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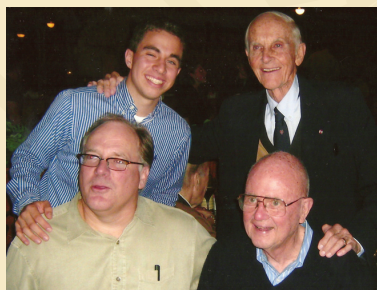
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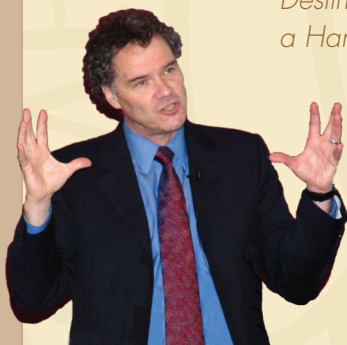
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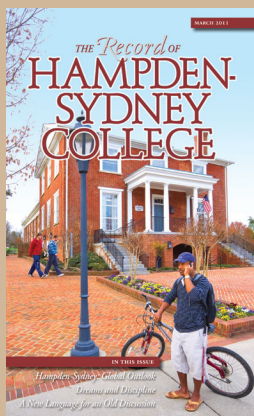
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# Viewing the Globe from atop The Hill

JOHN DUDLEY '95

There was a time when the closest most Americans got to an international career was serving overseas in the armed forces. Times have changed.

American corporations have call centers in India and manufacturing plants in China. Foreign automobile companies have factories in Alabama, South Carolina, and Georgia.

Though Hampden-Sydney College's serene setting may seem isolated at times, we have always understood that we must prepare young men for whatever they choose to do and wherever they choose to go. For decades, this meant European foreign-language training and courses in world religions and world history.

Not only do we continue to offer these courses, but we also have several study-abroad programs, international faculty, cultural programming, and a growing enrollment of international students. Today our programs are as diverse as the world about which they teach us.

Our world is getting smaller (or "flatter" if you are a student of Thomas Friedman) and our mission to create "good citizens" now means more than good citizens of our local communities and the United States. Our role as global citizens grows each year, and Hampden-Sydney College has evolved to address these changes.

In 2006, Hampden-Sydney College developed a plan called "Preparing Good Men and Good

Citizens for a Culturally Diverse World." Though the College has for many years offered a variety of overseas educational opportunities, brought international students and speakers to campus, and imparted to students the value of understanding the variety of culture, both internationally and domestically, this plan formalized a process to increase opportunities for multicultural education at Hampden-Sydney. The faculty and administration of the College used the occasion of the reac-

creditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and its requirement of a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) to develop this plan.

The QEP has four initiatives: establish residential language houses and an International House on campus; bring to campus Amity Scholars from other countries; bring to campus each year a scholar-, writer-, or artist-in-residence who in

some way represents a multicultural perspective; and establish a fund for student groups to plan and carry out programs for the campus community that relate to the theme of "the culturally diverse world."

The students have a Spanish house and a German house where they practice language immersion. The International House is now

*The Inauguration of Dr. Christopher B. Howard as the 24th president of Hampden-Sydney College includes many programs throughout the academic year that recognize the College as a NATIONAL TREASURE with a REGIONAL FOUNDATION and a GLOBAL OUTLOOK. This third part in a series examines Hampden-Sydney's global outlook—how it prepares young men to become global citizens in the 21st century.*

several years old and regularly the site of intercultural events such as the Chinese New Year celebration, the Indian chai reception, and the Film and Food Festival. These programs, and similar programs at the language houses, are paid for in part by the fund developed in the QEP.



*Fulbright Scholar Chao Wei and Tian Shihao '12 of China and Mohit Shrestha '11 of Nepal at the International House Chinese New Year celebration.*

Recent years have seen an increasing number of international teachers on campus. Amity Scholars, sponsored by the Amity Institute, have come from France, Spain, Colombia, and Costa Rica; one from Germany is coming next year. These scholars live with students in language houses, helping them with their mastery of the language and participating in cultural exchange. In a related move, for the past four years Hampden-Sydney College has welcomed, with assistance from the Fulbright Program, Chinese Foreign Language Teaching Assistants who live on campus, teach courses in Chinese, attend classes with students, and lead programs on Chinese culture.

Nearly ten years ago, the Dean of Students Office developed "Beyond the Hill," a program

that offers public service trips to students. One of the most popular facets of Beyond the Hill is traveling to Central American and Caribbean countries to work with the non-profit organization Rivers of the World. Since 2002, more than 200 participants (students, alumni,

and staff) have put in 29,260 hours of volunteer work in Belize, Honduras, Costa Rica, and the Dominican Republic.

This past January, Beyond the Hill returned to Punta Gorda, Belize, for the sixth time to continue construction of a hospital deep in the jungle. **Marshall McClung '11** went on the trip in January, his second.

He says, "For the past three trips, we've been building the maternity ward at the hospital. It is vitally important for that area. It's surrounded by jungles. Women going into labor can get there quickly instead of having to travel to another hospital along dirt roads for two hours. We have had some small group discussions about what we got from the trip. The thing that kept coming up for me was being grateful for what we have here and spreading that message of gratitude to others."

*Students on the Beyond the Hill service trip to Belize stand in front of the maternity hospital they have been building.*



Closer to home, the Political Science department recently changed its name to Government and Foreign Affairs. Dr. **John Eastby** says, "In some ways the change from 'political science' to 'government and foreign affairs' reflects our recognition that we needed a foreign affairs major. With the rise of America's position in the world, we've been called on to deal with parts of the world in a geopolitical and economic way that just was not the case a hundred years ago. This really began in World War I, but since 1940s and '50s political science departments have been developing foreign affairs majors. With **Roger Barrus** teaching his world politics class, we began to see more of a need for it. **Jim Pontuso** has been traveling overseas more and more, which also showed us a need for it. And **David Marion**, with his work at the Wilson Center, has seen a growing student interest in understanding the world and our place in it."

The former political science department has always kept an eye on international happenings and encouraged our students to do the same. **Will Homiller '99** is one of many

Hampden-Sydney students who have earned an internship with the Fulbright Commission in Prague thanks to the help of Dr. Pontuso. Not only is that particular internship an opportunity to travel abroad and work within an esteemed organization, it also requires researching and writing a paper.

Homiller says, "That internship had a profound effect on every aspect of my life. Academically, I got a better sense of what students around the world were doing for their education. Personally, I developed a broader view of the world and a knowledge and appreciation for the diversity of cultures. Socially, I was challenged to reach out to people and to strike out on my own. There's not a day that goes by that I don't think about my time in Prague; it helped shape who I am."

Students going abroad for a semester often chose schools in Western Europe, but that too is changing. Yes, Hampden-Sydney still has students going to France, Germany, and the United Kingdom. However, this spring young men from The Hill are also in China, Morocco, Costa Rica, Egypt, and South Korea.

We strive to create the most enriching collegiate experience for our students. Time and again students who have studied abroad tell us what a pivotal experience it was in their lives. Living on their own and becoming immersed in a totally new environment accelerates maturation and cultivates learning.

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"Globalization is an unavoidable reality and the world is indeed 'flat,' as Thomas Friedman suggested in his revolutionary book from 2005," says **Matthew Scholl '01**, a fund manager for Pramerica Financial in Munich, Germany. He says he saw evidence of this interconnectedness when German pensioners lost their retirement savings because American homeowners defaulted on their mortgages causing a financial crisis.

Scholl recommends students study abroad in an emerging economy and make a conscious effort to understand the dynamics at work in those countries. He adds, "Build and maintain a strong and diverse international network of friends and contacts."

Study abroad is an effective way to develop foreign language skills. Scholl recommends it, as does **Scott Schwind '93**, a lawyer in Houston who focuses on international energy matters. Schwind speaks French, Portuguese, and Spanish fluently and previously practiced law in São Paulo, Brazil. He says successful business leaders cannot sit back and wait for the rest of the world to learn English, but he says this with a caveat.

"We are blessed to be native English speakers. It is the language of international business. A Chinese businessman will negotiate a deal

with a Polish businessman in English. For anyone who wants to do international business, be the best English speaker you can be. Remember, though, that foreign language can be a bridge to another person or another culture. When I am negotiating with people in their language—even though they may speak English—the fact that I speak their language makes them comfortable.

That I am getting out of my comfort zone is a form of good will.”

**Gerhard Gross '84** agrees that speaking a foreign language is only part of the equation. Now the president and CEO-Mexico for Daimler Trucks North America, Gross could speak four languages when he enrolled as a freshman. He says understanding cultural nuances is also important. “In some parts of the world—Latin America, Spain, Italy for example—people are more emotional. In other areas, like the United States and Germany, people are very literal. Understanding these kinds of differences makes it much easier to work together. What Hampden-Sydney students really need to value, though, are the College’s academic rigor and liberal arts curriculum; those are priceless.”

It was not until a study abroad program at La Universidad de las Americas in Puebla, Mexico, that **Scott Williams '98** considered adding a Spanish major to his political science major. After graduation, he took his Spanish language skills and volunteered at the Costa Rica Rainforest Outward Bound School, where he later landed a paying job. He says, “This allowed me the immersion I was looking for to push my language skills and afforded me additional global perspective in living in a foreign country, while working with other young, dynamic people from Australia, South Africa, U.K., Zimbabwe, Chile, and more. My world got a lot bigger that first year



*Gerhard Gross '84 spoke four languages when he came to Hampden-Sydney. He says knowing both other languages and cultural nuances makes his life much easier as president and CEO-Mexico for Daimler Trucks North America.*

out of my historic comfort zone. I understood what it was to connect with people who didn’t share my background, to understand and synthesize other perspectives, challenge my own understandings, and grow immensely on a personal and professional level due to this experience.”

Williams continues to live in Costa Rica (with his Argentine wife) and is a partner in a successful real estate company with **Martin Gill '00**.

**Charles Blocker, Jr. '84**, the CEO of Z-I Capital Partners in Bangkok,

Thailand, says having a global outlook for the new century is more important than we may realize. “The 21st Century is Asia’s century. Investing, living, working, studying, and existing in the U.S. will be heavily influenced by what is going on in Asia. This is not to say the Middle East, European Union, and South America are not players—they are—but the fundamental point is that the U.S. will increasingly play a different leadership role and have less prominence than in the last 50-60 years. Economic, political, and demographic profiles make this almost certain.”

International business is a family affair for the Blockers. Charles Blocker’s brother, **Walter A. Blocker II '90**, is the chairman and CEO of Vietnam Trade Alliance in Ho Chi Minh City and a member of the Board of Governors of the American Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam.

Not every student has the opportunity or the inclination to spend a semester or year overseas, but the College has ways of bringing the outside world to campus. There are the multicultural programs and international scholars created as part of the QEP, but having international students within the student body gives native born Americans the chance to develop lifelong friendships with young men from around the globe. Hampden-Sydney has a healthy population



*Charles Blocker, Jr. '84*



*Scott Schwind '93*



*Andrew St. A. McLeod '08*

of international students, not students who come here for one or two semesters, but young men from foreign countries who choose Hampden-Sydney College for their complete undergraduate education.

**Andrew McLeod '08** could have attended the University of the West Indies in his native Jamaica, but he came to Hampden-Sydney instead. He says, "At this particular stage in your life, apart from getting a good education, you need to make certain international occupational connections."

The number of international students on campus has risen and fallen through our history. In the early 20th century, many Presbyterian missionaries sent their sons to Hampden-Sydney College. Such was the case of the brothers **Addison Alexander Talbot, Jr. '31**, **George Bird Talbot '31**, and **Charles Finley Talbot '32**, who

came from Shanghai, China, and had never before been to the United States

Following World War II, the number of international students dropped significantly until the 1970s. When President **Walter Bortz** arrived in 2000, he recognized the value international students have in their intellectual and cultural contributions to the school. He increased the financial aid and work-study opportunities available to international students and their numbers grew. In recent years, we have had more than 20 international students at one time.

**Mohit Shrestha '11** is the president of the International Club and lives in the International House, where the club hosts many events throughout the year. "We love to have people over to the house so we prepare and serve authentic international cuisine. One of our most popular events recently has been the Chinese New Year.

*Scott Williams '98 (below right, with his Argentine wife Mariana) volunteered at the Coast Rica Rainforest Outward Bound School, landed a paying job there, and stayed on as a partner in a successful real estate company.*



Because we have more students taking Chinese now, a Chinese scholar on campus, and a growing number of Chinese in the community, there is a lot of interest in celebrating the holiday.”

The International Club, which grew out of the Minority Student Union in 2004, hosts a variety of lectures and presentations throughout the year plus a large event each semester. One is a “mini-exhibition” with a multitude of food from around the world with performances of international dances and songs. However, the most popular event is the International Food and Film Festival. “We don’t pick just any film to share with the community,” says Shrestha. “We look for films that have been recognized internationally and that have a message. Last semester we showed *Amreeka*, a Palestinian film about a family moving to the United States and the challenges they face. Many of those challenges are the same ones we international students faced when we moved here, so we really enjoyed sharing the film with the community.”

After graduating in 2008, **Wesley Julian, Eric Lewis, and John Rothgeb** enrolled in the Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme (JET), through which they taught English in Japan. The program not only gave them the opportunity to develop valuable teaching skills, but also provided an exciting way to immerse themselves in a foreign culture.

After two-and-a-half years, John Rothgeb is still living and teaching in Japan. While he appreciates the intercultural development he has experienced, he is also getting comfortable

with living abroad. “To be honest, I didn’t expect when I left that I would be here for such a long time, but life is just too good over here. JET for me has been an opportunity to jumpstart my life after college by quickly getting set up into a ‘job and apartment’ scenario. It’s definitely not the real world, but it’s what I had envisioned would be the next step after finishing school.”

Wesley Julian and Eric Lewis have both gone their own way. Julian has returned to the United States and is a graduate student at the University of Richmond. Lewis moved to Cambodia where he was the chief tour master for PEPY Tours in Cambodia. He has recently returned to the U.S.

Hampden-Sydney College students are keenly aware of the vastness of the modern world. During the last century—even the last 50 years—advances in travel and communication have shrunk the world to a more manageable size. However, being able to travel the world with more ease now means our young men need to be prepared to engage diverse people and to appreciate their diverse cultures. The College and its students are preparing themselves for the next century, for lives filled with new experiences, for continued education, for the joy of cultural exchange, and for the benefits of extending their outlook beyond local to global.

Whether a Hampden-Sydney Man is around the world or across town, he must understand the value of every other person he meets. We do this by having a global outlook, by looking beyond our literal and figurative horizons to discover more about our world and ourselves.



*Eric Lewis '08 as an English teacher in Japan (left) and as a tour company manager in Cambodia.*



# Dreams and Discipline

BARRON FRAZIER '12

My grandfather, who graduated from The Hill in 1946, most likely had planned for my attendance at Hampden-Sydney before I was born. For most of my childhood, I looked at H-SC and promised myself that I would not attend an all-male college, especially a college that my family encouraged me to attend.

