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THE MARYVILLE COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR
SPRING TOUR 2005

Building HOPE Through HARMONY

CONDUCTOR: STACEY WILNER



CHOIR TOUR 2005 took student vocalists and musicians to Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New York and Virginia, where they performed in six different churches and the PC(USA)'s Stony Point Center in Stony Point, N.Y. The tour, held March 10-17, also included sight-seeing in New York City.

Offering a lesson of music and peace, choir director Stacey Wilner explained that, "if we as humans can learn to apply these concepts of unity and harmony that we learn through music to learning to deal with each other, various cultures and governments, perhaps the world, could become more 'in tune.'"

With 47 members, the 2004-2005 Maryville College Concert Choir boasts the largest number of voices in more than 20 years.

Special thanks to alumni **Jim Moore '69**, **John Wesley Wright '87**, **Howard Newman '68** and **Treva Lewis Sasser '96** who helped arrange performances, overnight accommodations and College-related outreach dinners in their churches.

The choir's annual Homecoming Concert is scheduled for 8 p.m., March 24 in the Music Hall of the Fine Arts Center.

For concert information, contact Wilner at 865.981.8151.



FROM OUR PHOTO FILES

Sarah Brown McNiell '51 and **Jane Huddleston '49**, volunteers in the College's archives, were given this photo by the daughter of an alumna from the 1940s. The banner, draped in front of Carnegie Hall, reads: "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All. From S.O.L."

Alumni, we'd like to ask you: When did this banner appear on campus? Was this just a fun holiday greeting, or is there more to the story? Who, or what, is "S.O.L.?"

If you know the answers to any of the above questions, write to us at:
alumni@maryvillecollege.edu or FOCUS,
Maryville College, 502 E. Lamar Alexander Pky.,
Maryville, TN 37804.



From Our Readers:

Only one alumnus was brave enough to write in and offer clues about the 1980s on campus!

Regarding the 1980s-era mystery photographs published in the Spring 2004 issue of FOCUS, **Chris Porter '85** wrote in to say that he couldn't name the event, but he did attempt the identities of a few students in the picture.

"I believe the student in the center is Sara Jane Lindsey, student council president for the Class of '84. The sweater-sweatpants set was not a bold fashion statement; in fact you could not get served at Pearsons on Sundays if you were not wearing that exact ensemble," he wrote.

Porter was confident that the "chap with the books to [Lindsey's] right" was **Donald Xiques '86** and that Xiques "could be talking to **Brian Rigell '85**." Identifying those folks, Porter guessed that the shot was taken in early Spring '83 or '84.

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community of faith and
learning rooted in the
Presbyterian/Reformed
tradition serving
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and backgrounds.*

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Maryville College
*prepares students for
lives of citizenship
and leadership as we
challenge each one to
search for truth, grow in
wisdom, work for justice
and dedicate a life of
creativity and service to
the peoples of the world.*

ABOUT THE COVER:

Photographer and current student **Peter Coats '08** captures the enthusiasm, friendliness and camaraderie of current students (clockwise, from bottom) **Amy Green '08**, **Anne Diener '06**, **Garrett Meyer '08**, **Michelle Wilson '08** and **Quinn Bradley '08** outside Thaw Hall.

3 New leadership at the top

Dr. Dorsey D. "Dan" Ellis becomes only the 17th person in the history of the College to chair the Board of Directors, and three others are welcomed to the Board's table.



4 Setting – and honoring – our gridiron captains

The Donald W. Story Walk of Captains, a brick-lined walkway leading into Honaker Field, is dedicated, adding another tradition to athletics.



8 Homecoming 2004

The busy and beautiful fall weekend included the dedication of the McArthur Pavilion and the presentation of the Maryville College Medallion to Jean and Harold Lambert '50.



10 Today's College Student

The population of Americans born after 1982 is the topic of much research and debate. Are these youngsters the next "Boomer" generation, or will they follow in Generation X's footsteps? Only time will tell, but with Q&As, national data and personal stories, FOCUS aims to find out what matters to today's college student.

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“Whatever the changes in this generation of college students, the Maryville College faculty remains committed to the very real students who enroll here.”

Greetings from the Maryville College campus!

ONE OF MY great great grandmothers lived in three centuries. I used to think about how much change she had witnessed between her birth in 1794 and her death in 1900. But I wonder if our senior faculty members haven't seen more change in the typical college student over their careers of three decades than she saw in young people of college age over a lifetime that touched three centuries. If you could listen in on coffee-time conversations between faculty members on any college campus, including the Maryville campus, you would recognize that this change is very much on their minds.

In this issue of FOCUS we take a look at today's college student. The "Mindset List" published annually by Beloit College has come to be a good, humorous introduction to this subject, and we have included excerpts from the list for the Class of 2008. There has also been extensive, serious research into the attitudes and behavior of this "Generation Y," as some call it, and what it reveals won't come as a surprise to faculty members. It shows today's college student to be more impatient, skeptical, opinionated and street smart than any we have

seen. It shows them, too, to be more family-oriented, conservative, helpful, tolerant and adaptive than earlier cohorts. They're also better at multi-tasking, better at time management and more media savvy. These kinds of attributes matter to marketers, but they matter as well to those whose task it is to teach them.

Worth noting, too, is that today's college students, despite the observation by some that they are more "sophisticated," score on tests of general knowledge on a par with *high school* students of 50 years ago. For example, in a 2002 Zogby poll, when asked, "Who made the first non-stop sole trans-Atlantic flight?" 79 percent of 1950s high school graduates, but only 49 percent of current college seniors answered correctly. It was worse for the question, "In what country was the Battle of Waterloo fought?" 44 percent of 1950s high schoolers, but only 3 percent of current college seniors knew the country was Belgium. Overall, for the entire survey, current college seniors lost to 1950s high school graduates by 53.5 percent to 54.5 percent. Faculty will not be surprised by these findings, and they will tell you that students come to us now less knowledgeable about much that once we could assume as foundational, including the Bible and basic math.

As someone who began teaching back when the harbinger of change was what I called the rising "scruffiness index" of the 1960s, a more troubling difference in today's students is the rising "psychological baggage index" that we see for them. Divorce, family dysfunction and related stresses come with them to campus, presenting very real and serious hurdles to learning. It is easy to see why the demand for counseling services has soared.

Whatever the changes in this generation of college students, the Maryville College faculty remains committed to the very real students who enroll here. Today's students can count on faculty who seek to meet them where they are and see them through to educational success. That's still the Maryville way. **MC**

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campus news



RECORD ENROLLMENT CELEBRATED WITH 1,080 STUDENTS

For the third time in five years, Maryville College reported record enrollment. In September, Registrar **Martha Hess '67** reported that 1,080 students had signed up for the fall 2004 semester. Full-time students accounted for 1,062 of the enrollment number; 18 were registered as part-time.

Last year, the College reported a record-breaking 1,052 students attending classes on campus. Previous to that, the most Maryville College had welcomed was 1,026 in 2001.

The small but steady increases in enrollment are in sync with the College's plans to have 1,200 students enrolled by 2007, said Mark Cate, vice president for advancement and finance. The enrollment goal is a benchmark in the MC Window of Opportunity Strategic Plan.

With 317 members, the Class of 2008 is the second largest in the College's history. It is one of the best-prepared classes on record, as well. The average ACT score for entering freshmen is 24.6, and the average GPA is 3.62.

MARYVILLE COLLEGE IS pleased to announce the additions of three new members to its board of directors: **Mr. George W. Poland '61**, **Mr. James N. Proffitt** and **Dr. Ken D. Tuck '54**.



Poland, who graduated from Vanderbilt Law School in 1964 and spent his professional career in the legal field, is a retired executive vice president, secretary and director of legal affairs for Citicorp Mortgage, Inc., in St. Louis, Mo. He is a member of the Missouri Bar Association. He and wife **Carol Greenwood Poland '62** live in Chesterfield, Mo., and have three children and six grandchildren.

Proffitt, who holds degrees from Vanderbilt (B.A.) and Northwestern University (M.B.A.), is chairman of Proffitt & Goodson Inc., an investment management firm in Knoxville. The son of the late James N. Proffitt, former MC board chairman and MC alumnus, and brother of **Ann Proffitt Mullican '72**, he is a member of New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville.

Tuck joins the board as president of the Maryville College Alumni Association. An ophthalmologist with Vistar Eye Center in Roanoke, Va., Tuck earned his medical degree from the University of Virginia School of Medicine, then completed his residency at the Mayo Clinic.

He is a member of numerous professional organizations, having served as president of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, president of the Virginia Society of Ophthalmology and president of the Medical Society of Virginia. Tuck received the College's Alumni Citation in 2004. He and wife Sara live in Roanoke. They have three children and 10 grandchildren.

Ellis named chair of MC Board of Directors



ELLIS

DR. DORSEY D. "DAN" ELLIS, JR., a 1960 alumnus of Maryville College, was recently named chairman of the Maryville College Board of Directors, becoming the 17th person to head the College's governing body in the school's 185-year history.

Ellis, who is currently the William R. Orthwein Distinguished Professor of Law at Washington University (Mo.) School of Law, has nearly 15 years of combined service on the College's board. He holds both the Alumni Citation and an honorary degree, LL.D., Doctor of Laws, from the College.

"Dan Ellis is wise, balanced and of sound counsel," said Dr. Gerald W. Gibson, president of the College. "I have total confidence in the wisdom of this board in naming him chairman."

The board's new leader received his J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School in 1963. In 1968, he joined the faculty of the University of Iowa College of Law as an associate professor and was promoted to professor three years later.

He and wife **Sondra Wagner Ellis '60** moved to Missouri in 1987, after he was named dean of Washington University School of Law. During his 10-year tenure as dean, Ellis not only helped the school grow in size, strength and stature, he oversaw the school's most successful capital campaign and the construction of a new state-of-the-art facility, the \$40-million Anheuser-Busch Hall.

Ellis succeeds Richard Ragsdale of Nashville, who served as chairman for 12 of the 14 years he was associated with the board. "Dick was simply everything I might have hoped for when I accepted the Maryville College presidency – encouraging; supportive; generous with his time, talents and gifts; a reliable counselor; a good friend," Gibson said. "Maryville College is a different, far better place because Dick Ragsdale was chosen to chair the board in 1992."

MC AGAIN AMONG USN&WR'S "BEST"

FOR THE 10TH TIME in 11 years, Maryville College has made *U.S. News & World Report's* listing of the country's best colleges and universities.

The College was ranked in three categories for the magazine's 2005 "America's Best Colleges" guidebook. It was ranked fourth in the "Best Comprehensive Colleges – Bachelor's" category for southern colleges and universities, fourth in the "Best Value" category among southern comprehensive colleges and, for the first time, was included in the magazine's "Programs to Look For" section, which cited Maryville's First-Year Experience as an academic program leading to students' success on campus.

College and university rankings for 2005 can be seen at www.usnews.com.





Football team now part of USA South Conference

Maryville College has joined the USA South Athletic Conference as an associate member for football-only competition.

This fall, the Fighting Scots will compete with Averett, Christopher Newport, Ferrum, Greensboro, Methodist, North Carolina Wesleyan and Shenandoah for the USA South title. The 2005 schedule is now posted on the College's website.

Maryville offers six men's sports. All teams except football compete for championships in the 5-year-old Great South Athletic Conference. "It is an exciting day for the Maryville College football program," Head Coach **Tony Ierulli '80** said when the announcement was made in May. USA South provides a consistent schedule and conference recognition for our program with other institutions that share Maryville's vision of college athletics."



Donald Story '67 (second from left) and wife Carol help cut the ceremonial ribbon to open the Walk of Captains.

Walk of Captains dedicated

THE OFFICIAL OPENING and dedication of the Donald W. Story '67 Walk of Captains was held Nov. 6, with captains from the 2004 team setting the brick inscribed with the names of last year's captains.

Story, a former Fighting Scot who donated \$100,000 that made the walk – and other football facility improvements – a reality, was recognized. (His name appears on the brick for the captains of the 1966 team.) The Walk of Captains, which stretches from Morningside Lane into the east end zone of Honaker Field, was poured last summer. Lining the concrete path are bricks inscribed with the names of more than 100 former captains, dating back to 1892.

Head Football Coach **Tony Ierulli '80** said his players enter Honaker field via the Walk of Captains every home game, and in doing so, are reminded of the College's proud history. Administrators plan for the "Setting of the Captains" (the event where the brick bearing the names of the previous year's captains is added to the walk), to become an annual event and tradition.

Tobias and fellow Lady Scots post impressive stats

KAREN TOBIAS, a senior volleyball player from Mason, Ohio, broke the NCAA record for digs (in all divisions) early in the 2004 season against Southwestern, Texas, when she posted her 3,024th career dig.

The Aug. 30 issue of NCAA News magazine predicted a new benchmark, when it featured Tobias' impressive three-year statistics. In 2004, Tobias, the Lady Scots' libero, led the nation in digs per game, averaging 8.7, and was second in



the nation for total digs with 1,005.

Kate Poeppelman, a junior from Fairfield, Ohio, joined the 1,000-kill club this season against Lynchburg College. The middle blocker led the team in kills with 408 and in blocks with 82.

The 2004 season was one of the best for the College's volleyball team, which went 27-7 in regular season and 2-0 in the post season, earning its fourth Great South Conference championship in five years. Invited to the NCAA tournament for the fourth consecutive season, the Lady Scots fell 0-3 in the first round to Washington & Lee. The seniors leave with an amazing 122-30 win-loss record for their four years of play.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: The 2004 team finished second in the Great South Athletic Conference championship, trailing LaGrange College. Matt Dunn finished fourth place (33:03) and became the first-ever MC runner to be a four-time All-Conference performer. Patrick Lamb finished sixth (33:45) and earned all-conference and all-freshman honors.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: Trailing Agnes Scott, the 2004 team finished second in the Great South Athletic Conference championship. MC's Amy Dial (28:30) and Hollie Millsaps (28:36) finished seventh and eighth, respectively, in the meet. Dial took home all-conference and all-freshman accolades for her finishes this season.

FOOTBALL: The Maryville College Fighting Scots football team posted a respectable 5-5 record.

FALL SPORTS WRAP-UPS:

Defense was the foundation to this season's success. Opponents averaged only 124 yards rushing per game. Chris Howerton led the team in tackles with 113 (68 solo). Colby Townsend led the

team in sacks with seven. Offensively, Patrick Foster led the Scots in rushing with 394. Rashid Moore rushed for 363 yards and led the Scots in touchdowns with four.

MEN'S SOCCER: The 2004 squad went 7-1 in the conference, earning the regular-season conference championship title, but the Fighting Scots were defeated by the Lions of Piedmont College during the conference tournament. Junior defender Travis Hawkins was named the tournament's MVP. Seniors T.J. McCallum, Adam Hanley, Dustin Norman, Richard Graves and

Matt Frease were key in the Scots' respectable 11-7-2 season.

McCallum went on to earn team MVP honors and was named to the All-South Region Second Team. Norman, who was named team Offensive MVP led the Scots in scoring with nine goals.

WOMEN'S SOCCER: The Lady Scots clinched both regular-season and post-season conference championships and earned its second invitation to the NCAA tournament in the history of the program. Hosting Emory University for first-round play on Nov. 10, the Lady Scots were defeated 2-0. Seniors Jessica Pope, Allison Harrell, Heather Frost and Elizabeth Rushworth led the 2004 squad to an impressive 15-4-2 season.

Junior midfielder Beth Bailey earned team MVP honors and was named to the All-South Region Second Team.

RACE RELATIONS CENTER HONORS MC



Maryville College received one of two awards given by the Race Relations Center of East Tennessee for "contributing to improving the qual-

ity of life for all in East Tennessee." President Dr. Gerald W. Gibson accepted the award on behalf of the institution at a Nov. 4 reception held in Knoxville. This year, the College is celebrating the 50-year anniversary of reintegration. "We have a long history of co-ed and integrated education at Maryville College, and we take pride in it," Gibson said. "We are deeply honored to receive this award." Also receiving an award was Robert Booker, civil rights activist, author and former state representative.

Students visit seminaries

NINE MARYVILLE COLLEGE students traveled to Chicago recently to explore educational opportunities at theological seminaries.

The trip, sponsored by the College's Initiative on Vocation and the Center for Campus Ministry, was the second of such out-of-town seminary visits for students. In Spring 2004, a group visited schools in the Atlanta, Ga., area.

The trip to Chicago included visits to McCormick Theological Seminary, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and the University of Chicago Divinity School, as well as individual visits to other seminaries that fit the denominational identities of each student.

