserve in 1977 with the rank of lieutenant commander. He was a retired physicist with Hercules, Inc.

1959

CLARENCE BRODIE HYDE

II of Fort Worth, Texas, died on October 5, 2012. He earned his bachelor's degree from Texas Wesleyan University and his MBA from the University of Texas, Austin. He was vice president of Fort Worth National Bank before joining his family's independent oil and gas company, where he served as CEO until his death.

1960

Rev. **JAMES H. GRANT, JR.,** of Tazewell died on September 16, 2012. He earned his doctorate of ministry from McCormick Seminary and was a retired Presbyterian minister. He served on many boards

in his community, as well as on the Ethics Committee for the Tazewell Hospital. In 2005, he received the Member of the Year award from the Tazewell Area Chamber of Commerce.

DOUGLAS H. STINE-

SPRING, SR., of Lynchburg died on May 7, 2012. He earned a master's degree from Lynchburg College and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was retired from the Campbell County school system where he served as a teacher and coach at Brookville High School, an assistant principal at Rustburg High School, and the principal of William Campbell High School. He is the father of **Thomas Stinespring '02**.

2010

RAYMOND MERCER "BUCK"



PAUL III died on May 20, 2012. He attended St. Christopher's School and Hall Grove School (Surrey,

England) before earning a bachelor's degree from Hampden-Sydney College. He was very active in the theatre department of St. Christopher's and St. Catherine's, as well as at Hampden-Sydney. He was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. He was a lifelong member of St. James's Episcopal Church. He was first employed by the law firm of Brown Greer, PLC in Richmond and later joined Enterprise Holdings. He is the son of **Ray M. Paul, Jr. '79**.