But as I matured and as my wardrobe evolved into a garnet-and-grey collection, I began to consider what I wanted out of my education. After recognizing that I wanted more than an education—a place I could call home, a place where professors knew me by my first name, and a place founded on tradition—I realized that Hampden-Sydney College fit my needs, not only for an experience, but also for an education that would undoubtedly open great opportunities in my future.

As I matriculated at Hampden-Sydney in 2008, I entered knowing that I wanted to become a doctor and began the pre-medicine coursework in order to prepare myself for applying to medical schools. Hampden-Sydney College remains unique in that it offers three early-acceptance programs into medical school; however, it also demands that all students digest a thorough education in the liberal arts. For the past two-and-a-half years, I have been challenged academically and inspired to do my best at all times. My professors readily volunteer to help

after hours and have always taught my peers and me to focus on the retention of the material, not just on the numerical grades. When my first-semester grades came in, I was teasingly told by my grandfather that I must have paid extra money for those grades, because I never did that well in high school. A year-and-a-half later, I received the Samuel S. Jones Phi Beta Kappa Award, an honor that I never imagined would belong to me, as well as early acceptance into Eastern Virginia Medical School, a dream come true.

With a little more confidence in my academic ability, I began to apply for different research programs for the summer after my sophomore year. Twelve applications (and twelve letters of rejection) later, I reached a defining moment. I felt discouraged, but as my favorite basketball player Michael Jordan said, “Obstacles don’t have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don’t turn around and give up. Figure out

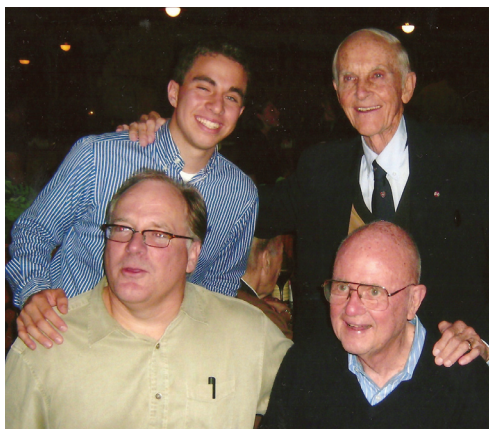
how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.” Motivated to find an opportunity, I looked

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BARRON FRAZIER '11  
Pre-medical student

for an answer and later that week received information about the Fulbright Commission Summer Institute at England's Roehampton University. Interested by the program's offerings, I decided one more application could not hurt. I spent about four weeks of editing and rewriting my application; a week after my phone interview, I received a letter informing me of my admittance into the Fulbright program. Ecstatic and absolutely dumbfounded, I left for London on June 26, 2010, to begin my studies on human rights and citizenship.

For five weeks, seven other students from various parts of the United States and I analyzed the fundamentals of human rights and the differences between the U.S. and U.K. governments, while also discussing controversial subjects such as gay marriage and healthcare. Although I was biology major, H-SC's intensive liberal arts requirements prepared me for conversations that dealt with analyzing history and governments. In the classroom setting, I discovered that some of my views were inherited rather than decided for myself. As I explored the multicultural areas of London and traveled to Edinburgh and Brussels, it became very apparent that citizenship has evolved over the past few decades because of globalization.



*Barron Frazier '12 (top left) with C.R. Hudgins '46 (his grandfather, a former Trustee).  
Bottom: Bill Hudgins '84 (uncle) and W. Levi Old '46.*

Virginia, some of my viewpoints had changed and some were more defined, but most significantly, I returned with a greater sense of my surroundings on a global scale.

In reality, I did not stand out in high school on the athletic field or in the classroom, yet Hampden-Sydney College has provided me with a place to gain not just a degree but an education. Any student who enters these grounds with the will to work will be able to use his degree and

his experience to pursue great opportunities and to achieve his potential, his goals, and his dreams. Even today, it still feels as though I am in a dream, as if the events in my life over the past three years are too good to be true.

As human beings, we all have the ability to dream, but Hampden-Sydney College gave me the discipline I needed to reach my dreams. Yes, dreams allow us to see the depth of our potential, but only with discipline can dreams develop into the great storyline of a person's pursuit of excellence.

*Barron Frazier '12 with friends during his stay at the Fulbright Commission Summer Institute in England.*



# A new language for an old conversation

JOHN DUDLEY '95

One hundred and fifty years ago young men in Virginia were facing an uncertain future. These young men, many of them the same age or younger than our Hampden-Sydney students, were facing a future that could include the creation of a new country, a prolonged war, and a dramatic change to their way of life.

Their country was at a crossroads and the future they faced was more complex than deciding between entering the workforce or going to graduate school. In March of 1860, Virginians were deciding whether they would remain a part of the United States of America or join the rapidly growing number of states breaking away.

In recognition and remembrance of this critical time in our national history and as a part of the celebration of the inauguration of Dr. **Christopher B. Howard**, Hampden-Sydney College's 24th president, on February 3 the noted historian and President of the University of Richmond, Dr. **Edward L. Ayers**, asked, "Why should we care about the Civil War?"

Before joining Richmond in 2007, Dr. Ayers was the Dean of Arts and Sciences at the University of Virginia, where he was named National Professor of the Year in 2003 by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Among his many distinctions as a historian of the American South, Ayers has written and edited ten books, including *The Promise of the New South: Life After Reconstruction*, which was a finalist for both the National Book Award and the Pulitzer Prize.

So, why should we care about the Civil War? Ayers says we often forget that this was an event of global importance, an event that

greatly influenced the next hundred years. "We've gotten so used to it, we've seen so many highway markers, that we've domesticated the Civil War and we've forgotten what could have happened. We've forgotten that the United States could have been divided. What would the 20th century have looked like without this country unified to go to the aid of democracy? The other thing is that if we had established a separate nation, you would have found the fourth-richest economy in the world based on slavery, showing that you could have an advanced economy with forced labor. So, why *should* we care about the Civil War? Because matters of ground-shaking importance happened all around us."

To appreciate the effect the Civil War had on the United States and the world, Ayers examined what caused the war, particularly our long-held beliefs that the war was a matter of slavery, states' rights, or economics.

"This is a remarkably impoverished conversation, considering we've had 150 years to think about this. I really can't think of any other subject in world history for which we have exactly the same range of explanations that we did at the time. The French Revolution—how many times have we rethought that? The Russian Revolution, even the Cold War? But for the American Civil War we use the same language they used at the

time and just argue back and forth.”

This is not to say that the conversation has not had some changes. Among the usual explanations, the prevailing theory has changed. James McPherson’s 1988 book, *Battlecry of Freedom*, tells us that the war was about the struggle between a modern North and an agrarian South—the economic explanation, which is similar to historian James Beard’s explanation of the 1920s. In the run-up to World War II, people thought the Civil War was a terrible mistake that never should have happened. Ayers noted that the war in Europe and the Pacific changed that perception: “[Pulitzer Prize winning historian] Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., comes out of the war and says, ‘We were wrong about the Civil War. Sometimes there are things that need to be destroyed. The American Civil War was an example of that, just like World War II.’”

So, what is wrong with the possible explanations of economics, states’ rights, and slavery?

First, the South was not, as the argument stated, financially dependent on the North. The two regions had a symbiotic arrangement. Ayers points out that in 1860 the South, with its slave-based workforce, was the fourth-largest economy in the world, white Southerners were remarkably literate for the time, the South had an extensive railroad system,

voter turnout among white men was above 80 percent, and the South controlled the cotton that fuelled the economic growth of the North, England, and France.

Ayers also contended that the states’ rights argument, which Confederate President Jefferson Davis developed after the war ended, is “nonsensical.” He said, “Why would the South claim ‘states’ rights?’ Before the Civil War, the South largely controlled the federal government and was the main beneficiary of it. A majority of presidents had been Southerners and slaveholders. The Supreme Court was dominated by Southerners. Federal law said if slaves ran away you must return them; the federal government was on the side of the slaveholders. The war with Mexico was fought largely at the instigation of

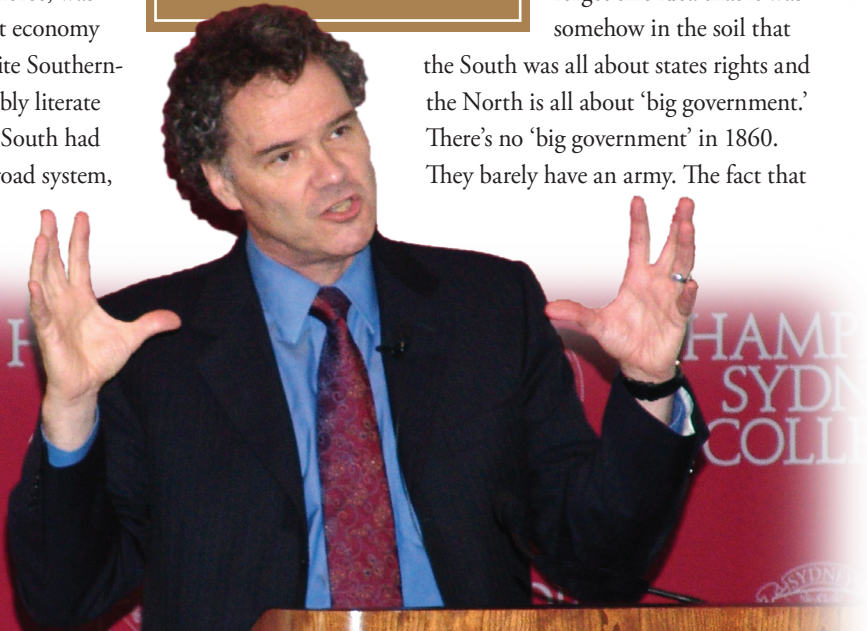
southern states. The Dred Scott Act used the power of the federal government to extend slavery into the territories. So, the South was not touting ‘states rights’ when [the federal government] was advantageous to it. Similarly, the North was all about states rights when they were asked to do something they didn’t want to do: the War of 1812 or the Fugitive Slave Law.”

He added, “We’ve got to forget this idea that it was somehow in the soil that

the South was all about states rights and the North is all about ‘big government.’ There’s no ‘big government’ in 1860. They barely have an army. The fact that

*“The truth of the history we write matters. The truth that we pass on to our children matters. It can’t be just what we wish it were. It can’t be just what we use to flagellate ourselves. It can’t be cheap. It has to be true to the evidence.”*

EDWARD AYERS  
American historian,  
President of the University of Richmond



the Confederacy fought against them for so long shows how little of an army they had.”

The third possibility popular among those who have studied the Civil War is that an overwhelming tide of the abolitionist movement crashed head-on against the South’s devotion to the slave system. However, Ayers pointed out that only two or three percent of Northerners were abolitionists. Rather than being staunchly anti-slavery, most Northerners actually were complicit with slavery in the South.

“All the Republicans said was that you cannot use the power of the federal government to extend slavery into the territories,” explained Ayers. “They did not support John Brown; in their platform, they denounce John Brown. Frederick Douglas says the Republican Party is the worst thing that has ever happened to African Americans in 1860. They’re not going, ‘Yes, [Abraham Lincoln is] really an abolitionist.’ Because he wasn’t. He hated slavery but he says, ‘Folks, there’s nothing I can do about slavery where it is. The Constitution does give them the right to have it. There’s nothing I can do about it.’ Even when the war starts he says, ‘Slavery is going to continue in Kentucky and in Maryland because the Constitution does not give me any authority to get rid of it.’ So, we need to be suspicious of this idea that the North was really against slavery but didn’t know it.”

If these popular and long-held positions are not supported by evidence from the time, what does the evidence tell us? To find out, Ayers and the University of Richmond are using modern technology to tell us more about the issues of the day that drove people to war.

The University of Richmond has developed the Digital Scholarship Lab to collect and analyze tremendous amounts of data. Ayers used the technology to show how a closer look at the election of 1860 breaks down our common perception of North versus South, of a properly delineated Mason-Dixon Line. By showing the election results by county rather than by state, Ayers illustrated that unionist feelings reached throughout



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SERIES OF INAUGURAL EVENTS

the South and the margin of victory in many counties was very slim. “What we saw with the 2008 election is that if you win the election with 52% of the vote, you don’t control everything, and if you lose the election with 48% of the vote, you don’t just give up. The same thing was true then. What did all of those in the South who voted for the Union in the fall of 1860 think for the next five years? What did all those folks who voted for the Democrats in the North think about all the way through the Civil War?”

Historians are also using the Digital Scholarship Lab to scour volumes of *The Richmond Times-Dispatch* to discover what was on the minds of people before the war. Was it slavery, states’ rights, or the economy, or something else? By focusing his digital search on the months of Virginia’s secession convention, Ayers found that slavery was a popular topic but states’ rights was mentioned more often as the convention progressed. Likewise, during the course of the war various topics became more popular, some became less popular, and some, like the sale of war bonds and notices of escaped slaves, saw dramatic changes as the end of the war approached.

“Combined, these perspectives show us that we might as well get over the notion that this moment in the American past was simple, that you can fit your explanation for it on a bumper sticker, that something this complex is going to have a one-word answer.”

So, why should we care about the Civil War? “The truth of the history we write matters,” said Ayers. “The truth that we pass on to our children

matters. It can't be just what we wish it were. It can't be just what we use to flagellate ourselves. It can't be cheap. It has to be true to the evidence. So ... what's the best history? It's the history that can account for the most evidence. You say in court, 'What's the best explanation?' What's the best investment decision? Why would history be any different?"

The new processes at the University of Richmond's Digital Scholarship Lab are providing new evidence, which can lead to modified—or even new—ideas about the Civil War. This is just fine with Ayers.

"This means that history is intrinsically revisionist. Somehow that has become known as some horrible word, but I want revisionist history just like I want revisionist medicine. If we relied on the explanations that people at the time had for illness in 1860, there would be a lot fewer people here right now. If we believed that there was no real cure for diarrhea and dysentery—that killed far more men than bullets—we would consider ourselves foolish. Why would we believe that we have not moved beyond the explanations [for the war] that people of the time gave? I don't know about you, but I don't know anything about the world in which I live right now. I read three newspapers every day to try to keep up, but I can't."

"We see that the war grew out of the presence and problem of slavery in the body politic of the nation, and that presence overrode the economic reasons for the union to cohere."

Ayers said that we have had the story backwards, that for Southerners the issues were

security and the sanction of slavery. Along with demands for the non-slave North to respect Southerner whites' economic rights, racial rights, and electoral rights, Ayers said Southerners also "demanded that the North respect the ethical basis of slavery." This ethical battle over slavery pitted the South against the North.

Meanwhile, Ayers said Northerners were upset with slave-owning Southerners' desire to expand slavery westward, for their previous dominance in the federal government, and their "contempt for working, white men."