MC students who went on the trip were Joe Chait, Jarrod Cook, Andrew Masterson, Jessica Parks and Chuck Taylor of Knoxville; Noah Penland of Sevierville; Jason Cather of Townsend; Michael Isaacs of Cincinnati, Ohio; and Rachel Whaley of Muncie, Ind.

In order to be eligible for the trip, students had to show an interest in pursuing seminary after graduation from Maryville College.

"The purpose of the trip is to help students who have expressed an interest in ministry, or in pursuing further theological education, to understand the variety of schools that are available to help them achieve their goals," said Rev. Anne McKee, campus minister at the College and chaperone for the excursion.

One of the primary goals of the College's Initiative on Vocation is to identify talented young people and provide them with opportunities to explore a possible calling in ministry, either as an ordained or lay leader.

Funded by a \$2-million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., the Initiative on Vocation is currently in its fourth year of serving Maryville College students, faculty, staff and alumni. With funding guaranteed through August 2006, future seminary trips and ministry-related experiences are planned. For more information on the program, visit maryvillecollege.edu/about/faith/iov.asp.

Partnership for Civic Arts Center still being discussed

What about the Civic Arts Center?

In the Winter 2004 issue of FOCUS, the College reported that it was in discussion with the citizens and elected officials of Maryville, Alcoa and Blount County to determine whether or not the three governmental entities would be interested in partnering with the College in the construction and ongoing operation of a state-of-the-art civic arts facility on the MC campus.

Since then, numerous individuals have joined Citizens for a Civic Arts Center (CCAC) to mobilize the already existing support for a facility that could include a proscenium theater, a recital hall, a flexible theater, two or three art galleries, two or three civic rooms (ballrooms and conference rooms) that can accommodate up to 500 people, designated space for an Appalachian Cultural Center and support spaces.

Presentations have been made to Maryville and Alcoa city councils and to the Blount County Commission. Maryville College administrators hope to have a decision on the partnership this Spring. If a partnership is not formed, the College will begin plans for a new fine and performing arts center, as outlined in the MC Window of Opportunity strategic plan. A College-only facility would be smaller in size and scope than the one proposed by the Webb Management Services feasibility study.

A website has been developed to keep interested people informed of the proposed center. Members of the CCAC, information on upcoming meetings and suggestions for how to get involved can be found at www.civicsartscenter.org.

Courses for Summer Institute announced

ROBINS AND DAFFODILS haven't yet arrived, but Maryville College is already looking forward to warmer days and announcing plans for its 2005 Summer Institute. Enrollment and registration for all summer courses began Jan. 31, with classes in sessions one, three and five expected to start May 25. Session two begins June 16, while classes in session four begin June 30. (Sessions last either three, five or 11 weeks.)

Approximately 30 different for-credit courses are offered through the Summer Institute, although people may sign up for audit. Fees are \$265 per credit hour.

Additionally, four non-credit programs are offered. Alumni qualify for discounts of \$100 or \$400 for select non-credit courses.

Complete schedules, course descriptions, class times and application information are all available online, maryvillecollege.edu.

For additional information or to obtain printed materials, interested persons should contact Dr. John Gallagher, director of the Summer Institute, at 865.981.8235 or Martha Hess, registrar, at 865.981.8211.

WITH THE HIRING of three regional advancement officers, Maryville College is reaching out.

Holly Jackson-Ludlow, Dianne Miller and J. Ryan Stewart '99 have joined the College's development division and are sharing news of MC with people whose last trip to campus might have been as recently as Homecoming 2004 or as long ago as Commencement 1939.

A regional outreach approach was implemented after studying similar models at other colleges and determining that it was the most effective and efficient use of the College's resources, explained Jason McNeal, vice president for development.

"In order for the College to continue the momentum we presently enjoy, we know we have to maintain and strengthen relationships with alumni, parents, and friends all across the country," he said.

Taking a map of the United States and considering where the College's over 10,000 alumni and other constituents live, McNeal and other administrators divided the country into three territories: Southeast, Northeast/Mid-Atlantic and Midwest/West. Each advancement officer is assigned one region, spending 50 to 60

MC GOES REGIONAL TO REACH OUT

percent of their time in their assigned area.

McNeal said the regional officers are visiting people to provide them with College updates as well as explore ways they can assist the College in meeting strategic goals.

"We've been fortunate to hire capable officers to bring Maryville College to the people," McNeal added.

Jackson-Ludlow, a graduate of the University of Tennessee, was previously vice president of membership for the Knoxville Area Chamber Partnership. Miller, a graduate of Western Michigan University and the University of Michigan Law School, was most recently legislative director and counsel for U.S. Rep. Maurice Hinchey of New York.

Stewart has served as a senior pharmaceutical representative for Eli Lilly and Co. He and wife **Jeanna Beck Stewart '99** relocated to Maryville after living in Hershey, Pa., and working at the Milton Hershey School.

In related news, **Jim Moore '69** is now the regional admissions counselor for Ohio and the Northeast, including Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and New England. He is assisting with alumni events in those areas, too.

Kemp named VP and dean of students



RETURNING TO THE campus community after a five-year absence, Vandy Kemp assumed her new role as Maryville College Vice President and Dean of Students on Nov. 1.

Kemp, who served the College as director of the Denso Learning Center throughout the 1990s, left MC in 1999 to become principal of Blount County's Heritage High School.

"Campus evaluations following [Kemp's] campus visit and interview were very positive, and there was clear consensus that she should be invited to assume this important leadership position," said Dr. Gerald W. Gibson, president. "We believe her zeal for learning, her understanding of young adults and her love for this institution and its mission will serve Maryville College students well."

Kemp earned a master's degree in educational psychology from the University of Tennessee and has completed 34 post-graduate hours in educational administration. Her bachelor's degree was awarded from Radford University in Radford, Va. Her 30-year career in education has included positions in grant writing, counseling and teaching in church, high-school and college settings.

Kemp replaced Dr. William Seymour, who was named vice president for administrative services in June. As vice president and dean of students, she will supervise the student development division of the College, which includes residence life, student activities, student government, student organizations, multicultural affairs, orientation, campus ministry, volunteer services, athletics, counseling, health services, safety and security, judicial affairs and the Mountain Challenge program.

Cate assumes oversight of finances, McNeal joins Cabinet

During the fall, Maryville College President Dr. Gerald W. Gibson announced changes in the organization of MC's administration.

Addressing a vacancy in the position of vice president and treasurer and a need to restructure the College's Cabinet to make the College more effective as it focuses on the goals of the MC Window of Opportunity Strategic Plan, Gibson announced that Mark Cate would assume the leadership of some of the departments and initiatives formerly held by the College's treasurer.



Cate, who previously held the vice president for advancement and admissions title, was named vice president for advancement and finance. In his new role, he continues to oversee admissions and financial aid, communications, and community and church relations, but has added business services, human resources and investments to his duties.

The change in Cate's areas of supervision meant that a reorganization of the College's development activities was needed.

Jason McNeal, previously Maryville College's assistant vice president for development and alumni affairs, was promoted to vice president for development, where he now oversees annual giving, major gifts, alumni and parents programs, development services and the coordination of capital campaigns.



"These changes will allow Maryville College to better position itself for success in the coming years," Gibson said. "The MC Window of Opportunity Plan includes some very ambitious goals, and it's important that the College is structured and staffed according to the gifts and skills of individuals."

New Faces

**DR. TRACI HAYDU | ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

TEACHING AREAS: Physical education, health and outdoor recreation. DEGREES: Ph.D. in Education, University of Tennessee-Knoxville (2000); M.S. in Human Performance and Sports Studies, UT-K (1999); B.S. in Sports Medicine, Eastern Michigan University (1994). PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS: Adjunct Faculty Member, UT-K; independent assessment physician recruiter for the Chattanooga-based company, Unum Provident. OTHER NOTABLES: Haydu's areas of interest include biomechanics, physical activity and positive health, kinesiology and exercise science. Her clinical experience involves providing consultation for health and safety initiatives and working as a physical therapy technician and fitness instructor.

**DR. HEATHER MCMAHON | ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF THEATRE**

TEACHING AREAS: Theatre studies, General Education. DEGREES: Ph.D. in Theatre and Drama, Indiana University (2003); M.S. in Theatre and Drama, Illinois State University (1998); B.A. in Theatre and History, Belmont University (1996). PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS: Visiting Assistant Professor of Theatre, Maryville College; Associate Instructor, Indiana University. OTHER NOTABLES: McMahon's research interests include 19th-century American theatre, American Civil War theatre and drama, melodrama and women in theatre.

**DR. MAXWELL OTENG | ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS**

TEACHING AREAS: Economics, Social Sciences. DEGREES: Ph.D. in International Economics, University of California-Santa Cruz (2002); M.A. in International Economics, UCSC (1998); M.A. in International Relations, International University of Japan (1993); B.A. in Economics, University of Cape Coast, Ghana (1990). PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS: Lecturer and Instructor, UCSC. OTHER NOTABLES: Oteng is a columnist for two Ghana-related websites, ghanaweb.com and ghanalounge.com. His is also a regular contributor to two newspapers, *The Ghanaian Chronicle* and *The African Abroad*.

**DR. JASON TROYER | ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY**

TEACHING AREAS: Psychology, General Education. DEGREES: Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology, University of Kansas (2004); M.A. in Counseling, Truman State University (1998); B.S. in Psychology, Truman State (1996). PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS: Adjunct Professor, Rockhurst University; Graduate Teaching Assistant, UK. OTHER NOTABLES: Troyer's counseling and clinical experience includes serving as a career specialist at UK and as the psychology testing clinic coordinator at the Kansas City VA Medical Center.

Journal showcases College's efforts in international education

A RECENT JOURNAL published by the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville heavily promotes Maryville College and its commitment to international education.

Of the nine individuals listed as contributors to the fall 2004 issue of *International Education*, eight have Maryville College connections. Dr. Chad Berry, associate professor of history and chair of the College's International Programming Committee, and Dr. Lori Schmied, professor of psychology, served as guest editors of the special issue entitled "International Education: What Does it Take?" Berry and Schmied also co-wrote one article in the journal.

Dr. Dean Boldon, professor of sociology and Middle Eastern studies; Dr. Kathie Shiba, associate professor of psychology; Kirsten Sheppard, coordinator for MC's International Programming Office; Dr. Gary Baines, visiting scholar from Rhodes University in South Africa; and Charles R. "Dick" Bowers, retired U.S. Ambassador and chairperson of the College's National Advisory Council, all authored papers on topics ranging from building international programs on small campuses to global citizenship. Junior art major Jennifer Francis designed artwork for the cover.

"The initial idea for a special issue emerged from my contacts with Maryville College," wrote Dr. Karl Jost, International Education editor and professor at UT-K. "Discussions indicated that roughly 80 percent of their faculty are involved in international programs, exchanges, curriculum, etc., and involvement is highly valued and encouraged as part of one's career contribution to the institution."



International Programming Office opens

DURING THE FALL 2004 semester, the Maryville College International Programming Office began operations, hiring Kirsten Sheppard to work with students who wish to study, work or volunteer abroad. Sheppard also organizes programs and activities to assist international students with their adjustment to Maryville College and to the United States.

The opening of the office is in line with the MC Window of Opportunity strategic plan, which has as an objective: "The College will establish and support vigorous programs for international study, research, work and travel by Maryville College students, faculty and staff and for recruitment of international faculty and students."

Under the leadership of the College's International Programming Committee, Sheppard coordinates three types of study abroad: a direct exchange program, the J-Term travel/study abroad trips, and the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP). Each year, the College has about 60 to 70 students who opt for a College-sponsored experience and has a goal of raising that number to 200.

A native of Calgary, Canada, Sheppard earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Calgary in leisure, tourism and society; and kinesiology. She earned a master's degree in international education from the School for International Training in Brattleboro, Vt. She is fluent in Spanish and English, is conversant in French, and is at the basic level in German. She has worked in the field of international education for the last seven years, exploring issues and trends related to international and study-abroad students.

H O M E C O M I N G M A R Y V I L L E C O L L E G E



(Above) It was standing room only for the dedication of the new McArthur Pavilion. Helping cut the grand-opening ribbon were (l-r) Christie Latimer '04, President Dr. Gerald Gibson, Fred McArthur (holding granddaughter), Grace Proffitt McArthur '35 and donors Evelyn and Mike Ross of Rarity Communities Inc.



(Large photos from left) Brother-and-sister pipers Rebecca and Zac Abbott entertain the crowd Scottish-style. ■ Seniors Adam Mabe and Marriah Wogomon, members of the Homecoming court, enjoy a smooth ride around campus during the parade. ■ Bryan Kilday and Stephanie Milsap were crowned Homecoming King and Queen during halftime of the football game. ■ Nancy Smith Wright '60, the first African-American to graduate from MC after reintegration, was honored with a Presidential Citation. ■ Hal Laster '65 shows granddaughter Grace around campus.



Dr. Gerald Gibson, center, presented the Maryville College Medallion to Harold and Jean Lambert.

LAMBERTS AWARDED MEDALLION

HAROLD LAMBERT '50 and Jean Lambert were named the 2004 recipients of the Maryville College Medallion during the College's annual Founder's Day banquet, held Oct. 14. In attendance at the event, the Lamberts were joined by their three children, Kathy Painter, **Randy Lambert '76** and Sherry Miller, and their families; other relatives; and special friends.

Since 1990, Maryville College has awarded the Medallion, the highest honor bestowed by the College, in recognition of those individuals who have dedicated their efforts to advancing the College's reputation as a distinctive educational and cultural institution.

Longtime Blount County residents, the couple has been supportive of Maryville College for more than 30 years. Harold, who attended the College in the late 1940s, served on its Board of Directors from 1975 until 1984 and has served on several

fundraising committees. They have supported the Scots Club, the Orchestra and numerous bricks and mortar projects.

In 1999, Harold and Jean gave the MC2000 Campaign a "shot in the arm" with a large gift for the renovation and expansion of the Bartlett Hall Student Center. In gratitude, the College named the new addition "the Lambert Wing."

Members of the College's Society of 1819, Harold and Jean established the Harold D. and Jean T. Lambert Scholarship Fund for Blount County students in 1996.

Alluding to Harold's half-century of work in the rock quarry business – first with Lambert Brothers, then Vulcan Materials Co. (where he spent nearly 25 years as president of the company's mid-South division) – Maryville College President Dr. Gerald W. Gibson said the Lamberts' faithfulness to the College was solid, strong and dependable.

"I have always believed that the rock business was an appropriate one for the Lamberts," Gibson told those in attendance. "They have been a rock for Maryville College for decades, even during times when the support of others wavered. Their gifts – of money, equipment, materials, time and expertise – have made a world of difference to students, faculty, staff and administrators."

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(Below) 2004 Wall of Fame inductees (l-r) Ken Hanna '78, Wade Edmond '79, Elizabeth Murphey '56, Joe Malloy '68 and Bryson Struse '61 were honored during a luncheon on Friday.



CLASS OF 1954 SETS RECORD WITH REUNION GIFT

CELEBRATING ITS 50TH year since graduating from Maryville College, the Class of 1954 made an impressive showing – and some bold challenges – at the College's Alumni Banquet held Oct. 16.

On behalf of their classmates, Drs. Ken Tuck '54 and Naomi Burgos Lynn '54 presented Maryville College President Dr. Gerald W. Gibson with a check for \$239,298.07, representing gifts and pledges raised during the College's annual Reunion Giving Program. The gift, the largest ever raised by a single class, will go to support the College's Annual Fund and the upcoming renovation of Anderson Hall.

Tuck and Burgos Lynn, co-chairs for the Class of 1954 Gift Committee, issued challenges along with the check presentation. "... this is a new high mark for giving to the College by a 50th reunion class, and we hope that other classes that follow us take our gift totals as a challenge to increase their own giving to the College," said Burgos Lynn, adding that 76 percent of classmates had either given or pledged to the College.

The co-chair went on to report that one classmate had agreed to double his or her planned gift to the College if the Class of 1954 would add six more members to the Society of 1819, Maryville College's planned giving program, by May 31, 2005.

Since 1997, reunion classes have been asked to participate in an expanded reunion giving program, which seeks to increase the amount of support classes generate for the Annual Fund and to increase the class-giving percentage. A reunion gift committee made up of classmates works to meet both goals.

Members of the 1954 Gift Committee that included Tuck, Lynn, Janice Akin Campbell, Bill Dartnell, Rolfe Duggar, Alice Kelly Feehrer, Wayne Feehrer, Mary Jim Bevan Freeman, Donald Moffett, and David Gates. **MC**

(Above) Julie Walker Danielson '94 was honored as recipient of the Kin Takahashi Award for Young Alumni. Ken Tuck '54 and George Ogle '51 were celebrated as the College's Alumni Citation winners.

