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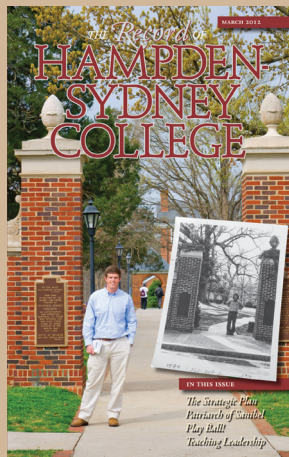
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*Since 1775 the mission of Hampden-Sydney College has been to form good men and good citizens in an atmosphere of sound learning. To fulfill this mission, the college holds high ideals in each of three areas: character, curriculum, and climate. The College expects its students to be gentlemen of good moral character and to be active and informed participants in the life of their communities. Through their work in classes, students realize that learning is fulfilling work, and fulfilling work draws on learning. In their years at the College, students develop ways of learning that will make their lives productive, as they refine their abilities to read and think critically, analytically, creatively, and independently; acquire an integrated education in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences; and pursue deeper studies in one or more major areas. Overall, the education students gain at Hampden-Sydney and the work they do here help prepare them to be responsible, productive citizens. The intellectual and moral climate at the College supports the development of graduates who are prepared for an active life informed both by theory and by structured, considered experience.*

# Hampden-Sydney 20/20

*The Strategic Plan as Foundation for the Future*

DR. DALE JONES, VICE PRESIDENT FOR STRATEGY, ADMINISTRATION, & BOARD AFFAIRS

The Hampden-Sydney College mission for 237 years has been “to form good men and good citizens in an atmosphere of sound learning.” As we prepare for the future, we have developed a strategic plan guided by the vision statement “to become a model liberal arts college recognized for excellence in educating men for the 21st Century.”

Under the leadership of President Christopher B. Howard with strong support from the Board of Trustees, Hampden-Sydney College is poised for future opportunities. Propelling the College forward is a new strategic plan, “*H-SC 20/20: Recognized for Excellence in the Education of Men.*” After an all-inclusive development process, the plan was approved by the College’s Board of Trustees on November 5, 2011.

Serving as a blueprint for implementing our historic mission in the 21st Century, H-SC 20/20 is the link between recent and future decades. The strategic plan is the foundation for the future of the College.

## *Strategic Planning Process*

Hampden-Sydney College will celebrate its 250th anniversary in 2025. Participants in the strategic planning process were cognizant of this important milestone and created an eight-year plan that can be completed as we approach this historic milestone. The overarching purposes of the planning process were to achieve beneficial, strategic changes to adapt to the rapidly shifting higher education environment, to enable proactive strategic renovation for our future in the fast-changing world, and to align and prepare us for fundamental transformations underway.

The plan’s development relied on a comprehensive and collegial approach, ensured open and consistent communication,

and involved an iterative learning process. Furthermore, the strategic planning process benefited from engagement by all College stakeholders. Starting in August 2010, the plan developed over a period of fifteen months and included consultation with students, faculty, administration and staff, the Board of Trustees, alumni, parents, donors, and supporters from the local community.

## *Vision and Values*

Essential components of the strategic plan are a vision statement and an expression of core values. The vision statement, expressed above, was the guiding light during the planning process.

The values of the College are proclaimed in the introduction of the strategic plan:

“Hampden-Sydney College is an institution of higher learning that offers a rigorous liberal arts education to prepare its students for the future. The College is committed to a set of fundamental and enduring core values. They explain what we believe and define how we will execute this plan. These values shape the life of the college and can be found on the Education Goals page” (*reproduced at left*).

## *Strategic Plan Goals*

During the development of the strategic plan, three areas were given high priority: the nature of a liberal arts education in the 21st Century; the importance of an environment for character

and leadership development; and attention to admission of highly qualified students, the enrollment level, and student retention. The outcome is a strategic plan with five pivotal goals to guide the College during the next eight years. The goals center on the development of good men, excellence in the educational environment, an efficacious community, marketing, and financial sustainability.

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### *Early Stage of Implementation*

Since its approval at the fall 2011 Board of Trustees meeting, College staff are in the early stage of the strategic plan's implementation. President Howard enjoins the implementation team to prioritize what should be accomplished first in order to generate revenue to fund other actions. Thus, Phase I from 2012 to 2014 is the short-term period of implementation with 15 no-cost goal action items, such as actively engaging parents and alumni in the recruitment process and giving more attention to the total

experience of students' freshman and sophomore years, including programs of orientation, advising, student life, and academic support.

Phase II stretches from 2014 to 2017 as the middle interval for 34 goal action items, such as broadening the definition of the Hampden-Sydney tradition of honor to include personal conduct, character, ethics, and integrity throughout life.

Ultimately, Phase III represents the long-term from 2017 to 2020 with nine challenging goal action items.

### *Moving Forward*

Creating this strategic plan for Hampden-Sydney College has been, appropriately, a learning process. Everyone involved has challenged assumptions and evaluated "the givens." Strategic planning takes considerable effort and is, not surprisingly, truly iterative in nature. Developing this plan has taught us about our aspirations, needs,

and priorities. Most of all, however, it presents great opportunities for the College.

Hampden-Sydney College is at an exciting time in its history. With dynamic leadership paving the way and a highly energized community of committed stakeholders, we are galvanized on strategic pathways. The H-SC 20/20 strategic plan reinvigorates existing programs and business practices and injects fresh ideas, innovations, and initiatives. The College is well on its way to a new future.

**For more information about the Strategic Plan, visit [www.hsc.edu/Strategic-Plan.html](http://www.hsc.edu/Strategic-Plan.html).**

<b>HAMPDEN- SYDNEY COLLEGE</b>	<b>H-SC 20/20 Recognized for Excellence in the Education of Men</b>
<i>Hampden-Sydney is a liberal arts college for men now enrolling approximately 1,058 students. In continuous operation since November 10, 1775, the College is one of the oldest institutions of higher learning in the United States, holds the oldest (1783) private charter in the South, and is the most senior of the country's four remaining colleges for men. Through comprehensive and proactive strategic planning, this historic institution will be well-positioned for continued success.</i>	

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FRANCIS BAILEY '43 IN HIS STORE ON SANIBEL ISLAND



# Francis Bailey's wonderful life

## THE PATRIARCH OF SANIBEL ISLAND

JOHN DUDLEY '95

The entire time I was on Sanibel Island, I was afraid I was going to refer to Francis Bailey as George Bailey. I couldn't get *It's a Wonderful Life* out of my head. It was not until I learned the complete story of Sanibel and the Baileys—Francis and his brother Sam—that I understood exactly how much Francis Bailey's life had in common with that timeless Christmas classic.

For all practical purposes, Francis P. Bailey, Jr. '43 is Sanibel Island. His father moved there at the age of 24, when land in the tropical paradise off the southern Gulf Coast of Florida was only a few cents more than dirt-cheap. Though he was born only a few miles away in Ft. Myers, Francis Bailey is nearly a lifelong citizen of the island. Except for a few years in prep school, four years at Hampden-Sydney, and a stint in the Army, Bailey has lived his entire life on the island. Of course, his brother, Sam Bailey '46, who *was* born on Sanibel and died in 2010, forever joked that his younger brother was not a true Sanibel citizen.

At 91 years old, Francis Bailey has seen many changes on the island, some good and some not so good. His family's "general store" in Sanibel has evolved from the seed and supply store established in 1899 by his father into a fully stocked grocery store, hardware store, and coffee shop that serves thousands of locals and tourists seven days a week. Bailey's General Store also offers its own line of salad dressings and salsas. All of the locals know Francis Bailey. He and his brother Sam have been honored with parades, celebrations, and story-telling dinners. Sanibel Island would not be the place it is today without the Baileys, and no trip to Sanibel is complete without stopping at Bailey's General Store.

The Baileys are as much a part of Sanibel as

the warm weather and seashells on the beach. A vibrant nonagenarian, Francis Bailey still goes to work at the store every day to keep an eye on the business and community he helped build.

In 1899, Francis and Sam Bailey's father, Francis P. "Frank" Bailey, Sr., started Sanibel Packing Company. Though the island was sparsely populated, there were a number of farmers growing a variety of crops during the milder part of the year; summers were simply too hot to grow anything. Frank Bailey, the youngest of nine children, was 24 in 1885 when he moved to Sanibel with his mother and two of his brothers. They were a Virginia family but had been living in Covington, Kentucky, before the move south. Why did they pack up everything and move hundreds of miles to a remote Gulf Coast island? "I really and truly don't know," says Francis Bailey. "I think it had to do with too much John Barleycorn."

"Daddy was a city boy coming down here. The first job he had was hauling watermelons for two cents apiece and he made more money than anybody else. The other haulers couldn't figure out how he did that. Well, the mule wagons had a seat in them. What he did was take the seat out; he would walk and carry more watermelons in the wagon."

Like most families in Sanibel at the time, the Baileys turned to farming. The warm winters



## *Samuel M. Bailey '46*

Samuel M. Bailey '46 was the middle of the three Bailey sons. Unlike his brother, Francis, Sam Bailey went to high school in Fort Myers, Florida, and quickly made a name for himself as an outstanding athlete. He attended Hampden-Sydney but transferred to the University of Georgia. Though he lettered in football, baseball, basketball, and track, it was football that he loved the most. After college, he was drafted by the Boston Yanks of the National Football League; he also played for the Richmond Rebels, the Detroit Lions, and the Eric Vets.

Bailey joined the University of Tampa coaching staff in 1950 as assistant football coach, head basketball coach, and head baseball coach. In 1962, he was named athletic director and named head football coach two years later. In 1966, the University built a new baseball stadium and named it Sam Bailey Field. After running the American Bowl and the Can-Am Bowl, he returned in 1979 to Sanibel Island to work with his brother at Bailey's General Store.

Back on the island, Sam Bailey was active in historic preservation, serving as the chairman of the Sanibel Island Historical Preservation Committee and creating the community's Historical Village.

He was widely recognized for his positive influence on Sanibel and received many awards, including the Outstanding Citizen Award and the Walter Klie Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2004, the University of Tampa granted him the Sam Bailey Lifetime Achievement Award.

meant they could grow crops that were out of season elsewhere.

"There was truck farming here, although I don't know if you had a truck because you couldn't get a truck over here those days. Our big crops were tomatoes [which Bailey calls *toe-MAH-toes*] and peppers and watermelons and eggplants. You couldn't grow year round. In the summer it was too hot and they hadn't developed the wilt-resistant varieties that they have now."

As do most people with a lifetime of memories, Bailey lets his conversations meander from one topic to another. Thinking about early farming on the island reminds him of a trip abroad. "One of the biggest surprises I ever got was in London," he recalls. "I went into Harrod's produce department—I thought they were just clothing but they had a huge produce department—and they had produce from all over the world and they had blueberries from Florida. I didn't even know we had blueberries. But there they were."

To supplement their farming, the Bailey family opened a general store beside the dock where the mail boat arrived three times a day. The constant flow of locals and island visitors proved to be a comfortable, though not necessarily lucrative, source of income.

"Our corporation is Sanibel Packing Company and that's what the business started out as," explains Bailey. "The store started as an adjunct to it. Somewhere you had to get supplies and we saw a need. We didn't stock vegetables—everybody had their own vegetables. We had flour and grits and meal, dried beans, white bacon, and all those things. It was all in bulk in those days."

Childhood on the island likely was similar to early 20th-century life in any rural area, but the population fluctuated with the seasons. Bailey says, "The most children we ever had in the school—and there were eight grades—was 32, and that was only in the middle of the winter augmented by the 'snow birds,' as daddy called them. Some people do this now, but the way tourism was in those days, people would come down by the first of November and leave by the first of May."

He recalls with a chuckle, "We had eight



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*Francis Bailey '43 plowing with a mule on Sanibel Island, 1947.*

grades in one room, one teacher, one front door, one stove, one pencil sharpener, but we had two two-hole outhouses.”

After the “snow birds” left Sanibel for the summer, the Baileys remained. Of course, there was no air conditioning and the hot, muggy weather was perfect for breeding mosquitoes “that were so thick you could take a quart can and swing it above your head and get a gallon of mosquitoes.”

Escaping the mosquitoes was a constant struggle. Bailey says, “We had smudge pots and you always brushed off the screen door before we came in and were careful not to leave it open. Threaten to shoot the dog if he pushed it open. If you had to go some place in the evenin’, you’d get everybody all set together and run to the car and drive down the road with the doors open.”

Despite being only a ferry ride away from Ft. Myers, Sanibel Island might as well have been on another planet. “We had no paved roads, no sidewalks, no drug store, no furniture store, no barber, no beauty shop, no movie theater. It was just *here*. Nobody felt deprived. That’s what we had.”

Maybe his attitude is simply a lesson of living through the Great Depression. Maybe it says more about Francis Bailey as a person. His mother died when he was only 14 years old and his father, who never stopped thinking of himself

as a Virginian, was determined that he and his beloved wife be buried in Richmond’s Hollywood Cemetery. During the trip to bury Bailey’s mother, his father enrolled him in Lynchburg’s Virginia Episcopal School, a last-minute change of plans over Staunton Military Academy. At 14 years old and recently without a mother, Bailey began his life in a new state and at a new school, spending the night away from his family for the first time ever.