He said, "This conflict was not about slavery itself, not about injustice to enslaved people, but about the implications of slavery for white people. That's what the Civil War was about: the implications of slavery for white people."

Once we understand why this country was torn apart by civil war, we can begin learning the lessons of this period in our history. With a truer understanding of the people and issues of the day, and with the technology to discover more evidence about the time, we can carry on a new conversation about the American Civil War.

Ayers ended his provocative and insightful presentation with this thought: "We are going to find a new language, a more supple language, a more honest language, which is not about beating up anybody's ancestors, not about casting doubt on anybody's honor. It's about accounting for evidence. One hundred and fifty years is a long time to have the same argument. I think that finally in our time we have a chance to hand our kids a richer language in which they can have a more productive conversation about the things we've been talking about for so long."

# REBIRTH OF A NATION

## A new look at the Civil War on its 150th Anniversary

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## New information guides Strategic Plan

Members of the Board of Trustees and the Steering Committee are reviewing the information gathered from numerous surveys and meetings with Hampden-Sydney College alumni, parents, faculty, staff, students, Trustees, and community regarding the development of a new Strategic Plan.

Constituent groups have been approached by e-mail, conference call, and roundtable discussion to identify a few “big ideas” to help the College better succeed at forming “good men and good citizens.” The Strategic Planning Steering Committee and Bryan & Jordan Consulting are working together to determine how to position the College for success in the coming decade, as well as where the Hampden-Sydney should be as it approaches its 250th anniversary.

After a list of plan objectives is formulated, they will be prioritized by the Steering Committee. For more information on the progress of the Strategic Plan, please visit [www.hsc.edu/strategic-planning-committee.html](http://www.hsc.edu/strategic-planning-committee.html)



*This photograph of the Hampden-Sydney Campus Christmas tree, taken by Zachary Roberts '10, won first place in the Virginia Living Favorite Christmas Tree photo contest in December 2010.*

## National poetry award for poetry teacher Perry

**Nathaniel Perry**, editor of *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review* and an assistant professor of English, is the winner of the 2011 American Poetry Review/Honickman First Book Prize. Perry's manuscript, *Nine Acres*, was chosen from more than 1,000 entries. He earned master's degrees from Boston University and Indiana University.

“Ever since the founding of *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review* over 25 years ago, Hampden-Sydney has been an important force in the world of poetry,” says Dr. **Robert Herdegen**, Dean of the Faculty. “Neil Perry is continuing that tradition, both as the editor of the *Review* and now as the winner of this major award. *The American Poetry Review's* Honickman Prize, which is awarded for the best first book of poetry, is a significant award in itself and also a launching pad for an outstanding young poet. Almost all the poems in *Nine Acres* were written since Professor Perry arrived at Hampden-Sydney, and we're proud that he is part of our community.”

Perry says, “Teaching at Hampden-Sydney has provided me with a rare opportunity—the chance to learn and think at the highest levels, in the heart of rural America. This unusual combination plays a major role in the book: the poems attempt to understand self-sustainability on all levels, on the land, with each other, in the mind and heart, and, perhaps, in the spirit as well. *Nine Acres* takes as its starting place the classic farm manual, *Five Acres and Independence* by M.G. Kains, so perhaps it is a metaphorical ‘independence’ that I am after and that I hope too to impart to my students. In the land and in learning is a freedom from our worst selves, and all of us—students and teachers alike—have to scramble like crazy to find our ways toward it.”

*Nine Acres* will be published by the *American Poetry Review* and Copper Canyon Press in September. To subscribe to *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review*, send \$7 to P.O. Box 66, Hampden-Sydney, Virginia 23943.

## Photography professor Pam Fox wins prestigious VMFA Fellowship

The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts has awarded Associate Professor of Fine Arts Pam Fox one of 18 professional fellowships in connection with her photographic series “Lure.” Her work was made possible in part by support from the summer research grant money available to faculty at Hampden-Sydney.

Fox says of her Lure series, “A camera is an instrument of pursuit and capture. Unlike the hunter who is in pursuit of real prey, the photographer is in the business of transforming the real and leaving it behind. As part of the image-making process, the lens inherently turns what is shot into artifice or symbol. There is visual ambiguity in the process: the lure calls us toward something seemingly real, something that instinctually draws us closer.”

Fox has won several accolades during her career. She was the 2008 recipient of the Teresa Pollack Award for Excellence in the Visual Arts and a recipient of grants from the National

Endowment for the Humanities, the Virginia Museum Fellowship, and Virginia Commission for the Arts Fellowship. Recently, her work has appeared in exhibitions across Virginia, as well as in College Park, Maryland; Fort Collins, Colorado; and Tashkent, Uzbekistan. She has taught photography at Hampden-Sydney since 1993.

*“Water Deer,” from the “Lure” series by Pam Fox.*



*President Howard (center) was recently a guest of the Lynchburg Kiwanis Club. There he saw many Hampden-Sydney men, including (from left) Hugh Haskins '02, Max Meador '58, Smokie Watts '57, David Heppner '82, Chris Bryant '00, Tulane Patterson '78, Sutton Tinsley '07, and John Tinsley '77.*





## Author Wes Moore: Inspiring students to look beyond themselves

“Know that you have made a difference” was the message author Wes Moore gave to an assembly of students on January 20. “I know that a lot of people are asking you ‘What do you want to do with your life?’ and ‘What kind of job do you want to get?’ I’m going to tell you something you probably don’t want to hear: your greatest legacy won’t be your job.”

Moore’s background includes a graduating from Johns Hopkins University as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, earning a master’s degree from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, serving as a U.S. Army paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division in Afghanistan, and writing the book *The Other Wes Moore*. The book examines the lives of the author and another man with the same name, of the same age, and from the same neighborhood but with dramatically different lives. The “other West Moore” is serving life in prison after taking part in an armed robbery that resulted in the death of a police officer.

Moore’s own life was not without struggle. His father died when he was only three years old. Because of this catastrophic event, he was an angry boy who often got in trouble and did poorly in school. After years of threats, Moore’s mother finally came through by sending him off to military school.

To the delight of the students in attendance, Moore talked about fighting back against the military school system, trying to run away from the school, and finally breaking down in the middle of woods as the city-boy-turned-escapee realized his upperclassmen had intentionally given him bad directions to the nearest train station. When the pranksters led him back to the school, Moore called his mother and begged to come home. She told him, “Too many people have sacrificed for you to be there. Too many



*Author Wes Moore urged students to judge their every action on its usefulness to others.*

people back home are rooting for you. You need to realize that it’s not all about you.” He was not happy with her, but years later he reflected on that moment and began to realize exactly what she meant.

“I want to be useful,” Moore said to the students. “I want to know that my life means something to someone other than me. I know that what I do for others is important because of all of the things that so many people did for me.”

“Wes identifies with our core mission of forming good men and good citizens,” says **Thomas Ransom ’00**, who became close friends with Moore while doing a fellowship at Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public Policy and International Affairs. “His message is one that promotes a society where we strive to reach everyone and help them be the best they can be. This is a message that everyone needs to hear.”

Moore reiterated that message when he told the students to ask themselves simple questions “Am I being useful? Am I being helpful?” The answer will tell them if they are making the right decisions.

## Art and another Hampden-Sydney Man

“Virginia’s Wine Artist,” **Christopher Mize ’89**, presented one of his works, “Hampden-Sydney Red and White #1,” to the College on February 15. Mize is a self-taught artist who left his career in management to focus full-time on painting. Working in his Goochland County studio, he creates a variety of still life settings using wine bottles, glasses, and, often, musical instruments.

“My wife’s family owns restaurants in Richmond and she taught me a lot about wine, so I started painting wine bottles and glasses,” explains Mize when asked why he paints wine. “The restaurant’s wine distributor heard about my work and connected me with the Virginia Wine Marketing Office, and it grew from there. Also, painting wine allows me to paint still lifes, which I’m known for, as well as vineyard scenes, café scenes, a wide variety of subjects.”

Though Mize had enjoyed arts as a child, it was not until he studied abroad in college that he developed a strong appreciation for painting. Using photographs of the works of Monet, Sisley, and Manet as his guide, Mize learned to paint

with the technique called *impasto*—adding thick layers of paint to create a texture like cake icing.

“I have wanted to give back something to the school, so contributing one of my paintings is very exciting,” says Mize, who is the twin brother of **David Mize ’89**. “I developed my love of painting at Hampden-Sydney, and I learned a lot from Professor David Lewis. Knowing that my artwork is here means I don’t have to leave behind all of the fun I had in college.”

He told students in Professor Lewis’ class that painting gives him the satisfaction his life was missing: “I have an MBA. I worked for a pharmaceutical company for eight years. I climbed the corporate ladder and was making the six-figure income, but I wasn’t happy. I had to get back to painting to find that happiness. I don’t know any other job I could have where I could work 16 hours straight and love every minute of it.”

A portion of the proceeds from the sale of reproductions of “Hampden-Sydney Red and White #1” will be donated to the College. They are available at [www.christophermize.com](http://www.christophermize.com).



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CHRIS MIZE '89  
Virginia's Wine Artist

*Chris Mize '89 told a  
beginning drawing class  
about his career arc from  
accounting to art as  
he presented his  
painting to the  
College.*





*Christopher Hughes '88 talks with Stephen Turchan '11 about communications for life.*

## Life lessons for communicating in the 21st century

"I don't think you've even arrived until you've been horribly misquoted by the press," said U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Colonel **Christopher Hughes '88** to members of Hampden-Sydney's National Security Studies Program.

Col. Hughes, a Public Affairs Officer, returned to campus January 28th to discuss "Leaders as Communicators: National Security Challenges in the 21st Century." His recent assignments have taken him to Afghanistan's Helmand province, where he served as NATO Regional Command Southwest's Director of Public Affairs. Before that he was in Iraq as Public Affairs Director for Multi-National Forces West in al-Anbar province. He has also served in Hawaii, Australia, Bahrain, Kuwait, and East Timor.

Though he was on campus for the benefit of the students, he says, "I am the real benefactor of this experience. I feel so good about the energy here on campus, and the state of Hampden-Sydney is so good. It is an honor to re-engage with the school and to get to know the students. Since I've been in the Marine Corps, I've been overseas a lot or in California. I didn't have the opportunity to come back to campus. I was really envious of the alumni I saw in *The Record* who were coming back and getting involved. Now that I am closer, I try to get down here every chance I can."

Col. Hughes gave students current examples of poorly handled communications operations, such as BP's response to the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, Brett Favre's multiple retirements from professional football, and *Rolling Stone* magazine's article about General Stanley McChrystal.

What advice did Hughes give the students? "It's always better for someone else to sing your praises than for you to sing them yourself. Effective communicators determine whether or not their message is being received and understood. Lie just a little bit and you lose all the support of your closest allies."

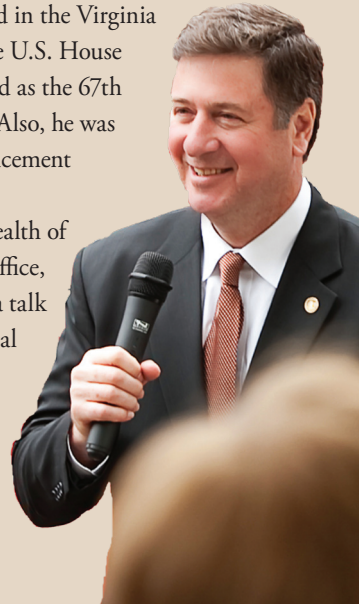
Along with his advice, Col. Hughes told the students, "If you take away one thing from this talk tonight, it should be this: I played football for Stokeley Fulton."

## Veteran Governor addresses students

J.B. POTTER '11

As a part of its ongoing mission, the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest brings speakers to campus to discuss significant issues bearing on leadership and public affairs. On January 20 (just days before he announced he would be running for the U.S. Senate again), the Center welcomed longtime Virginia politician George Allen. The Republican represented Virginia in the U.S. Senate from 2000 to 2006. Prior to that, he served in the Virginia state legislature, in the U.S. House of Representatives, and as the 67th governor of Virginia. Also, he was the College's commencement speaker in 1995.

Drawing on his wealth of experience in public office, Governor Allen gave a talk entitled "Governmental Leadership: The Challenges of State and Federal Governance."



Having served in both state and federal office, Governor Allen was able to use his firsthand experience to compare and contrast the two levels of government. Each level of government has unique responsibilities. Because a state government is “closer to the people,” its two chief responsibilities are law enforcement and education. The federal government, on the other hand, says Allen, deals with national security and foreign affairs. Different responsibilities necessitate different styles of leadership. “Being governor is like being a CEO,” says Allen. “Being a senator is like being on the Board of Directors.” In both cases, though, it is essential to develop a concrete conception of the proper role of government.

According to Governor Allen, an elected official’s political principles should guide and define him. His personal political philosophy is encapsulated in what President Thomas Jefferson called “the sum of good government.” Quoting Jefferson, Governor Allen says he believes in “a wise and frugal government, which shall restrain men from injuring one another, which shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned.”

Embracing such an approach to government in theory is easier than putting that approach into practice. Allen emphasized that it is difficult to change the status quo in public service. “If you, as a politician, run your campaign on an agenda, it is incumbent upon you to keep your promises.”

Governor Allen added that to make good on political promises, it is important for a government official to have a dedicated and talented team, who can identify and implement innovative solutions. He recalled the dynamic team he had during his tenure as Governor. From 1994 to 1998, he worked with officials from across the Commonwealth to decrease crime rates by cracking down on parole for repeat offenders. His team also focused on economic development and educational reform, because an efficient market and educated citizenry are, as Governor Allen puts it, “essential parts of a vibrant state.”

Mr. Allen is the father of **Forrest Allen ’13**.

## Student team records Ethics Bowl victory

J.B. POTTER ’11

The twelfth annual Ethics Bowl took place at Virginia Wesleyan College on 13 and 14 February 2011. This two-day debate tournament is held once a year to encourage thoughtful reflection about moral and ethical issues. Organized by the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC), the Ethics Bowl involves student teams from all VFIC member schools.

The Hampden-Sydney team—**Chris Deen ’13**, **J.B. Potter ’11**, **Baker Allen ’14**, and **Osric Forrest ’12**—practiced rigorously for several weeks before the tournament. Dr. **James Janowski**, Associate Professor of Philosophy, and Dr. **Marc Hight**, Elliott Associate Professor of Philosophy, serve as the team’s faculty advisors and co-coordinators. Their efforts and expertise ensured that the team was polished and well prepared by the time of the tournament.

This year’s tournament, sponsored by the Wachovia Wells Fargo Foundation and other Virginia businesses, had the theme “Ethics & Privacy.” Presented with case studies that related to this topic, opposing teams debated some of the relevant ethical dilemmas. Each team presented its positions and analysis to panels of judges—business, professional, and educational leaders from across the Commonwealth.