(Below) Ken Tuck, far left, and other members of the Class of 1954 Gift Committee present President Gerald Gibson with a check for \$239,298 during the Alumni Banquet.



Up Close, Up Front & Personal

Generation Y.

Millennials. Mosaics.

The 14th Generation.

Nexters.

The Internet Generation.

Authors and academics interested in understanding the population of Americans born after 1982 have assigned several labels to the generation of students currently enrolled in college. In much the same way that people born after World War II were named "Baby Boomers" and have been communally generalized by society and the media, "Generation Y" has come into its own collective persona.

According to Neil Howe and William Strauss and their 2000 book "Millennials Rising: The Next Great Generation," individuals of this group have seven characteristics in common: They're conventional, confident, special, sheltered, pressured, achieving and team-oriented, "with attitude and behaviors running exactly counter to trends launched by the Boomers ..."

Howe and Strauss believe that Millennials have "a chance to become the next great generation in American society."

But are they? Do they?

Gathering eight current MC students, we asked what they think about themselves, their world and what it's like to be a college student in 2005. What follows are excerpts from that conversation.

BECOMING A COLLEGE STUDENT

FOCUS: Why did you enroll in college?

Students said they saw college as a way to get a better job, but they also saw college as a way to satisfy intellectual curiosities and to grow, personally.

TRISHA: It just seems like what you do when you get out of high school – like an expectation.

FOCUS: What do you like about being a college student?

Students report building relationships with peers and faculty members among the memory-makers. They also cited experiences in the classroom and residence halls as recollections that will make them look back and smile.

LAURAN: I really like the schedule because I work a lot, and so I like being able to make my schedule and get out of class early.

FOCUS: What do you dislike about being in college?

NATHAN: Homework.

MIKE: Sometimes, it seems like there's this genuine lack of interest – like people are going through the motions. Some students

ALEX YOUN '07
MAJOR:
Political Science
HOMETOWN:
Nashville, Tenn.



GIHANI PERERA '05
MAJOR:
Writing/
Communication
HOMETOWN:
Knoxville, Tenn.



aren't really concerned about class, especially those classes that aren't their major... People aren't as excited about it as I'd like for them to be. It can be discouraging.

RACHEL: Well, I'm a freshman, and I really like it here, but I still kind of miss being home and with all my friends.

TRISHA: Sometimes, I think there's a stigma attached to being a college student – that all college students ever do is go out and get drunk and party, and they sleep through class and fail after one semester. That doesn't happen to a lot of people. It seems that we don't get the recognition for our accomplishments.

FOCUS: Think about your major. What was the driving force behind you choosing that major?

NATHAN: It was something I was interested in. Growing up and watching people in their jobs, I wanted to enjoy work instead of being like, 'Oh, man, I got to go to work again today!' I want to be able to have fun, enjoy my job and make a difference, and be able to take care of my family also.

LAURAN: I based my major on the job I want to do. I want to be a pharmaceutical rep.

TECHNOLOGY

Without question, technology plays a huge role in the everyday lives of today's college students. Not all of the eight assembled said they brought a computer to college, but all reported that they used the College's computer labs quite a bit. (The College provides each student with an e-mail account with the requirement to check it daily for homework assignments and messages from faculty, staff and administrators.)

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In addition to computers, the focus group reported that stereos, cell telephones, digital cameras, TVs, PlayStations, VCRs, DVDs are common in campus rooms.

FOCUS: Are you all on the Internet every day?

All eight students said they were "connected" every day, and they thought that was typical of most college students.

ALEX: I'd say the Internet is constantly connected, whether that's playing music or watching TV or a combination of studying and listening to music on the Internet. With AOL messenger – something pops up, and you can talk to someone then, but when you ask 'Are you on the Internet all the time?' it's not like we're sitting at the computer all the time, staring at the monitor.

FOCUS: Do you watch TV?

Students living in the residence halls can plug into cable access that gives them approximately 70 channels. In addition, they have SWANK, a closed-circuit channel that continuously plays newly released movies and, in between movies, displays a campus bulletin board. With all of the

ing assignments. Residence hall rooms remain the favorite place to study; the library in Thaw Hall comes in a close second.

FOCUS: Do you still check out hardbound books from the library?

With a connection to "McQuest," the College's online catalog, students can access about 10,500 different journals and periodicals and almost 50,000 e-books from their computers in residence hall rooms or homes. Still, it is sometimes necessary to check out hardbound books from the library. Students in this focus group weren't unanimous in their feelings about information accessed electronically. At least one admitted to preferring something he could hold in his hands and leaf through.

NATHAN: Last year, I checked out four or five books. Last semester, I checked out one book.

JOE: For my history class last semester, writing research papers, the professors made you check out so many hardbound books because, going online sometimes, the sources are not credible.

Since 1998, Beloit College in Beloit, Wis., has distributed to its faculty and staff the Beloit College Mindset List.[®]

According to a press release issued by the College prior to the 2008 edition, "One of [the list's] primary purposes has been, in the words of co-editor Tom McBride, an attempt to slow the onset of 'hardening of the references' experienced by some faculty."

Here's a glimpse of the points of reference current college freshman have:

Most students entering college this fall were born in 1986.

© Desi Arnaz, Orson Wells, Roy Orbison, Ted Bundy, Ayatollah Khomeini and Cary Grant have always been dead.

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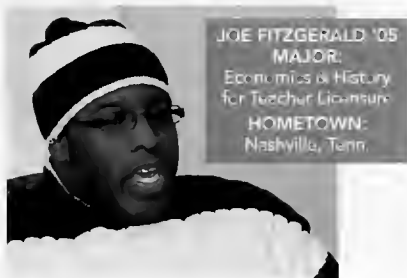
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© Baby Jessica could be a classmate.

© Alan Greenspan has always been setting the nation's financial direction.

© They never saw Roseanne Roseannadanna live on Saturday Night Live.

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JOE FITZGERALD '05
MAJOR:
Economics & History
for Teacher Licensure
HOMETOWN:
Nashville, Tenn.



RACHEL
RUSHWORTH '08
MAJOR:
Writing/
Communication
HOMETOWN:
Chattanooga, Tenn.



MIKE ISAACS '06
MAJOR: English
HOMETOWN:
Cincinnati, Ohio

temptations, students in this focus group said TV was neither a big temptation nor a big distraction.

TRISHA: I rarely watch TV. Last semester, my roommate had it on a lot (primarily for background noise). I don't think I've had it on since she moved out.

MIKE: There's actually a TV boycott in my suite.

FOCUS: Do the majority of students own a cell phone?

Of the eight students in the focus group, seven have cell phones. None reported to use the College's long-distance service provider. In addition to cell phones, students today have calling cards to contact parents and friends outside the local service area.

TRISHA: If you were out here in front of Bartlett and you saw someone talking on a cell phone, the chances are incredibly high that they were talking to someone on the other side of campus.

HOMEWORK AND RESEARCH

Not unlike generations of Maryville College students who attended before them, students report being challenged in the classroom. However, how 21st-century students go about homework and research is different.

FOCUS: Would you say that you studied a lot?

Where do you study?

All said they studied a lot and studied "whenever [they] can." Weekends remain a good time to catch up on read-

GIHANI: I feel a hardbound book is more credible.

MIKE: And they're easier to cite.

SOCIAL TIME/RELATIONSHIPS

When they're not studying at night and on the weekend, these students say they spend their time hanging out with friends in the residence halls and attending sports games or other campus events. If they get off campus, they enjoy dinner and a movie and shopping. Dating still occurs, but the students said they didn't feel any pressure to date.

FOCUS: Are you close to your parents?

All eight students said they were close to their parents, talking to them at least twice a week. A few reported talking to their parents four or five times a week, while one said she called home every day. Cell phones make calling convenient and inexpensive, and while e-mail does, as well, these students said they preferred the immediacy of the phone.

CAMPUS LIFE & WORK

When asked to list the challenges of living on campus, "having a roommate" ranked among the first responses – probably not a big surprise considering that only one student in the focus group had ever shared a room with a sibling at home.

All of the eight reported having a car on campus, although the frequency with which they started it up varied from once a week to every day. (Last fall, 632 parking

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- Ⓢ Robert Downey, Jr. has always been in trouble.
- Ⓢ Martha Stewart has always been cooking up something with someone.
- Ⓢ They have always been comfortable with gay characters on television.
- Ⓢ There have always been night games at Wrigley Field.
- Ⓢ Rogaine has always been available for the follicularly challenged.
- Ⓢ Computers have always suffered from viruses.
- Ⓢ We have always been mapping the human genome.
- Ⓢ Politicians have always used rock music for theme songs.
- Ⓢ Ivan Boesky has never sold stock.
- Ⓢ Svelte Oprah has always dominated afternoon television; who was Phil Donahue anyway?
- Ⓢ AZT has always been used to treat AIDS.
- Ⓢ Oliver North has always been a talk show host and news commentator.
- Ⓢ They have done most of their search for the right college online.

stickers were issued to students.) Students do, occasionally, walk to places in downtown Maryville.

Off-campus work necessitates a car, and a lot of students have part-time jobs, working between 10 and 25 hours a week beyond the College gates. They can earn more money in the local community and, with understanding bosses, work schedules for non-College jobs can be very flexible.

All said they were in some kind of extracurricular activity on campus, and reasons for their selection of activity ranged from genuine interest, interest by association (roommate or friend) and the need to “strike a balance” between academics, work and life.

College is stressful, they said.

NATHAN: “There’s pressure to succeed more than the generation before us. And then there’s a pressure to do your best in everything you do. ...A lot of people say, ‘I’m involved in this, this, this, this, and there’s pressure to do all of those things well.’”



LAURAN
CANAGARIS '08
MAJOR: Business
HOMETOWN:
Maryville, Tenn.



NATHAN
BARRETT '07
MAJOR:
Business &
Organization
Management
HOMETOWN:
Maywood, Ill.



TRISHA NEELY '06
MAJOR:
Child Development
for Teacher
Licensure
HOMETOWN:
Tullahoma, Tenn.

TRISHA: “It’s almost a status symbol to say you’re involved in so much.”

POLITICS AND SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS

Only three students said they made it a habit to read or see a news source every day. Because up-to-the-date news is posted on the Internet, digital media seems to be the choice of students wanting to know what’s happening off campus.

ALEX: If it doesn’t directly affect them, or if they think it’s going to happen down the road, people don’t care. I think people are mad about some things, but they don’t know how to change things. I think people in our generation feel a lack of power, but time is also an issue.

JOE: I think our generation has a voice, but it’s important for us to act, not just to talk about situations or how we feel about certain things.

FOCUS: Do you volunteer?

Some in the focus group said they volunteered for causes they believed in; others said it didn’t seem as important to them or their circle of friends.

JOE: Sometimes, I think our generation volunteers for the wrong reasons. Maybe they do it because it looks good on a resume or it’s going to make them marketable.

THEIR GENERATION

FOCUS: What do you worry about?

The power of the media to influence culture and dictate

how people should look, act and think concerns students. Life after college weighs heavily on the minds of students, particularly the seniors in this focus group. Will a bachelor’s degree be enough for the vocations they’ve chosen? How much of a factor will grades be during the job hunt? They don’t have the answers to these questions, and bigger concerns loom.

ALEX: It seems to me that someone else is in control, and [older generations] can make all the changes they want and hand [the consequences] off to us. The Baby Boomers are about to retire, and there’s a concern about jobs and taxes going to health care and retirement. How will we live? I mean, we’re working hard and worried about all this stuff and worried about reaching the watermark of previous generations. Honestly, I’m worried about failure – What do we do if we fail? Where will we start? If we can’t come up with the answers to the questions they’ve left for us, what then? I don’t know if that makes any sense or not, but it

seems like they’ve pushed a lot of [questions] off on us, and it’s our time to answer them.

FOCUS: What ticks you off?

RACHEL: Reality TV.

ALEX: Ignorance.

GIHANI: A lack of energy in people and a lack of passion for what they do.

TRISHA: Some people’s lack of appreciation – or even acknowledgement – for what they have.

NATHAN: People who complain about things but never do anything about it.

FOCUS: What difference do you hope your generation makes in this world?

Students in the focus group hope their generation will be able to define success in ways different than previous generations. To them, success will mean having a career that makes some positive difference in the world and being able to spend time with their families, among other things.

NATHAN: I hope we see that there’s more to life than having a big house, a nice car and lots of jewelry. Maybe learn to appreciate the things we take for granted, too.

JOE: I would like to see our generation teach or at least emphasize to individuals the need to be open-minded. Some people are so close-minded.

MIKE: I hope that people can live more peacefully. **MC**

For the complete list, or to read previous lists, visit www.beloit.edu.

CIRP sheds light on college students in the U.S.

SINCE 1966, THE Cooperative Institutional Research Program (CIRP) has been conducting annual surveys of first-time, full-time freshmen in American colleges and universities. In their 1985 report "The American Freshman: Twenty Year Trends, 1966-1985," CIRP project staff members Alexander Austin and Kenneth Green wrote that the survey was intended to "profile the characteristics, attitudes, values, educational achievements, and future goals of the students who enter college in the United States. Compiling the results ... provides an extremely interesting and informative portrait of the changing character of American college students."

Maryville College first administered the CIRP survey to freshmen in 1974, and since then has participated in the program approximately 15 times. According to Maryville College Director of Institutional Research Dr. Mardi Craig, the College is now on an every-other-year schedule of participation, with faculty giving the one-hour survey to students enrolled in First-Year Seminar courses.

Why go to college?

Across the decades, students cited "better jobs" and the opportunity "to learn about things that interest [them]" as important reasons for deciding to go to college, but the desire to make more money and "to gain a general education and appreciation for ideas" also ranked high. In 2003, 79.5 percent of students said they expected to earn a bachelor's degree, but only 52 percent expected to be satisfied with their college of choice.

CIRP data shows that an increasing number of students plan to extend their education beyond their baccalaureate years. In the 2003 survey, nearly three-fourths of freshmen reported that they planned to earn a graduate or professional degree. In 1975 nearly 54 percent of freshmen planned to pursue an advanced degree.

Other than academics, how do they spend their time?

In 1995, CIRP researchers reported that freshmen of that year were "increasingly discouraged from the academic experience," with only 25 percent of students reporting that they spent six hours or more on homework per week during their senior year of high school. They also reported spending less time talking with teachers outside of class. Data from 2003 revealed little change in this area.

So how are high school seniors spending their time? Socializing with friends, working for pay, participating in student groups or clubs, competing in organized sports or exercise and watching TV were cited, but the 2003 CIRP survey also reported another year of "record-setting volunteerism," with 83.1 percent of students reporting participation in volunteer work during their last year in high school.

Is it still "Animal House?"

In 1968, 52.4 percent of students owned up to having a beer in the last year. The drinking percentage hit an all-time high in 1982, when 73.7 percent of freshmen said they consumed alcohol either "frequently" or "occasionally." Freshmen in 2003, however, reported "lower rates of drinking and smoking than any freshman class in the history of the survey." Roughly 45 percent of students in the 2003 CIRP survey reported frequent or occasional beer drinking.

"Consistent with these trends is that students report spending less time 'partying' than ever before, with 24.1 percent partying six or more hours per week in 2003, a significant drop from 36.8 percent in 1987, the year this question was first asked," the report read.

Are they blue or red?

A little more than 50 percent of freshmen in 2003 described themselves as "middle-of-the-road," while roughly 24 percent claimed to be "liberal" and 21 professed "conservative." Since 1970, the CIRP survey has included questions of political ideology, with the majority of students reporting moderate views.

However, the 2003 report noted a "resurgence in students' political concern" that was reversing a long-term trend toward political disengagement. Nearly 34 percent of freshmen in 2003 responded that they thought it was "very important" or "essential" to keep up to date with political affairs. More than 22 percent of them said they discussed politics on a regular basis.

OTHER FINDINGS

BY THE CIRP

OVER THE YEARS

INCLUDE:

Percentage of students answering that the following objectives were considered to be "essential" or "very important"

Raising a family	—	56.6	69.8	71.1	74.8
Becoming a community leader	—	—	—	29.8	32.1
Becoming an authority in my field	58.3	69.7	71.2	64.5	60.3
Being very well-off financially	40.8	49.5	70.9	74.1	73.8
Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	82.5	64.2	43.3	41.9	39.3
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment	—	28.8	20.3	22.5	17.4
Influencing the political structure	—	14.4	15.6	17.2	20.1
Influencing social values	—	30.0	32.9	38.2	38.6

— QUESTION NOT ASKED IN THAT YEAR.