Though the summers on Sanibel Island were full of mosquitoes and oppressive heat, Bailey didn’t mind going back home at the end of the semester. “I was happy to be here. I was keeping bees at the time. My father kept them for me while I was away; that’s what helped us pay for school. We had up to a hundred and some hives, but the hurricane [*HUR-a-kin*, as he says] in 1944 kinda put a dent in that.”

Bailey ended up at Hampden-Sydney rather by accident. He says, “There was a \$50 scholarship and nobody wanted it. I think that’s literally how it was. I don’t know how I got it, but they gave it to me. My uncle helped send me there and then there was the National Recovery Act where we got paid 35 cents an hour to work on campus.” He worked a variety of jobs at Hampden-Sydney. “Sortin’ dirty socks was one of ‘em,” he says. He also worked as a waiter in the dining hall, the current location of Parents &



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*Francis Bailey and friend in the General Store, 1950.*

Friends Lounge in Venable Hall.

“We had eight people at a round table and we tried to get there early and get out of the kitchen and get to the food. They would load your plates up and you’d take ’em. Well, if you were careful, you could put all eight plates on this one tray. Of course, you know, we were strong then. But we had dogs all over the place; sometimes they’d get in. I always walked fast anyway and one night I came charging out with these eight plates and somebody threw a crust of bread or somethin’ between my legs—on purpose. The dog went after the bread and I got mixed up in the dog’s legs. Well, stuff went everywhere.”

There were still boarding houses in these days. Miss Emma Venable ran the boarding house behind Cushing Hall; it is now Hampden House, the home of the Alumni Office. He lived there his freshman year, then two years in Cushing, and most of his senior year in the Kappa Sigma house. Bailey and others graduated in February 1943 to enlist in the war effort.

“My freshman class had 140 or 120 in it, or something like that. That was the biggest class

they’d ever had up to that point. With attrition, of course, by the time I got out of there in February of ’43 there might have been only 200 students at the school. I don’t know if there were even that many there.” During World War II, Hampden-Sydney, like so many colleges across the country, was having difficulty keeping enough students to stay open (the eventual arrival of the Navy V-12 unit would solve that problem). Nearly every able-bodied young man was serving in the military; even two assistant Tiger football coaches were called to active duty during the 1942 season.

“We had a graduation ceremony in McIlwaine Hall. McIlwaine was everything at the College for years. Morton Hall was finished in either the first or second year I was there. Bagby was where we had all of our classes and all of the various organizations had their offices there; the *Tiger* had its headquarters there.”

Because Morton Hall was new, hard-nosed faculty insisted that students treat it well. “I had ‘Snapper’ Massey in Morton. He assigned seats to you. You sat in his class and you didn’t cross

your legs because you would scratch the back of the seat in front of you. I was sitting in the front row—Bailey—so I could do that,” he says with a laugh. “He had an uncanny way of calling on you if you weren’t prepared. I don’t know; we must have all had guilty looks. He could pick us out, aye yi yi.”

At Hampden-Sydney, he was on the football team but didn’t play much. He says, “I loved it, I just didn’t have it.” His brother Sam was the football player and he parlayed his athletic prowess into a successful career in athletics.

Francis recalls with a smile that nearly everyone except him and a handful of others at VES played football. “I didn’t go out for football and everybody thought I was a sissy. So, I went out for boxing and straightened ’em out.”

The 1942 football season, Bailey’s last season as a Tiger, was not the best in our long history. Hampden-Sydney played many current ODAC rivals as well as the likes of William & Mary, the University of Virginia, and the University of Richmond. The Tigers beat Roanoke College at Homecoming and that was about it. “We didn’t win many games that year,” says Bailey. “But I know we either won or tied Randolph-Macon,

so we had a successful season.”

Of course, even then college was about more than classes and football. There were also plenty of parties.

“My freshman year, the Comity Club—a big, open, dirty-lookin’ barn—was havin’ a dance. I keep thinking we had both of the Dorsey brothers there; we couldn’t’ve had. Maybe we had Jimmy [it was]. The thing burned down maybe a week before the dance. So President Gammon let us have the dance in the gym [now Graham Hall]. The way we did it in those days, you danced with your girl and anybody could cut in on you. The popular girls sometimes didn’t take two steps; there was just a line of ’em. But if you got stuck with a girl for three or four minutes, there was something wrong with that. You always had somebody cut in, but with some girls it wasn’t so frequent.”

“They quit those parties in the fall of ’42 and a guy named John Sivell [’42], who was a KA and one of the tackles on the football team, and I were good buddies. He was president of the Monogram Club; I was the treasurer. I don’t know how it got started, but we decided to put on our own dances. So we went and rented a

*The original Bailey’s General Store, Sanibel Island, Florida, formerly beside the ferryboat landing but now in the Sanibel Historical Museum & Village, a preserved area founded by Samuel M. Bailey ’46.*





MAIN STREET, FARMVILLE, VIRGINIA

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jukebox from a place down the road, decorated the gym, we even bought Cokes and—I didn't think of it; another guy did—put them in the women's restroom. We did that three or four times during the year and had some really good parties."

Life on The Hill seems simpler then: class and chapel during the week, football games and dances on the weekend. Maybe it was just simpler for guys like Francis Bailey. "I had no money. On Saturday, we'd go to town and go to the movies. I wasn't into drinkin' in those days, so I didn't have to pay for beers, and I wasn't dating, so I didn't have to pay for that. We'd go to the movies and then come back and play bridge an' use all kindsa cheatin' methods."

Of course, the young guys loved playing pranks on each other. He laughs when he talks about throwing water bombs—folded up newspapers filled with water—out of First Passage windows onto unsuspecting passersby.

"The different fraternities intermingled a lot. We all got along real well. One of my best friends, White, was a KA. We went up to Lehigh or one of those Pennsylvania colleges we played in football and you weren't exactly welcome if you were a poosie-doopsie with a noopsie-noopsie or whatever they are."

The Virginia weather for the Florida boy was the source of a lot of fun, too, as he recalls in a story about a snowstorm. "Freshman year—we

ate in Venable [now Parents & Friends Lounge], not the basement; that's where the football players lived—I lived in Mrs. Venable's house. Anyway, in January or February—it was after Christmas—we had the biggest snow reportedly of anywhere in the country. I've pictures of guys—Judge Hay [William P. Hay, Jr. '42] in Farmville who was a year ahead of me and a guy named Sullivan [Frank E. Sullivan '40] who was the center on the football team—standing outside with snow up to their waist. You get a six-inch snow in Virginia and everything's broken down. On the corner across the street from Shannon's [in Farmville] the snow was stacked up above my head. That was something else."

The simple life ended in February 1943. Bailey entered the Army and served for three years. He went home and wondered what he was going to do with his life. His brother Sam had signed up to play professional football, so the two of them started hitchhiking from Sanibel, Florida, to Hershey, Pennsylvania. Francis considered jobs in Florida and Tennessee but nothing really appealed to him. He also considered returning to Hampden-Sydney for another year, but Dean David C. "Turret Top" Wilson persuaded him to go into teaching.

He says everyone at Hampden-Sydney, even the professors, had a nickname. Dr. Joe Frierson, the chemistry professor, was "Lil' Joe." The head football coach, Frank Summers, was lovingly

called “Pig Eye.” Even the College President, Dr. Edgar Gammon 1905, was called “Rip,” a nickname he had picked up as a student. Francis Bailey went by “Moon.”

Bailey recalls, “My sophomore year we were in Cushing having a big ‘bull session’ in there, and this guy named Preston Watt [44]—he was a fraternity brother, a Kappa Sig—came in the room and said, ‘Moon Mullins, you banjo-eyed bum.’ Moon Mullins was a cartoon character back then. Somehow, just the name Moon stuck. Forever after, that was what everyone called me. No one ever used first names anyway. You went by a nickname or last name.”

The nickname was so pervasive that he was referred to as “M. Bailey” on his fraternity composite and in football programs.

Nicknames aside, Bailey did teach for two years at VES and worked during the summers at a boys’ camp in Vermont. By 1948, though, he had decided it was time to return to Sanibel. A hurricane in 1944 had severely damaged the island’s citrus crops, including the acres and acres cultivated by his father.

“We were existing,” is how Bailey describes the state of the family business when he returned home. The packing company was closed. Farming was way down. However, the family store

struggled on.

As I said, originally Bailey’s General Store was along the shoreline where locals—and the many vacationers—disembarked from the ferry. A stop at Bailey’s store was one of the first things visitors would do, which proved to be relatively lucrative for the family. As the island grew, the store also grew. They enlarged it by closing in a porch. Later, the Baileys built a new Standard Oil station on the island along Periwinkle Way, which had become Sanibel’s main thoroughfare. The island, though only a few miles from Ft. Myers, was still remote and in a perpetual state of recovery from hurricanes.

Everything changed in 1963—on May 23 to be precise. That was the day the bridge connecting Sanibel to the mainland opened to traffic.

“At the time, I thought it would instantly change the island radically. It took two or three years for us to notice any big change. The island was growing—or regressing, depending on how you looked at it—anyway, but it was two or three years before we noticed any appreciable spurt. I think some of the real estate speculators started saying, ‘Hmm. It looks pretty good over there.’”

The beginning of the bridge was the end of the mail boat, which put Bailey’s General Store at the end of a dead-end road. Three years later,

*Bailey’s General Store, Sanibel Island, Florida, 2012.*



in 1966, the family moved the store to its current location on Periwinkle Way. The store also grew substantially. During the last 45 years, the store has evolved and offers a wide variety of products, from baked goods and fresh vegetables to hammers and beach toys. If Bailey's General Store doesn't sell it, you probably don't need it on the island.

As Francis Bailey shows me around Bailey's General Store he is so busy greeting shoppers that "Good morning" sounds like a punctuation mark: "This is the produce department that my daughter runs, good morning;" "Do you want some coffee? We have all kinds of fancy coffee drinks over here, good morning;" "We recently started renting movies, good morning."

At first, it seems like he knows everyone who walks through the door, but I soon realize that folks who greet him first know who he is and those who don't say hello he quickly and cheerfully welcomes to the store. Without a doubt, Francis Bailey is a local celebrity; he is a Sanibel institution.

Outside Bailey's General Store, I meet Billy Kirkland, of Billy's Bike Rentals, who is quick to describe Francis Bailey as "a wonderful person and a part of Sanibel history." He says, "We were having a charity auction a while ago and one of the items for bid was lunch with Francis Bailey. He and I were standing beside one another when I bid \$500. Francis looked at me all surprised and said, 'Billy, you don't have to pay to have lunch with me, you could just ask.'"

Community is vitally important to Bailey. If Sanibel loses that, to him, it has lost everything. During the 1970s, when the county wanted to turn Sanibel into another Miami Beach, Bailey and the rest of the island community organized and incorporated into an independent city. The city council, of which Bailey was a member for many years, preserved the community atmosphere while still accommodating the tourists

on which the economy depends. The beaches are lined with cottages and small hotels and the main drag across the island houses local restaurants and shops rather than national chains.

But you can't stop progress, or "retrogression" as Bailey calls it. Sanibel is seeing more and more very large houses, even some gated

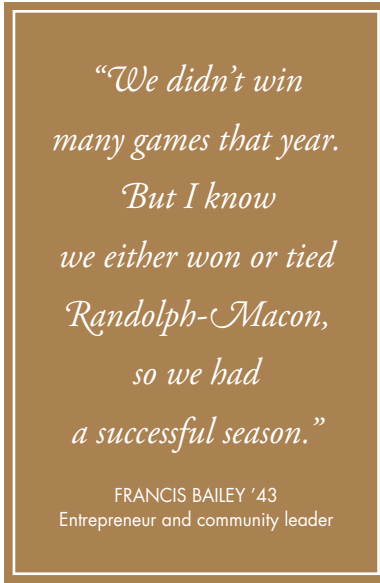
communities, which Bailey can't stand. "There's always exceptions, but the majority of these folks aren't interested in integrating into the community. They only come down here to go to their mansion. I don't know if they know that we have a community association or a church or whatever. They come and go. Maybe they are here a week; they just are not a part of the community. I don't like that."

Francis Bailey loves people. You can see that in the way he talks to his family, his employees, even complete strangers. When friendly, happy, social people come to Sanibel—to visit or to live—he is a happy man.

"I've said for years that the kind of people we want to come down here are people who want to live, work, and play. You get some people who've been here for six months and you'd think they've been here forever; they've just blended into the community, become part of it. They're friendly. Then there are others who are just different."

What took George Bailey a cinematic lifetime to learn in *It's a Wonderful Life*, Francis Bailey may have known all along. George Bailey desperately wanted to flee his hometown for adventure, but circumstances kept drawing him back to Bedford Falls. But Francis Bailey loves Sanibel, and every time he left, he was drawn back to the island life, the community, and his lifetime of friends.

If I had mistakenly called Francis Bailey "George," I know he wouldn't have cared. He's the kind of person who is happy to talk, maybe have lunch with. All you have to do is ask.





# Play Ball!

## TY COBB BALLPARK OFFICIALLY OPENS

JOHN DUDLEY '95

Baseball is officially underway at Hampden-Sydney College's new Ty Cobb Ballpark, following a dedication ceremony before the 2012 baseball season opener against Ferrum College on February 4, 2012. The 292-seat stadium, undoubtedly the finest baseball facility in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, played host to a capacity crowd on a crisp, winter day that concluded with a solid 5-3 win.