Garnering praise from judges and spectators alike, the Hampden-Sydney team represented the College well. After a tough first-round bout against Bridgewater College, the Hampden-Sydney team regrouped to overcome the initial setback. In a sweep of the remaining competitors in its division, the team won its next three rounds, defeating Mary Baldwin College, Hollins University, and Randolph College. With a 3-1 record, the team earned far more speaker points (presentation points awarded by the judges) than any other team. These points propelled the H-SC team to the championship round and proved to be the deciding factor, as there was a three-way



*After the Wachovia Ethics Bowl competition, from left: coach Mark Hight, judge Roger Mudd, Chris Deen '13, J.B. Potter '11, Baker Allen '14, Osric Forrest '12, coach James Janowski, and judge Martha-Ann Alito.*

tie for first place (three teams with a record of 3-1) in Hampden-Sydney's division.

Hampden-Sydney advanced to the final round, squaring off against our "sister" school, Sweet Briar College. According to the panel of judges, which included retired journalist **Roger Mudd** and **Martha-Ann Alito**, wife to Supreme Court Justice **Samuel Alito** (who was also in attendance), the championship round was extremely close. The H-SC team was edged out to finish second out of the sixteen teams in the tournament. This achievement equals Hampden-

Sydney's best previous performances, runner-up in the 2004 and 2010 Ethics Bowls.

In the past four years, the H-SC Ethics Bowl team has compiled an enviable record. In both 2008 and 2009, the team went 3-1 and missed the championship round in a tie-breaker. In 2010 the team went 4-0 but lost in the final round. This year's performance brings the team's four-year record to 13-3 (excluding the final rounds), making Hampden-Sydney one of the most successful schools in the recent history of the Ethics Bowl.



*Eagle Scouts in the Class of 2014, with President Howard: From left, front row: Baker Allen, Birmingham, AL; Colman Packard, Charlottesville, VA; Travis Luck, Richmond, VA; Dr. Howard; William Burton, Lynchburg, VA; James Lilly, Bluefield, WV; and Jackson Riley, Morehead City, NC. Back row: John Correll, Durham, NC; Richard Nagel, Fairfax Station, VA; John Dekarske, Franklin, VA; Kevin Wade, McLean, VA; Khobi Williamson, Norfolk, VA; Hunter Brown, Richmond, VA; Chase Baldwin, Palmyra, VA; and Keil Powell, Norfolk, VA.*

## Honoring the Brotherhood

NATHAN R. RYALLS '11

A recent discussion on the concept of “brotherhood” at Hampden-Sydney College included the perspectives of two alumni, a faculty member, a student, and a professor from the U.S. Marine Corps War College. In the afternoon of February 22, members of the community gathered to discuss the perspectives of **Nathan Ryalls '11**, **Billy Sublett '74**, **Jeffrey Harris '90**, and **Dr. Anne Lund**. That evening, **Dr. Tammy Shultz**, Director of National Security and Joint Warfare and Professor of Strategic Studies at the United States Marine Corps War College, gave the talk “Traditions: A Double-Edged Sword?”



**DR. TAMMY SCHULTZ**

Mr. Ryalls started the symposium by presenting a definition of brotherhood developed by the Committee on Sustaining Traditions (initiated by Student Body President **Ken Simon '11**), explaining that it is time to enter a discussion on “why we have not lived up to these ideals and when we have surpassed them.”

“Who is the Hampden-Sydney Man?” was the question Billy Sublett sought to answer. He shared his own experience coming to Hampden-Sydney as a freshman in 1969 and said, “I was very small, not only in terms of my stature for the football team, but also in my thinking.” He explained to the audience how he had changed his values while at Hampden-Sydney. He ended with this challenge to the audience: “when we go forth into this world, what we have to do is be worthy of the code and oath we have taken.”

Mr. Harris shared his experience of being a gay, black man on Hampden-Sydney’s campus and noted that while “it was difficult enough being a black person, I couldn’t have imagined being out on this campus.” Mr. Harris was honest and open about his experiences, giving

the audience a clear sense of the extent to which his time at Hampden-Sydney was difficult. He said, “Brotherhood is what you make it,” and added that his best advice for his Hampden-Sydney brothers (students and alumni) was simply to “be yourself.”



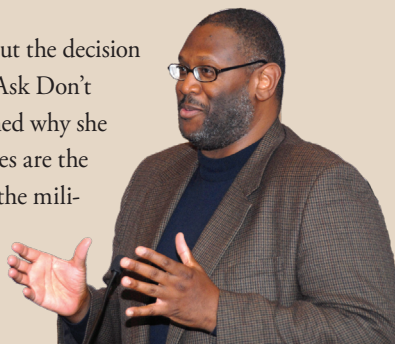
**NATHAN RYALLS '11**

Mr. Harris noted how happy he had been when, after announcing his homosexuality to his Hampden-Sydney friends, “not a man turned me away.” He ended his presentation with the statement: “I think of each of you as one [of my brothers] whether you think of me as one or not.”

Dr. Lund has the distinction of being the first female professor at Hampden-Sydney College. She spoke about the early years of her tenure as the only female faculty member and how many friends felt she had lost her mind when she accepted the position. However, she said, “I believe I am a part of this community.” She noted her objection to the “Where men are men and women are guests” bumper sticker and stated that she never felt like a guest inside or out of the classroom. Dr. Lund believes that “the diversity [of this community] enriches the brotherhood beyond measure.”

Before her presentation that evening, Dr. Tammy Shultz warned the audience, “If I don’t offend you, then I’m not doing my job.”

She spoke about the decision to repeal “Don’t Ask Don’t Tell,” and explained why she thinks the Marines are the most resistant of the military branches to opening their ranks to gays and lesbians.



**JEFFREY HARRIS '90**

She noted similarities between the Marines and Hampden-Sydney College, beyond their shared birthday, noting that both institutions are slow to change because of their traditions. Dr. Shultz argued that traditions create the positive sense of “we-ness,” but at the same time negatively define who we *are* by forcing us to define who we *are not*.

The “Honoring the Brotherhood” Symposium was the start of a discussion of Hampden-Sydney College’s strengths and weaknesses. This discussion should continue as we try to understand what a Hampden-Sydney Man is and how members of this community can live up to our ideals of brotherhood.

## A new face in the administration

On July 1, Dr. V. Dale Jones will assume the position of vice president for strategy, administration, and Board affairs. This follows the retirement of Dr. Paul Baker, vice president for administration and college relations. Dale Jones holds a B.S. in aeronautical engineering from the U.S. Air Force Academy, an M.B.A. from Wright State University, an M.A. in public policy from The George Washington University, and a Ph.D. in public administration from Syracuse University.

Presently, Dr. Jones is an associate professor of public administration and the chair of the Master of Public Administration program at the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University, as well as the director of the University’s National Homeland Security Project. He is the author of the book *Downsizing the Federal Government: The Management of Public Sector Workforce Reductions* and is a contributing author of another recently-published book entitled *The Future of Public Administration, Public Manage-*



*Dr. V. Dale Jones, the new vice president for strategy, administration, and board affairs*



*Dr. Paul S. Baker, the retiring vice president for administration*

*ment, and Public Service around the World*, in addition to numerous book chapters and professional journal articles. He is also a member of the national Board of Directors for the Homeland Security and Defense Education Consortium Association.

As vice president for strategy, administration, and board affairs, Dr. Jones will coordinate ongoing strategic planning for the College, supervise the offices of college events, public relations, and the Atkinson Museum, and serve as the chief administrative liaison for operations of the Board of Trustees. In addition, Dr. Jones will serve as the interim director of external affairs for the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest.

Dr. Jones is assuming responsibility of many areas that have been under Dr. Paul Baker’s direction. Dr. Baker has been studying theology at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond and plans to enter the Methodist ministry. He has been at Hampden-Sydney since 1983 and worked as director of student aid and records, associate dean for academic administration, executive assistant to the president, and vice president for administration and college relations. He was also acting dean of students during the 2003-04 academic year. For his outstanding service to the College, he was awarded the Keating Medallion in 2002.

## Not just another earthquake

WESLEY JULIAN '08 REPORTS ON HIS EVENTFUL RETURN TO JAPAN

When he noticed that the graduation at Osato Junior High School corresponded to his Spring Break at the University of Richmond, Wesley Julian '08 thought that would be a great time to return to the small Japanese town where he taught English for two years. It was going to be a great day of celebration for many of the children he taught. Julian could reconnect with friends, colleagues, and students.

There was no way to know that on that same day, the strongest earthquake ever would violently shake Japan, sparking devastating tsunamis and a nuclear emergency.

Osato is a small town with only about 9,000 residents, and it sits about 16 km north of Sendai. Julian spent two years there teaching English with the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program. Though he had left only about eight months earlier, he was excited to be back.

"The graduation ceremony on Friday [March 11] was beautiful," says Julian. "It started at ten in the morning. We had lunch at noon. Around 2:30, I was winding down with seven teachers in the staff room; the female teachers had changed out of *kimono*, their traditional dress, and everyone was about to go home. That's when the earthquake hit. For the first 30 seconds, I thought it was just another earthquake. Then the first big tremor hit and it got more intense. I could tell by the way my Japanese teachers were reacting that this was a really big earthquake."

Earthquakes are a regular occurrence in Japan, something that might seem strange to most Americans. They occur so often that Julian says he became used to them. He says, "I know it sounds strange, but low-level quakes are kind of soothing—like a little massage. At least that's how I used to feel."

There was no electricity and no phone service, only radio reports of the destruction. He was staying with another teacher, Sakai Sensei, and her husband in their apartment in the city of Rifu. Normally the drive would take about 20 minutes;

it took them three hours.

Aftershocks were coming regularly and his friends' apartment was on the fourth floor of their building. He says, "I was worried, but they were okay with it. I tried to model my outlook on their outlook." Nonetheless, he slept fully dressed with his passport in his pocket.

The next morning they got up early, before many cars were on the road, and returned to the school. They spent the day cleaning, establishing the evacuation zone in the school gym, and checking the building for damage. He still had not been able to reach his family in the United States and was not aware of the extent of the tremendous damage caused by the tsunami the day before.

They returned to the apartment in Rifu and planned to drive the next morning before dawn to Yamagata where Julian could catch a flight to Tokyo.

"We decided that the car had enough gas to get us there—none of the gas stations were open—and we needed to leave early to avoid traffic. I had been trying to call home about every 20 minutes and it wouldn't go through. About halfway to Yamagata I tried and all of the sudden it started ringing. I started yelling, 'Pull over. Pull over.' My parents answered the phone and I was so relieved to hear their voices."

In Yamagata, Julian got a stand-by ticket to Tokyo. Thirteen hours later he boarded the plane for Tokyo's domestic airport. Once there, he took the train to Narida, the international airport, arriving at ten o'clock that night.

"All of the ticket counters were closed at Narida Airport. Hardly anyone was there. Security guards were walking around handing out blankets and pillows for everyone. They also had bottled water and crackers."

In that airport, Julian also started contacting his friends in Japan. "I met some American university students who let me use a computer. The airport had electricity and Internet, so I could finally relay some information and get information. I have to





*Wesley Julian '08 in the snow outside the evacuated Osato Junior High School shortly after the Japanese earthquake on March 11. At left are the devastated school library and the evacuation zone set up in the gymnasium.*



home in Richmond. In Japan, though, many families are still struggling to find loved ones, to find food and clean water, and to make sense of their uncertain future.

“I hope more is said about how prepared the Japanese are for earthquakes—their evacuation plans, their response, their infrastructure. Also, everyone was so polite and considerate despite being hungry and faced with so much destruction. I remember even right after the earthquake one of the teachers was trying to get by me. He would have been justified saying ‘Get out of my way,’ but instead he said, ‘Please excuse me.’ And I can’t believe how well the buildings and bridges held up to a level-nine earthquake. It’s just amazing.”

His Spring Break trip to Japan was more memorable than he had imagined, and he certainly learned more than most students on vacation.

“I have a much better appreciation for friends and family, how many people care about us, and how important we all are to each other.”

say that I’ve really learned how crazy technology is in this day. The only reason I could talk to my parents was by cell phone. I used wi-fi and my iPhone to get on the Internet. Using technology I got the *Today Show’s* Ann Curry to find a missing friend. Within 72 hours, NBC found my friend in a small Japanese fishing village. I can’t believe how quickly information travels.”

A few more standby tickets and many more hours of waiting and travel later, Julian was back

# Sports News

DAVIS YAKE '08, SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

FOR TIGER SCHEDULES AND THE LATEST PROGRESS ON THE SEASON, VISIT [WWW.HSC.EDU/ATHLETICS.HTML](http://WWW.HSC.EDU/ATHLETICS.HTML)

The 2010-11 Hampden-Sydney Tiger basketball season was one of ups and downs. The Tigers started the season with a 4-1 record. The Tigers then won their Roundball Club Tip-Off Tournament and took the crown in the South Region Hoops Challenge, defeating eventual USA South Conference Champion and NCAA Tournament participant North Carolina Wesleyan.

The Tigers then went on the road to open up Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) play at nationally-ranked Eastern Mennonite, losing 79-63. After an easy win over Johnson & Wales, H-SC took another game on the chin, this time on the road at Randolph College.

The Tigers returned from winter break to host The Car Coop–Weenie Miller Holiday Hoops Tournament, winning their third tournament of the season. The Tigers hit the road again for an ODAC contest at Top-10 ranked Virginia Wesleyan. The Tigers nearly pulled off the upset, but late free throws by the Marlins secured the 69-61 H-SC loss.

The Tigers came back home to a 15-point victory over Roanoke College. Their three-game road stand ended with losses to Lynchburg and Bridgewater but a win over Washington & Lee.

The rough first-half stretch of ODAC games continued to plague the Tigers on their return home. Hosting arch-rival and top-10-ranked Randolph-Macon, the Tigers were down by 21 points with just 12:55 left in the game, when a remarkable comeback put the Tigers in position to win. Down just two with 57 seconds remaining, the Tigers got the ball back with 28 seconds left, but a **Randall Ward** three-point jumper from the corner came up short, as did a desperation three-point heave from halfcourt at the buzzer. Five days later, the Tigers hosted Lynchburg College, and a three-point shot from just above the arc by **Fletcher Lumpkin** rolled in and out, giving the Tigers a two-point loss.

With just a 2-7 ODAC record after nine games, the Tigers looked like they would have to battle to finish above the bottom three spots in the ODAC. However, the Tigers turned around their season with a string of victories.