Percentage of students answering that they agree "strongly" or "somewhat"

Marijuana should be legalized	19.4	47.2	21.8	33.8	38.8
Abortion should be legal	—	—	54.9	58.4	54.5
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships	—	—	47.9	30.6	26.1
The activities of married women are best confined to the home and family	—	28.3	22.4	24.3	21.7
Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America	—	—	—	18.3	22.4
Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now	—	76.0	73.3	67.5	53.1
Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society	32.1	47.9	37.2	33.6	28.1

A Day in the Life of Sarah Hailey



*The easy life, right? Well, that's debatable. As sophomore Sarah Hailey shows, a day in the life of a MC student can be a lot of things: educational, challenging, busy and stressful. It can also be comical, comfortable and predictable. But with a beginning time of 8:42 a.m. and an ending time nearly 18 hours later, it's hard to argue that a day in the life of one particular Maryville College student isn't **full**.*

Name: Sarah Elizabeth Hailey

Age: 19 **Major:** History **Minor:** Philosophy

Hometown: Kingston Springs, Tenn. **Class Year:** Sophomore

Extracurricular Activities: Bonner Scholars, Student Literacy Corps, Environmental Action Team, Peace and World Concerns Committee



The Deal with the Dreadlocks: "What can I say? I'm only young once, and once I got the idea in my head, I just couldn't shake it off. I had to try it. And so far, I'm glad I did. A few words of wisdom from our old friend Thoreau: 'What I am must make you forget what I wear.'"



8:42am Before I even open the drapes of my eyes to let the light in, I hear the opening of drawers and shuffling of books – signs of life from my roommate, Len. Then comes the realization that it is Monday, and yes, I do have class (which just happens to require the act of removing oneself from bed). Most days the strength to make my feet hit the floor comes from knowing that a tall cup of coffee awaits me, but today I won't have time for that. When I actually realize the time, I jump up, stumble to the bathroom, and stick a toothbrush in my mouth. Then I proceed with my daily stroll out onto the balcony of Davis Hall to check the temperature while I scrub the morning taste from my mouth. The forecast is partly cloudy and calls for a light jacket and a bandana, no prob.



9:01am → I walk into Anderson 302, stifling the heavy breathing that exposes just how much of a challenge an early-morning climb up those two flights of stairs is. Walking into the classroom I see that Dr. Meyer has already filled the board with notes, and the class hasn't even started. I vow that I will get to class 10 minutes early from now on, just as I did last Friday, and the Wednesday before that. Just a moment after I sit down, we dive into the lesson. Discussing Gamwell's criticism of the liberalism that was birthed out of the Enlightenment has been both a breath of fresh air and a serious challenge to my own philosophy. When the class is winding down 50 minutes later, I've got so many thoughts dancing around my brain; I use the walk over to Thaw as a transition from philosophy to politics.

9:57 am Sitting in the back of the classroom, I say hey to Travis and get in a minute or two of small talk. I must say, this class is quite different from the previous one. I'm not exactly ecstatic about the fact that I'm in a classroom full of freshman business majors (Don't get me wrong. It's not that I don't like freshmen or even business majors – it's these particular freshmen business majors that I don't see eye-to-eye with), but I get a kick out of the approach Dr. Conte takes to the class. I find his sarcastic humor most entertaining. After discussing the topic of international institutions, I am left feeling quite disillusioned about the nature of international politics. I walk down the steep stairs of Thaw Hall, feeling that struggle within as I once again see reality stripped of its fantastical trappings. I remind myself to pick up *The Times* sometime today...



10:55 AM Dr. Klingensmith is putting today's topic on the board, and more snippets of conversation with peers help me to shed the encumbering thoughts from the previous class and get into Middle Eastern History mode. Today we are discussing the historical context of the current Palestine-Israel conflict. The sheer severity of the situation makes me anxious for a solution, yet I am left with little more than frustration toward those who walked this planet before us. Maybe I should temper my feelings with a bit of grace; after all, I hate to think of how future historians will describe the events of my own time.



12:03 P. Back in the room, I throw my bag on the bed and put in a CD with one of my favorite tunes. I call up to Rebekah's room to make sure we're still on for discussing the Lit reading over lunch. While I'm switching out my books, Len comes in. As for how Monday is going—so far, so good. I get my backpack and head for Pearsons.



*12:21 P. I am pretty excited about lunch today; they're serving my favorite spicy fried fish. Now I know what you're thinking ... "Poor college students – They'll eat anything!" And while this is true, you have no idea what you're missing with this dish. Rebekah sits down. Now usually when Rebekah and I plan to study together, a 30-minute assignment quickly turns into a two-hour one. But it's getting toward the end of the semester, and we're both a little nervous about our grade in Lit 290, so Rebekah is talking about the assignment before she even plants her rear in the chair. We leaf through the reading, trying to understand exactly what Thomas Mann was thinking when he wrote "Death in Venice," but we seem to be more focused on the meal and soon close the books.



12:59 We walk to Lit with a little pep in our step, but we know that since the class moved from Anderson to Thaw Hall, Dr. Schneibel will likely be a little late, so we're not in too much of a hurry. We get settled and ask for some insight from peers and try to figure out what question she's going to ask on the quiz today. (By the way, did I mention that I hate quizzes and I think they're harmful to students' health?) Today there will be no quiz, and I manage through class relatively unscathed. I walk to Spanish class with the motivation that it's the last class of the day.

2:56 On the way to class I remember the vocab quiz, so as soon as I take my seat, I open the book and read over the words. Dr. Pérez-Reilly covers the bases with the past participle and the past progressive and at 3:15, I slide out the door.



3:15pm !! Christin and I go to check our mail. I haven't checked it since last Thursday, yet the only thing I got was a history quiz, the results of which I'd rather not share with the world, thanks. Walking back, Christin and I talk about our Bonner service a bit, and then I set off to the library to start my work, only to be distracted by e-mail and conversation with friends.



4:30 I finally sit down to do some reading, and within 30 minutes, I realize it's time for a 10-minute power-nap to get me through the afternoon. I wake up almost an hour later (I guess I needed that nap more than I thought). I get a drink of water and start in on my reading assignment for Middle Eastern History.



6:00pm. Like clockwork, it's time for dinner. I find a seat with some friends in Pearsons and sit down to a sandwich and chips. Ji-Hyang (my best friend who is also an exchange student from South Korea) asks me about my day and I discover that she has a 12-page Econ paper due tomorrow, and she hasn't typed the first word. But this doesn't really surprise me; her theme is quickly becoming, "Better Late Than Never." The language of choice at this table isn't English, and since I don't feel like recruiting an interpreter, I zone out and opt to get some more work done back at the library.



9:27pm I look over my notes in the Bartlett sitting room while waiting for the board members to arrive so that we can start the Literacy Corps meeting. It has been a rocky start for me as I have just taken over leadership of the group, but just sitting in this meeting and hearing about the different volunteer sites – from the elementary schools to the jail – reminds me of what an amazing organization the Lit Corps really is.



11:49 That librarian has the unfortunate job of getting us last few students out of the library at closing time. But you know, we have no choice when she turns the lights out on us.

12:10am I make it back to the room, and since I got so much done today, I think I'm going to hang out a little bit. I play catch-up with Len and figure out that she's got four tests this week; I don't think I'll be seeing much of her the next few days. I head upstairs and find Rebekah in Anna's room. As has become our ritual, late-night talks in Anna's room serve for a comedy break from studying. An hour later, I decide to tackle half of the Lit assignment before bed.

2:17zzzz After a hot shower, I go to the lounge with coffee in hand to read some Lit. After about 15 pages, sleepiness hits me hard. (The caffeine doesn't even phase me anymore.) I crawl into my bed and set the alarm. Just before I wonder off to sleep I once again remember why I love this part of my day the best – it is a chance to just be and not do. I have just a moment of reflection; then reality gives way to dreams, and another day is in the past. MC



College still meets financial needs of students

BY KAREN BEATY ELDRIDGE '94
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AMBER'S AID '04-'05

Tuition and fees **\$27,565**

MC Grant	\$5,910
MC Scots Scholarship	\$8,000
Cultural Diversity Scholarship	\$2,500
TELS	\$3,000

Subsidized Stafford Loan	\$2,625
Unsubsidized Stafford Loan	\$4,000

Total Aid **\$26,035**

Difference **\$1,530**

FRESHMAN AMBER CHENAULT almost can't believe it herself when she sees it. But it's there – in black and white – printed on her invoice from the business office. Attending Maryville College costs her and her family as much as if she had enrolled at either of the two public universities she considered.

"Maryville was my first choice," she said, "so I'm so happy. I'm getting a great education at a bargain – at the school I wanted to go to."

Attending Loudon High School in Loudon, Tenn., last year, Chenaunt was looking for a small school that would challenge her, but she didn't want to go too far from home. Visiting the College while her younger brother attended a summer soccer camp, she fell in love with the buildings and the layout of the campus. And when she learned more about MC's commitment to the liberal arts and how students received a "whole-person education," her mind was made up.

But like so many prospective students and their families, Chenaunt suffered sticker shock when she saw totals for the school's tuition, room, board and other fees for 2004-2005: \$27,565.

That's why she can't believe it when she goes through the registration lines now and pays less than \$2,000 out-of-pocket for the year.

How does she do it?

Just like the majority of other students – with scholarships and grants from the College, scholarships from outside sources like churches and clubs, help from state and federal governments and a small amount of loans.

"I get the question a lot – How can students and parents today afford a Maryville education? The short answer is 'With financial aid,'" explained Mark Cate, vice president for advancement and finance.

According to the vice president, the majority of families represented in Maryville's student body are "very, very

middle class." About 50 percent of students report one or both parents having college degrees. This year, 30 percent of freshmen are considered first-generation college students.

"Our average financial aid package – including institutional monies, state and federal aid and the (TN) lottery scholarship – is around \$16,700," he said. "That usually leaves the student and families contributing \$10,500."

Chenaunt's financial aid package is typical of a lot of her peers. She receives a \$5,910 need-based institutional grant, an \$8,000 MC Scots Scholarship, a \$2,500 Cultural Diversity Scholarship and a \$3,000 Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship. A Bonner Scholar, she receives institutional work-study checks that she can choose to sign over to the College. To pay room and board costs, Chenaunt and her family have taken out approximately \$6,000 in subsidized and unsubsidized loans.

"Before I got my financial aid package [in the mail], we were thinking big loans," Chenaunt said, "but working with the College's Financial Aid Office, we kept seeing the bottom line go lower and lower."

In terms of total costs, Maryville's sticker price places it fourth among colleges and universities in Tennessee. (According to the most recent report from the College Board, the national average for tuition, room and board at a four-year, private institution is \$27,516.) In terms of net costs (what students pay after financial aid is factored in), Maryville's ranks about 15th.

It's that net-cost figure that catches the eye of arbiters of *U.S. News & World Report's* "Best Value" category, Cate pointed out. They see students receiving more in terms of educational value than what they pay.

"For a private school, we give a lot of institutional aid," Cate said, "but this has been our mission for years – to provide an outstanding liberal arts education to those who may not receive it otherwise."

It's likely that Chenaunt would have enrolled at the College without such generous aid but with it, the financial burden on her family is substantially less. Her mother is employed by Viskase Companies, Inc., a manufacturer of cellulose, fibrous and plastic casings, in Loudon. Her stepfather owns and operates a TV satellite business. Three younger children are at home.

Chenaunt, who has declared a major in child development and learning for teacher licensure, said she isn't worried about the loans. The payback terms are reasonable, and she considers them an investment in her future.

According to Dr. Mardi Craig, the College's director of institutional research, figures from the Class of 2002 show that graduates left Maryville College owing an average of \$17,026 – a little less than the \$18,900 national average for bachelor's degree earners, according to student loan company Nellie Mae.

In advising prospective college students and their parents about educational expenses, the College Board reminds its constituents to factor in costs for books, transportation and other living expenses. Estimates for these are \$870, \$671 and \$1,238, respectively, according to the College Board.

These costs, according to Cate, are significantly different than those students faced 50 and 60 years ago. **MC**

For more information about scholarships and awards at Maryville College, as well as a PDF file of sample financial aid packages, visit maryvillecollege.edu/admissions.

19th-century politician offers some 21st-century lessons in student's senior study

DAVID RASNAKE IS proof that students of today aren't interested only in technology, instant gratification and themselves.

Don't get the wrong idea: He can surf the Internet as well as the next guy, and he's rarely without his cell phone. But unlike some of his peers, Rasnake has an interest in history's lessons and those who came before.

Rasnake's senior study, entitled "'The Champion of Ulla': Parnell, the Gaelic Hero, and Irish Nationalism" is evidence. Combining a natural curiosity in political philosophy and history, a respect for the written word and a good understanding of research in the 21st century, Rasnake put together a senior study that his advising professors agree is graduate-level work, if not publishable.

"Maryville's senior study requirement gives students a chance to pursue their interests and stretch their abilities," says Dr. Will Phillips, assistant professor of English and one of Rasnake's advisors. "David has shown how satisfying that process can be."

Satisfying – and interesting.

MEETING CHARLES PARNELL

"There was a passing reference to Charles Parnell in James Joyce's 'Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man,'" explains Rasnake, who's majoring in history and English. "In that book, the main character's family is split over a political situation. Joyce's audiences of the 1920s would have understood the argument, but I didn't. 'I thought, 'That's interesting. There are plenty of controversial politicians out there, but they usually don't incite screaming matches between families.'"

He finished Joyce's book but later came back to Charles Parnell when the time came to select a senior study topic. Rasnake, whose minor is philosophy, was struck by a theory he came across during a reading assignment. In Benedict Anderson's 1983 book "Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of Nationalism," the author argues that without mass media, nationalism wouldn't exist. "I take issue with some of Anderson's smaller points, but overall I think his general framework is right," the 22-year-old says. "We begin to think alike when we have a common language and we read and see the same things.

"In trying to pick a topic for my senior study, I was looking at this idea of Ander-

son's and wanted to do an applied case study."

Enter Parnell, the 19th-century politician who became a hero to many during the Irish's struggle for Home Rule. A media baron during his time, Parnell was the first "truly modern politician," Rasnake claims. "He understood the value of the media. He believed in having a public persona that didn't necessarily conform to the real person."

Savvy enough to realize his own limitations (he was not particularly well-versed in Irish history or literature, nor was he a great orator), Parnell, while campaigning for a seat in British Parliament, traveled with an entourage of family members and reporters working for the newspapers he owned. "He was silent and aloof, and people surmised that he was a deep-thinker," Rasnake says. "He managed to keep his name in the newspapers and paid attention to public opinion. People started viewing him as a hero – someone who had come to set Ireland free."

Parnell was a wealthy Protestant who, without such media attention and mystique, would never have been elected by poor Catholics, Rasnake claims. Through his newspapers and spokesmen, Parnell pushed for agitation. In the process, he not only earned increased political freedoms for Ireland; he stirred nationalist feelings among the Irish.

Parnell's political career came to an abrupt end when word surfaced that he was courting a married woman. Demystified and defeated, Parnell suffered an untimely death in 1891.

BLENDING HISTORY, ENGLISH AND TECHNOLOGY

Rasnake has a filing cabinet at home full of research. It's a "weird mix" of handwritten notes, photocopies of arcane documents, images of newspapers taken from microfilm and printouts of web pages.

With a double major, Rasnake's thesis combined historically-based analysis with literary criticism. "Insights from each field are reinforced by insights from the other," says Dr. Dan Klingensmith, associate professor of history and one of Rasnake's advisors. "A great thing for [Phillips and

Dr. Will Phillips, left, discusses pages of the senior study with advisee David Rasnake. Rasnake's study focused on Irish politician Charles Parnell (bottom).



myself] was that we could see David processing and using information or perspectives from other courses. He has a

mind that resists the everyday compartmentalization of knowledge."

Through an interlibrary loan, Rasnake was able to access information from the Irish Studies Collection of Notre Dame University. Visiting Emory University, Rasnake read through W.B. Yeats' papers. Searching old Irish newspapers on microfilm, he was able to gauge popular political opinion through poetry and song lyrics that were printed about Parnell.

And the Internet was a great research tool, as well. Much of what he found online was unprocurable 10 years ago, he guesses. "Archiving information electronically is a big trend, and with the Internet, there only has to be one other person out there interested enough [to gather and post information]."

LESSONS LEARNED

Completing his study in time to observe the 2004 presidential elections, Rasnake says his research revealed to him the dangers in ignoring the complexities of issues and people. "Nationalism is not an ideology – it doesn't prescribe things. But when there is excessive media emphasis on something, we just accept [reports] with very little discussion," he says. "Nationalism can be scary because it's often an exercise in group-think.

Rasnake says he has no political ambitions, but that doesn't mean he'll ignore the political arena.