Opening day this year included the postponed dedication, tours of the ballpark lounge, and complimentary hot dogs, Cracker Jacks, and Coca-Cola, courtesy of Dr. and Mrs. Schug. (Ty Cobb Ballpark was completed in time for the final home game of the 2011 season, but bad weather forced the cancellation of the game and scheduled dedicatory events.)

The construction of the new ballpark was made possible by generous financial contributions by many people, including Dr. John B. Schug '52 and his wife Peggy Cobb Schug, the granddaughter of the ballpark's eponym; Byron and Pam Wurdeman, the parents of Tiger outfielder Chatham Wurdeman '13; and S. Bruce Spencer '37, a former Tiger baseball player who, with his late wife Gladys Curtis Spencer, has been a long-time benefactor of scholarships and the baseball program.

The Schugs also gave a valuable piece of sports

memorabilia, a check signed by Ty Cobb, which hangs in the ballpark lounge. The framed check has been dedicated to the 2011 team that practiced and played home games as the new ballpark was being built just steps from home plate.

Ty Cobb Ballpark is a tremendous step up for the College's baseball facilities. Just two seasons ago, spectators either brought their own chairs or sat on aging metal bleachers. The new ballpark features full-size stadium chairs with seat backs in the center section, a covered concourse, men's

and women's restrooms, a lounge overlooking the playing field, and a press box. In addition to the Ty Cobb memorabilia, the lounge also includes photographs from the player's career, photographs of every Mason-Dixon Conference and ODAC championship-winning Hampden-Sydney baseball team, and a letter from Jeff Idelson, president of the National Baseball Hall of Fame,



*Peggy Cobb Schug, granddaughter of the ballpark's eponym, threw out the first pitch.*



*Cutting the ribbon for the new stadium are Head Baseball Coach Jeff Kinne, Dr. John Schug '52, Mrs. Schug, Mr. Byron Wurdeman, Board Chairman Tom Allen '60, President Howard, Tony D. Curtis (Bruce and Gladys Spencer's nephew), and Richard Epperson II '79.*

congratulating Hampden-Sydney College on its dedication to the sport.

Richard Epperson II '79, director of athletics (and a former Tiger baseball player), says, "The Ty Cobb Ballpark dramatically impacts our athletic department mission and vision 'to establish and maintain the highest quality student-athlete environment in NCAA Division III' while enhancing student recruitment and retention objectives. We are proud to claim there is no finer DIII baseball facility in the country. On behalf of Hampden-Sydney Baseball Tigers past, present, and future, I want to share heartfelt appreciation to John and Peggy Schug, Byron and Pam Wurdeman, and Bruce Spencer for making this dream a reality."

*George Rickman '59 was on four Mason-Dixon Conference championship teams. He and Willie Pierce '59 were the only two players to be on all four championship teams. They played under Weenie Miller for their first two years and under Claude Milam for their final two years. Mr. Rickman taught at Clover Hill High School and still teaches as an adjunct professor of Spanish at VCU. He also coached baseball at Collegiate in Richmond for a time.*



The drive for the new stadium came from the 2011 seniors and the Wurdemans. Byron Wurdeman says, "I remember hearing a couple of players' parents complaining that there wasn't a baseball stadium and that they had wanted their sons to have been able to play in a nice, new stadium. Their sons were graduating that

year and they just knew Hampden-Sydney wouldn't have a new stadium any time soon. I kind of took that as a personal challenge. I'm an eternal optimist and I hated hearing those guys being so negative. Some of the players and I met with Dr. Howard about building a stadium, and he said it sounded good but we needed some up-front capital to get the project started.

I agreed to put up the initial capital if—and this was the caveat—if it was finished before the end of the [2011] baseball season, and it was. We started moving dirt on January 31 and played the first game there, the final game of the season, on April 17.”

“The stadium is outstanding and Peggy and I were so pleased with the entire process,” says John Schug. “We had been talking with Beeler Brush [then vice president for institutional advancement] for many years about a new baseball stadium at the College. He made sure that we were involved in every aspect of the design and construction. If there were something about the building we didn’t like, we would have no one to blame but ourselves.”

He adds, “We support scholarships and athletics at Hampden-Sydney because we love it. Faust says seek pleasure and avoid pain and this is very pleasurable for us.”

Peggy Schug, the granddaughter of Ty Cobb, says of him, “He was a great fella. There’s a lot of negativity written about him, but he did a lot of great things. He built a hospital in Royston, Georgia; he cared for a lot of indigent baseball players; and he started the Ty Cobb Educational Foundation, which has given scholarships to students for decades. We’re so proud of the ballpark; it’s beautiful.”

She adds, “We just love the College so much and how it keeps the students’ best interests in mind. We are very happy to be a part of helping Hampden-Sydney grow.”

The inaugural Ty Cobb Baseball Classic was held February 17-19, with Southern Virginia University, Keystone College, and Stevenson University taking the field against the Tigers. It was a wonderful way to showcase the new stadium and the renewed excitement about baseball at Hampden-Sydney College.

*The new Ty Cobb Ballpark was made possible by major gifts from several generous donors. The 292-seat stadium is said to be the finest baseball facility in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference.*



# Teaching leadership?

**"IT'S SOME SLIPPERY STUFF"**

JOHN DUDLEY '95

As he is wont to do sometimes, Dr. Alan Farrell, now a brigadier general and professor of French at Virginia Military Institute and forever a distinctive and cherished part of Hampden-Sydney College history, returned to the College to impart his unique breed of wisdom to another group of impressionable young men.

He was invited by the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest to discuss the notion of "teaching leadership." By dipping into some of his personal experiences, including the time he spent fighting in Vietnam, Dr. Farrell shared his insight into leadership—studied, practiced, habitualized—and assured the young men that learning (and teaching) leadership is "some slippery stuff."

Dr. Farrell was kind enough to share his speaking draft with me so that the rest of us might find a steady hand as we navigate our own slippery path toward being a leader.

Leadership requires knowledge, says Farrell, and the wisdom to know when knowledge is not enough. In rappelling, for example, a leader must have not only the knowledge to understand the science of the situation, which contributes to his or her decision to step over the edge, but also the ability to convert that knowledge into action.

"When you stand up there and peer down the face of that cliff and beyond into the valley, it looks like forever," says Farrell. "You can rehearse in your mind your Physics class and the laws of Static Mechanics and Newton's Second and the Stretch Modulus of 9/16-inch righthand-twist three-strand braided nylon cord (as we call "rope" in the Army) and on and on. It still looks like forever. You will doubt. That's where the leader becomes a leader. That's where leadership is the simple but unavoidable business of taking the first step ... first, off into the void. Follow me.

That, in a word, is the leader: the one who understands the human being's rights and promise in a physical, circumscribed world, but who has the plain ol' vanilla nerve just to take the first step out there into the unknown to prove it."

"I say 'understands' the human being's rights. I do not say 'accepts' them. A manager's job, an administrator's job, is to recognize those rights, organize them, account for them, forecast them, world without end. But the manager, the administrator, remains bounded by that physical universe and the concrete limit of things. Leaders can and do contest nature, defy nature, ignore nature and the confinement of the here and now. You can't change the odds, but you can beat them. Knowing when and where and how—and with whom—is the miracle of leadership, the challenge of leadership. Why it's so elusive. Why managers and administrators work for leaders and patiently explain the real world to them and fume when the leader ignores their constrictions, hesitations, reservations."

"Told you it's some slippery stuff."

Dr. Farrell shared a story from Vietnam, November 1968, when he got his first operation, his first command. He was ordered to take his unit across a river—a vulnerable expanse—to find what's left of the enemy. "Not much strategy to be worked out here," recalled Farrell. "I put one 79 and the M-60 in battery on this side, wave my [Montagnards] apart, say goodbye to Mom, and step out first into the gurgling water." Slowly

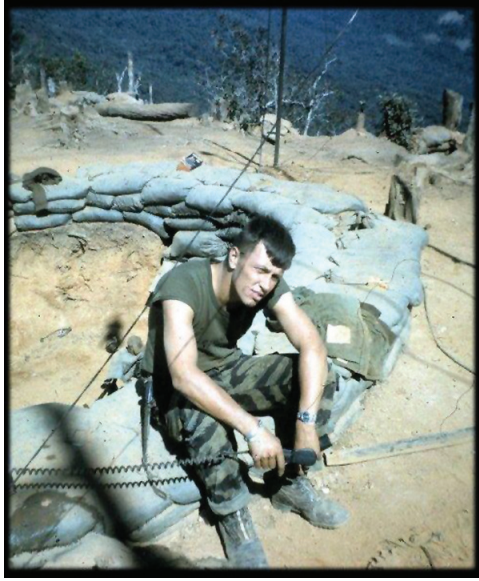
Alan Farrell in Laos, 1968

he made his way across the river, waiting for a burst of fire from the other side, waiting for an ambush that never happened. A story that took just seconds to tell “took forever to live.”

“Most of all—oddly if you like—I remember going first, though I don’t remember deciding to go first. No thought. No time. No plan. Just an ugly job and dangerous. What to do is go first. And

never look sideways. And never look back. And never doubt that my fourteen so dang strikers are there. Because I’ve lived with them and beside them and shown them the kind of small fidelities human beings value: respect, solicitude, good humor, forthrightness, endurance. Integrity, in a word.”

Not all leadership comes from being first, first over the edge or into danger. Days later, on that same mission, as Farrell recalls, he led from the



back by being the last man to board helicopters leading his unit from danger to safety. “Not that my silly gesture changes the risk or the threat. But last sometimes is the place for a leader. Slow sometimes is the pace for a leader. Taking up the rear sometimes is the role of a leader. Not that log chain Patton was talking about but maybe an anchor. So I step back. And the

’Yards stay back with me. All of this wordless. I feed them into the aircraft. I jump on last and we blow that lousy, bloody, smoke-shrouded clearing.”

These moments, these bits of time when leaders are distinguished from the crowd, do not come by chance. Leaders prepare for these moments by studying leadership—yes—but Farrell says we must also *practice* leadership, develop habits of leadership, so that when the



Alan Farrell now

time comes, there is no hesitation in our leadership. Developing these habits is a what Farrell calls “leading from the middle.” Leading from the middle is important because, as only Dr. Farrell can say: “You’re gonna be in the middle a lot longer that you’ll be on top—sorry to tell you—a mediator between that bonehead who commands you and the squirrels you command.”

For Farrell, this idea of leading from the middle came from another military moment, not a moment in the heat of battle but a moment flanked by the ordinary. He and two buddies were back at their base relaxing. One was in his bunk listening to music; the other was cleaning his gun. Farrell stood by the door. Suddenly the gun went off, sending a shot past Farrell’s head, through the door, and into the night sky.

“Well, next thing the Recon Company First Sergeant bursts in the door,” says Farrell. “Heard the shot and came barreling over across the compound to see what’s what. Looks at Joe, upright, legs now dangling off the bunk, Roy sitting on his ammo crate, rifle back on its wall pegs, hole in the door, me standing in middle of the room. Takes in the whole scene. A second. He says: ‘Well ... I know Farrell didn’t do it.’ Lumbers back out into the night. Dunno why, but I’m prouder of those few words than all my degrees and badges. Leadership from the middle. Lousy little E-4 corporal, but an E-4 corporal that Fir’sarn knew to be squared away, serious about soldiering, wrapped tight, so you could see it despite the crowd. But, hadn’t been for my buddy’s carelessness, Fir’sarn never woulda said anything to me. Took a near tragedy to shake out of a very good man that testimonial that he hadn’t thought necessary before—his idea of a compliment.”

It was clear to Farrell then why he was given so much extra work—taking inventory, writing

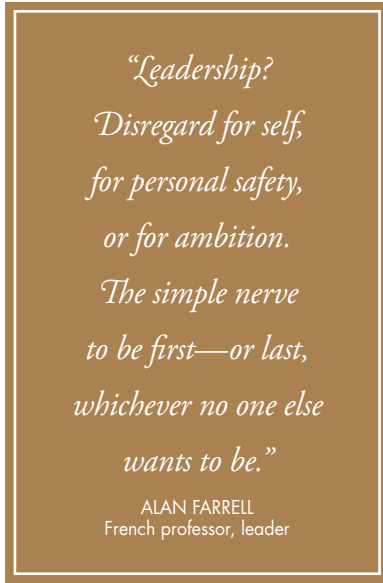
reports, going on extra patrols. It was not that his Sergeant had it out for him. On the contrary, he trusted him. He knew that Corporal Farrell was a man among men and responded in turn with extra responsibility, extra opportunity to learn, to grow, and to be an example for others.

As Corporal Farrell continued to rise through the ranks, he continued working on his leadership skills. He continued working on his leadership habits, continued putting those habits into action until he didn’t know the difference any longer. You can read about leaders all day long. You can consider leadership until you are blue in the face. The teaching and the learning are pointless without the courage to put integrity and honor into action. The practice pays off when doing the right thing seems wrong or dangerous.

Again Farrell says, “... in the end—we call it a ‘long story about a quick decision,’ why I made Master Sergeant twice and why I’m not Dean of VMI any more—it may take the form of standing up to a guy with leaves or eagles or stars one day or a guy in a \$5000 suit one day, when you’re right and he’s not. Disregard for self, for personal safety, or for ambition. The simple nerve to be first—or last, whichever no one else wants to be.”