First there was a 10-point victory over Randolph, in which Tiger fans saw a career-high performance from senior captain **Colin O'Neill**, who poured in 21 points. Then Tigers then rolled to a 21-point win against Bridgewater College. During a two-game road trip, the Tigers

*Sophomore forward Harrison George*



*Junior wing Ru White*



*Senior forward Colin O'Neill*





At the alumni basketball game, (front row) Chris Fox '00, Drew Prehmus '08, Mike Edwards '07, Byron Lawton '09, Alex Robbins '99, Kristian Hargadon '01, Marcus Gregory '03, Bat Barber '92, Tee Jennings '95, Brad Pomeroy '92, T.J. Grimes '01, Bryan Sheridan '97, Jim Countiss '71, (back row) Dee Vick '94, Aaron Lewek '06, Hakeem Croom '10, Karlis Tropis '10, Mike Thompson '04, Turner King '10, Troy Kaase '08, Cale Phillips '09, Billy Reid '94, Herb Sebren '66, Nate Schwab '96, and Lane Brooks '03. Not pictured: Rick Caldwell '87, Lane Medlin '10, and John Barker '71.

topped Emory & Henry by 10 and #19 Ferrum College 87-83. The Tigers' winning way continued at home in Fleet Gymnasium with wins over top-10 ranked Virginia Wesleyan, Washington & Lee, and Guilford.

Heading into the season finale against Randolph-Macon, the Tigers were tied for fifth in the conference with Randolph College. A win over the vaunted Yellow Jackets would secure the Tigers the fifth seed in the ODAC Tournament and a first-round bye.

The H-SC vs. R-MC rematch look like it was going to be a blowout win by the Yellow Jackets as they led by as many as 19 in the first half. However, the Tigers fought back into the game and even led in the second half. Down one with 45 seconds left, a Yellow Jacket player missed a layup and two free throws with just 10 seconds remaining. The Tigers got the rebound with the chance to win the game, but **Ben Jessee** missed a three-pointer at the buzzer to fall by one, 61-60.

The Tigers hosted a first-round ODAC Tournament game against the 11th seeded Emory & Henry and sent the Wasps packing with a 71-61 win, earning the Tigers a trip to Salem.

The night before the games in Salem, the ODAC Men's Basketball Banquet took place. Harrison George earned First-Team All-ODAC after leading the league in scoring and second in rebounding. O'Neill also earned a spot on the ODAC Sportmanship Team.

## "THE GAME" FEATURED ON MSNBC



In an online article at [nbcports.msnbc.com/id/40095988/ns/sports-college\\_football/](http://nbcports.msnbc.com/id/40095988/ns/sports-college_football/), sportswriter Jelisa Castrodale surveys the 116-year history of the Tiger-Yellow Jacket rivalry and interviews players and coaches.

### AN EXCERPT:

*"I've been here 11 years and it didn't take me long to realize that you can go 9-1 and lose to Macon and it's a bad year, and you can go 1-9 and beat them and it's a good year," said Hampden-Sydney coach Marty Favret.*

The Tigers *vs.* Royals quarterfinal game proved to be a classic thriller that came down to the buzzer. **Ru White** received the in-bounds pass but his half court shot at the buzzer was just a little too wide, as it bounced off the rim to give the Royals the win.

H-SC finished the season with a 17-10 record, the best record since 2006-07 and the first winning season since 2007-08. With only one senior lost to graduation, the Tigers will look to earn their 11th ODAC Championship in 2012.



*Basketball veteran David Corrigan '79 and his son Patrick '13, a point guard on the current basketball team.*

### *Ty Cobb Ball Park to open by Macon Game*

Ty Cobb Ball Park, designed to complement Everett Stadium, is scheduled to be finished in time for the double-header against the Randolph-Macon Yellow Jackets on April 16.

The primary benefactors for the ball park are **Bruce and Gladys Spencer; Byron and Pam Wurdeman**, the parents of **Chapman Wurdeman '13**; and **John '52 and Peggy Schug**, whose generosity toward academic scholarships and the Beyond the Hill program have already enriched the lives of many students. Mrs. Schug's family has a strong connection with baseball; her grandfather was the legendary Ty Cobb.

"This is an exciting time for Hampden-Sydney baseball," says head coach **Jeff Kinne**. "With our new ball park we will have one of the top venues in all of Division III. This is some-

thing our players, friends, and fans will be able to enjoy for years to come. On behalf of the Tiger baseball community, I'd like to thank all involved for making this possible."

The new facility will have seating for nearly 300 spectators, a concourse with a lounge and press box above, and men's and women's rest-rooms that will be available during both baseball and football games.

The new facility should be completed before the end of the season. "I am excited that our seniors will be able to play here," adds Coach Kinne. "They are the ones who approached President Howard about building this ball park. They deserve a lot of the credit for making this happen."



# Alumni Activities

MARK MEITZ '95, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

## Recent gatherings

Graduates from the last ten years met for the Young Alumni Taskforce at The Commonwealth Club in Richmond and spent a Saturday sharing ideas and talking about ways to involve more young alumni in College events.

Later in the same day, members of the Gammon Society of donors, commonly called the Young Founders, attended an evening of fun and fellowship at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens. The event was sponsored by **Malcolm Sydnor '94** and **Joe Dunn '93**.

Dean of Admissions **Anita Garland** has been busy recruiting new students and speaking at alumni club meetings, including the South Hampton Roads Club, the Martinsville Club (hosted by **Will Pannill '77**), the Midlands Club of South Carolina in Columbia, and the Palmetto Club of Charleston (SC). **Hugh Haskins '01**, director of planned giving (and a former associate dean of admissions), was excited to join Ms. Garland for many of the events.

The Atlanta Club filled the basement of Ormsby's to meet with President **Christopher Howard** and new students.

The Nashville Club held



## HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE

My fellow Alumni,

2011 is moving along quickly for the alumni office. We have had the good fortune to synchronize alumni club events, admissions, athletics, development and Dr Howard's speaking engagements. In the run up to Alumni Council weekend (March 17-19), we enjoyed some great events (highlighted below) and are actively working with new or dormant clubs to schedule events for the spring and summer. Please log on to **www.hsc.edu** for upcoming events and feel free to contact me with comments, suggestions, and ideas.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark".

Mark Meitz, Director of Alumni Relations

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P.S. If you haven't already done so, please log onto to 'The Network' (<http://thenetwork.hsc.edu>) and update your contact information so we can keep you informed about Hampden-Sydney College events happening near you.



*President Howard spoke to alumni, parents, and prospective students at a Pig Pickin' Party on March 3, 2011, at the Milburnie Fishing Club in Raleigh. Dean of Admissions Anita Garland (in hat at second table on right) also spoke.*



*At the Hampden-Sydney Club of Southside Virginia pre-game reception: Janet and Ed Early '57 and Sumner Pugh '57 and Patty Pugh.*

*Below, President Howard congratulates Chris Dowdy '99 (left) on his successful term as Southside Alumni Club President.*



a cocktail and hors d'œuvre reception at the Belle Meade Country Club on February 23, 2011, welcoming Dr. Howard to town. **Michael Finucane '94** sponsored and hosted this wonderful event. During his comments to the club, Dr. Howard mentioned that **Myron Rolle**, a member of the Tennessee Titans football team, will join the Hampden-Sydney College Board of Trustees.

After snow pushed it back a day, the Southside Alumni Club reception in Kirby Field house gave guests an opportunity for fellowship, good food, and to hear comments from Dean Garland, club president **Chris Dowdy '99**, and President Howard before watching the 2011 edition of Tiger basketball.

Watch your mail for future alumni club activities happening in your area.

## Young Founders Celebration

On Saturday, February 19, Young Founders from across the region gathered at the Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden in Richmond for the Fifth Annual Young Founders Dinner Celebration.

During the program, Young Founders Chairman **John Cronly '06** presented Gammon Medallions to **Chris Dowdy '99**, **Andrew Sinclair '03**, **Rusty Foster '04**, and **Judson McAdams '04**.

This was the first time that the Young Founders celebration was held at Lewis Ginter. "It was a great night for the College," says Cronly. "Our ability to build strong relationships with young alumni is critical to the College's future."

The Gammon Medallion was established in 2006 to

recognize Young Alumni (defined as graduates and non-graduates of Hampden-Sydney College who have not yet celebrated their 10-year Reunion) who have given of themselves in both service and philanthropy to Hampden-Sydney College.



Named in honor of Hampden-Sydney College's President **Edgar Graham Gammon**, Class of 1905, the medallion recognizes those Young Alumni whose contributions have significantly aided the College in fulfilling its mission to form "good men and good citizens."

*At the 2011 Young Founders celebration: Stephanie Harvie, Charlie Parrish '12, Willis Davis '10, and Taylor Huffman.*



*Recipients of the 2011 Young Founders Gammon Medallions: Chris Dowdy '99, Judson McAdams '04, Rusty Foster '04, and Andrew Sinclair '03.*



# Class Notes

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[www.bsc.edu/Constituents/Alumni.html](http://www.bsc.edu/Constituents/Alumni.html)

## 1945

The Rev. Dr. **ROBERT BLUFORD, JR.** joined the Wings of Freedom Tour from Staunton to Chesterfield aboard a restored B-24. Bluford volunteered for the U.S. Army Air Force in 1942 and served as a B-24 bomber pilot and squadron leader, flying 18 missions over the European Theater. During the November flight, Bluford was offered the co-pilot's seat and flew part of the way. He was happy to report that, despite not flying a bomber for 65 years, he kept it level.



*The Rev. Dr. Robert Bluford, Jr. '45 with the restored B-24 he flew successfully in November, in his first time as a bomber pilot in 65 years.*

## 1954

**WILLIAM C. BOINEST** received the Lifetime Achievement in Philanthropy award during the National Philanthropy Day luncheon and awards ceremony in Richmond on November 17, 2010. He was nominated for the award by the Greater Richmond Chapter of American Red Cross, Bon Secours Richmond Health Care Foundation, and Hampden-Sydney College.



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## 1964

**K. NEAL HUNT, SR.**, has been re-elected to the North Carolina State Senate representing Senate District 15, which includes Raleigh.

## 1965

The Rev. **G. GEOFFREY HUBBARD** is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bedford Parish Nurse Ministry and pastor at Cool Spring Presbyterian Church.

**JULIOUS P. "JOEY" SMITH,**



**JR.**, chairman and CEO of Williams Mullen, has been listed in *Virginia's Leaders in the Law 2010*, a

publication of *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*.

**ROBERT C. WIMER** has co-authored, with Leah Settle Gibbs, the book *Amherst: From Taverns to a Town*. Mr. Wimer is the retired editorial page editor of *The News & Advance* in Lynchburg.

## 1967

**Dr. C. BRUCE ALEXANDER,** professor and vice chair of the Department of Pathology at the

UAB Health System, is president-elect of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. He has been an active member of the organization since becoming a fellow in 1982. He lives in Birmingham, Alabama.

**HENRY P. CUSTIS, JR.**, has been elected chairman of Hampton Roads Bankshares, a \$3-billion bank holding company headquartered in Norfolk. He is a partner and attorney at the law firm Custis, Lewis & Dix in Accomac.

## 1968

**JAMES L. BECKNER** is the co-founder of Beckner Clevy Partners, a private equity hedge fund. He lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

**RONALD R. TWEEL** has been



named to *Virginia Business* magazine's 2010 list of Legal Elite and in *Virginia's Leaders in the*

*Law 2010*, a publication of *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*. He was recognized for his work in domestic relations and for his pro bono work. He is an attorney and partner at Michie Hamlett Lowry Rasmussen & Tweel PLLC in Charlottesville.

## 1960

The Rev. **JAMES H. GRANT, JR.**, serves on the Family Assessment and Planning Team for the Department of Social Services in Tazewell County, as vice chairman of the Senior Volunteer Services Advisory Council for Clinch Valley Community Action, and on the Committee on Ministry for Abingdon Presbytery. He is a retired (though still very active) Presbyterian minister.

## 1963

**JOSEPH E. "JOEY" VIAR** was named a "Living Legend of Alexandria," primarily for his work as Chairman of the Alexandria Hospital Foundation. Under his leadership the foundation raised \$40 million, which has taken a "fine community hospital" to a state-of-the-art medical center. In 2008 the *Alexandria Times* named him Citizen of the Year.



**CHARLES F. "RICK" WITT-**



**HOEFFT**, an attorney and executive vice president at Hirschler Fleischer PC, has been listed in *Virginia's*

*Leaders in the Law 2010*, a publication of *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*. He was recognized for his work in business and commercial law.

**1970**

**WILLIAM D. SELDEN V**, president of C.P. Dean Company in Richmond, was named the 2009 Distinguished Retailer of the Year by the Retail Merchants Association.

**1971**

**DALE W. PITTMAN**, an attorney in Petersburg, has been listed in *Virginia's Leaders in the Law 2010*, a publication of *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*. He was recognized for his work in consumer law.

**1974**

**B. BOYD JOHNSON** has been appointed to the board of directors of the Roanoke Economic Development Authority. Mr. Johnson is director of Hall Associates asset management group.

**1976**

Dr. **JOHN R. HUBBARD** has been selected by the Consumer's Research Council of America as one of "America's Top Psychiatrists." Dr. Hubbard has also recently published a new book, *Great Life Choices for Teens*. He lives in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

**1978**

**PATRICK C. DEVINE, JR.**, has been named "Norfolk Health Care Lawyer of the Year" in *Best Lawyers 2011*. He is a lawyer with Williams Mullen.

**1979**

**JOSEPH D. THORNTON** of Mitchell, Wiggins, & Co. LLP was named to *Virginia Business* magazine's list of Super CPA's in Virginia.

**1980**

**DOUGLAS C. McELWEE** has been elected to serve a three-year term as an assistant managing member of the



*Hunter Bendall '76 (4th from left) at rehearsal dinner for Hunter Bendall, Jr. (far right) on June 25, 2010, in Peaks Island, Maine. Third from left is Hank Miller V, son of Hank Miller IV '75; fifth from left at front is Stephen Rilee, son of Tom Rilee '75; 4th from right is Landon Hill, son of Bill Hill '76.*

Charleston law firm Robinson & McElwee, PLLC. He earned his law degree from West Virginia University and focuses on mineral



operational issues, mineral and commercial real estate, and bankruptcy related issues. **DAVID P. WATSON** has been appointed deputy business area executive for National Security Space at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory.

**1982**

**CHARLES V. McPHILLIPS**, executive vice president of practice management at Kaufman & Canoles, P.C., in Norfolk, has been inducted as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation, a distinction for attorneys of character who are outstanding in their profession and

in their communities. Mr. McPhillips has also been named to *Best Lawyers in America* for corporate law (1998-2011). In addition to buyers and sellers in the mergers and acquisition market, he advises government contractors, international business, and closely-held companies. He is also a Trustee of Hampden-Sydney College.



Dr. **DAVID E. ROSS** was certified in the subspecialty of behavioral neurology & neuropsychiatry by the United Council for Neurologic Specialties. Neuropsychiatry is a relatively new subspecialty, and Dr. Ross is one of two physicians in Virginia currently certified in this area. He completed medical school and residency in psychiatry at the Medical College of Virginia. In 1997

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*From left, Jay Mitchell '85, Will Bettendorf '86, Ed McMullen '86, and their wives in Pompeii, during the summer of 2010.*



## *R. Tyler Whitley '59, political reporter*

"If I had a good hobby, I might have retired some time ago," says Tyler Whitley '59. Certainly some Virginia politicians wish he played golf.