"My study showed me the importance of being involved but also being suspicious without being cynical. We need to ask questions without presuming an answer." **MC**

CLAS SNOTES

EDITOR'S NOTE: The College received information printed below between Feb. 27, 2004 and Nov. 1, 2004. Class notes received after Nov. 1 should appear in the Summer 2005 issue.

'29 MEMORIAM: David S. Marston, Jan. 28, 2004. A retired part-time consultant, he is survived by daughter **Joan Marston '59** and four sons, including **David W. Marston '64** and **Thomas Marston '69** and daughter-in-law **Linda Zacherle Marston '67**. In 1967, he was presented the Alumni Citation for his work as director of Rohm and Haas's Public Relations Office in Philadelphia, Pa.

'30 MEMORIAM: A. Elizabeth Myers, April 24, at her home in Chattanooga. She was a lifelong member of St. Andrews United Methodist Church. Interested in civic affairs, she was a leader in the Pilot Club of Chattanooga, a professional woman's service club. She was employed by TVA until retirement.

'32 Louis B. Blair is the author of numerous newspaper and professional journal articles on healthcare administration and reform. He is a retired CEO at St. Luke's Methodist Hospital in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
MEMORIAM: Messina Lee Howard, April 8, in Maryville. Survivors include special friends Dorothy Cogburn and Glenda Hawkins and several cousins.

'33 MEMORIAM: Willimae Renegar Tripp, Sept. 19, at her home in Aurora, Ohio. She was a retired teacher in Alliance (Ohio) Public Schools. Survivors include husband **Robert '34**; four daughters, including **Tanya Tripp Shively '64**; sister **Alice Renegar Porter '31**; brother **D. Edward Renegar '47**; and niece **Elizabeth Welsh '59**, the College's director of donor records.

'34 MEMORIAM: Helen Mahan Payne, June 5, at her home in Sig-

Huber pens book on rarely heard stories from American history

Robert F. Huber '45 has just written his third book on American history and dedicated it to the late Dr. Vernon M. Queener, a Maryville College professor who inspired him to read and write about history. The 186-page book, entitled "Lost Chapters in American History: Stories You Never Heard in School," features 40 stories ranging from the origin of the abbreviation "O.K." to the first nickname given Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson.

Huber, who lives in Lexington, Va., with wife **Carolyn Ulrich Huber '47**, is hard at work on another book, entitled "Women with a Wallop," which will focus on those "second-stringers whose support was essential for success in the various campaigns for women's rights," he says.

Huber's career as a writer and editor began with the College's Highland Echo. Before retiring in 1976, he worked for the Washington Post, the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Pacific Stars and Stripes (Tokyo).

A hardback edition of "Lost Chapters" may be purchased for \$30 from the author. Contact the College's Alumni Office for details.



nal Mountain, Tenn. She was an active member at First Baptist Church of Chattanooga. A social worker, she attended specialized studies at Vanderbilt University. Survivors include husband Lafayette, one son and his family.
■ **Isabelle Harrison Uhrich**, June 12. She was a retired teacher at Wilshire Elementary School in San Antonio, Texas. She is survived by husband Jacob and two daughters.

'36 R. Stuart Gillis has moved to a one-level apartment in Lakewood, Colo. "The Lord has been real good to me," he writes. "I get along pretty well and still ride my bicycle down paths around Denver."
Leola Halsey Blackwood Lightowler attended Kin Takahashi Week, traveling from her home in Walnut Creek, Calif., with her daughter, Barbara Blake. K.T. Week 2004 was the first time she has been back on campus since graduation. Son **William Blackwood '68** is an alumnus.
MEMORIAM: Camille Lavender, Sept. 2. She was a longtime member and deacon of Graystone Presby-

terian Church and attended Middlebrook Pike United Methodist Church later in her life. She retired from the Knoxville School System, having taught at Perkins Elementary School. She is survived by two nephews and four nieces, including Helen Bruner, the College's director of alumni and parent relations.

■ **Robert Lodwick**, Oct. 20, at his home in Wooster, Ohio. A retired missionary/pastor, he received degrees from McCormick Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Oberlin Graduate School of Theology and Vanderbilt Divinity School. Ordained by the Chicago Presbytery, he and his wife served as missionaries in Brazil. He served as pastor for three different churches before retirement. Survivors include his wife Irene Alderton, three sisters, five children and their families.
■ **David Woodling**, July 5. He was a retired welding engineer with the United States Coast Guard.

'37 Charlotte King Kraay was divorced at age 70 and since then has traveled alone to West Africa,

Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Korea, Venezuela, Israel, Egypt, Hong Kong and China. Presently, she lives in Sebring, Fla., volunteers for Hospice and the Blood Bank and relieves the mate of an Alzheimer's patient.

MEMORIAM: Lillian Cassel Driskill, Aug. 10, at her home in Duarte, Calif. A retired missionary to Japan through PC(USA), she served Japanese-American churches in the Los Angeles area for 12 years after retirement. Husband Larry, two children and their families survive her.

■ **Dorothy Leaf Gallant**, May 16, 2003. She was the retired deputy director of Gloucester County (N.J.) Social Services. Survivors include husband Wayne and two children.

■ **Robert Peery**, Oct. 5 in his home in Maryville. A retired accountant at ALCOA Inc., he loved Blount County and the Great Smoky Mountains. He belonged to the First United Methodist Church and was an assistant scout master for Troop 88. Survivors include wife **Minnie**

Belle Watson Peery '36, a son and his family and several cousins.
 ■ **William Whiteley**, June 11. He was a retired chemistry/biology teacher. Survivors include two children.

'38 MEMORIAMS: **Martha Steed Watson Galbreath**, June 3, in her home in Boyce, Va. She was retired high school biology teacher in North Carolina and Maryland. She was a member of the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Survivors include a daughter and a son.
 ■ **Edward C. Gillingham**, July 24, 2002, in Houston, Texas. He is survived by wife Doris, one son and daughter **Nancy Gillingham '67**.
 ■ **Mary Ruth Hammtree Brown**, April 20, at her home in Maryville. A retired teacher of the Blount County School Systems, she was also a member of New Providence Presbyterian Church. She is survived by husband Kenneth, one brother, two nieces and their families.
 ■ **Jessie Cassada Buhmann**, Sept. 21.
 ■ **Ruth Haines Killian**, Aug. 30, in her home in Medford, N.J. A retired teacher, she was the chairman of Region One and a member of the national board of Girl Scouts in Merchantville. She is survived by husband **Donald**.

'39 Bill McGill had emergency gall bladder removal. After four weeks in the hospital, wife **Joy Corrigan McGill '40** reports that he is "back to the walker and back pains."
MEMORIAM: **Frances Bowditch Garner**, Nov. 17, in her home in Maryville. She was a member of the Maryville First United Methodist Church and a retired teacher from Mitchell County Schools (Charlotte, N.C.) and the Blount County School System. Survivors include husband **George**, three children and their families and two sisters, including **Miriam Elizabeth Bowditch '45**.

'40 MEMORIAMS: **Gale Holbrook Hedrick**, July 7. He was the vice president of investments at Presidential Securities in Chicago, Ill. He is survived by three children.
 ■ **Miriam Berst Wintermute**, June 5, in her home in Selmer, Tenn. She was a retired social worker at the McNairy County Department of Human Services in

MEMORIAM:

Harter, revered professor and choir director, dies at 88

Dr. Harry H. Harter, former chairman of the Maryville College division of fine arts and recipient of the 1998 MC Medallion, died Aug. 8, at Asbury Acres Health Center in Maryville. He was 88.

Following an Aug. 15 memorial service at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Maryville, a reception was held at Willard House on the Maryville College campus.

Harter's 34-year service at Maryville College began in 1947, when he was hired as an assistant professor of music. In 1958, he was named associate professor, then full professor three years later. In 1964, he was named chairman of the department of fine arts. Under his direction, both the fine arts and concert choir developed a reputation for excellence and high achievement.

Harter received an A.B. degree from San Jose State College in his native California, a master of music degree in 1947 from the University of Nebraska and a doctorate of sacred music in 1961 from Union Theological Seminary in New York. He also studied at Northwestern, Colorado College, and Indiana University.

Prior to service in the U.S. Army Air Force, he spent a year in Hollywood, Calif., working for Rudy Vallee Management as first tenor and choral arranger for a male quartet, "The Kingsmen." He appeared on radio, screen and in person as a member of the quartet.

A composer and arranger, he saw his "Requiem For The Fallen Nineveh" published in 1953. Some of his other compositions include "Blessed Be the Lord" and "Shepherds from the Field." He arranged numerous choral and orchestra works, as well as scoring a ballet for a Knoxville Symphony concert in 1964. In 1974, he was commissioned by the Tennessee Arts Commission to compose a work for the Bicentennial.

When news of Harter's death spread among alumni and former choir members, several sent tributes to the College. **W. Hal Laster '65**, vice president and dean of the Music Academy of the West and former dean of the Aspen Music Festival, wrote that his own career would not have been possible without the mentoring of Harter.

"I lived for those arduous rehearsals," Laster wrote. "One wouldn't dare be late, because he locked the door at the designated start time. And if one was late (fortunately, I never was!) those penetrating eyes would stare you all the way to your assigned seat.

"Yes, I looked forward from one day to the next to those arduous rehearsals ... To sing ... To make wonderful music ... To be elevated to a level of music-making that brought tears to his and our eyes when the choir sang particularly well He taught us to appreciate the art of singing; he taught us the art of music-making."

And **Fran Murphy '71** wrote to the College to say that on the day of Harter's memorial service, she proudly wore her choir pin in her Mississauga, Ontario, home and watched the tape of the 1988 Alumni Choir Concert. "I let the sound and the pictures wash over me....

"He was so particular over so many little things that we complained bitterly about – how to stand, sit with straight posture, never gesture or scratch your nose while singing, mark time, wear a white t-shirt underneath those hot robes, black flats – but it was that attention to detail that made the choir so disciplined," Murphy wrote. "He instilled in us a pride and loyalty and joy of singing that has carried on throughout our lives.

"... By now, I'm sure that wherever he is, he has gathered around former MC choristers and is leading them in song. Thank you, Dr. Harter, mentor and friend. 'The Lord Bless You and Keep You.'"

Gifts in Dr. Harter's memory may be made to the Maryville College Choir Scholarship Fund and sent to: Advancement Office, Maryville College, 502 E. Lamar Alexander Pky., Maryville, TN 37804.



Selmer. She is survived by husband **John** and five children.

'41 MEMORIAM: **Louise Wells Magill**, May 12, in her home. She was a charter member of Chapter GD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood of Cape Coral (Fla.), a member of the Lawrence Kearney Chapter of D.A.R. and a member of the Faith Presbyterian Church of Cape Coral. She is survived by husband **John '39**, one son, one daughter and their families. She is interred in the College Cemetery.

'42 Kathryn Estes Anthony now has five great grandchildren, enjoys life and stays busy in Ripley, Tenn. **Elizabeth Bryant Phillips** teaches Bible class in her community of Winter Park, Fla., exercising her master's degree in religious education. Garden club and reading keep her busy.

MEMORIAMs: **Sarah Youngs Crosby**, May 9. She was a retired homemaker. She is survived by two children.

■ **Francis McLain Seely**, Sept. 12. He was a retired Presbyterian missionary to Thailand for 31 years, where he was in charge of a mission station that included schools, a hospital and a leprosarium. In Thailand, he established the Foundation for Inter-Religious Dialogue and served as director for the Dharma Logos Project. He is survived by 11 children and stepchildren, including **Clarissa Seely Barnes '63**, **Joyce Seely Ross-wagg '71** and **Jennifer Seely Durant '72** and their families.

■ **William Boyd Rich**, March 1, 2004, in Fairfax, Va. He was a retired Air Force reservist, NASA publicist and school administrator. During his military service, he was assigned to the Pentagon in the Air Force office of public affairs. Survivors include a son.

■ **Fred Griffin Shelfer**, Jan. 11, 2004, in Tallahassee, Fla. He is survived by wife Betty and five children.

'43 Elizabeth Hains Ball reports husband Kenneth died April 4 at the age of 102. She will retain her North Carolina address but will winter at Lakeview Terrace Retirement Village in Florida.

MARRIAGE: **Sarah Cameron Patterson**, to Edward G. Gillen, Sept. 11.

'44 Viola James White wrote back in October that she and her friend of 64 years, **Jean Boyd**

Douling, were "off to England and the Orient Express. ... Our swan song?" **Jessie Fowler Leonard** reports husband John died Oct. 15. **MEMORIAM:** **Nancy McClaskey Aylor**, Feb. 4, 2004. Husband Stanley and three children survive her.

'45 Nancy Rusell Lynn went to China to teach English with the 100th group of Global Volunteers. It was her second trip.

MEMORIAM: **Jane Hays Swartzback**, March 16, 2004, at her home in New Marshfield, Ohio. A homemaker, she was an active member of Athens First Presbyterian Church. Survivors include husband **Raymond Swartzback '47**, three daughters and their families and one brother.

'48 MEMORIAMs: **Matteo Angelo Cardella**, Oct. 15, in his home in Ames, Iowa. Following service in the Korean War, he worked as a microbiologist at Fort Detrick in Frederick, Md. He continued his career at the National Animal Disease Lab in Ames until retirement. He was a member of the Lions Clubs of Iowa, where he served as secretary-treasurer. He is survived by one daughter, three sons and their families.



Richard Rowley '55 organized a reunion of his Maryville College friends and their spouses in Tucson, Ariz., on March 8. Attending were (l-r) **Raymond Saunders '49**, **Edward Vanderslice '50**, **Curt Barnett '50**, **Rowley, Lewis Evans '51** and **Willard Rahn '51**. (Helen Gentry Saunders '49 was also present.) Rowley wrote to the College that some friends hadn't seen each other since graduation, but " ... it was almost like we had ended a conversation in Maryville and picked it up 54 years later."

■ **Kenneth Talbott**, May 8, in his home in Maryville. He was a retired chemist from Oak Ridge National Laboratory. A charter member of Gideons International, he was an active member of East Maryville Baptist Church. Survivors include wife Jean, three children and their families.

■ **Virginia McArthur Todd**, March

2, 2004, in Jackson, Miss. Survivors include husband Wilbur, two children and their families; two brothers, including **Irvin McArthur '47**; five sisters-in-law, including **Grace Proffitt McArthur '35**; and 26 nieces and nephews.

'49 Mary Elizabeth "Buffie" Carver Fay wrote that husband

MEMORIAM:

Beloved 'St. Margaret' mourned by former students, colleagues

Margaret McClure Cummings, instructor in Bible and Christian Education from 1940 until 1969, passed away June 24 at Shannondale of Maryville. She was 101. Affectionately nicknamed "St. Margaret" and "Ma Cummings" by former students, Cummings enjoyed good health and independence well into her 90s, staying active in her community and church (New Providence Presbyterian), where she served as elder, Sunday School teacher and Bible Circle leader. In retirement, she enjoyed reading, traveling, baking and visiting with Maryville College alumni.

"During my 11 years here, as I traveled around the country and met with alumni, I have often been asked about former faculty and staff of Maryville College," said President Gerald Gibson. "Many of those alumni have inquired about Mrs. Cummings, then have gone on to sing her praises as a teacher and mentor. She is clearly seen by countless former students in a category all by herself."

For an article in the Spring 2003 issue of FOCUS announcing her 100th birthday, the oldest living former faculty member said that the nicest compliment she received from former students is that they "learned to love the Bible in [her] courses." Born in Blairsville, Pa., Cummings was married to Dr. John W. Cummings who taught at Trinity University and MC. After his death in 1936, she earned a degree from Biblical Seminary (New York Theological).

She is survived by three children and their spouses, **G. David '49** and **Margaret Cummings Campbell '50**; **James and Janet Cummings Martin '51**; and **Jim Cummings '56** and **Marilyn**; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts may be sent to the Cummings Endowed Scholarship Fund at Maryville College, 502 E. Lamar Alexander Pky., Maryville, TN 37804.



Andy died May 16 after suffering nearly 17 months from complications from diabetes and a major stroke. They were married almost 45 years.

'50 Muriel Headrick Smith, a retired elementary school counselor, recently moved into a "mother-in-law" apartment with her daughter Brenda Damario. She is volunteering at an elementary school and riding her bicycle as much as possible. **Jack C.**

Young, a retired industrial administrator from Oak Ridge, Tenn., turned 80 in June, acquired a 1931 Ford rumble-seat roadster and is doing well with his family.