So, can you teach leadership? After all is said and done and said again, what does Alan Farrell think? “I dunno,” he told that assembly of impressionable young students. “You’ll know better’n I do. You can talk about it. Read about it. Show movies about it. You can invite corporate CEOs and growly old generals to come blather about it. You can mistake success for leadership, just as you can mistake achievement for honor. But can you teach leadership? I dunno. So, I hadda answer my general: You can demonstrate it, sir, that’s for sure. You can practice it, sir. And you can get used to the loneliness on the leader’s side of the aisle.”

Leadership certainly is some slippery stuff.



## H-SC inks post-graduate agreements

On January 31, 2012, Hampden-Sydney College President Christopher B. Howard and Darden School Dean Robert F. Bruner signed a memorandum of understanding under which the President and Provost of Hampden-Sydney College may select up to five Hampden-Sydney alumni per year to receive preferred-application status to Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia. Prospective Darden MBA candidates from Hampden-Sydney may now enjoy an application-fee waiver, automatic advancement to the interview round, and guidance from the Darden admissions team.

Hampden-Sydney also has a similar agreement with Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. In the agreement, Hampden-Sydney students are allowed during their junior year to apply to Duke's one-year master's of management studies program; four applicants chosen by the Provost and President of the College will have their application fees waived and automatically advance to the interview round.

In recent years, our students have been particularly successful in getting into well-regarded graduate schools. Many students have enrolled in the one-year graduate degree programs in commerce and accounting at the University of Virginia's McIntyre School, as well as the master's of accounting at the University of North Carolina.

Wake Forest University's Babcock School of Business and The College of William & Mary's Mason School of Business have been actively recruiting on campus in recent years for their master's in management and master's in accounting, respectively.

As more Hampden-Sydney undergraduates enter prestigious business schools, the idea that a liberal arts curriculum is a solid foundation for business (which we have known for decades) gains more credence within graduate programs and the greater business environment.

*Darden and Hampden-Sydney faculty look on as President Howard (seated, right) and Darden Dean Robert Bruner sign the memorandum of agreement about preferred application status for our students.*



## Schaeffer on Schaeffer: Alumni son on pilgrimage

Though he is better known as a *New York Times* bestselling religious author and political commentator, Frank Schaeffer came to Hampden-Sydney College in February as the doting son of an alumnus. He is the son of another noted religious author, Francis Schaeffer '35.

Francis Schaeffer was a Christian theologian of the 1950s, '60s, and '70s who wrote a series of influential books and, along with his wife Edith, founded L'Abri Fellowship International in Switzerland. Since its founding in 1955, the L'Abri organization has grown to include residential study centers in many countries, including England, Germany, Brazil, Korea, Holland, Sweden, Canada, Australia, and the United States.

The elder Schaeffer, who wrote some 18 books that have sold millions of copies, is credited with politicizing the abortion issue and sparking the rise of the Christian Right. His son said during his lecture at the College that his father was "hijacked" by the Christian Right and would likely have abandoned that segment of the Church, as Frank Schaeffer has

*Frank Schaeffer, son of Francis Schaeffer '35, spoke about growing up evangelical.*



done, if he had not died in the early 1980s.

Religion Professor Michael Utzinger says Francis Schaeffer is undoubtedly one of the top-five most influential men to ever graduate from Hampden-Sydney College. Frank Schaeffer was visibly excited about being at the school that had such a tremendous influence on his father.

The younger Schaeffer spoke about his career and faith-journey to a crowded Johns Auditorium, and he also shared many personal memories. He says he and his father used to hike in the Swiss Alps and test for avalanches by singing the Hampden-Sydney fight song at the top of their lungs. The song still has a strong place in his family. His mother, who is in her late 80s, still sings the fight song before she goes to bed at night. Schaeffer added, "I asked my sister if mom still says her prayers before bed too. She said, 'no.'"

Religion Professor Gerald Carney says, "Frank Schaeffer's talk highlighted the process of rethinking the traditions we have inherited from our families and, especially, from our parents. His, after all, were larger than life at home and in the world of evangelical Christianity. He also narrated the influence of political opportunism, rather than religious or theological necessity, in the focus by the Christian Right on issues of sexuality, especially abortion. He got behind the slogans and caricatures to give a humble and humbling picture of how the contemporary religious political agenda developed."

Schaeffer was on campus in connection with the release of his new book, *Sex, Mom, and God: How the Bible's Strange Take on Sex Led to Crazy Politics—and How I Learned to Love Women (and Jesus) Anyway*. His appearance was made possible by the Department of Religion through the Father Gouch Fund.



## Tigers win VFIC Ethics Bowl

For the third consecutive year, Hampden-Sydney made it to the championship round of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges Ethics Bowl and this year it brought home the crown. **Osric Forrest '12, Ryan Rivas '15, Baker Allen '14, and Christopher Deen '13** defeated Sweet Briar College in the final round to take the title for the first time in the competition's 13-year history. During the last five years, the Tigers have posted an impressive 18-5 record.

The topic of this year's competition, which was held at Shenandoah

University, was "Ethics and Integrity in Campus Relationships." Hampden-Sydney went undefeated in the preliminary rounds against Emory & Henry, Randolph-Macon, Mary Baldwin, and Lynchburg. Among the judges for the final round was retired journalist **Roger Mudd**, who has been on the VFIC Board of Trustees for 15 years.

"The VFIC Ethics bowl competition has been one of my most stimulating academic experiences," says four-year team member Osric Forrest. "As a science major, I have found it even more beneficial to be able to discuss matters of ethics and morality that are often restricted to philosophy classes. I have enjoyed spending time with the team and the competition has improved my presentation and critical thinking skills."

Philosophy professors Dr. **Marc Hight** and Dr. **James Janowski** coach the Hampden-Sydney Ethics Bowl team. They practiced extensively with the students, and preparations for the tournament included mock debates with members of the Union-Philanthropic Literary

Society. Dr. Hight says, "The members of the HSC Ethics Bowl team commit a considerable amount of time and energy to the event each year. We hold three practices a week for about two hours per session. Students research and write cases over the winter break. This year the

team members also met independently to help one another with speaking and organizational issues. It has been a rewarding experience and I will miss the thrill of competing in the bowl every year."

Dr. Hight adds, "The VFIC Ethics



*Ethics Bowl team Osric Forrest '12, Ryan Rivas '15, Coaches Marc Hight and James Janowski, Baker Allen '14, and Christopher Deen '13.*

Bowl develops core critical thinking skills that complement the mission of H-SC. As a start, the program emphasizes reasoning about normative issues. Since the team needs to present a unified position in the debate rounds, team members must be open-minded and flexible when others disagree with them. The event is also an extemporaneous team speaking competition. Our students have to give speeches on complex topics with only a few minutes to formulate cogent positions. In short, the Ethics Bowl program highlights many of the virtues of the liberally educated young man."

The annual VFIC Ethics Bowl began in 2000 as a way for students from the Foundation's 15 member colleges to engage in lively debate and consideration of applied ethics, real-world dilemmas that affect peoples lives in complex ways. The tournament moves to a different host-school each year; the Tigers will defend their title in February 2013 on the campus of Randolph College in Lynchburg.



*Retiring Vice President for Business C. Norman Krueger (right) greeted by longtime secretary Virginia Johnston*

## Norm Krueger, Jim Pohl retire

After 22 years at Hampden-Sydney College, **C. Norman Krueger**, affectionately known as “Norm,” has retired as vice president for business affairs and treasurer. He has been vigilant in his desire to keep the College on sound fiscal footing while meeting the growing needs of the students and faculty.

During his tenure, the College has successfully taken on many ambitious capital

improvements, including the construction of the Carpenter Dorms, Settle Hall, Bortz Library, and Everett Stadium and the renovation of many historic buildings, such as Morton Hall, Bagby Hall, Cushing Hall, and Atkinson Museum. Also, Krueger was instrumental in purchasing the College’s fraternity houses and their subsequent expansion and renovations.

Former Chairman of the Board William C.

*Veteran Aramark food service director Jim Pohl (center) hugged by colleagues*



Boinest '54 says, "Norman Krueger was one of the hardest workers the College has had. From a business perspective he knew more about the workings of the institution than anyone. Often criticized, Norm would stick to his guns and was more often proven right in decisions made in moving the College forward. He was a visionary when it came to money matters and to the best of my memory balanced the budget each year during his tenure with surpluses that were used to pay back the quasi-endowment funds the College used during the year or that were made available to the operating funds by actions of the Board of Trustees. Tight-fisted, he always put Hampden-Sydney first when tough decisions had to be made. The College was indeed fortunate to have the long, tireless services of C. Norman Krueger. He will be missed by the entire Hampden-Sydney community."

W. Glenn Culley, Jr., the controller and

assistant treasurer under Krueger, has been promoted to vice president for business affairs.

For longer than most people can remember, **Jim Pohl** has been in charge of Aramark's food services at Hampden-Sydney. That changed early this year, as the dining hall stalwart stepped down.

It was the beginning of the first Reagan administration when Pohl began working at Hampden-Sydney. The Commons was still in Winston Hall, where it had been since 1965, but would move less than a decade later to Settle Hall. Pohl oversaw the move to the new building as well as many incarnations of the Tiger Inn.

Though students seem to continually complain about the food served at the Commons (such is the nature of students), Pohl's affable personality and professionalism allowed him to take the assaults in stride and see that that next meal was always ready when the students arrived hungry.

## Scout Merit Badge College

*More than 200 Boy Scouts and 55 leaders camped out at Hampden-Sydney College February 24-26 for a merit badge weekend. They set up camp near Kirby Field House and met with professors and professionals, including local physician Dr. Robert C. Wade '91 (below, demonstrating blood-pressure measurement), as they completed requirements for two merit badges. Scouts could choose from a wide variety of merit badges, including American Business, American Heritage, Chemistry, Citizenship in the World, Crime Prevention, Computers, Electricity, Fire Safety, Forestry, Law, Medicine, Sports, Weather, and more. The Boy Scouts saw a lot of the campus, meeting in Gilmer, Morton, Bagby, the Wilson Center, College Church, the Field House, and Kirk Athletic Center. The entire event was planned by Randy Reed '82, a major gifts officer at the College. Despite some blustery weather, the event was a big success.*





*Award-winning Hampden-Sydney chefs Walter Bundy IV '90 of the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond (left) and John Currence '87 of the City Grocery restaurant in Oxford, Mississippi, teamed up in Richmond to carry the flag as they prepared to cook a Mid Winter's Feast to benefit the James Beard Foundation/Lemaire Scholarship.*

*Studying abroad this semester in Beijing, China, is Will Kilgore '14 (third from right in back row). Interested in foreign affairs, Kilgore is a member of the Wilson Center program and the Longwood–Hampden-Sydney ROTC unit.*



## A little dose of reality

Hampden-Sydney students got a lesson in reality television and entrepreneurship from Matt Roloff, the father on TLC network's show *Little People, Big World*. Once an aspiring farmer, Roloff has converted his family's 34-acre Oregon homestead into a popular agri-tourism destination. The family became the subjects of a television program and Roloff is also the author of two books, including *Against Tall Odds*.

In addition to his celebrity, Roloff has considerable business experience. He was a top salesman for Fortune 500 companies and currently owns a manufacturing company specializing in mobility equipment designed for little people. He has served as President of Little People of America and has since co-founded a non-profit organiza-



*Matt Roloff with students after his inspirational talk.*

tion that supports little people across the nation. Roloff has also made three humanitarian trips to the Middle East to facilitate life saving medical efforts for little people in Iraq.

Aside from Roloff's entrepreneurial success and celebrity, it is his personal story that has truly inspired so many.

He has viewed the social stigmas and physical limitations of being a dwarf not as obstacles but as opportunities, helping him thrive in a world not always welcoming.

Roloff has been interviewed on *Oprah*, *The View*, *Good Morning America*, CNN, Fox News, and in the *New York Times* and *People Magazine*, as well as many other media outlets. His appearance at Hampden-Sydney College was made possible by the Center for Entrepreneurship and Political Economy.



*The Fine Arts Department presented as their spring production the comedy by Steve Martin, "Picasso at the Lapin Agile," in which Picasso, Einstein, and other not-quite-yet-famous people meet, drink, and ponder their fates.*

## On the passing of Václav Havel

December 18, 2011, marked the passing of an artistic and political leader, Václav Havel. He was the author of more than 20 plays and essays, as well as numerous poems, and for many years a political dissident in Czechoslovakia until he was elected president of that country by the Federal Assembly in 1989. The next year, he was re-elected president by the citizens in a free election.

Through his work on *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review* and many trips with Paul Jagasich to Eastern Europe, retired Poet-in-Residence Tom O'Grady came to know many artists who would go on to become civic leaders, such as Havel and the Lord Mayor of Prague, Jaroslav Kořán. In his 1993 collection of poems, *Shaking the Tree*, O'Grady recounted how he and then-poet Kořán dodged KGB spies in 1984 en route to a doctor's appointment in Prague and a subsequent visit from the FBI back home in Virginia. O'Grady found himself in Kořán's mayoral office the day after Havel's popular election in 1990 as the former dissidents became government officials.

He recalls "Václav Havel, a poet in power, approaching the problems of his society with a cold, hard logic tempered by the quick wit of a creative mind. And Mayor Kořán himself, sitting there faced with enormous problems of rebuilding the society which was left to wear out under Soviet incompetence, trying to solve his most serious problem of the day: how to make garbage collection more efficient. 'That's what revolution leads to,' he says. 'You have to pick up your own garbage'."