Instead, the lifelong Richmonder has clocked more than 50 years as a reporter, more than 30 of them covering politics for *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

He was the editor of *The Tiger* at Hampden-Sydney during his senior year but quickly admits that did only a little to prepare him for a career in journalism.

"There wasn't a lot of mentoring, but we found news. We worked for a couple of nights maybe

*Political reporter Tyler Whitley '59 (center) at his 50-year-anniversary party, with former Virginia governors Jim Gilmore, L. Douglas Wilder, Gerald Baliles, and Linwood Holton.*

every week. We had to go into Farmville to *The Farmville Herald*; they printed the paper for us. We got to know Barrye Wall [Class of 1919 and founder of *The Tiger*] there. That kind of got me interested, but really we were just playing around."

Members of *The Tiger* staff under Whitley included guys like current Chairman of the Board of Trustees Tom Allen '60, longtime Hampden-Sydney Dean of Students Lewis Drew '60, and legendary professor John Brinkley '59. Whitley says he remembers Brinkley being "smart, very

smart," but Whitley was no slouch. He was a member of the honor fraternities Phi Beta Kappa and Eta Sigma Phi, just like Brinkley.

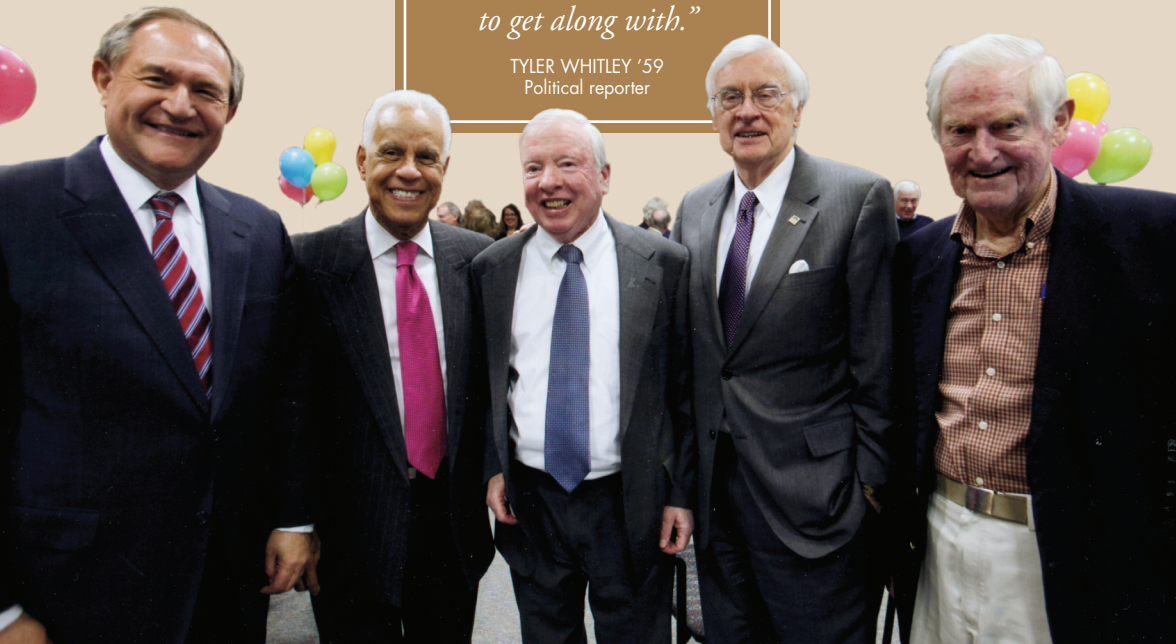
Also on the staff was Don Whitley '59, Tyler's twin brother. They have always been great friends, living together as college roommates for three years and both joining Pi Kappa Alpha. "I'm not surprised that he has been so successful," says Don Whitley of his brother. "He loves his work. He knew what he wanted to do and he just loves it."

After college, Whitley joined the Army for his requisite six-month stint, then returned to Richmond. That's when he learned about an opening at the *News Leader*.

"I had just gotten out of the Army. I was drinking beer at Philips Continental Lounge one night and this former Hampden-Sydney guy who worked for the *News Leader* told me there was an opening for an obit

*"All politicians are pretty much the same. Most of them are pretty smart people; they're not the dummies that they are sometimes portrayed as. They wouldn't be in politics if they weren't easy to get along with."*

TYLER WHITLEY '59  
Political reporter



writer. He said, ‘They’re going to want to pay you \$75 dollars a week. Ask for \$85.’ So I asked for \$85 and got \$80. I came down and passed the spelling test and that was it. I didn’t know anything about writing obits or anything; they just had to kind of help me along. I got out of the Army on December 6th and was down here on December 20th. I’ve been here ever since.”

After writing obituaries, Whitley was moved to the business section. “I guess they had a void and they asked me to fill it. I became the business editor and trained some really good people there—Jeanne Cummings, who is with *Politico* now and used to work for *The Wall Street Journal*, and Roger Kintzel, who became publisher of *The Atlanta Constitution*. We had a pretty good shop, though I had nothing to do with it.”

The folks running the paper must have seen through his modesty. He was moved over to special assignment before becoming political editor in 1980.

During his career, Whitley has covered 14 national conventions and nine governors, saying, “All of them are a little different and still a little the same, too.” He says the highlight of it all was the 1989 gubernatorial race in which Doug Wilder was the first African American elected a state governor in the history of the nation.

According to Whitley, journalism itself has not changed during his career, but the newspaper industry is “threatened.”

“People are deserting newspaper reading in droves. Our circulation has plummeted, but the principles of journalism—finding the news, getting to the bottom of it, and writing it—are still the same. The equipment is much better now. Computers are much better than the old typewriters, I guarantee ya.”

During his 30 years of covering politics, the players have not changed much either. “I think all politicians are pretty much the same. Most of them are pretty smart people; they’re not the dummies that they are sometimes portrayed as. They wouldn’t be in politics if they weren’t easy to get along with.”

Whitley must be pretty easy to get along with, too. He makes a point to keep everything professional. He never has social relationships with politicians and he keeps his personal thoughts to himself. “I don’t think I am pro-Democrat or pro-Republican. I try to keep an even balance.”

He says he very seldom gets a call from someone upset about an article, though he did get one during his days as editor of *The Tiger*. He wrote an editorial calling for the end of spring football practice, because it was taking good athletes away from baseball.

Bob Thalman, the head football coach, called up and chewed him out a little.

His memories of Hampden-Sydney are fond; even recalling his phone call from Coach Thalman elicits a chuckle. Like so many of his classmates, though, Whitley says it was Dr. **Graves Thompson 1927** who had the greatest influence on his life on The Hill. “Dr. Thompson was a wonderful teacher. I remember particularly well his English Etymology class and his sense of humor. I remember a fellow in class asking him if he believed in reincarnation. Dr. Thompson said, ‘Yes. Better luck next time.’”

Though Whitley sees the end of his own career approaching, he thinks the newspaper industry will remain. “It will survive, but in a lesser state. I’m probably getting out at a good time. I will probably work for another year of so before I’m done.”

*The Richmond Times-Dispatch* recently celebrated Whitley’s 50 years with the company. Now that the tables have turned, and he is the subject of the news, he is ready for his final by-line and considering his options for a really good hobby.

he joined the faculty at the Medical College of Virginia as a clinical assistant professor. In 2001, he founded the Virginia Institute of Neuropsychiatry, of which he is the director. He is a nationally recognized clinician, educator, and author.

## 1983

**ROBERT H. CAMP** has been appointed the director of the Writing Center at Virginia Union University in Richmond.

## 1984

**DAVID A. ARIAS** has been elected to the Heritage Bankshares board of directors. He is the president of Swimways Corp., a Virginia



Beach-based midsized designer, manufacturer and distributor of swimming pool toys, games and recreational products. He holds an MBA from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University. He is a trustee of the Virginia Aquarium and Virginia Beach Vision and chairman of the United Way South Hampton Roads Tocqueville Society.

**ERIC W. UHTENWOLDT** of Trophy Club, Texas, is the vice president of manufacturing for OUT! Pet Care.

## 1986

**MAURICE A. JONES** has been elected chair-elect to the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce. He is the president of Pilot Media.

**J. LAWRENCE MANSFIELD, JR.**, has been promoted to president of Central Virginia Market for Gateway Bank. He lives in Richmond.

## 1988

**THOMAS B. GATES**, vice president and Virginia state manager for First American Title, was featured in the company's magazine, *The Wire*.

## 1989

**JOHN M. HOPPER** has joined the First Tennessee Richmond private client services group as senior vice president. He lives in Richmond.

**WILLIAM M. "BILL"**



*Taylor Smack '97, right, owner of Blue Mountain Brewery, with brewers Chad Dean and Matt Nucci, stand over barrels of their Dark Hollow stout.*

PHOTO BY MANDI SMACK, COURTESY OF THE HOOK, CHARLOTTESVILLE

**STANLEY, JR.**, has been elected to the Virginia Senate District 19 seat in a 2011 special election. This seat was previously held by Robert Hurt '91, who was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2010. Mr. Stanley is an attorney with the law firm Bird & Stanley, LLC, in Moneta.

## 1990

**MARK K. duBOSE** has joined Bank of America in Charlotte, providing advice and counsel to corporate and investment banking groups. He and his wife Brittan live in Charlotte with their two children, Henry (5) and Isabel (2).

## 1991

**CHRISTOPHER H. "TOPPER" RAY** has been named president of Bravo Group Communications. Previously, he was principal and chief communications officer at Blank Rome, LLP.

## 1992

**SCOTT COOPER** will write and direct an adaptation for Fox 2000 Pictures of the 2006 historical novel about Edgar Allan Poe as a West Point cadet. He is an actor and director living in Los Angeles.

**MATTHEW B. WHITAKER** has joined Anderson Strudwick, Inc., as vice president of investments. He has an MBA from Virginia Commonwealth University.

## 1994

**J. CHRISTOPHER LEMONS** is a senior assistant attorney general for the Commonwealth of Virginia. He advises on public-private



partnerships for the financing, development operations, and maintenance of transportation infrastructure assets.

**N. DOUGLAS PAYNE, JR.**, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Fishburne-Hudgins Educational Foundation, Inc. Previously, he served on the Fishburne Military School's Board of Visitors. Mr. Payne is the president and CEO of Payne Communications in Richmond.

**WILLIAM H. WRIGHT IV** has joined the staff of Senator Brown (R) of Massachusetts, assigned to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Before this move, Mr. Wright was with the national Counter-Terrorism Center and the State Department.

## 1995

**G. BERKELEY EDMUNDS** has been promoted to managing director in institutional equity trading with Wells Fargo Securities in Baltimore, Maryland. He and his wife Cheney live in Annapolis with their two sons Berkeley, Jr. (4), Bower (3), and

daughter Serpell (2).

## 1996

**TODD T. REID** has been named state director for U.S. Senator Marco Rubio of Florida. Mr. Reid worked for Rubio during his tenure in the Florida House of Representatives. Most recently, he was deputy chief of staff for Dean Cannon, speaker of the Florida House of Representatives.

## 1997

**TAYLOR SMACK**, owner of Blue Mountain Brewery near Charlottesville, has introduced a new product, Dark Hollow Stout, which is aged in charred oak bourbon barrels.

**DAVID TING-DAI WANG** is a web designer for Houlihan Lokey, an investment bank in Los Angeles, California. He and his wife Trendy enjoy bicycling in Southern California. This year David completed his first century (100-mile ride), and his wife completed her first half-century.

## 1998

**JONATHAN S. JACKSON** works in sales for SpeakWrite in Austin, Texas.

**BRANDON OGBURN** is an attorney in the Public Integrity Division of the office of the Mississippi Attorney General.

**ROBERT A. "ROBBY" PEAY** has been promoted to President & CEO of Bizport, Ltd., a document services and logistics company with operations in Richmond, Hampton Roads, and Roanoke. Mr. Peay was previously their chief operating officer.

## 1999

**SHERWOOD H. BOWDITCH** has been appointed to the Virginia Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee. He works for Morgan-Marrow Company in Hampton.

## 2001

**NATHANIEL J. GOODWYN**



is a bassist with Richmond-based instrumental trio Near Earth Objects, which also features Joey Ciucci (younger

brother of Billy Ciucci '02) on keyboards. The band's first full-length album, *Manual for Self-Hypnosis*, is available on iTunes.



*H-SC Alumni of the Class of 1994 maintaining a pre-Thanksgiving tradition started at H-SC 18 years ago: the Annual Hampden-Sydney Stretch Your Stomach Feast has been held every year since graduation either in Atlanta or in Cashiers, NC, at the Wade Hampton Golf Club. Although others from Virginia and Vanderbilt have been invited over the years, the core group (all pictured here) of Atkins Roberts '94, Bartow Morgan '94, Holmes Bell '94, Chris Faussemange '94, Colin Mellon '93, Robert Suggs '96 and Doug Payne '94 have made the annual trek with wives and significant others each year. The photo was taken at Holmes Bell's house in Cashiers.*

**PETER M. MCCOY, JR.**, was elected to the South Carolina House of Representatives, representing the 115th district. He is a criminal prosecutor in the Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office.

## 2003

**RICHARD C. L. MONCURE,**



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**JR.**, works for Friends of the Rappahannock as the steward of the tidal river below Fredericksburg. He monitors the lower

Rappahannock and works with local citizens to protect the river. He has also worked as a commercial fisherman and at his father's seafood market and restaurant. Before that he was a Peace Corps volunteer in Zambia.

**RYAN D. SILVERFIELD** is the assistant offensive tackle coach for the Minnesota Vikings.

**KEVIN L. TURNER** is special deputy attorney general for the State of Alabama. He will be the AG's liaison to the Governor and will oversee legislative affairs for the entire AG's office.

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*Patrick Elb '95 and his wife Keri show their spirit at Neko Harbor during their January trip to Antarctica. Thanks to them, we now have pictures of alumni holding a Hampden-Sydney banner on all seven continents: visit [www.facebook.com/HampdenSydneyCollege](http://www.facebook.com/HampdenSydneyCollege), click on Photos, choose the album "You can go anywhere with a degree from Hampden-Sydney."*



## *David Lawrence, Jr. '98, ski instructor and business owner*

Just days after he graduated from Hampden-Sydney College, David Lawrence '98 packed up his car and started driving west. He had the promise of a job in Washington state and very little idea of what lay between him and there. "I was in way over my head," he says. "I still am. It's great."

The English major from Chesapeake, Virginia, had planned for years to move out West but had done remarkably little research. As a college student, he spent much of his free time working at Wintergreen Resort and enjoyed downhill skiing.

Fast-forward 13 years and Lawrence is a

*David Lawrence '98 cross-country skiing.*

nationally recognized cross-country ski instructor and co-owner (with his wife Brooke) of a river rafting company.