MEMORIAM: G. Nelson Forrester, Oct. 31. He was a widely known Tullahoma (Tenn.) attorney and civic leader. He headed the Coffee County District Attorney General's Child Support Division and held a private law practice. He was a chartered member of the Motlow College Foundation and a member of First Baptist Church, the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association, the American Bar Association and other organizations and non-profits. Wife **Geraldine Hopkins Forrester '51**, two daughters, two sons and their families and five brothers and sisters survive him.

'51 In 2003, **George P. Barber** celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with wife Gail and family in Niagara Falls, Canada. In 2004, he celebrated a 50-year anniversary of his theological seminary graduation and ordination. **John Laney** moved to the Nashville (Tenn.) area following his wedding. **James Edwin Watt** and wife **Joan Duerig Watt '53** celebrated 50 years of marriage with a family vacation in West Virginia and a celebration dinner in Wooster, Ohio.

MARRIAGE: John Laney to Joan Yarborough, June 12.

MEMORIAM: James Everett Latham, April 17. He was a retired pastor of the Presbyterian Church, an administrator of Park Vista Retirement Home and chief executive of the Copeland-Oaks-Crandall Medical Center Retirement Community in Sebring, Ohio. He is survived by wife Juanita, four children, two step-daughters and their families.

'52 William Clarke and wife June celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and

friends during a nearly five-hour program of music, dining, dancing and speaking held at the Old City Hall in Lake Charles, La. **Mary Kelton Grisso**, a retired teacher from Shreveport, La., enjoyed participating in the College's Kin Takahashi Week in June and catching up with her former college roommates, **Ann Leeder Pickett** and **Lynn Miller Berkey**. The three reunited for the first time since graduation 52 years ago.

MEMORIAMS: Walter Evans English, Oct. 12, at his home in Mackeyville, Pa. A retired pathologist, he was a devoted tenor in the choir of United Lutheran Church and enjoyed fishing and painting. He is survived by wife Susan, seven children and their families.

■ **John Laurence Thompson**, July 2, 2003. Receiving a doctorate in education, he retired from school administration with the Salt Lake City (Utah) School District. He also served as a Presbyterian missionary in Iraq and Venezuela. He is survived by wife Dolores and two children.

'53 MARRIAGE: Barbara Rogers Greenly to Raymond R. Smith, June 24.

MEMORIAM: Betty Hyman Thurston, Aug. 3 at her home in Largo, Fla. She was a homemaker, a member of Christ Presbyterian Church and a member of the Largo Junior Women's Club. Survivors include husband James, three daughters, one son and their families.

'54 MEMORIAMS: Joe Hopkins, Feb. 18, 2004. He is survived by wife **Virginia Davenport Hopkins** and sister **Gerry Hopkins Forrester '51**. ■ **Charles Reese Miller**, May 15. He is survived by wife Carolyn.

■ **Donald Young**, July. He is survived by wife Eleanore and three children.

'55 Martha Freeny Cummings reports that she has been enjoying short trips around the South. Her husband, who is an Alzheimer patient in a nearby Adairsville, Ga.-nursing home, is doing well. **Evelyn Celeste Miller** is still in Pasadena, Calif., and has been busy traveling, staying active in church, education and politics.

MEMORIAMS: Carol Moore Waite, March 24, 2004, at her home. She was a retired journalist for the Waukesha (Wis.) Freeman,



"At a recent family reunion at Menucha Conference and Retreat Center east of Portland, Ore., five alumni were caught singing the alma mater!" **Ron Jennings '55** wrote to the College in July. Singing were (l-r) **Marilyn Baumgartner Jennings '57**, **Mari Jennings Todd '84**, **Ron, Helen Cone Zerwas '42** and **Stephen Zerwas '71**.

director of development at Hartland's University Lake School, executive director of the Zoological Society of Milwaukee County and of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Wisconsin. She was also the CEO for her husband's manufacturing business, Waukesha Metal Pipe. She was the founder and director of the etiquette training firm, Polite Company. She is survived by two daughters, three sons and their families and two sisters and one brother.

■ **Neubert R. Harless**, Aug. 29, at his home. He had worked in the Blount County (Tenn.) School System for over 40 years and was a retired principal at Rocky Branch Elementary School. Survivors include wife Shelby, daughter and son-in-law **Jennifer Harless Robinettes '90** and **Jesse Robinette '91**, one brother and two sisters, including **Gaynell Harless Lawson '72**.

'56 Susan Cook Driver, an artist and a teacher, had a picture in the Governor's Capital Art Exhibition at the State Museum (Wyo.) in the fall of 2003; had a one-woman show in Laramie last fall. **Richard and Nancy Lou Dodge Hughes** report that they enjoyed a trip to Scotland in 2004. **James Laster**, professor emeritus at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va., played the part of Father Jacob in an independent film, "Darkest Days," played the part of Willie Clark in Wayside Theatre's production of "Sunshine Boys" as well as the part of Rev. Chasuble in "The Importance of

Being Earnest" and was the musical director and conductor for Shenandoah Summer Music Theatre's production of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." Last July **Maryel Smith Vogel** and husband Robert had the "Chautauqua Experience" in New York and played violin and piano at the Lutheran House and Presbyterian House.

'57 Suzanne Marion Burton Abbott reports that she has retired from the Houston Public Library as well as from the PC(USA), having served as a missionary to Korea from 1964 until 1975. **Jean Boyd Williams**, a math teacher at Greenhills Schools (Mich.) was awarded the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics Service Award in October of 2003. She and husband **David '56** attended Elderhostel in El Rito, N.M., to learn Spanish. **L. Adlai Boyd**, a retired research psychologist and Presbyterian minister, reports that he is in his first year as chair of the Montreat Zoning Board of Adjustment and his second year as president of the Asheville (N.C.) Choral Society, which is enjoying growth in concerts, roster, audiences and fundraising. His son, who is in graduate school for film scoring at New York University, conducted his own film score at the Lincoln Center in May and received a student Oscar from the Motion Picture Academy in June. **Perry T. Fuller**, a retired senior clinician and family therapist, has been ordained as the transitional deacon in the Episcopal Church and is anticipating ordination to priesthood in 2005. **Mildred Beard Sieber** of Maryville was elected to the board of directors for the Tennessee Storytelling Association. A retired teacher, she is a member of the National Storytelling Network and the Smoky Mountain Storytellers Association. **MEMORIAM: Clifford Edward Irwin**, Aug. 28, at his home in Maryville. He was a retired educator of the Blount County School System. He worked as an official with Parks and Recreation, Tennessee Secondary Schools Athletic Association and the NCAA. He was also an active member and negotiator with the Blount County Education Association and the Tennessee Education Association. Survivors include six children and their families.

'58 **Anna Fuhrmann Allcroft** and her husband enjoyed spending time with her classmate **Opal Miller Chapman** in Washington State and Hawaii in 2003. **Anita Cole Ezelle** recently moved from her Miami home of 34 years and has retired to Eustis in Central Florida. She has survived three hurricanes since the move! **Robert Hassall** is a volunteer instructor of AARP's Driver Safety

Program, where more than 1,800 students have taken the eight-hour course with him. He recently received his five-year pin. **Nancy Peters Meise** reports that she is currently serving as president of her PEO chapter, singing in an a cappella choral group and volunteering for the police department. Her son John August wrote the screenplay for the 2003 film, "Big Fish."

'59 **Carl Boyer**, retired mayor of Santa Clarita, Calif., is writing a history of the formation and organization of Santa Clarita, the largest newly incorporated city in history. **Barbara Mueller** had her artwork displayed in an exhibition entitled "Nine Connections: Works by 9 Women Artists" at the Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library in Kansas.

44th wedding anniversary Aug. 27. They bought their first RV and welcomed their 14th grandchild in 2003. Lynn had a CRT-D inserted into her heart. In good spirits, she writes that people visiting Pennsylvania and Punxsutawney Phil should stop by and say "Hello!" **MEMORIAM: Laura Wendy Compton DePaola**, Aug. 11. She was a retired social welfare worker in Toms River, N.J. She is survived by her mother and two brothers.

MEMORIAM:

College mourns death of President Emeritus Copeland



The Rev. Dr. Joseph J. Copeland, president emeritus of Maryville College, passed away June 21 at his home in Gatlinburg. He was 90.

In 1961, the Maryville College Board of Directors named Copeland the seventh president of the institution, a post that he held until his retirement in 1977. During his 16-year tenure, Maryville College not only weathered one of the most difficult periods in its history but achieved unprecedented success in

the quality and renown of its curriculum and facilities.

Financially, his leadership secured more than \$7 million of investment in the physical plant of the College. A new science facility, a new health and physical education facility and three new dormitories (including one named in his honor) were all constructed during his term in office.

Following retirement, Copeland continued to be both an active community member and an avid supporter of Maryville College. A familiar face on campus for more than 20 years after his official retirement, Copeland served on several college committees.

Born in Ferris, Texas, in 1914, Copeland earned a bachelor's degree in English from Trinity University in 1936. Three years later, he received his bachelor of divinity degree from Chicago's McCormick Theological Seminary and went on to pastor churches in Oklahoma and Texas. In 1952, Copeland accepted the position as pastor of Knoxville's Second Presbyterian Church. He served on the College's Board of Directors before accepting the position of president.

In 2003, Copeland was awarded the Maryville College Medallion in recognition of his "profound influence" on the College and in the wider community.

Personal experience also led Copeland to devote much time and energy during his later years as a spokesman and advocate for patients and families dealing with Alzheimer's disease. During wife Glenda's 15-year battle with the illness (which ultimately took her life in 1992), Copeland became an active member of the Alzheimer's Association, advocating for medical research and caretaker support. He established the Glenda Mullendore Copeland Endowed Scholarship at the College in 1994.

"Joe Copeland loved Maryville College," said the College's current president, Dr. Gerald W. Gibson. "Throughout my time here, he remained a strong supporter and a constant cheerleader. He read every issue of FOCUS and rejoiced at every new mark of progress. ... It is with deep sadness that we report his death."

Following a June 24 funeral, Copeland was interred in the College Cemetery.

'60 **William Aring** of Columbus, N.J. reports that he is nearing his 10th year of retirement. His hobbies include "flea marketing," hiking, fishing, skiing and playing and working on accordions. **Carolyn Thomas Bair** reports that her husband George died suddenly in May. **Ann Barnes Carpenter** retired in May 2003 after 30 years as a kindergarten teacher with the Metro Nashville School System. She also made a second trip to Scotland in 2003 and is currently enjoying volunteering and being with her family and new grandson.

'61 **George B. Henry** celebrated 50 years of marriage with wife Betty Lones Henry on Aug. 15, at the Friendsville (Tenn.) Friends Meetinghouse, where they are active members. **Fred Morrison Jr.** reported in September that he was a candidate for the North Carolina Supreme Court. He left his position on the board of trustees for the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic in April. **MEMORIAM: Nancy Joan Martin Ivey.** Survivors include husband James and five children.

'62 **Carolyn Ingram-Slack**, a social worker through the Ohio Department of Youth Services in Delaware, Ohio, continues to work with imprisoned youth. In 2003 she became a social worker at the girls prison after the small boys prison was closed due to budget cuts. **Marjorie Walden Morrow** reports the death of her mother, Margaret Walden in March 2004. **Barbara L. Tierney** moved from Oceanside, Calif. to New Bern, N.C., where she is near the water and in her own home. **MEMORIAM: Richard S. Hornbuckle**, Sept. 22, 2003, in his home in Melbourne, Fla. He was a retired sales associate at Sears. He is survived by wife **Joan Ellis Hornbuckle** '62.

'63 **Lynn Hill Couser** and husband **Dyrk** '61 celebrated their

'64 **Phyllis Deloteus Garrett** retired in July after teaching kindergarten for 21 years in Monett (Mo.) Schools. **Arthur Herron** retired June 1 from LifeWay Christian Resources in Nashville, Tenn., after 20 years. He is an ordained Baptist minister. He and **Jane Hickey Herron** returned to MC to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. The two met during their sophomore year and married June 3, 1964 – the same day they graduated. The trip to campus included lunch and a visit with President Gibson and Alumni Director Helen Bruner and browsing in the bookstore. In an e-mail to Gibson following the trip, Art wrote "Our love for the college was truly re-confirmed because of the time on the campus. ... We spent some time walking around the campus on our own. It was a joyous experience filled with fond memories and a great deal of joy." **David Lee West**, a retired educator of the Maryville city schools, reports that he enjoys hunting, farming and gardening in Greenback Tenn. He and wife **Barbara Morgan West** '71 have four grandchildren. **Roger Thompson** continues to present programs on "Lumberjacks and Tall Tales" for schools, libraries, museums and historical events around Michigan. He, wife Sue and son Ben use the names "Sheepshank Sam," "Old Time Michigan Lumberjack" and "Teller of Tall Tales."

'65 **Harold N. Cones**, chairman of the biology department at Christopher Newport University in Newport News Va., was awarded the Distinguished Leadership and Service Faculty Award by the university. **Elenora Easterly Edwards**, editor of the Tennessee Press Association, reports that the Fifth Annual Great Baldwin Hall Girls Reunion, held Oct. 7-10 in Crossville, Tenn., included herself, **Pat Dobbin Chambers**, **Michelle Douglas**

MEMORIALS:

College mourns deaths of former faculty, staff

Evelyn Grace Guss, assistant professor of Greek and Latin during the 1950s, passed away June 11 in Gettysburg, Pa. She was 75.



Guss was a graduate of Gettysburg College and earned her master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. After teaching at Maryville and Juniata College, she entered the mission field, teaching at Birzeit University on the West Bank in Palestine. She later served on the staff of the Board of World Missions and Ecumenism of the Lutheran Church in America and was librarian and tutor at Concordia College. She is survived by one brother, three nieces and one nephew.

Paul Henry, 94, treasurer of Maryville College from 1948 until 1954, died Aug. 12 at East Alabama Medical Center in Auburn, Ala.



A graduate of the University of Tennessee, Henry worked for ALCOA before serving in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. Following work at Maryville College, he was appointed assistant business manager for Alabama Polytechnic Institute, now Auburn University. At the time of his retirement in 1976, he was the university's director of auxiliary enterprises.

Henry is survived by two daughters and their families.

Former Maryville College librarian **Virginia Turrentine** passed away Sept. 24 in Shelbyville, Tenn. She was 90. A native of Bell Buckle, Tenn., Turrentine attended the College in 1935-1936 and went on to graduate from the University of Tennessee.



She earned a master's degree in library science from Peabody College in Nashville. Prior to her 20-year appointment at Maryville (1953-1973), Turrentine was an assistant librarian at Florida State University.

Services were held Sept. 26 at Bell Buckle Methodist Church.

Sabine, Martha E. Cook, Vicki Green Cothroll and Gail Smith Stinnett. The six women began Maryville College life together at Baldwin Hall in 1961. **David S. King** reports that he recently became a pastor of Central Presbyterian Church in Pine Bluff, Ark. His wife **Patricia Murphy King** is a first-grade teacher in the Little Rock school district. **Kenneth and Polly Ballantine MacHarg** both continue their ministry work in Costa Rica, where Kenneth is developing a communications department at the Evangelical University of the Americas (UNELA) and Polly is beginning an ESL program. Kenneth's most recent book is about how Christians in developing countries can develop quality radio programs. For more information, visit their website at <http://macharg.lam.org>.

'65 **Janis Rose Bell** reports that husband John is serving his second term as the mayor of the City of Gloucester, Mass. She is affectionately known as the "First Lady of Gloucester."

'66 **Elizabeth Robinson Gaidry** and husband Jim worked with Red Cross shelters in three hurricanes that hit central Florida. They worked as local Red Cross Disaster Mental Health volunteers and helped national volunteers during the recovery. **SueAnne Blair Lewis** reports that she is teaching interior design at Pellissippi State Technical Community College in Knoxville, Tenn. **MEMORIAM: Martin J. Papp**, Sept. 25. He was a retired mail-room supervisor with the Y.M.C.A. in New York City. He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church, a member of Boy Scout Troop 10, an assistant scout master with Boy Scout Troop 53 and 51 and a recipient of a 50-year scouting pin. He is survived by wife Elizabeth, one sister, one brother and several nieces and nephews.

'67 **Janet Lynn Bogle** reports that husband Ed Lowry died May 1 in a fire at the Hotel Parco de Principi in Rome, Italy, while they were on vacation. **Nancy Gillingham** is now a licensed eucharistic minister and the Ministers Coordinator at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Berkeley, Calif. **Tom Dickson**, reports that he retired from his position of Superintendent of Whitfield County (Ga.) Schools in

2003 and was elected to serve as state representative for Georgia's sixth district.