"After returning home from the second trip,

under the new world order, I kept correspondence up as best I could, but as everyone knows, the Czechoslovakian society faced other problems. Now we've seen it split in two: the Czech republic and the Slovakian regime. Everyone knew that was coming. Havel knew it was coming and he did his best to stop it; but rather than let the Velvet Revolution wear itself thin or be roughened into burlap, he decided to step back for a while.

"Kořán, too, I think, has had his time as mayor and is doing something else. [The poet Pavel] Šrut is more journalist now than poet but at least he has a respectable job. I did get a book in the mail, however, that I didn't expect—a

new collection of essays by Václav Havel, the title of which loosely translates: *Ideas About Humanity Which Even a Child Could Understand*. And it was signed by a great man, just a name, but in colored pen—his name in green and under it a red heart. That's the final metaphor, I thought: love. The big high, the great heart. Any people with people with great hearts cannot be controlled, and if somehow they let love—

with laughter and civility—maintain itself through the most extreme oppression, the oppression will fade away.

"It's not as easy as all that, of course; but it is probably true. If the new Czech republic joins back as it should in the future with the Slovakian regime, perhaps the flag will be changed, not too dramatically, but a neat little outline of the human heart somewhere down in the right corner etched in red, trimmed in green—colors of passion, colors of renewal, colors of undying hope."

*"It was signed by a great man, just a name, but in colored pen—his name in green and under it a red heart. That's the final metaphor, I thought: love."*

TOM O'GRADY  
Poet-in-residence

## Virginia General Assembly commends Kirk Rohle '12

In recognition for his response to a fire at a Hampden-Sydney residence hall on January 25th, the Virginia General Assembly passed House Joint Resolution 433 commending Kirk Rohle '12 for his bravery and wishing him a speedy recovery. Rohle reentered the burning building to search for his longtime friend Ben



Ben Rogers '12 (left) and Kirk Rohle '12 in the hospital. Both are now back in school.

*in the house that night, all but Ben Rogers quickly escaped the burning building, which had working smoke detectors; when the group realized their housemate was still inside, Kirk Rohle and others went back inside to search for him; and*

*WHEREAS, while Ben Rogers and the other rescuers soon emerged*

Rogers '12; he sustained significant burns and spent nearly two months recovering in the hospital. Both students continue to recover from their injuries but have returned to campus to finish the academic year.

The Resolution, whose Patrons include Delegate **Christopher K. Peace '98**, Delegate John A. Cox, Delegate **Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr. '84**, and Senator **William M. Stanley, Jr. '89**, was passed on March 1 and reads:

*WHEREAS, Kirk Rohle of Mechanicsville showed tremendous bravery and courage when he re-entered a burning house in January 2012 to search for and rescue his best friend and fellow college football teammate, Ben Rogers; and*

*WHEREAS, Kirk Rohle and Ben Rogers, who are best friends and graduates of Hanover High School, both attend Hampden-Sydney College, where they play on the football team and have been Dean's List students; and*

*WHEREAS, the men were part of a group of Hampden-Sydney athletes who shared a house at the edge of the bucolic rural campus; early in the morning of January 25, 2012, when the men were asleep, the house caught fire; and*

*WHEREAS, of the eight people who were asleep*

*from the burning building with only minor injuries, Kirk Rohle exited the house a short time later through a window, and it was quickly apparent to his housemates that he had suffered serious burns in his urgent search for his best friend; and*

*WHEREAS, while all of the occupants of the student-athlete housing at the all-male college near Farmville survived the fire, Kirk Rohle sustained second- and third-degree burns that require several weeks of treatment; and*

*WHEREAS, the Hanover High School community, the Hampden-Sydney community, and the Rohle family's many friends and neighbors have been a huge source of support to Kirk Rohle during his treatment and recovery; now, therefore, be it*

*RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That Kirk Rohle, an outstanding Virginian, hereby be commended for his extraordinary bravery in his attempt to rescue his best friend from a burning building; and, be it*

*RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kirk Rohle as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for his heroism and selfless actions and best wishes for his recovery.*

# Sports News

DAVIS YAKE '08, SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

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## *Hoops trending upward*

SCOTT HARRIS, ASSISTANT SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

The Tiger Basketball team continued their year-to-year improvement under head coach **Dee Vick '94** as they won 19 games after winning 17 a season ago. H-SC earned a first-round bye in the ODAC Tournament, courtesy of securing the #4 seed in the tournament. Facing #5-seeded Lynchburg College in the quarterfinals, the Tigers defeated the Hornets 82-60 to earn a shot against #1-seed Virginia Wesleyan in the semi-finals. After leading for most of the second-half, the Tigers ended up falling by just two points. The team had a chance to win the game at the buzzer, but a three pointer hit off the front of the rim.

Hampden-Sydney had several notable regular season games. On Senior Day, the Tigers defeated archrival Randolph-Macon 79-71. H-SC also defeated Patrick Henry College 140-40, en route to getting airtime on *SportsCenter* and other ESPN shows. The Tigers won the Huntingdon College Classic and the Bojangles Christmas Classic. Hampden-Sydney swept conference foes Washington & Lee, Lynchburg, and Bridgewater, while also defeating Eastern Mennonite, Roanoke, and Emory & Henry. The Tigers also secured a season split with Randolph-Macon and Randolph College.

The 19-8 record is the most wins by a Tiger team since 2007 (19-11) and the highest winning percentage (70.4%) since the 2004 team won 83.3% of their contests.

*First-team All-ODAC forward Harrison George '13*



Two student-athletes earned All-ODAC honors: junior forward **Harrison George** was tabbed First-Team All-ODAC for the second straight year and sophomore center **Khobi Williamson** earned Third-Team honors.

George finished the season averaging 16.7 points, 6.1 rebounds, 2.6 assists, and 1.9 steals. He shot 57.5% from the floor and 69% from the free throw line. He led the team in rebounds, assists, steals, and total points scored, making him one of only three players in the conference to lead his team in all four categories. George also eclipsed the 1,000-point mark early in the season and now has 1,335 points, good for 11th in school history. Williamson averaged 10.8 points along with 6.3 rebounds and 1.5 blocks a contest. He led the conference in field goal percentage at 63.7% and was fourth in blocked shots.

Seniors **Ru White** and **Ben Jessee** closed out their career this year. Jessee concluded his career with 1,164 points, placing him 26th in school history. He also canned 216 three-pointers as he made 50 or more in all four of his seasons. This year, he averaged a career-best 11.3 points and 43.9% shooting. White played just two years at H-SC but made a big impact in both seasons. A full-time starter both years, he finished his career with 576 points, 295 rebounds, 129 assists, 71 steals, and 46 blocks.

The Tigers will lose just two players to graduation, and with a strong freshman class and many players showing tremendous year-to-year improvement, look for the 2013 Tigers to contend for their 11th ODAC Championship and a spot in the NCAA Tournament.



## Mavromatis Brothers Ready for Final Run Together

JAC COYNE

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Carter Mavromatis has a stress ball in the center console of his car; you know, those memory-foam orbs that supposedly whisk away angst with a couple of squeezes. On his drive back to Hampden-Sydney from his home in Virginia Beach earlier this month, Mavromatis had that ball in a death grip.

As a pre-dental major, it's somewhat understandable, but all of the agitation Mavromatis was feeling was due to the impending lacrosse season.

"I was sweating coming back from Christmas break just thinking about the exciting games we have coming up: the Roanokes, Lynchburgs, and W&Ls," Mavromatis said in his standard coastal twang. "I'm pumped. I'm up for the challenge, for sure."

The senior middle is typically known for his laid-back, beach attitude, but as one of the key cogs in the Tiger machine that has sky-high expectations this spring, he can't help but get excited about the prospects that this season hold. It will be extra special for Mavromatis because he'll have a very familiar face on the field with him—his younger brother Corey, a freshman this year.

He's familiar to Carter, but the rest of the players and coaches on the team feel like they know Corey, as well. That's because he's basically a replica of his older brother. They are even confused with each other on campus with roughly the same build—5-foot-10 and 160 pounds, or so—and looks.

"Around here we're getting that all the time, people saying we look like twins," Carter said. "From our eyes, we just sort of say, 'What?' But we get that all the time."

"Corey is just like Carter, other than fact that he is right-handed," said Hampden-Sydney head coach Ray Rostan. "Corey is the same kid. He comes in and he smiles. Those kids never make you unhappy. They never have a down day. If they have a down day, you wouldn't know it. They come in, smile and work hard."

Where they appear as identical twins—or at least mirror images—is when they step on the field.

"We have our differences, but from me growing up going to his games, watching what he did and what made him successful, I would try those things in my practices and games, and I found that they made me successful, too," Corey said. "I grew up watching him and mimicking what he was doing."

Unlike some brother combinations that compete over

everything imaginable, the Brothers Mavromatis have a more laid-back relationship. "For the most part, we've been really close friends rather than brothers," Corey said. The only time the two would really get heated was when they competed against each other growing up, whether it was in soccer, basketball or lacrosse.

"We had the brother duel once in a while, but it was mainly just feeding off each other," Carter said. "He was someone who I could actually play one-on-one."

My senior and junior year of high school, kids my age wouldn't put up as good a one-on-one battle as Corey would in ninth grade. He has great athletic ability. I just grew up playing with him and getting better at whatever it was."

Said Corey: "I remember when my brother was playing JV basketball and I would just go and hang out at practice. Their coach would grab me and say, 'Guard your brother and foul him as much as you want to.' We'd get after it. I wasn't always playing by the rules because I was a lot smaller, but it definitely helped him and it definitely helped me toughen up."

The two may combine one last time in hopes of getting Hampden-Sydney into the NCAA tournament for



*Tiger lacrosse brothers Corey Mavromatis (left) and Carter Mavromatis (right)*

the first time since 2003.

Carter is a proven playmaker out of the midfield, and has produced since the day he arrived at Hampden-Sydney after starring at Cape Henry Collegiate School. He has notched at least 30 points every season, including last year's 56-point performance, and he led the Tigers in assists (30) last year. Corey is a natural attackman who is extremely dangerous behind the cage, but Rostan said the rookie will likely see the bulk of his time in the midfield considering Sydney's senior-laden attack unit returning this year.

If Corey is running at attack or on the same midfield line as his older brother, they'll be hoping to reenact their lone season together four years ago when Carter was a senior and Corey a frosh.

"I'd credit about 70 percent of my goals to him that year because he was getting double-teamed left and right, and he'd set me up for crease dunk," said Corey. "That was probably our strongest year where we connected the most."

However, if Corey winds up on the second midfield line with two other highly touted rookies, including the younger brother of Cole Hawthorne, who led Sydney in points last spring, Carter knows he'll do just fine. Even though Corey blew out his knee during his junior soccer season, he's back to full strength heading into 2012.

"There are not many guys who can stop his quickness," Carter said. "He's a real shifty guy. We've got a lot of good freshmen, which is pretty exciting."

If the two brothers mesh as well on the field as they do off it, that stress ball may get a long rest this spring.

# Alumni Activities

MARK MEITZ '95, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

Our alumni clubs moved into 2012 celebrating a great year for the college while renewing old friendships and starting new ones at a variety of holiday events. Of particular note, The New York City Club turned out to fill the room and welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Howard as well as Dean of the Faculty Robert Herdegen to Manhattan. Building on the momentum from that event, the club will be gathering regularly and holding other special events moving forward.

In Richmond, Founders enjoyed their annual holiday Cocktail Party at the Jefferson Hotel. This year, the club's Young Alumni Leadership Team hosted a party at Blackfink Restaurant downtown. That event complemented their regular gatherings, which take place on the second Wednesday of each month. These meetings are a great opportunity to enjoy some fellowship with fellow Hampden-Sydney men.

As a reminder, a 'young' alumnus is anyone who can still make it out for an hour or so at the end of a work day.

The Richmond Club did not



*Joe Dunn '93 (left) and Chris Dodson '94 (right) hosted President Howard (center) at a meeting of the Midlothian Rotary Club.*

miss a beat, resuming their regular lunch meetings in January with Football All-American and Trustee **Hiter Harris '83** speaking about excellence, commitment, and out-working the opposition.

That evening Dr. Howard and the new vice president for institutional advancement, Dr. **Lee King '94**, addressed the South Hampton Roads Club during their annual banquet at The Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. The group discussed successful events over the past year and outlined the plan for continued success in the coming year. The Club went to work on that plan quickly

hosting a pre-game gathering and supporting Tiger basketball as the team faced Virginia Wesleyan. At The Club's February luncheon Director of Admissions **Jason Ferguson '96** gave an update on the Class of 2016.

The Lynchburg Club also continued their commitment to supporting Tiger athletics with gatherings before basketball games at Lynchburg and Randolph. Some Lynchburg alumni even joined the Southside Club in welcoming prospective students to a pre-game reception in Kirby Field House prior to our victory over W&L. Each March, the Lynchburg Club holds its Spring Gala and freshman yield event at Boonsboro Country Club with Dean of Admissions Anita Garland.