From September to April, Lawrence is a ski instructor, head coach of the Methow Valley Nordic Team, and member of the Professional Ski Instructor Association (PSIA) Nordic Team.

The rest of the year, he and Brooke are running Pangaea River Rafting near Missoula, Montana.

*"Ray Rostan taught me how to be a coach. He does a great job reaching athletes individually. I didn't get it then, but I get it now and it helps me be a better teacher. When I teach skiing, I have to get rid of my preferences and figure out what is best for my student."*

DAVID LAWRENCE '98  
Ski instructor and whitewater guide

Through his position on the 30-member PSIA team, of whom only five are Nordic skiers like Lawrence, he travels across the country to work with other instructors and to ski in some of the most beautiful mountains in the world. He says, "You work your normal job, but you also go to team training events around the country to share teaching techniques, train instructors, give exams. I've also developed educational materials and written articles. You are really the face of the Association."

Lawrence did not even learn how to cross country ski until he moved to Washington. He says having the right attitude has helped launch him to the top of the sport. "Being athletic and coordinated helps a lot, but having the attitude of a learner is probably most important. I am still just a student and I'm hungry to learn. I didn't get bothered by setbacks. If I wanted to be a world-class skier, I needed to be a world-class student. I needed to be a





*David Lawrence '98 (in black at stern) guiding a party through the whitewater of a Montana River.*

world-class beginner.”

He is also very passionate about the outdoors, his life, and his work. That passion reached a tipping point when Lawrence and Brooke hiked the Pacific Crest Trail together. “She and I always said and believed that we could do anything. That was just lip service until we hiked the Pacific Crest Trail. That was when we realized that we really *could* do anything if we put our heart and minds into it. That hike was the seed for us to bike across the country. We didn’t own bikes. We didn’t really bike very much, but we believed we could do it.” So, in 2005 they did.

Literally along the way they negotiated to buy their river rafting company. They had no experience running a business, so the English major did what

he knew how to do. “I picked up a book and started reading. Dr. **Sarah Hardy** was my advisor and I give her credit for cultivating my love of reading. I still do it all the time. I love learning and reading is such a wonderful way to do that.”

Lawrence continues, “Many people at Hampden-Sydney taught me skills that I still use—Dr. Hardy, **Ray Rostan**, **General Wilson**. [Lacrosse coach] Ray Rostan taught me how to be a coach and I think about that a lot. He does a great job reaching athletes individually. I didn’t get it then, but I get it now and it helps me be a better teacher. When I teach skiing, I have to get rid of my preferences and figure out what is best for my student. General Wilson taught me how to read the Bible in his Sunday school

class. He taught me a lot about character and about giving back.”

What drives David Lawrence now is the passion he has for his life and his family. When the temperatures rise and the snow melts, they will return to their river rafting business, enjoying the outdoors and continuing to “live in the moment,” as he calls it.

“People should be passionate about their lives. Nobody wants to have a life that’s not fun. I am passionate about skiing and about teaching others. Follow your heart. Be a learner.”

Always on the water, whether frozen or liquid, David Lawrence is happy to split his time between skiing in the beautiful mountains and rafting down the raging rivers of the Pacific Northwest.

## 2004

**WILLIAM H. PUTEGNAT V** acquired his family's industrial laundry business, Model Laundry, in January 2010. Model Laundry, founded in 1906 by William's great-grandfather, William Henry Putegnat, services the South Texas area. Mr. Putegnat lives in Brownsville, Texas.

## 2005

**JOHN Z. AXSOM** has founded Musukan, Inc., and is currently in the building stage of his dojo, Oushi-Musu No Yakata (that is, House of the Bull Moose). The dojo will teach traditional Okinawan Shorin-ryu Karate-do. Also, he teaches government, U.S. history, and constitutional law at Menchville High School in Newport News.

**MICHAEL R. SCHULZ** has been promoted to captain in the U.S. Marine Corps.

## 2006

**MARK J. PINTO, JR.**, is a governmental consultant for The Fiorentino Group, a government relations and business development firm in Tampa, Florida.

## 2007

**Lt RYAN P. ALEXANDER** and his unit redeployed early in December to Ft. Stewart, Georgia. In recognition of his outstanding leadership and performance, Ryan received the Bronze Star and the Combat Infantryman Badge. Ryan was Cadet Battalion Commander in the ROTC Program at Hampden-Sydney.



*Andrew Murphy '10 in Springer Mountain, Georgia, at the end of the Appalachian Trail, whose 2,179 miles he hiked for six months after graduation.*

**MICHAEL A. FRANKS** is a business banking officer with Towne-Bank in Williamsburg.

**EVERETT M. GARDNER** has joined the Shaheen & Shaheen, PC, as an attorney. He earned his J.D. from the University of Richmond School of Law and specializes in real estate law, traffic defense, estate planning, and general civil litigation.

**C. SCOTT McADAMS** is a sales and leasing associate with Commonwealth Commercial Partners in Richmond.

## 2008

**WILLIAM B. BROCKMAN** works in the health-physics department at Dominion Virginia Power's North Anna Nuclear Power Plant. He lives in Orange.

## 2009

**DAVID B. SHERMAN, JR.**, is attending the Charlotte School of Law in Charlotte, North Carolina.

## 2010

**MATTHEW L. BROWN** has been named an assistant coach with the Hampden-Sydney baseball team. During his two-year stint as a player, he earned several accolades, including being named a Rawlings South Region Gold Glover.

**SPENCER B. CONOVER** is the assistant director of Annual Giving at Hampden-Sydney College.

**JOSH MILLER** is an assistant football coach at Hampden-Sydney, working with the defensive line.

**ANDREW MURPHY** has completed hiking the 2,179-mile Appalachian Trail. He hiked south-bound from Mt. Katahdin in Maine to Springer Mountain in Georgia. The whole trip took six months and ten days.

**WILLIAM A. PACE II** has joined the staff of Virginia U.S. Congressman Robert Hurt '91.

**RICHARD J. "JACK" RUDDY** is the assistant director of events for the Heritage Foundation.

**BRYAN VANETTEN** is a knowledge resources coordinator with Whitney, Bradley & Brown, in Reston.

## 2011

**JOSEPH K. LANNETTI**, a graduate of the Public Service Program, is the assistant to the director of developmental services for the Greater Richmond ARC, [www.richmondarc.org](http://www.richmondarc.org).

## 2012

**SCOTT HENSHAW** has been promoted to corporal in the USMC Reserve.

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# Advanced Studies

## 1995

**CHRIS BEDFORD** successfully defended his dissertation in psychology at the U. of Minnesota.

## 2001

**BENJAMIN H. GATES** earned a doctorate of optometry from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Licensed in Virginia, he is an optometrist in Richmond.

## 2007

**ANDREW S. MCGOWAN** of Henrico has earned his master's degree from Drexel University's Physician Assistant Program. He works in spine surgery at Advanced Orthopaedic Centers in Richmond.

## 2008

**BRENNAN BREELAND**, third-year law student at Old Miss, has been accepted into the Army JAG program.

**PETER D. CROWE** has begun the process to enter the Roman Catholic priesthood in the Diocese of Memphis. He studied Spanish at the Panamerican University in Mexico City. In September, he began six years of philosophy and theology studies at St. Meinrad's Benedictine Abbey in Indiana. Mr. Crowe had worked in logistics for the U.S. Army.

**JAMES L. GRESHAM II** placed first in the domestic graduate category at the Phi Beta Delta International Honor Society's second annual International Experiences speech competition. He is a graduate student in higher education at Virginia Tech. In his speech he discussed going to the Dominican Republic to build floors and latrines at Haitian refugee camps.

**JOSEPH "TREY" T. KEELER '08** completed his master's degree in international relations at the University of Melbourne (Australia).

## 2009

**GEORGE B. ELLIOTT III** is a second-year law student at the University of Alabama School of Law and recently admitted to the Manderson Graduate School of Business at the University of Alabama to pursue an MBA along with his JD.

# Weddings

## 1977

**JAMES C. S. HOLLADAY** and **ANN WOOD** were married on October 16, 2010, in Linville, North Carolina. They live in Greenwood.

## 1984

**THOMAS UNDERWOOD WARREN** and **CHRISTINE BRUNER JOHNSTON** were married on December 10, 2010, in Mobile, Alabama. The bride is a graduate of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. They couple splits time between Mobile and Austin, Texas.

## 1989

**TUCKER DAVID DAVIS** and **PAOLA TATIANA ZULUAGA** were married on October 9, 2010, in Washington, DC. In attendance were **Brian Keyser '87** and **Andrew Ames '89**. The bride and groom both work for the federal government. They will split their time between Washington, DC, and Ashburn, Va.

## 1997

**DAVID TING-DAI WANG** and **CHUNG-WEN (TRENDY) LIU** were married in 2008; they live in Southern California, where David is a web designer.

## 1999

**JUSTIN PATRICK HOLOFCHAK** and **WHITNEY LEIGH MARCUM** were married on August

*Tucker Davis '89 and Paola Zuluaga, married on October 9, 2010.*



*Thomas Underwood Warren '84 and Christine Bruner Johnston, married on December 10, 2010.*



*David Wang '97 and Chung-Wen Liu, married in 2008.*





*Thomas L. Krebs, Jr. '02 and Ave Jappinen, married on September 18, 2010.*



*At the wedding of Benjamin Nicholas Perrone '03 and Meredith Brooke English, married on January 17, 2010.*



*At the wedding of Stephen Brown "Trey" Surber III '05 and Katherine Lacy Nolan, married on October 9, 2010.*

7, 2010, in Asheville, North Carolina. The bride is from Louisville, Kentucky, and a graduate of Furman University. The groom is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and works in commercial real estate in Charlotte, North Carolina.

## 2001

Dr. DANIEL B. LARISON and KRISTINE MARIE HESS were married on July 31, 2010. Karl Vanmoerkerque '00 served as a groomsman. The bride is a doctoral candidate in art history at the University of Chicago. The groom earned a Ph.D. in history from the University of Chicago. They live in Chicago.

## 2002

THOMAS L. KREBS, JR., and AVE JAPPINEN were married at the Williamsburg Winery on September 18, 2010. The groom works for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The bride works for Dexis, LLC. They live in Newport News.

## 2003

BENJAMIN NICHOLAS PERRONE and MEREDITH BROOKE ENGLISH were married on January 17, 2010, in Charleston, South Carolina. In attendance were Kerr Ramsay '03, Tom Hogge '03, Justin Ellett '02, Tim Daniels '03, Ben Watts '03, John Harman '03, Russell Cummings '03, Matt Myers '03, Andrew Turner '02, Clinton Lukhard '02, Cory Hopper '05, Billy Ciucci '02, Justin Scott '03, and Court Vanzant '02. The bride is a graduate of the University of Georgia and is the director of advertising and brand management at the College of Charleston. The groom is a marketing associate for Sysco Foodservices. They live in Charleston, South Carolina.

## 2005

STEPHEN BROWN "TREY" SURBER III and KATHERINE LACY NOLAN were married on October 9, 2010, in Charlottesville at St. Paul's Memorial Church. In attendance were Gardner Meek '07, Louis Walker '05, Cory Rayfield '05, Scott Russo '05, Wythe Hogge '05, Matt Ferguson '05, Kenny Strickler '05, W. Brad Jones '06,

Chase Kurtz '04, Alex Crouch '07, Peter Boyd '05, Eric Bryant '06, and Patrick Dollar '04. The bride, a graduate of the University of Alabama, is a communications analyst with Accenture. The groom is a senior inside sales associate at ScienceLogic. They live in Arlington.

## 2006

**ERIC B. BRYANT** and **AMANDA PRINE** were married on September 18, 2010 at Mankin Mansion in Richmond. The bride is a graduate of Sweet Briar College.

**CORYDON PATRICK CUTLER** and **LINDSAY DOANE WOHLFORD** were married on September 11, 2010, at The Tides Inn in Irvington. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University and works for Bon Secours Health System. The groom is the owner and operator of Cutler Orthopedics, LLC, a medical product distribution company. They live in Richmond.

Dr. **RICHARD TORRENCE JONES** and **ELIZABETH MARIE MATTESON** were married on October 10, 2010, at Holy Rosary Church in Washington, D.C. The bride is a graduate of The College of William & Mary and is attending VCU School of Dentistry. The groom earned a DDS from VCU School of Dentistry and is completing a residency at VCU. They live in Richmond.

**SAMUEL J. LONG, JR.**, and **JENNICA MAPP AMES** were married on October 23, 2010, at Edgewater Farm in Cape Charles. In attendance were **Daniel S. Long '75**, **Rucker Snead '81**, **Michael R. Schulz '05**, **Gregory Justice '03**, **Jason D. Stacy '05**, **Joel R. Myers '07**, and **Ryan Godfrey '05**. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University and works as an occupational therapist's assistant. They live in Cheriton.

**RUSSELL W. WOOD** and **ANDREA KELLEY** were married on December 5, 2009.

## 2007

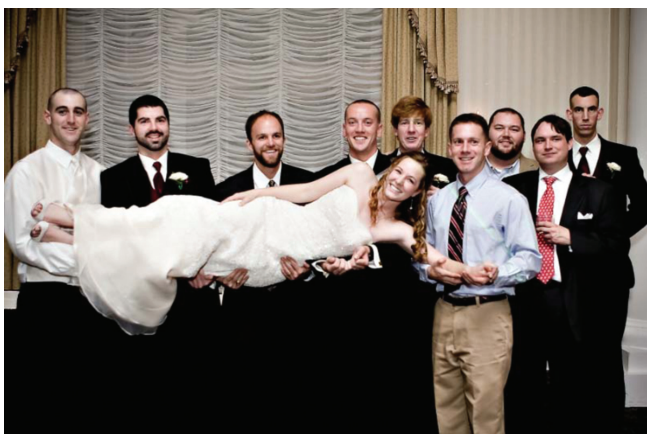
**ALEXANDER HARKNESS BELL** and **KATHERINE KELLY ROGERS** were married on June 20, 2009, at the Alpharetta United Methodist Church. In attendance were **Tyler Keefer '08**, **Andrew**



*At the wedding of Eric B. Bryant '06 and Amanda Prine, married on September 18, 2010.*



*At the wedding of Samuel J. Long, Jr. '06 and Jennica Mapp Ames, married on October 23, 2010*



*At the wedding of Russell Wood '06 and ANDREA KELLEY, married on December 5, 2009.*

Patterson '08, Stafford Cassell '07 (groomsman), C. Rodes Boyd '08, Chris Anderson '06, Will Guza '06, Gray Pendleton '07, Casey Ariail '08, Charles D. Robison IV '01, Jimmy Philbin '08, Alex Bell '78 (the father of the groom), Will Fedora '07, Tyler Anderson '08, Price Gutshall '08, R. Mark Johnson '78, J. Hammil Hume '77, Dr. Mike Morgan '77, Charles D. (Chick) Robison III '70, Nick Junes '08, R. Matthew Dumas '06, and John Baker '06. The groom is pursuing a law degree at John Marshall Law School in Atlanta and the bride is finishing up her master's degree in teaching while teaching first grade. They live in Atlanta.