'68 **K. Jean Ferguson Beaulieu**, a dispatch supervisor with the Vermont State Police, graduated from the State of Vermont's Supervisor Training Program. She has been a police dispatcher for nearly 30 years. **Jean Bettis Franklin** and husband Carl, now own Black Mountain Books and Cases, a used and rare bookstore with adjacent woodworking shop in Black Mountain, N.C. **Gayle Walker** reports that she is currently serving as associate pastor at Idlewild Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tenn. In July, she attended the World Alliance of Reformed Church conference in Ghana, West Africa. **MARRIAGE: Linda Giesselmann Driver** to Michael Machen, Oct. 16. **MEMORIAM: Floyd Orus Rupe**, June 20. Survivors include wife **Laurie Waller Rupe**, one daughter, one son and their families.

'69 **James C. Moore**, a retired social studies economics teacher, is "pleased and proud" to be a part of the Maryville College Admissions staff as of June 1. He is the regional admissions counselor in Cincinnati and for all northern states, including Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and New England. **MEMORIAM: Waynetta Bays Talley**, March 6, 2004, after a long fight with cancer. She was a third-grade teacher at Lake Forest East Elementary School in Frederica, Del., for 16 years. She is survived by her parents, husband **George**, two sons and their families and two brothers.

'70 **G. Donald Hickman** recently retired from his position as Acting Inspector General at the Tennessee Valley Authority in Knoxville, Tenn. **Gail Klein** reports that she has been included in "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" for the third consecutive edition. After almost 34 years of teaching French and Spanish in the Trenton, N.J. public school system, she retired on July 1. She will continue to be active in the Huntingdon Valley Presbyterian Church as a choir member and elder. **Jane Elmore Wilson** is an adjunct professor at Pellissippi State Technical Community College in Knoxville. She has also received certification as a senior fitness

instructor and is currently teaching classes in chair exercise and tai chi. She is also learning to read, write and speak Mandarin Chinese.

MEMORIAM: V. Eugene Abshier, Oct. 13, in Atlanta. Abshier retired in 2002 after a distinguished career in state government, which included serving as chief of staff under Georgia's superintendent of schools. He taught in public schools before entering government. Survivors include Michael Garbutt, one sister, one brother and their families.

'71 **Randy Bingham** recently retired as president of Blimp Skinner's Loyalty Lodge #1. In June, he hosted **Jeff '70 and Carey Cox Coghil** for the Cicada Festival in Cincinnati. **Ned Delaney** completed his 25th year as senior analytical development technician with Eli Lilly Tippecanoe Laboratories and is a recent heart bypass survivor. A resident of Lafayette, Ind., he was the assistant editor of the city's alternative newspaper and served as a state representative on the American Irish Political Education Committee. **Robert Evaul** is now a national missionary with the Southern Illinois Hispanic Outreach Project (SIHOP). The mission aims to reach the Hispanic population with the Gospel through Bible studies in Spanish, the formation of Spanish-speaking churches and the preparation of Spanish-speaking ministers and leaders. **Wink Welling Harner** is now the director of disability resources and services and adjunct professor of Portuguese at South Mountain Community College in Phoenix, Ariz. She writes that she is also a professional storyteller and jazz trombone player. **Jean Hodgson** reports that after battling multiple sclerosis for 17 years, she has retired from her position as sales executive with the Clariant Corporation. She lives in Cincinnati. In Columbus, Ohio, **Sue Ann Livingston** is involved in cardiology research for a non-profit foundation located at Riverside Hospital. The foundation did the pioneering work on the drug eluding stent and recently approved carotid stent. Riverside does more angiography procedures than any other hospital in the world, she writes. **Rosemary Lindner Nye** was promoted to deputy regional administrator of the U.S. Department of Transportation/National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In her

position, she will be providing financial and managerial oversight in highway safety for Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. **Lynda Luck Stansbury** was appointed to a post at the San Diego Museum of Art in 2003. She toured Russia in July. **Barbara Morgan West** reports that she is a Blount County music specialist for grades K-5. **Leonard** and **Nancy Wood** live in Salisbury, N.C., where he is Rowan County's public health director, but they write that they "love the Teton and are looking forward to retirement."

'72 **James** and wife **Pat Marshall Buxton** '73 celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary last summer. They both teach in San Diego-area school districts. They are involved in their church performing arts programs. **Charles Cary** is now pastor of Moorings Presbyterian Church in Naples, Fla., and invites any alumni vacationing in the area to worship with his congregation. **Terry Collins** is retired from the Knox County Public School System after 31 years of teaching art. He is now an art consultant and graphic designer in Knoxville. He designed the covers of a DVD and VHS tape of "The George Washington Carver Project," which was produced by a local television station and distributed to every elementary, middle and high school in Tennessee. **Henry Hastings** is an electrical engineer with Lockheed

Martin and lives in Manassas, Va., with his wife and two sons. They are active in the Unitarian Church. **Melissa Collins Mann** has moved to Maryville and is now closer to son **Chris '06** (a student at the College), and **Chris' new daughter**, Taylor Rose Mann. After 31 years as a state employee, **Helen Miller Morefield** retired and is now self-employed, substitute teaching in high schools in Greene County (Tenn.) and working with at-risk families through Solutions, Inc. **Thomas Piper** is still employed with May Merchandising in Missouri, working as a corporate buyer of men's suits. **Alan Stevens** was named principal of Lawton Chiles Middle School in Miami, Fla.

'73 **Jeanette Weaver Whitley** is a high-school substitute teacher in the Wenatchee (Wash.) School District. With sons graduated from college, she writes "at 54, I have so many blessings." **Delores Bowen Ziegler** was appointed professor of voice at the New England Conservatory in Boston. She continues to teach at the University of Maryland. In September, she sang at the College as a benefit concert for the Knoxville Opera Company.

'74 **Louise Marie McNair Bradford** works with Kids Moving Co., teaching movement classes to children ages 9 months to 9 years. She's also on the board for Community Clinic, which provides

healthcare for the uninsured in Gaithersburg, Md. **James Burkins** went on a mission trip last year to Pitoreal, Mexico. While there, he assisted in building a dormitory and medical clinic and helped give medical treatment to the local Tarahumara Indians. **Bill** and **Barbara Robinson Harra** founded Jet U.S., an on-demand jet charter service, which received FAA certification in 2003. It operates out of Wilmington, Del. Barb is now teaching full-time at Unionville-Chadds Ford Elementary School in Chadds Ford, Pa. **Douglas Robinson** was named executive director of the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) in May. Previously the executive director of the Governor's Office for Technology, Office of Policy and Customer Relations, for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Robinson brings more than 25 years' experience to the job.

'76 **Kathy Belcher Manzella** moved to Greensboro, Ga., where she teaches courses for gifted endorsement (K-5). She has one son in the Air Force, a daughter attending technical school and another daughter who's in the 7th grade. **Bob Sturge**, an officer in the Air National Guard, received a one-year assignment to the Bilateral Affairs Office to the Republic of Moldova. This involves bringing developmental resources to the country's military and civilian gov-

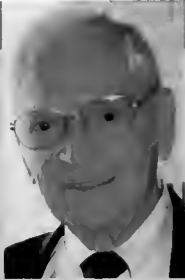
ernment. Wife **Mary Apetz Struge** is still principal of Montclair Elementary School in Charlotte, N.C.

'77 **Carolyn Phibbs Cox** still owns and operates The Dancer's Shoppe in Knoxville. She recently adopted an ex-racing greyhound named Margot. **Deborah Welch Douglas** has taken a position as the coordinator for the "Visions" capital campaign for Uplands Retirement Village in Pleasant Hill, Tenn. The \$4-million campaign aims to replace the Wharton Nursing Home. **Robert von Mitch** shows and breeds afghan hounds as owner of Destiny Kennels in Maryville. He is still active in wrestling.

'78 **Keith** and **Meredith Thompson Henderson** moved from Minnesota to Orlando, Fla., to care for Keith's parents. Keith is now a branch manager with Fastenal. The couple celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in 2003. **Pamela Smith Potter** and her husband and daughter moved their PotterSmith Angus Farm to Ashland County, Ohio. Pam is a special education director for the Tri-County Educational Service Center and is currently serving as a trustee of the National Association of Pupil Services Administrators. **Joseph Showalter** retired after 23 years as a machinist and is now a stay-at-home dad.

FORMER BOARD MEMBERS PASS AWAY

MEMORIALS:



John W. "Jack" Proffitt '41, longtime business and civic leader in Blount County, died Dec. 7 following complications from pneumonia. He was 85.

Proffitt, who served on the Board from 1972 until 1975, attended Maryville College for three years before transferring to the University of

Tennessee, where he earned a bachelor's degree in economics. He served 21 years as president of Proffitt's Department Stores, which was founded by his father and MC graduate **D.W. Proffitt '16**. In total, he worked with Proffitt's Inc. for 40 years.

A member of New Providence Presbyterian Church for more than 75 years, he was an ordained elder and deacon, taught a Sunday School class and sang in the choir. He was a member of the Maryville Kiwanis Club for 63 years, of which he served as president. In his numerous years of civic service, he chaired the Tennessee Great Smoky Mountains Commission and served on the boards of the Blount County Chamber of Commerce, Maryville Industrial Board, the East Tennessee Military Affairs Council, the Knoxville Better Business Bureau and the Knoxville Opera Company.

Survivors include wife **Janet Schaffer Proffitt '68**, daughters **Sherry Proffitt Bonham '66**, **Penny Proffitt Piper '69** and **Mary-Gray Proffitt Hunter '72**, son **John W. Proffitt**, son-in-law **Hugh Hunter '73**, sister **Mary Lillian Proffitt Lyle**, and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Marilyn Virginia Yarbrough, who served on the Maryville College Board of Directors from 1990 until 1993, died at her home in Chapel Hill, N.C., on March 10.

A graduate of Virginia State University and the University of California at Los Angeles, Yarbrough began her 21-year teaching career in law in 1975 as a teaching fellow at Boston College Law School. She taught at the University of Kansas School of Law and was a visiting faculty member at Duke Law School, the University of South Carolina and Washington University (Mo).

From 1987 until 1991, Yarbrough was dean of the University of Tennessee College of Law. Leaving UT, she became the William J. Maier Jr. Chair of Law at West Virginia University and later joined the faculty at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, serving as associate provost until her retirement in 1996.

BIRTH: Joseph Showalter and wife Linda McPhail, a daughter, Sarah Lynn, March 4, 2004.

'79 MARRIAGE: Holli Eckert to Judd Limbach, June 26.

'80 After nine years in the Scout Executive position in Tampa, Fla., Leslie Baron was promoted to Scout Executive in Orange County, Calif., the sixth-largest council in the country. David Franssen was named assistant principal at Huntington High School in Huntington, Texas. In May, Sue Wenkstern Gidley received a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling from Virginia Commonwealth University. Carole Evans Lenze retired from flying after 19 years and went back to school to become an esthetician. Licensed in Washington and Idaho, and having bought a house in Scottsdale, Ariz., she and her husband juggle time between Scottsdale, Sun Valley and Seattle.

Timothy Poole is the regional manager of Pfizer's 25-member Clinical Education Consultant Team for the Southeast. This division focuses on medical outcomes research and disease-focused education. He and his family live in Suwanee, Ga.

'81 Kimberly DeMaat Baron left Liberty Mutual's Tampa office after 19 years as a senior field investigator to follow husband Les '80 to California, where he has taken a position with the Boy Scouts. They both credit the College's Career Planning & Placement Office with launching their careers. Barbara George and her family have moved to the island of Oahu, Hawaii, where she is working as a clinical child psychologist. She writes that they live on the North Shore, "Surfer's Mecca - visitors welcome!" Mary Lowry Haynes graduated two children from a homeschool high school in Marysville, Ohio. After 14 years in healthcare, Ben Stabley has switched to the manufacturing industry, accepting a job as business manager for Signature Stone, Inc., makers of stone veneer. He and his family live in Lancaster, Pa. Richard Suttle returned home to teach in the Knoxville School System after completing graduate school and working in North Carolina for 16 years.

'82 In evaluating a transitional housing project for youth, Anita Baker Lerman reconnected with



Elyse Widner, 5, and brother Andrew, 2, send out a big "Hello!" from Washington state to friends of their parents, David '81 and Lesa Andrews Widner '82.

her former next-door neighbor from Dorm I, Denise Hinds '80, who was the project administrator. Anita writes that she has also reconnected with another friend, Jina Radozycki Lynne '84, after almost 20 years. "It is so great to keep MC connections alive!" **BIRTH:** Tim Fitzgerald and wife Debbie, a son, Charles Quinn, Oct. 16, 2003.

'83 Jeff Hayes is serving as pastor of Gardendale Presbyterian in Alabama and working on his doctorate from Princeton Seminary. He and wife Nancy Leisering Hayes '81 recently finished building their second log home. Gene Wheatley was named vice president and private banker for SunTrust in Knox County (Tenn.). He has been in the financial industry for more than 20 years, following 12 in the not-for-profit sector.

'85 Mack Paschall received his Ph.D. in educational psychology and learning systems from Florida State in May. During his studies he worked as a research assistant, teaching assistant and instructional designer. He gained additional experience as a project manager and associate in research for FSU's Office of Distributed and Distance Learning. Mark Street is pastor of Milligan Free Will Baptist Church in Johnson City, Tenn., and is presently working on his M. of Div. from Trinity Theological Seminary in Newburgh, Ind. Melissa Walker was selected to serve for one year as master scholar for the Teaching American History in S.C. project. As master scholar, Walker, an associate professor of history at Converse College, developed a curriculum for three Summer Institutes, which provided professional development to S.C. public-school teachers. Lisa

Smith Webb finished her postdoctoral fellowship at the Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Me., and is now assistant professor of biology at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Va.

'86 BIRTH: Hubert Dixon and wife Sarah Clark, a daughter, Olivia Midori Clark Dixon, Nov. 17, 2003.

'87 Christopher Lilley relocated to Atlanta in 2003 to begin work in a graduate program at Georgia Tech and work full-time. He writes that he spends as much of his spare time as he can outside. **BIRTH:** Risa Stein and husband Keith, a daughter, Alayna Lian Hadlock, Sept. 16, 2003. (Alayna, from China, was adopted by the couple on June 28.)

'88 Eric Bollman is now construction manager for Empire Corporation of Tennessee, working in Raleigh, N.C., where he is charged with growing the Knoxville-based business. He writes that he would love to hear from other classmates, especially the "Lloyd Dwellers." Lisa Harvey Burkett is now chief of the FBI's Support Management Development Unit.

'89 Barbara Bolt was accepted into the doctoral program in literature at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. She began classes and a teaching assistantship in August. Michelle Hill Mills and her family now live in Aurburn, Ga. She is a stay-at-home mom and loves it. As a Ph.D. candidate in cultural studies of education at the University of Tennessee, Jennifer Worth Spirko presented an academic paper at the American Educational Studies Conference in Kansas City in November. The paper was entitled "Clinton High School and the Contested Site of Integration." In May, Dean Walsh coached USA Athletes team to a gold medal



Libba Gillum Miller '85 and husband Mark, a daughter, Sofia Elaine, Feb. 6, 2004.

in Holland. Hayley Smith '04 was a member of the team.

BIRTHS: Stacy Beam Essary and husband Mike, a daughter, Marie Nicole, Feb. 24, 2004. Dean Walsh and wife Courtney, a daughter, Courtlyn-Olivia Jean Walsh, April 4.

'90 Peggy Kilgore is in her third year of teaching at Tennessee Tech. She has recently purchased a home in the country, which she shares with her six cats and one dog. She is active in animal rescue and the Humane Society of Putnam County. **BIRTHS:** Amy Jackson Clement and husband Mark, a son, Jackson Edward, Jan. 23, 2004. Scott and Marilyn McCoy Farmer, a daughter, Morgan Lynn, Jan. 1, 2004 (Citrus County, Fla.'s first baby of the New Year). Rose Ballard Justice and husband Douglas '93, fraternal twins, Skylar Rose and Thalen Douglas, Sept. 30, 2003.

'91 Lori Smith Reno, her husband and son have joined the missions team at their church, Restoration International Outreach, in Maryville and have completed five missions to Panama, Brazil and Jasonville, Fla., building churches and spreading the Gospel. Loren Sumner was granted tenure at Mercer University (Macon, Ga.) and promoted to associate professor.

BIRTHS: Barbara Borderieux Brunner and husband David, a daughter, Alexandria Hope, May 12. David and Clare Jacobs Dannenberg '92, a son, Samuel Jacobs, Feb. 17, 2004. Teresa Nehls Sherrill and husband Michael, a son, Taylor Isaiah Sherrill, May 3.