In what has become an annual event for the Peninsula Club, **Ray Bottom '52** welcomed alumni and prospective students to the James River Country Club. While the alumni heard remarks from Dr. King, Dr. **David E. Marion**, Mr. Ferguson, and Mrs. Barbara Howard addressed prospective students and

*Three talented Hampden-Sydney alumni—from left, with President Howard, John Higgs '61, Christopher Mize '89, and Taylor Smack '97—shared those talents with members of the Board of Trustees in February. Each brought samples of his work to be enjoyed at a Friday-night reception. Mr. Higgs, the owner and operator of Barren Ridge Vineyards in Fishersville, brought a selection of his wines. Mr. Mize, “Virginia’s Wine Artist,” is a painter who specializes in wine-themed artwork. Finally, Mr. Smack, the owner and brewmaster of Blue Mountain Brewery in Afton, brought a selection of his beers. The Trustees and their guests were excited to learn first-hand about the work these men are doing around the Commonwealth.*





*HSC Davis Cup Team (Captain Rick Godsey, William Moss, Shad Harrell, John Moss, Dale Ennis, and Gordon MacGill) played in the The Collegiate Davis Cup on September 17 and 18, 2011 at the Westwood Club in Richmond. Alumni from 6 schools competing for the tournament trophy—JMU, W&L, Mary Washington, Va Tech, and UNC. The next Collegiate Davis Cup will be held on May 19 and 20 at the Westwood Club. Eight schools will compete.*



*Nicholas D. Bowling '11 (kneeling, far right) ran in the 2012 Ragnar Relay Florida Keys, a 199-mile relay race from Miami to Key West. He and the rest of his 12-member team finished fourth overall (out of 530 teams) and first in their division. At Hampden-Sydney, Nick was a member of the Cross Country team. He lives in Port Orange, Florida.*

parents in the side parlor.

Dr. Jeff Clifton '83 and his wife Patti (parents of Patrick '13 and Christian '15) hosted a similar event for The Danville Club. Dean Anita Garland presented accepted students from the area to local alumni and

then facilitated an open discussion, which allowed graduates to reflect upon fun times, hard work, and, most importantly, what it means to be a Hampden-Sydney Man. With that group, one thing was for certain: a Hampden-Sydney Man

definitely has a good memory, and, fortunately, a good sense of humor to accompany it.

Wrapping up our winter summary are a couple of clubs outside of the Commonwealth. In Mobile, Alabama, local alumni

welcomed Dr. Howard, Assistant Dean of Admissions Mac Hazel '11, and me with fantastic seafood and hospitality. Many in attendance were amazed to learn that University of Alabama's transformational president, **George Denny** (for whom Bryant–Denny Stadium and Denny Chimes are named), was a member of the Hampden-Sydney Class of 1891.

Founders from the Charlotte Club were treated to a luncheon with Dr. **James Y. Simms**, Professor Emeritus of History & Director of Military Leadership and National Security Studies Program. Using historical data and many years of observation, Dr. Simms discussed how Hampden-Sydney has changed over the years. Then, with the same passion and candor that endeared him to us as students, he charged us to sustain our mission.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the events mentioned here, other upcoming events, or becoming part of our Alumni Association please e-mail or call: [mmeitz@hsc.edu](mailto:mmeitz@hsc.edu) or (434) 223-6776.



*At the Founders Christmas event in Richmond at the Jefferson Hotel.*  
 ABOVE: Liza Cabell, Charles Cabell '74, Whitey Lipscomb '66, and Elizabeth Allen. BELOW: Scott Street '65, Gini Street, Lucy Edmonds, and Hugh Edmonds, Jr. '64.



*At the Founders Christmas event in Richmond at the Jefferson Hotel: Aaron Marks '98, Watson Mulkey '08, Trey Keeler '08, Joann Tyler, Ray Barnhill '80, and Wesley Julian '08.*



# Class Notes

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## 1943

Rev. THOMAS C. CLAY was celebrated by Richfield Retirement Community in Roanoke for his nearly 30 years of service as the chaplain there. Two stained glass windows in the chapel were dedicated in his honor. He is a 1945 graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary and served churches in Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Texas before retiring in 1982.

## 1952

DAVID N. MARTIN and his brother STEPHEN H. MARTIN '67 have founded Martin Partners, a marketing communications firm. David Martin will serve as senior brand consultant and Steve Martin will be a senior partner in the firm. David Martin also founded the advertising agency Martin & Woltz, which became The Martin Agency. Steve Martin was strategic plans director at The Martin Agency. After The Martin Agency was sold to the Ogilvy Group, the brothers formed a new agency, Hawley Martin Partners, that was later sold to Interpublic.

## 1957

The Rev. Dr. EDGAR G. MAYSE celebrated his 50th anniversary in the ministry by preaching at Fincastle Presbyterian Church, the site of his original ordination and his first call.

*Dr. Brian E. Wood '82, Dr. Edgar C. Mayse '57, and John R. Graham '78 at the reception celebrating Dr. Mayse's 50 years in the ministry.*



J. P. VAUGHN, a realtor and community activist in Lynchburg, was instrumental in the creation of the E.C. Glass High School Athletic Hall of Fame, which was dedicated in January. He also serves on the board of the Lynchburg Neighborhood Development Foundation and the Awareness Garden.

## 1960

Dr. THOMAS K. FARMER, SR., is interim pastor of the Rivermont Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Following this appointment, he and his wife Martha will live at Presbyterian Village in Austell, Georgia.

WILLIAM H. GOODWYN, JR., has been inducted into Thomas Dale High School's Ring of Champions. At the school, he was a four-year letterman in football, basketball, and baseball. At Hampden-Sydney, he played football and basketball. He is a retired marketing executive living in Chester.

The Rev. Dr. E. DOUGLAS VAUGHN, JR., taught the combined adult classes at First Presbyterian Church in Clinton, South Carolina, during the summer and in September taught the adults at All Saints Episcopal Church in Clinton. On October 2, he filled the pulpit at All Saints. Later that month, he preached at the 40th anniversary celebration of the North Anderson Community Church

(Presbyterian) in Anderson, South Carolina, a congregation he started in 1971. On November 20, Dr. Vaughan filled the pulpit at the First Presbyterian Church in Clinton. A resident of the Presbyterian Community of Clinton, Dr. Vaughan and one of his neighbors, Dr. Charles Coker, a retired professor from Presbyterian College, have given several viola and piano performances at the retirement community.

## 1966

Dr. THOMAS W. LITTRELL served as chairman of the Carroll County Board of Supervisors in 2011 and won re-election to the Board of Supervisors for the Pipers Gap district seat in the November 8th election. He is a dentist in Galax.

## 1967

STEPHEN G. BUTLER has retired as an attorney and partner at McKee & Butler PLC after 35 years in the legal profession.

Lt. Col. ALLEN P. HAZEL-GROVE is the chief of the plans and programs for the Air Force Training Center at Joint Base Langley-Eustis.

## 1970

DAVID S. MERCER of the law firm MercerTrigiani has been listed among the 2012 Legal Elite by *Virginia Business* magazine. He is a graduate of the University of Richmond School of Law and specializes in real estate law.

## 1971

Col. JOHN H. BARKER, of the US Army Dental Corps, served from September to December 2011 with the 673rd Dental Company (Area Support) in Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

L. RICHMOND "RICH"



MARTIN III was named the head of the Journalism Department at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in March 2011. In

August 2011, Holcomb Hathaway published his book *Living Journalism: Principles and Best Practices for an Essential Profession*. Mr. Martin was a newspaper reporter and editor for 29 years in Virginia at *The Roanoke Times*, from which he retired as managing editor in 2004. He has an M.A. in English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

## 1972

**HERBERT E. MAXEY, JR.**, an attorney for 36 years, discussed the legal profession and a few basic principles of law in December 2011 with students enrolled in the business law class at the Career and Technical Education Center on the campus of Buckingham County High School. Mr. Maxey practices law in Buckingham County.

## 1973

**MICHAEL P. MILLER** of Springfield has retired after 39 years with the federal government. At retirement, he was the information clearance officer for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which oversees wholesale energy rates, hydropower development, electric reliability, and natural gas development.

## 1976

**RICHARD D. "DAVE" GARLOCK** is director of restructuring and litigation support at Fahrenheit Finance.

## 1977

**WILLIAM K. ALMOND** has been appointed to the Local Marketing District Board of Directors in Estes Park, Colorado. He is the director of reservations and sales for the YMCA of the Rockies. He is past president of the Children's Center Advisory Council and the Colorado Hotel Marketing Association.

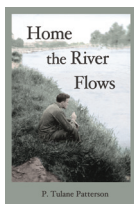
**GREGORY F. HOLLAND** is a principal in the law firm of Setliff & Holland, P.C. The firm represents Class 1 and short-line railroads and has offices in Richmond and Annapolis, Maryland.

**DAVID D. HUDGINS**, of Hudgins Law Firm, P.C. in Alexandria, was recently elected to the rank of advocate with the American Board of Trial Advocates, an organization of trial attorneys representing equally the plaintiff and defense bars whose

primary mission has been the preservation of the civil jury trial right guaranteed by the 7th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

## 1978

**P. TULANE PATTERSON** has published his second collection of poems, *Home the River Flows*. The poems, written over a ten-year period, cover a variety of topics, including his father, **William S. Patterson '41**; his brother, **Mark W. Patterson '80**, and Mrs. **P.T. Atkinson**, eponym of Hampden-Sydney's museum.



Col. **CHARLES H. WEBB** (USAR Retired) has been selected by the Manatee County Bar Association as its president elect. He is chairman of the City Commission and deputy mayor of Anna Maria, Florida.

## 1979

**JOSEPH D. THORNTON** has been selected as a "Super CPA" by *Virginia Business* magazine. He works at the Richmond firm Mitchell, Wiggins & Co. LLP.

## 1984

Del. **LYNWOOD W. LEWIS, JR.**, of Accomac, was reelected to the Virginia House of Delegates. He represents the 100th District, which includes the counties of Accomack and Northampton on Virginia's Eastern Shore and part of the City of Norfolk.

## 1985

**JAY D. MITCHELL** is executive vice president and general counsel of Piedmont Healthcare, Inc., in Atlanta.

## 1986

**CHARLES H. R. "CHARLIE" WILLIAMS**, a professor of management at Southern Wesleyan University, attended the 2011 Free Market Forum in Atlanta, Georgia. The program included 100 faculty members from 31 states and Canada. In addition, 20 state policy leaders from the U.S. and Canada took part in the forum.

## 1988

**JEFFREY L. JACKSON** has been

inducted into the United States Lacrosse Greater Baltimore Chapter Hall of Fame. After an outstanding lacrosse career at Hampden-Sydney, he became the youngest member of and a starter for Team USA in 1990, which won a World Championship in Perth, Australia. Mr. Jackson was the five-time captain of the Chesapeake Lacrosse Club, twice earning USCLA player-of-the-year honors. He also captained the Baltimore Thunder of the Major Indoor Professional Lacrosse League from 1989 to 1993. His now a senior loan officer for Southern Trust Mortgage, Inc., in Baltimore.

## 1989

**CRISTOPHER T. BELL** has been named head football coach at Oak Mountain High School in Shelby County, Alabama. Previously, he was an assistant coach at Marietta High School.

**PAUL E. PISANO** was the editor for the republishing of *Toward Liquor Control* for the Center for Alcohol Policy. Mr. Pisano is senior vice president and general counsel for the National Beer Wholesalers Association.

## 1990

**FRANK R. JONES III** was given "The Cornelius Award" by the Arms Around Communities organization in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The Award is given to "men in the Central Pennsylvania region who exemplify a spiritual leader and/or problem solver in his home, workplace and/or community, or who have taken a stand against crime, or who have stood in the gap for others."

**FRED J. SHERRILL** has been named president of the board for Monarch Academy Public Charter School. He is vice president and financial advisor with RBC Wealth Management in Annapolis, Maryland.

**RICHARD STAAB**, president of InterMed and founder of Tyler's Hope for a Dystonia Cure, was the recipient of the inaugural Humanitarian of the Year Award given by *Medical Dealer Magazine*. The announcement was made at MD Expo in October 2011.

## 1991

Dr. **GARY H. DARDEN** was



*Blair Maury '93 with his son Alex (11), his daughter Clare (5), and his wife Heather after completing his first ultra marathon, the Seashore 50k (31.07 miles) in Virginia Beach. Maury got into running only four years ago, but has now completed six full marathons in addition to this ultra. He is training for his first Ironman Triathlon.*

awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor of history at Fairleigh Dickinson University in New Jersey in March 2011. *The Journal of Transatlantic Studies* published his article, "Even the Conservatives Would Be Socialists: British Labour, American Democrats and the post-war transatlantic political economy," in June 2011.

Dr. THOMAS J. WARD, JR., has been promoted to full professor of history at Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama, where he has taught for the past five years; he also serves as chair of the History Department. His most recent article, "Enemy Combatants: Black Soldiers in Confederate Prisons," was published in the Winter 2011 edition of *Army History*. He lives in Spanish Fort, Alabama, with his wife, Margaret, and three sons, Patrick, Jack, and Teague.

## 1993

**BLAIR MAURY** has completed his first ultra marathon, the Seashore 50k in Virginia Beach. Though he started distance running on four years ago, he has completed six marathons and is training for his first Ironman Triathlon.

## 1994

**JAMES SPENCER CULP** has been admitted to the Bar in New Hampshire and the U.S. District Court of New Hampshire after graduating from the University of

New Hampshire School of Law. He has accepted a University of New Hampshire Public Service Fellowship and will begin representing the State of New Hampshire in the civil litigation bureau of the Office of the Attorney General. He lives in Concord, New Hampshire, with his wife Laura and his daughters, Lucy (6) and Annie (3).

## 1995

**ADAM R. ARTIGLIERE**, an attorney with the law firm Artigliere & Clark, P.A., was the recipient of the "20 Under 40" award, which recognizes leaders in the Anderson, South Carolina, area.