**WESLEY ROLLINGS DUKE** and **MARCI ELIZABETH HARRISON** were married on October 24, 2009, at the Chester Presbyterian Church. In attendance were Carter Smith '07, Alex Crouch '07, Gardner Meeks '07, McClain Bean '07, Mark McDonald '07, Reed Westra '09, Ben Harris '09, Kevin Harris '77, and Christopher Pollard '10. They live in Richmond.

## 2008

**BENJAMIN TAYLOR BARNHILL** and **SARA ELIZABETH GRAY** were married on October 9, 2010, at Tuckahoe Plantation in Richmond. In attendance were John M. Boswell, Jr. '08, R. Wesley Julian '08, Andrew S. McGowan '07, James L. Gresham II '08, Benjamin A. Pope IV '07, Shawn L. McMahon '97, John M. Boswell, Sr. '65, John Z. Axsom '05, Patrick A. Rowe '09, M. Watson Mulkey '08, Justin M. Azar '07, and Edward M. Savage '08. The bride is a graduate of the University of Virginia. She works as a speech-language pathologist at Children's Hospital of Richmond. The groom is a scientist at Pharmaceutical Product Development, Inc. They live in Richmond.



*At the wedding of Wesley Rollings Duke '07 and Marci Elizabeth Harrison, married on October 24, 2009.*



*At the wedding of Alexander Harkness Bell '07 and Katherine Kelly Rogers, married on June 20, 2009.*



*At the wedding of Benjamin Taylor Barnhill '08 and Sara Elizabeth Gray, married on October 9, 2010.*

# Births

## 1983

To **DURAN** and **TIFFANY HOLTON**, a daughter, Alexis Paige Holton, on September 3, 2010. They live in San Diego.

## 1988

To **ANDREW** and **ROBYN FOSTER**, a son, Sheperd Andrew "Shep" Foster, on May 10, 2010. He joins his brother Wil and sister Regan. They live in Macon, Georgia.

## 1991

To **BARRY B. CONRAD II** and **EMILY CONRAD**, a daughter, Lucy Staton Conrad, on November 2, 2010. They live in Dallas, Texas.

## 1993

To **ROB** and **SYDNEY JAMISON**, a son, Robert Andrew "Drew" Jamison, Jr., on September 25, 2010. He joins his four-legged brother "Coach" at their home in Raleigh, North Carolina.

## 1997

To **NATHAN** and **SHANNON GINGRAS**, a daughter, Elizabeth Gertrude Temple Gingras, on September 24, 2010. She joins her brother Temple at their home in Richmond.

## 1998

To **RICHARD** and **DIANA BAKEWELL**, a daughter, Adeline Olive Bakewell, on August 13, 2010. She joins her brother Aidan Blair. They live in Alexandria.

To **CHRIS** and **ASHLEY PEACE**, a son, Henry Covington Peace, on October 18, 2010. They live in Mechanicsville.

To **TERRELL** and **ANNE WILSON**, a daughter, Mary Hannah Wilson, on April 2, 2010. She joins her sister Chase at their home in St. Louis, Missouri.

## 1999

To **ANDREW** and **VANESSA HAMP- TON**, a daughter, Tabor Elizabeth Hampton, on July 8, 2010. They



live in Richmond. Tabor is shown with her father and her grandfather, Timothy B. Hampton '75.

To **JD** and **ANN JORDAN**, a son, Malcolm Alexander Jordan, on July 6, 2010. They live in Roswell, Georgia.

To **ANDREW R. McELROY III** and **JEN McELROY**, a daughter, Elinore Grace McElroy on June 2, 2010. They live in West Hartford, Connecticut.

## 2001

To **COREY** and **JANETTE HARDISON**, a daughter, Ella Grace Hardison, on August 25, 2010. They live Midlothian, Virginia.

## 2002

To **JOE** and **KATE McKNEW**, a son, Joseph Andrews McKnew, on August 22, 2010. They live in Virginia Beach.



## 2003

To **GREG** and **ANNA McCHESNEY**, a son, Camden Thomas McChesney, on August 6, 2010. They live in Richmond.

## 2004

To **JOHN G. "JAY" DANIEL, JR.**, and **MORGAN DANIEL**, a son, John Kyle Daniel, on October 26, 2010. He joins his sister Molly Blaire (3).



## 2005

To **ANDREW** and **KELLY PEM- BERTON**, a daughter, Elle Dowd Pemberton, on November 3, 2009. They live in Richmond.

To **JOHN** and **ANNIE RAMSAY**, a son, Walker Patterson Clark Ramsay, on October 20, 2010. The father is assistant dean of students for activities at Hampden- Sydney. Walker is the grandson of Dean of Students David A. Klein '78.

## 2006

To **PATRICK** and **MOLLY GEE**, a daughter, Olivia McCaslin Gee, on September 22, 2010. They live in Richmond.



## College Family

To **JOSH** and **TRICIA LAUX**, a daughter, Keira Corson Laux, on December 3, 2010. Mr. Laux is the head soccer coach at the College.

# Deaths

## 1933

**JOHN ALBERT HOPKINS III** of Charleston, West Virginia, died on November 10, 2010. He was an Army veteran of World War II, receiving a purple heart. Following the war, he worked at Charleston National Bank until retiring as vice president in 1978. He was active in both the First Presbyterian Church and the Boy Scouts of America and enjoyed playing tennis.

## 1942

**FRANK S. HEIDELBACH** of Westwood, Massachusetts, died on December 1, 2010. He earned a master's degree from the



University of Virginia and was an Army veteran of World War II. He earned an MBA from Columbia University and worked for 31 years with Mobil Oil, managing operations around the world.

Dr. **EDWIN B. VADEN** of Charlottesville died on December 7, 2010. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia Medical School and a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. Dr. Vaden was a retired pediatrician who practiced 33 years in Lynchburg and 20 years on Pawleys Island, South Carolina.

### GORDON CHURCHILL



**WILLIS** of Roanoke died on December 17, 2010. After leaving Hampden-Sydney to serve as a fighter

pilot in the Navy, he graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy. He was chairman and treasurer of Rockydale Quarries Corp and active in many levels of education, as one of the early organizers of both North Cross School and what became the Virginia Community College System. He served also as chairman of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia. During the 1960s, Willis served on a biracial

committee that helped the Roanoke Valley adapt more peacefully to integration than many other Southern cities. In 1992, he was named Cultural Laureate of Virginia. In 2000, he received the Noel C. Taylor Humanitarian Award.

## 1944

Dr. **E. RANDOLPH TRICE** of Richmond died on January 16, 2011. He earned his medical degree from the Medical College of



Virginia. After serving as a medical officer in U.S. Army hospitals in Germany and Japan, Dr. Trice established his practice in dermatology in Richmond. He was a clinical professor of dermatology at MCV, a former Vice-President of the Richmond Academy of Medicine, and former President of the Richmond Dermatological Society of Virginia. He was a prolific writer of medical literature, particularly on the subject of the history of medicine. He also published several papers and books of general historical interest, among them the history of the Kappa Sigma fraternity at Hampden-Sydney College. Dr. Trice was among the founders of the Richmond Symphony, and he served that organization as a board member and as president. He also presided over the Federated Arts Council of Richmond. He was a member, former vestryman, and historian of St. James's Episcopal Church.

## 1945

Dr. **LONNIE B. DICKENS, JR.**, of Charlottesville died on November 21, 2010. He earned his doctor of dental surgery from the Medical College of Virginia. He was a life member of the Charlottesville Albemarle Rescue Squad, serving as president in 1973-74. He was a Navy dentist during the Korean War and then practiced dentistry in Charlottesville for 43 years.

**GEORGE ROGERS CLARK STUART** of Abingdon died on August 23, 2008. He was a veteran of World War II and earned a law degree from the University of

Virginia. He practiced law for 40 years. He served two terms in the Virginia House of Delegates and was elected president of the Virginia Bar Association in 1969.

**MELVIN HOWELL TENNIS, JR.**, of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, died on January 26, 2010.

## 1949

The Rev. **ARTHUR HUBBARD STEVENS, JR.**, of Richmond died on January 9, 2011. He was a World War II veteran and an ordained Presbyterian minister for 59 years, serving many churches across Virginia. When he was pastor of College Church, he took a significant stand against the closing of the Prince Edward County Schools.

## 1950

**CHARLES BOLIVAR LEECH III** of Lexington died on December 5, 2010. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Order. He owned and operated a beef farm and formed Ingleside Dairy Farm. He served as a director of the Rockbridge Farmers Co-Op for 32 years, was a member of the Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors.

Dr. **RUSSELL C. MACDONALD** of Roanoke died on October 12, 2009. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and was a professor emeritus at West Virginia University.

The Rev. **ROBERT DANIEL SIMMONS** of Williamstown, West Virginia, died on December 23, 2010. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and earned a master of divinity from Union Theological Seminary and a master of theology from Princeton University. During his career, he served churches in Virginia, New Jersey, Maryland, and West Virginia.

## 1954

**JAMES V. REVERCOMB** of



Roanoke died on December 12, 2010. He graduated from the University of Virginia. He worked for Kaiser

Aluminum and RB&W Nut and Bolt Company before starting his own business, RevCar Fasteners, in 1969. He became an industry leader, being elected President of the

National Fasteners Distributorship Association and one of the first members to be voted into the association's Hall of Fame. He is the father of **Stuart H. Revercomb '84** and **Randolph C. Revercomb '81**.

## 1955

The Rev. Dr. **ROBERT EUGENE RANDOLPH** of Cartersville, Georgia, died on December 6, 2010. He earned his master of divinity from Columbia Theological Seminary and his Ph.D. from Emory University. He was a Marine Corps veteran and an ordained Presbyterian minister, serving many churches in Georgia and Tennessee.

## 1960

**EDWARD HUNTER BRYANT, JR.**, of Richmond died on November 15, 2010. He graduated from Greensboro College, where he was student government president. He was a graduate of T.C. Williams School of Law and a member of the Virginia State Bar Association. He founded Real Estate Resources, Inc., in 1986.

## 1964

The Hon. **THOMAS HUTTON WOOD, SR.**, of Verona died on January 14, 2011. He earned his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law. He practiced law for many years and served part-time as an assistant public defender

and Commonwealth's Attorney for the city of Staunton before being appointed judge of the Staunton and Augusta County General District Court in 1980. In 2003, he became the chief judge of the 25th Judicial Circuit, serving until his retirement in 2007.

## 1977

**DAVID ALLEN SNYDER** of Elizabethton, Tennessee, died on November 6, 2010. He was a contractor and a member of Clark Street Baptist Church.

## 1987

**WILLIAM EWELL BARR** of Greenville, South Carolina, died on November 24, 2010. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and he worked as director of finance and administration for Liberty Life Insurance Co.

## 2014

**JACOB HOUSTON KISER** of Verona died on December 31, 2010. He was a graduate of Fort Defiance High School and a freshman at Hampden-Sydney College, who planned to major in physics. He was stage manager for the fall theatre production at the College and



manager of the baseball team. He spent the last couple of summers working at Shenandoah Valley Airport at Classic Aviation. He was a junior member of the Glenmore Hunt Club and attended Lebanon Church of the Brethren.

## College Family

**EDWARD J. CAMPBELL** of



Racine, Wisconsin, died on October 8, 2010. He was a former trustee of Hampden-Sydney College. Mr. Campbell was a veteran of World

War II and a graduate of Northwestern University. During his career he served as president and CEO of Newport News Shipbuilding and of J.I. Case Company.

*Mark your calendar  
for these upcoming events:*

**Commencement, May 8**

**Summer College, June 3-5**

**Family Weekend, September 16-17**

**Homecoming, October 7-8**

**The Game (at Randolph-Macon), November 12**

# 11th Annual H-SC Sigma Nu Golf Outing

TOM MISHOE '74

FOR ELEVEN YEARS, a group of Hampden-Sydney Alumni and Sigma Nu fraternity brothers have been gathering each year for a golf outing. In April 2010, they came together again in Pinehurst, North Carolina, and a great time was had by all.

These golf outings have been held in Pinehurst and in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The number of attending Sigma Nu Brothers at these outings ranges from 12 to 25.

While a lot of golf has been played and a lot of \$1 "clam" bets have been won and lost on these trips, the real reason for the trips has been to ensure that the brothers of Sigma Nu maintain close relationships. This objective surely has been accomplished. While the golf has been enjoyable (most of the time), these trips have been more about sharing meals, sharing a drink, remembering old times on The Hill and at the Sigma Nu house, catching up with one another, hearing about life's milestones, and finding ways to help

one other. The guys eagerly anticipate this trip, and the 2011 outing already has been planned.

In 1999, the first outing was organized by **Frank Pegram '79** for a couple of close friends. Since then it has expanded to include a wider range of graduation years. Other Sigma Nu brothers instrumental in planning these events have included **Tom Mishoe '74**, **Gregg Henderson '76**, **W.C. Sprouse '76**, and **Gray Tuttle '76**. Rumor has it that Sprouse and Walker have attended every golf trip since the first. It is also rumored that a Randolph-Macon graduate (a "friend" of an unnamed Tiger) attended one year to fill in for a last-minute drop out. It really did not work out very well (for the R-MC graduate, of course).

These golf outings have renewed old friendships and created new and lasting friendships. While most attendees have graduated between 1970 and 1979, the organizers want to expand the graduation range to

include a greater number of Sigma Nu Brothers. Any Sigma Nu wanting more information about this event may contact Tom Mishoe at (804) 690-9567.

It should be noted that Tuttle, Pegram, and Howard were on H-SC's golf teams from 1972 to 1979. These were some of H-SC's best golf teams, twice winning conference championships, twice being VCAA champs, winning one State Championship, and qualifying to play in the NCAA championship for five of these seven years, with the 1975 team finishing as runner-up in the Division III championship. Tuttle was on the All American Team in 1975 and 1976. He has continued to add to his golf aura by participating in recent U.S. Senior Amateur Championships (along with the Amateur and Mid-Amateur versions of this prestigious tournament). As a bonus on the golf trips, Tuttle provides "free" golf lessons to all Sigma Nus who need some help on the course.

*Sigma Nu brothers at the 2010 golf trip included (from left) David Beasley '78, Pete Faust '76, Frank Pegram '79, Bill Howard '77, Gray Tuttle '76, Tim Hampton '75, Gregg Henderson '76, WC Sprouse '76, Rick Walker '76, Tom Mishoe '74, and John Coupland '74. In honor of Gus Franke, coach and mentor to the golf team, this group of alumni made a contribution of \$550 to the Gus Franke Scholarship Fund to help the golf team.*