'92 Carrie Callaway Denkinger and husband moved from Blue Ridge School to the Asheville School in Asheville, N.C. Noel Royer Spears is now living in Decatur, Ga., and teaching third grade in the DeKalb County School System. John Worth is living and working in Nashville, where his wife is a postdoctoral researcher at Vanderbilt. **BIRTHS:** Debra Washington Ballantyne and husband Eric, a son, Joshua Eric, March 16, 2004. Janet Gehlbach Goodman and husband David, a daughter, Ashley Jordan, July 11. Lisa Locke McClendon and husband Tim, a son, Dakota Tyler, Aug. 16.

'93 Tom Friend is currently deployed in Afghanistan for Oper-



Funmilayo Eke '98 to Samuel Harmon, Jr., May 29, at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, Ga. The wedding, attended by more than 250 guests, included African traditions and entertainment, representative of Funmi's Nigerian roots.

ation Enduring Freedom. **Jessica Roitman** spent two months in the archives in Lisbon, doing research on her Ph.D. at Leiden University in the Netherlands. **Laura Stephens Shockley** invites friends to visit her website, <http://home.insightbb.com/~brian.laura>. **Ginger Chapman Teaster** and her family are now living in Little Rock, Ark., where she is manager of community relations for CrossRoads Group, a faith-based career counseling center for high-school students. **Tony and Emily St. Clair Wolfenbarger** are living in Louisville, Ky., where Tony is attending Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in pursuit of a M. of Div. Emily is attending Seminary Wives Institute to prepare for her ministry as a pastor's wife. **BIRTHS:** **Julie Brown Ailshie** and husband Greg, a son, Clayton Charles, Aug. 18. **Alyson Neville Knight** and husband **Bill '94**, a son, Jack William, May 11. **Janna McCall Nash** and husband Samuel, a daughter, Betsy Lane, Aug. 25.

'94 **Nancy Allen Lassiter** published her third book, "Proud Racer: Blind Faith" in October 2003. The story is told from the prospective of her greyhound. **Jeff Rosa** received a master's degree in sports management from Nova Southeastern University in August. He teaches and coaches at Gulf Coast High School in Naples, Fla. He is a volunteer assistant baseball coach at Florida Gulf Coast University. **Lori Schirmer** is a critical care and metabolic support specialty



Karen Beaty Eldridge '94 and husband Mark, a son, Robert Harrison, May 24.

resident in Memphis Regional Medical Center's trauma center. **MARRIAGE:** **Chad Brown** to Cynthia Calfee, July 3. **BIRTHS:** **Julie Walker Danielson** and husband Blaine, a daughter, Miriam Piper, March 12, 2004. **Julie Jones Hylwa** and husband Joe, a son, Joseph Ty, Aug. 19, 2003; a daughter, Casimira Marie, Aug. 18, 2000.

'95 **Amy Lee Baggett** and her husband are now living in Seattle, Wash., where she is working part-time as a physical therapist and going to school to study graphic design. **Stephanie Fugate Teague** was promoted to regional director for Central Texas College's Europe campus in Mannheim, Germany. **Nick Wilson** and his family live near Louisville, Ky., where he works for Ford Motor Company. **BIRTHS:** **Amy Fenner Briley** and husband Nath, a son, Robert Caleb, Feb. 5, 2004. **Beth Hucke Ralston** and husband Daniel, a son, Broderick Daniel, April 20. **Elias Smith** and wife **Katrina Woods Smith '98**, a son, Elias Hughe, Oct. 18. **John Trotter** and wife Stevens, a son, Ernest Koella, Nov. 30, 2003.

'96 In May, **Matt Fowler** was named head coach of the girls basketball team at William Blount High School in Maryville. **MARRIAGE:** **Kelly Garrison** to Timothy Nash, July 10.

'97 **Jessica Buchner** received a master's of theological studies degree from Chandler School of Theology, Emory University, in May. **Clint Wight** finished his residency in family medicine in June and is now practicing in Blount County. **BIRTHS:** **Michael Hodges** and wife Heather, a son, Chase Michael, May 19. **Patrick and Kim Schuennemann Leslie**, a daughter, Hannah,

July 22. **Andy Moss** and wife Kelly, twin boys, Adam Harris and Kyle Helton, Aug. 18. **Eric Obermiller** and wife Susan Crow, a son, Isaac Crow, Jan. 1, 2004. (Isaac, from Korea, was adopted by the couple on Sept. 9.) **David Wagner** and wife Amanda, a son, William Jackson, April 12.

'98 **Dara Di Giacomo Case** and her family have moved to Maryland. She is teaching in the Prince George's County Public School System. **Todd Smith** received his Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville in December 2003. **Richelle Sissom Turner** received her master's degree in education with a focus on reading and literacy from Walden University in April. **Staci Davis Ridner** graduated from Quillen College of Medicine in Johnson City and is in residency in the Greenville, S.C. area. **MARRIAGES:** **Karson Leitch** to Jason Beagy, April 24. **Staci Davis** to Courtney Ridner, May 30. **BIRTHS:** **Rebecca Kiefer-Seabaugh** and husband Chad, a son, Brandon Allen, July 3. **Devin Koester** and wife Leslie, a son, Kent Drake, Jan. 23, 2004. **Amy Jones Thomason** and husband Tim, a daughter, Audrey Elizabeth, Aug. 30. **Richelle Sissom Turner** and husband Steve, a son, Noah Ryan, April 27.

'99 **Emily Huffman** was named a new account executive for Clinique Services, Inc. She will be based out of the St. Louis regional office. **Justin Turner** is now working on her master's degree in deaf education at the University of Tennessee. After living in Italy for one year, **Amanda McAllister Dietz** and her husband are back in Blount County. She is a customer service representative for Egwani Farms Golf Course. **MARRIAGES:** **Jason Hitson** to **Dara Williams '00**, June 5. **Amanda McAllister** to Stephen Dietz, June 2003.

'00 After nine months of training, **Heath Corlew** was promoted to manager at Waffle House. He lives in Jackson, Miss. **Brooke Daniel** is now an area director with Emory University (Clairmont campus) in Atlanta. **Whitney Black Dee** and her husband graduated from ETSU's Quillen College and Medicine in May. She is now in a pediatrics residency in South Carolina. **Corey Griffin** is now branch manager of Community Bank in Elmont,

Ala. **Katie Dunn** received her master's degree in mental health counseling in May and is now nationally certified, employed at Peninsula Village as a family therapist. **T.J. Emory** was an assistant football coach for Maryville College during the 2004 season. **Elizabeth Hewitt** is in veterinary school at the University of Florida. **Smith Jean-Philippe** completed his master's degree in education at the University of Tennessee in May and is preparing to start Ph.D. work in educational leadership and policies at UT or Vanderbilt. **Paul Sacksteder** received his J.D. from the University of Utah College of Law in May. **Susan Wagner** received her master's degree in instructional technology and educational studies from the University of Tennessee in May. **Allison Mahlman Webb** was promoted to the position of curriculum and staff coordinator at Kidworks, Inc., in Harriman, Tenn. **Charlotte Whipkey** graduated with a dual master's degree in public administration and social work from West Virginia University. **MARRIAGES:** **Carol Bailey** to Patrick Villaverde, June 19. **Amanda Franklin** to Charles Welch Jr., July 31. **Smith Jean-Philippe** to Sharon Sparks, Oct. 2. **Cristina Wieck** to Robert Welhoelter, Sept. 13, 2003. **Molly Winton** to Casey Lothamer, May 8. **BIRTHS:** **Andy and Casey Anderson Bartow**, a son, Nicholas James, Feb. 10, 2004. **Corey and Erica Wright Griffin**, a son, Benjamin Blalock, Dec. 5, 2003. **Justin Leslie** and wife Tina, a son, Ian Sebastian, March 20, 2004. **Parri Sikes Thurman** and husband Todd, a daughter, Camilla Marie, Sept. 14. **Cristina Wieck Welhoelter** and husband Rob, a daughter, Gabriella Coyle, June 3.

'01 **David Calhoun** is living in Nashville, working in marketing and sales support for ENA@. **Kenneth Chan** completed the MBA program at the University of California-Irvine in 2003 and began a new job at Tequila, an advertising agency in Marina Del Rey. **Ron Hees** assumed the vice president position for Monarch Millworks in Grayling, Mich. **Teresa Dibble Hicks** and her husband bought their first home and are living in Gray, Tenn. **Emily Robbins King** is now a stay-at-home mom living in Louisville, Ky. Her husband finished his five-year enlistment in the U.S.



Daniel Bechman '98 and wife Suzanne, twin boys, Dean Brooks and Dawson Blake, Oct. 3, 2003.

Navy. **Rob Lough** graduated from Air Force Officer Training School in 2002 and flight school in 2003. He flies on a KC-135 tanker and is based at Robins Air Force Base in Georgia. He is currently deployed in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. **Mark Rogers** earned his master's degree in teaching from Lee University and was hired to teach at Benton Elementary in Benton, Tenn. He and wife **Elisha Giles Rogers '01** are coaching middle- and high-school softball. **Kris Sigmund** lives in Knoxville and works for American Fidelity Bank. **Stan Sisk** is in his third year of dental school at the University of Tennessee-Memphis. After almost three years of service with the American Red Cross, **Kathryn Wetherbee** is in law school at the University of Mississippi. **Lindsay Whitehurst** earned her J.D. from the George Washington University Law School in May. **MARRIAGES: James Coatney** to Kelly Barber, Dec. 20, 2003. **Jessica Martin** to James Maples, April 24. **Kris Sigmund** to **Kristin Bumpers '03**, May 1. **Stan Sisk** to Kellie Cobble, June 19. **BIRTH: Ron Hees** and wife Kristie, a son, Daniel Allen II, July 18, 2003.

'02 **Mark Deml** was recently promoted to sales manager at Dell, Inc., in Nashville. **Paula Payne Grant** is teaching at Sequoyah High School in Tellico Plains, Tenn., and has started her master's degree in counseling. **Erin Verhofstadt Hartsell** is now working as a contracted civilian with the Admiral's Office in the protocol department at the Naval Subbase in Washington. **Shaine Jones** accepted a research/development position at the Kennedy Research Center for Human Development in the neuroscience department of Vanderbilt. **Mark Libell** was promoted to legislative correspondent in charge of

civil liberties for U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), working in Washington, D.C. Part-time work with the Boys and Girls Club of Metro Denver (Colo.) led **Erin Saunders Martinez** to realize that her vocation is in the non-profit sector, so she began work on a master's degree in non-profit management at Regis University. Her studies are being paid for through the Colorado Trust Fund. **Nicole Johnson McCord** finished her master's degree in educational administration and supervision at Lincoln Memorial University in May. She is now working on her educational specialist degree. **David Ruble** is living, gardening and enjoying life on Cape Cod, Mass. **Joshua** and **Kellie Silva-Noah** are living in Lubbock, Texas, where he is pursuing his MFA in theatre performance and pedagogy at Texas Tech and she is working on graduate degrees in human development and family studies. **Chris Smelcer** is teaching and coaching baseball at Greenback (Tenn.) High School. He has had back-to-back 20+ win seasons and for the 2002-2003 season was named the state's 3A Coach of the Year. **Tiffany Easton Stowell** is working at BWXT-Y12 in Oak Ridge, Tenn. **MARRIAGES: Angel Daniel** to Nathan Babelay, Dec. 27, 2003. **Mark Deml** to **Rachel Gossage '04**, December 13, 2003. **Ashley Potter** to David Hatch, July 17. **Paul Wieck** to **Andrea Nevils '04**, Jan. 3, 2004. **BIRTH: Paul** and **Andrea Nevils Wieck '04**, a son, Paul Lawrence III, Feb. 9, 2004.

'03 **Crystal Buckley** is living in Edwardsville, Ill., and studying graphic design. **Kristin Bumpers** is a case manager for the Tennessee Department of Children's Services, working in Knoxville. **Barbara Cooper** is now working as the youth development director at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson, Ariz. **Rachel Garza** graduated with a master's degree in education from the University of Tennessee in August. She is now working for Hamblen County Schools as an ESL instructor. **James Sparks** is now a branch manager for Citizens Bank of Blount County. As an AmeriCorps volunteer, **Derrick Stowell** taught environmental education in four low-income Knox County schools for Ijams Nature Center. He is working on a master's degree in thera-

peutic recreation at UT and received a graduate assistantship to pay for school. **LeeAnn Godbey Taylor** is pursuing a master's degree in organizational leadership through an online program with Southern Christian University and is working full-time at Cancer Services, a United Way agency in Winston-Salem, N.C. **Molly Tveite** is in her second year as a medical student at the University of Louisville. **Ben** and **Nicole Williams Wicker** are living in Tampa, Fla., where he is in his second year of graduate school at USF and working as a resident director. (Last summer, he helped open two new residence halls with 300 freshmen and a 10-person RA staff.) Nicole is working as a parent educator for the Child Abuse Council. **MARRIAGES: Valerie Brown** to Scott Mulligan, June 5. **Rebecca Evans** to Trevor Dennison, Aug. 7. **Jacqueline French** to Brandon Stryker, July 3. **Ben Wicker** to

Nicole Williams, June 12. **BIRTH: Amber Harris Evett** and husband Samuel, a daughter, Anna Marie, Sept. 1, 2003.

'04 **Alan** and **Jennifer Beasley Brock** are living in Memphis, where she teaches fifth grade and he is enrolled in dental school at UT-Memphis. **Darren Dachelet** is participating in the Auburn engineering cooperative program, working and attending school in alternate semesters. **Amanda Winn** is now finance manager for Impact Associates, Inc., a consulting firm focusing on performance optimization for individuals and organizations. **MARRIAGES: Alan Brock** to **Jennifer Beasley**, July 10. **Ashley Patterson** to James Powell, June 26. **Brandon Tindell** to **Amy Norris**, May 21. **BIRTH: Joanna Wilson McCroskey** and husband Ben, a son, Reymond James, Oct. 2, 2003. **MC**

Khodadad is youngest CPO for Boys & Girls Club

In October 2003, Jason Khodadad '02 began work as the executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of Baraboo/ Sauk County in Baraboo, Wis. At 23 years of age, Khodadad was believed to be the youngest chief professional officer (CPO) hired by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA).

Comprising a national network of more than 3,400 neighborhood-based facilities annually serving four million young people, BGCA provide guidance-oriented character development programs on a daily basis for children 6-18 years old, conducted by a full-time professional staff.

Khodadad grew up as a member of the Boys & Girls Club in Atlanta, Ga. At 13, he was earning a small stipend at the club as a junior staff member, a position he held until enrolling at Maryville College.

A Bonner Scholar at the College and a member of the Fighting Scots football team, Khodadad continued his association with BGCA by completing the majority of his community service hours at clubs in Blount and Knox counties. After graduation, he was hired to supervise local club sports and recreation programs of the Boys & Girls Club of the Tennessee Valley. Engaged to **Anne Cocalis '03**, the two moved to her hometown of Madison, Wis., and he soon applied for the opening at the club in Baraboo.

After three months as executive director, Khodadad reported that the average daily attendance at the Baraboo/Sauk club had tripled, that after-school transportation to the club had been expanded, and that the club's technology center had been renovated.

Khodadad said he believes his work as a Bonner Scholar and the research he completed for his senior thesis entitled "Cause-Related Marketing and Its Effects on the Non-Profit Sector" helped him land his new job. "Hats off to Maryville College for giving me this opportunity," he said.



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Commencement Weekend scheduled for May 20-22



MARYVILLE COLLEGE'S 2005 COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND is scheduled for May 20-22, with many events planned for students, parents, alumni and friends of the College.

The annual MC Scots Club Golf Swat Tournament will tee off at 1 p.m., Fri., May 20, at Lambert Acres Golf Course. For more information or to register for the tournament, contact Janice Braun in Cooper Athletic Center at 865.981.8280 before May 13.

The ninth annual Graduation Celebration for graduating seniors and their families will be held at 8 p.m., May 21, on the campus lawn. Sponsored by Student Development and the Parents Association, the event is held to honor the Class of 2005 and their parents. Invitations will be sent, and reservations can be made by contacting Sheree O'Connor at 865.981.8213.

Graduation exercises for the Class of 2005 will be held at 6 p.m., May 22, on the lawn between Anderson Hall and Sutton Science Center. Congressman John Lewis will receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree during the ceremony. Lewis, who represents Georgia's 5th Congressional District, will also deliver the Commencement Address.



Rep. John Lewis

Baccalaureate services are planned for 2 p.m., May 22, in Wilson Chapel.

For questions concerning the Baccalaureate or Commencement ceremonies, please contact Laura Case at 865.981.8102.

Details regarding Commencement Weekend 2005 will be posted at maryvillecollege.edu.





KT Week 2005

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For more information, please contact Diana Canacaris at 865.981.8198 or diana.canacaris@maryvillecollege.edu.



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