## 1997

**BRADLEY K. GILLEN** has joined the law firm Wilkinson Barker Knauer LLP as a partner. Previously, he worked at the Federal Communications Commission where he served as legal advisor to Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker on wireline, broadband, and media issues, and as special counsel to the Wireline Competition Bureau Chief, working on the recently adopted reforms to the FCC's Universal Service Fund.

## 1998

Dr. **WILLIAM J. CALLARD** of Manhattan Beach, California, is an attending emergency medicine physician for Kaiser Permanente.

## 1999

**JOHN P. GRISWOLD** is president of EcoBilt Energy, a Charleston, South Carolina-based provider of solar photovoltaic and solar thermal systems for homes and businesses. He is also a member of the board of the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance.

**WILLIAM J. TOOMEY II** has been named president of the Baltimore metro region at BB&T.

## 2000

The Rev. **PETER T. ATKINSON** is the new pastor at Gordonsville Presbyterian Church. He has a master's of divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary. He also teaches world and American literature at the Blue Ridge School.

**MARTIN C. GILL** has



accepted a position as a commercial insurance producer with McQueary, Henry, Bowles, Troy (MHBT)

of Dallas, Texas. Mr. Gill, his wife Mary Katharine, and two boys, Wilson and Miles, relocated to Dallas in October 2011 after living in Costa Rica for five years. MHBT hosted the 2011 H-SC Dallas Alumni meeting and **David Ball '97** is a partner in the firm.

## 2001

**CHRISTOPHER J. HARKER**, along with Chris and Christina Murphy, will be opening Triple C Brewing Company, a microbrewery, in Charlotte in early summer 2012. He says, "We would love to see some Tigers in the tap room!"

**J. ROBERT HARPER** is working for the Commissioner of Transportation and the University of Alaska in a joint position with the Alaska University Transportation Center as a Communication Specialist.

## 2002

**THOMAS W. ASHTON** has moved his law practice to Winchester.

**ALBERT T. DRUMMOND** is the Associate Director for Young Adults in the Office for Evangeliza-

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tion at the Roman Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

**JEFFREY R. HUBBARD**, an analyst with the General Accountability Office, has been designated for a six-month assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Ethiopia.

**HAYES S. LUDLUM** was selected as a 2012 "Rising Star" by *Super Lawyers Magazine*. "Rising Stars" are the top 2.5% of attorneys under the age of 40 in North Carolina. He is a partner with Ludlum Law Firm in Warsaw, North Carolina. The majority of his practice is dedicated to criminal defense with a significant dedication to representing indigent persons.

**COURTNEY J. "COURT" VANZANT III** was on military leave from Accenture through February 2012 serving a yearlong mobilization with the U.S. Army.

**ANDREW W. WALSHE** has been promoted to director with Alvarez & Marsal's Transaction Advisory Group in New York, New York.

## 2003

**DONALD M. "MAC" RUSSELL III** is co-founder of Shindigs Catering in Birmingham, Alabama. He honed his culinary skills at Culinard, Apicius in Italy, Hot and Hot fish club, Jubilee seafood, Flora-Bama oyster bar & grill, Standard Bistro, Ross Bridge Resort, and additional consulting projects.

## 2005

**TRAVIS H. IRVIN** is a technical recruiter with Princeton Information, an IT consulting firm in Richmond.

## 2006

**J. PHILIP LAND, JR.**, passed the bar exam in South Carolina and works as U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham's representative in the Piedmont region.

Capt. **ZACHARY T. WASMER** has been deployed to Camp Leatherneck, Afghanistan.

**T. PARTLOW WILLINGS** is an analyst for Harbert Management Corporations' Value Fund investment team. Prior to joining the Fund in January 2009, Mr. Willings was a risk analyst for HMC assisting in the risk management efforts of multiple HMC hedge fund strategies.

## 2007

Cpt. **RYAN ALEXANDER** has been selected to join the U.S. Army's 3rd



*From left: Tuck Shumack '95, Blair Maury '93, Bill Wright '94, & David Defazio '95, celebrating Wright's and Maury's 40th birthday by running the Warrior Dash outside of Richmond. On Shumack's shoulder is his son Tuck; Alex Maury is at the right.*

U.S. Infantry Regiment, "The Old Guard." He is taking command of a platoon at Ft. Myer, Virginia. The Old Guard is the Army's official ceremonial unit and escort to the President of the United States.

**J. MICHAEL EDWARDS** is head coach for the JV boy's basketball team at The Steward School in Richmond. He also works in data management at Bank of America.

Lt. **LARRY D. GREENE** is serving in the United States Marine Corps and has been deployed with his unit to Afghanistan.

**CHARLES J. B. "BERKELEY" HORNE** has joined the corporate law practice group at Hancock, Daniel, Johnson, and Nagle in Richmond.

**BRANDON "SCOTT" MCGUIRE** is lead teacher of the life skills classroom at The Faison School for Autism. He earned a master's of divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary and is seeking ordination at Ginter Park Baptist Church to become a minister with the Alliance of Baptists. (See Advanced Studies.)

**KEVIN L. TURNER** has been named chief deputy to Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange. He joined the attorney general's office in January 2011. Previously, he practiced law at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP in Birmingham. He is a member of the Hampden-Sydney College Board of Trustees.

## 2008

**PRINCE J. DEBARDELEBEN** is a property accountant with Bayer Properties in Birmingham, Alabama.

**JEREMY D. FORREST** is a legal assistant at the law firm of Kristina Beavers in Yorktown.

Capt. **DAVID J. GRISDALE** has been deployed to Kandahar Province, Afghanistan. He is the Delta Company Executive Officer assigned to the 2-34 Armor Battalion currently attached to the 3rd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division.

**JOSHUA B. HATCHELL** has passed the Virginia State Bar exam and has accepted a position in the Commonwealth's Attorney's office in Mecklenburg County.

**TYLER B. MURRAY** has been promoted to head assistant men's basketball coach at Shorter University. Mr. Murray works under Head Coach **Chad Warner**, who was the Tigers' assistant basketball coach while Murray was a player.

## 2009

Lt. **CHARLES EBERLY** is serving in the U.S. Marine Corps in Afghanistan. He has personally planned and executed more than 200 dismounted combat patrols and constructed key leader engagements with Afghani village and tribal elders. He was included in a pictorial review of the 10-year war by *The Military Times* online and featured in a print article by the same publication.

Spc. **WILLIAM A. JOECKEL** was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, with the U.S. Army's 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Advise and Assist Brigade, 1st Infantry Division.

**GRAHAM K. MCCORMICK** is a relationship associate with the



Government Services Group of Wells Fargo Capital Finance in McLean.

## 2010

**MATTHEW T. COMPTON** has accepted a position with the Boy Scouts of America, serving as the Pamlico Sea Base Director at the East Carolina Scout Reservation near Washington, North Carolina. The Pamlico Sea Base is a high adventure camp that offers sea kayaking, deep-sea fishing, sailing, and Ironman treks on the Outer Banks.

**GREGORY A. DEAR** is working for AmeriCorps and City Year in Washington, D.C.

**RYAN G. HAYWOOD** has been appointed to the Gloucester County Library Board of Trustees by the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors. Also, Mr. Haywood has been elected the chairman of the Gloucester Advisory Board on Housing, an advisory group to the Gloucester Board of Supervisors.

**JAMES T. HOFFMAN** has joined the Richmond based consulting firm of Davis Consultants, Inc. as a registered lobbyist. The firm provides direct lobbying of the Virginia General Assembly as well as political consulting; their clients include Altria Group, Kraft Foods International, and The Williams Companies.

**ROBERT B. MURRAY** has reported to Naval Officers Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island. After graduation, he travels to California for Navy Seal Team training.

**MICHAEL A. OVERMAN** is an investment analyst with Northwestern Mutual's Investment Plans Department.

## 2011

**CAMERON L. AUKER** is a system engineer at the Naval Surface Warfare Center at Dahlgren Laboratories.

**MATTHEW A. CARTER** is the associate director of supervision for the Virginia Group at Northwestern Mutual.

**WILLIAM G. CRUTCHFIELD III** was an intern in the summer of 2011 at Edison2, a Lynchburg-based automobile company.

**KYLE J. GRANTIER** is a staff assistant for U.S. Senator Jim Webb. At Hampden-Sydney, he was a Patrick Henry Scholar, a member of the Pre-Law Society, and a pitcher for the baseball team.

**JOSEPH T. "TREY" KEELER III** is the Virginia Field Coordinator for Americans for Prosperity.

## Friends

**JOHN HILLEN**, a Trustee of Hampden-Sydney College, has been named to the board of Applied Communications Sciences, a subsidiary of Telcordia Technologies, Inc.

**MYRON ROLLE**, a Trustee of Hampden-Sydney College, has signed a futures contract with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

# Advanced Studies

## 1989

**KENNETH D. DRINKWALTER, JR.**, received his master in business administration from the College of William & Mary Mason School of Business in September 2011.

## 1995

**JOHN LEE DUDLEY** has earned a master's degree in integrated marketing communications from West Virginia University. He is a writer and editor at Hampden-Sydney College.

## 2001

Dr. **ALFRED D. VONETES** completed his doctorate in clinical psychology from Argosy University in Washington, D.C. He works in private practice as well as in a private school where he is earning post-doctoral hours towards his licensure.

## 2004

**DAVID H. ARNEY** has received his Ph.D. in Chemistry from North Carolina State University.

**KIRK P. GILLAM** is completing

his M.Phil. in British Romanticism at Cambridge University.

## 2006

**CHRISTIAN P. BASEL** graduated from a training course on December 16, 2011, at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy and received his commission as a State Trooper with the South Carolina Highway Patrol. He will be posted in Colleton and Dorchester counties.

## 2007

**BRANDON "SCOTT" McGUIRE** is pursuing a master's of education at Virginia Commonwealth University as part of the Severe Disabilities Consortium.

## 2008

**JOSHUA B. HATCHELL** graduated with a juris doctor from the College of William and Mary Law School in May of 2011. He passed the Virginia Bar Exam and is an assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in Mecklenburg County.

**GAVIN A. McCANDISH** graduated in May 2011 from Hofstra School of Law in Hempstead, New York. He passed the New York State Bar Exam and works at the Law Office of Stephen Scaring in Garden City, New York.

## 2009

**JOSHUA P. BOHANON** has been accepted to the master's program in philosophy at Tufts University.

**R. PATRICK BOLLING** is a first-year law student at the Charleston School of Law in Charleston, South Carolina.

**RYAN C. SAMUEL** is a student at Wake Forest School of Law and the executive editor of the *Wake Forest Law Review*.

## 2010

**R. BRYSON PIKE II** is pursuing a law degree at North Carolina Central University School of Law.



## DO YOU KNOW SOME LIKELY YOUNG MEN WHO WOULD PROFIT BY THE HAMPDEN-SYDNEY EXPERIENCE?

Send their names to Anita Garland, Dean of Admissions at the College, [agarland@hsc.edu](mailto:agarland@hsc.edu).

## *Mahdi Abu-Omar '92, research chemist*

“When I was 17 years old, I thought I wanted to go into chemistry and engineering because you don’t have to write. I was wrong,” says Mahdi M. Abu-Omar ’92. “All I do is write.”

A chemistry professor at Purdue University, Abu-Omar leads a research group developing metal catalysts for renewable energy and environmental applications, including catalysts that use biomass to create hydrocarbon-based fuels like the gasoline we use to power cars and trucks. His team of 13 graduate students and three post-doctoral scholars busily works on independent, though related, research projects, and Abu-Omar guides the group through complex chemical theories, applications, and experiments. He also spends much of his time writing proposals, publishing original research articles, and reviewing peer articles for publication. Rather than spending his days in the

laboratory, Abu-Omar spends them writing. That’s not exactly what he expected.

He joined Purdue in 2003. Before that he was an assistant professor of chemistry at the University of California, Los Angeles, and a National Institute of Health post-doc scholar in bioinorganic chemistry at Cal Tech. He earned his Ph.D. in inorganic chemistry from Iowa State University. In 2008, he was a Senior Fulbright Fellow at the Weizmann Institute of Science in his home country, Israel. That same year, Dr. Abu-Omar was named University Faculty Scholar by Purdue University.

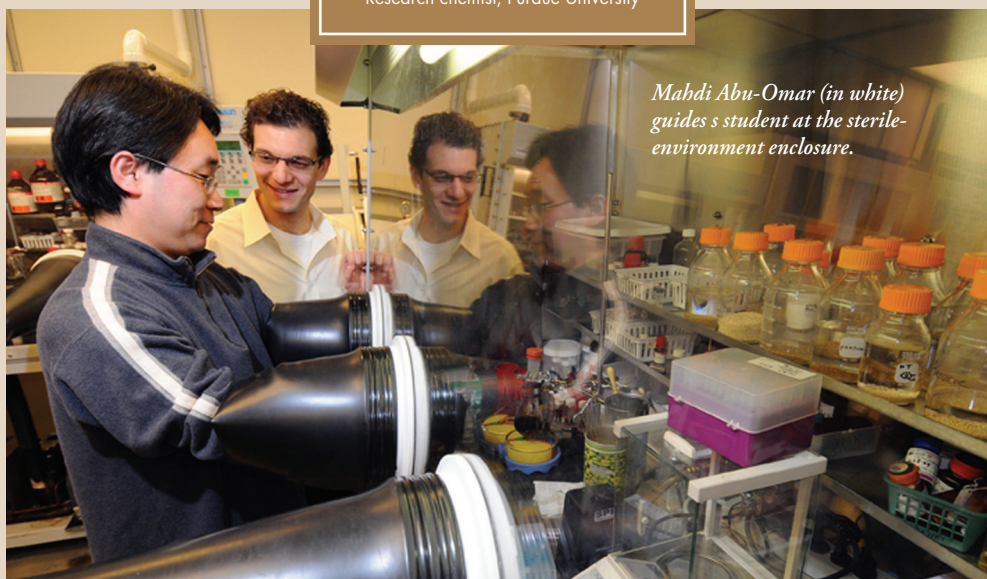
Dr. Abu-Omar is Palestinian, born and raised in Jerusalem. He attended a British boys’ high school and in 1987 enrolled at Birzeit University in the West Bank with the intention of pursuing a degree in architecture. It was during that same year that the Palestinians began the first Intifada (uprising). One consequence was the Israelis’ decision to close the Palestinian universities, including Birzeit. With no school and nothing to do, Abu-Omar moved to the United States to live with friends in Arlington, Virginia. This was a period of tremendous personal upheaval for him: his country was in turmoil; his

father had died the year before; and he was living in a foreign country with no real prospects. His friends in the United States knew he was an outstanding student and set out to get him into college.

“Since I was in the 10th grade, I was on a science track at school. The concept of a liberal arts college was a completely new idea for me but I liked it. I applied to three schools—Hampden-Sydney, the College of

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MAHDI ABU-OMAR '92  
Research chemist, Purdue University



*Mahdi Abu-Omar (in white)  
guides a student at the sterile-  
environment enclosure.*

Wooster in Ohio, and St. Olaf College in Minnesota. I loved them all and they all offered me generous financial aid packages; I don't really remember why I chose Hampden-Sydney." He adds with a laugh, "**Herb Sipe** probably wrote me a letter."

Abu-Omar enrolled in January 1989, a semester behind his classmates.

"Hampden-Sydney was a real home away from home. At the end of the fall semester of my sophomore year—I don't know how it happened—I was recommended for a Venable Scholarship. Forever I am indebted to Hampden-Sydney College because they gave me free education, a free education as a stranger to the country. I guess, in a way, I was adopted by Hampden-Sydney College."

Despite his unique background, Abu-Omar says he never had a hard time fitting in at the College. "There was a feeling that Hampden-Sydney was a unique place and a special place, but not in a way that was elitist or arrogant. With my name and my accent and everything else, I was accepted. I never felt like an outsider. I was just one of the boys. By the time I was a junior, I was just one of the Hampden-Sydney men, a man driven by the desire to be a good citizen."

Meanwhile, Abu-Omar was getting the scientific training he wanted—and much more.

"The chemistry department at Hampden-Sydney is amazing. You have a diamond there because the way they organize the curriculum. After taking organic chemistry your sophomore year, you did not do

what I like to call 'cookbook' labs. You did not go in the lab and do an experiment that thousands, if not millions, of students have done before. You actually had to do advanced lab, which was research projects. You quickly are exposed to how science really works. You had to develop a research project. You were given a desk in the lab. You were given a key to the lab, and you had to schedule your own hours of when you were going to do experiments. You had to give a research presentation during the chemistry seminar. You had to meet with your professor once a week and update him on what was happening with your project. That was a lot like doing real research."

Abu-Omar started doing summer research after his sophomore year, first with a colleague of Dr. **William Porterfield** at Louisiana State University. He says, "That's when I realized that I really enjoyed doing research. It was like a kid solving a puzzle; it was very satisfying to think about the problem, design the experiments, and produce the results." He continued with summer research the next year at Hampden-Sydney with Dr. **Kevin Dunn**, "the one-and-only crazy guy." Finally, during his senior research project with Dr. **William Anderson**, Abu-Omar decided once and for all that research in chemical sciences was exactly what he wanted to do.

"The training I got at Hampden-Sydney was very good. It was really special."

He adds with a tongue-in-cheek attitude, "We don't have all of this crazy liberal arts stuff

at Purdue. At Purdue we have general education requirements, but we don't have all of this stuff like, 'You're a science major; take Greek Literature in Translation'."

But Abu-Omar took that class at Hampden-Sydney College, with surprising results. "The funny thing was that I kept putting it off, but when I took it I really enjoyed it. When I look back at the liberal arts curriculum I had, I know it was worth it. I sacrificed taking more science courses. When I went to graduate school I never really felt deficient; I just felt like I didn't take as much chemistry and math courses as other students who were starting grad school with me. All it did was put the pressure on me during my first year by saying, 'I'd better keep up.'"

Though the reality of chemical research is much different from what the young Abu-Omar thought, he finds his work incredibly rewarding. At his research group, he works with and mentors young scientists in much the same way he was mentored in the chemistry department at Hampden-Sydney. Despite working at a large research university, Abu-Omar still teaches, sometimes even Freshman Chemistry. During these classes, he tries to impart some liberal arts wisdom on his technically-oriented Purdue students.

He says, "Really college is about teaching you how to teach yourself. I like to think of the physical sciences as being like the social sciences and the liberal arts. We have to teach you chemistry, but really we have to teach you to think for yourself."

# Weddings

## 1996

**DOUGLAS LAWRENCE DANIELS** and **SARA THEA KUBOTA** were married on October 15, 2011, at Laguna Presbyterian Church in Laguna Beach, California. In attendance were Gus Johnson '98, Manning Exum '96, Brian Coker '96, Andrew Legge '97, T.J. Larson '97, Jay Williams '95, Derek Elder '97, Claiborne Schmidt '96, and Nick Messore '95. The groom is vice president of an enterprise software company in Newport Beach, California, and the couple lives in Laguna Beach.

## 1997

Dr. **CORY MICHAEL WILLIAMS** and **KATHERIN MOORE** were married in 2010. Mr. Williams is a partner at the animal hospital Griggs, Kidder, and Williams, PLLC, in Lexington, Kentucky. He specializes in the treatment of thoroughbred horses.

## 2000

**MICHAEL W. GREEN** and **MICHELLE M. SCHULWITZ** were married on June 5, 2010, in Palos Verdes, California. The bride is a graphic designer. The groom is a business banker at Chase Bank. They live in southern California.

## 2002

Dr. **JOSHUA E. VAUGHN** and **HIROMI KAWAMOTO** were married on October 7, 2011, in Las Vegas, Nevada. **Jonathan Vaughn '05** was the best man. Also in attendance was **Matthew Brock '02**. The couple lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

## 2003

**TYLER BRENT GAMMON** and **TRICIA KATHERINE WEATHERFORD** were married on October 22, 2011, in Danville. The bride is a graduate of James Madison University and works for State Farm Insurance. The groom is a graduate of Florida Coastal School of Law and works as a defense attorney for The Whited Law Firm. They live in Daytona Beach, Florida.

## 2006

**KEITH BATTEN LEGRANDE**



*At the wedding of Doug Daniels '97 and Sara Thea Kubota on October 15, 2011.*



*At the wedding of Keith LeGrande '06 and Anna Elizabeth Gravely on October 22, 2011.*

and **ANNA ELISABETH GRAVELY** were married on October 22, 2011 in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Among the wedding party were the groom's brother and best man **Daniel LeGrande '02**, **Rob Ferguson '06**, **Connor Mathis '06**, **Taylor Pruden '06**, and **John Tuttle '07**. Also in attendance were **Joe A. Farmer '75**, **Hobie Whitmore '92**, **Garrett Holden '02**, **Joe McKnew '02**, **Jonathan DeHart '04**, **John Distasio '05**, **Bobby Thomson '07**, **Clement Teden '07**, and **Joe L. Farmer '08**. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University and works for Scott & Stringfellow, LLC. The groom works for Cornerstone Systems. They live in Virginia Beach.

## 2007

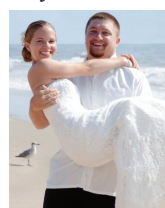
**BRET EWING NEWTON** and **ALISON LEIGH HYDRICK** were married on October 1, 2011 in Elon, North Carolina. The bride is a graduate of Elon University and works as

a web content manager for Carolina Biological Supply Company. The groom is web developer at Northstar Marketing Communications. They live in Burlington, North Carolina.

## 2008

**MARK NICHOLAS IMHOF** and **JAMIE BEDARD** were married on June 25, 2011, at the Lesner Inn in Virginia Beach. In attendance were **John Hollingsworth '08**, **James Bohnaker '08**, **Steven Clark '08**, and **Bo Hargrove '08**. The groom is a commercial airline pilot flying for Colgan Air/Continental Connection out of Houston, Texas.

### JOSHUA MICHAEL



**STEPHENS** and **BRIT-TANY WILKINS** were married on August 6, 2011, at Ocean City, Maryland.

## 2009

**JOSEPH ALBERT HUNTER DAVIS** and **RANDALL DORSEY PECK** were married on November 5, 2011, in Wilmington, North Carolina. The bride is a graduate of the University of North Carolina-Wilmington and works at Beanie and Cecil. The groom attended Hampden-Sydney College and Cape Fear Community College. He is the manager and part owner of Jackson's Big Oak Barbecue in Wilmington.

**DANIEL WADE KILBRIDE** and **MEGAN ASH** were married on June 25, 2010 in Richmond. Groomsmen were **Wade Root '09**, **Graham McCormick '09**, **George Elliott '09**, **Madison Woodward '09**, **Artis Mills '09**, **Joe Napolitano '09**, **Ben Cheery '09**, and **Matt Davis '09**. Also in attendance were cousins of the bride **Steve Ash '06** and **Ryan Ash '07**. Other guests were **John Scott Vowell '09**, **Matt Conrad '09**, **Jay Rawles '08**, **Will Carpenter '09**, **Ben Cronly '10**, **Greg Howard '09**, **Thomas Landen '09**, **Andrew O'Brien '07**, **Ed Alexander '09**, **Rawson Dawes '09**, **Chase Rowell '09**, **Carter Hutchinson '09**, **Ballard Payne '09**, **William Phipps '09**, and **Gordon McCormick '10**. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University and is a kindergarten teacher at The Regis School in Houston, Texas. The groom works at a law firm in Houston.

**JOSEPH STEELE PARRIS** and **SABRINA ACKLEY** were married on September 2, 2011, at the Wyndham Virginia Crossings Resort in Glen Allen. In attendance were groomsmen **Tophar Arnatt '09**, **Sean Platt '09**, **Matthew Huff '09**, and **Cory Neal '09**, as well as **Tim Wepplo '10**, **Drake Huzek '09**, and **Sohale Vu '07**. The bride is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College. The groom will be a process engineer with Intel in Phoenix, Arizona, following his graduation from Virginia Commonwealth University with his master's degree in physics and applied physics.

**ERIC RAIFORD ROESKE** and **KATIE REBECCA HICKS** were married on May 7, 2011, in Moseley. Groomsmen included **Adam Curtis '09**, **A. J. Dalton '09**, **Drew Tatom '09**, **Richard Bakita '10**, and **Jamin Riley '10**. Also in attendance were **Josh Black '07**, **Ed**



*At the wedding of Mark Imhof '08 and Jamie Bedard on June 25, 2011.*



*At the wedding of Daniel Kilbride '09 and Megan Ash on June 25, 2010.*



*At the wedding of Steele Parris '09 and Sabrina Ackley on September 2, 2011.*



*At the wedding of Eric Roeske '09 and Katie Rebecca Hicks on May 7, 2011.*



*At the wedding of Will Riggenschach '11 and Jessica Varela on June 10, 2011.*

Bartholomew '09, Caleb McClure '09, Chris Finton '10, Buck Paul '10, Mark Powell '10, Joe Lannetti '11, Josh Chung '12, Ned Horton '12, Dereck Parada '12, and Malik Springer '12. The bride is a 2010 graduate of Longwood University with a bachelor of arts degree in communications. She is employed as a Pricebook Analyst at Mid-Atlantic Convenience Stores, LLC, in Richmond. The groom is an officer with the Henrico County Division of Police. They live in Rockville.

## 2011

**WILLIAM V. RIGGENBACH, JR.**, and **JESSICA VARELA** were married on June 10, 2011, at Norfolk Botanical Gardens. The wedding party included **Jack Carpenter '11**, **Tal Covington '11**, **Mac Hazel '11**, **Clay Parker '11**, **Zack Pack '11**, **Gus King '11**, **Matt Macfarland '11**, and **Ian Sammler '12**. Also in attendance were **Ty Condry '11**, **Andrew Bailey '11**, **Ben Rogers '12**, and **Grady Bing '12**. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University and holds degree in sociology. The groom works as a paralegal and is looking to pursue his law education in fall 2012. They live in Virginia Beach with their cat named Tiger.

# Births

## 1991

To **MATTHEW ARDISON** and **SASHA ROSENBERGER**, a daughter, Margaret Winship Ardison, on January 18, 2012, in Morganton, North Carolina.

## 1993

To **DAVID** and **CATHERINE PEARMAN**, a daughter, Sydney Paige Pearman, on October 23, 2011. They live in Norfolk.



## 1995

To **JAMES A. EVANS III** and **EMILY EVANS**, a son, James Arthur Evans IV, on October 26, 2011. They live in Tyler, Texas.

## 1996

To **JAMES L. "JIMMY" CONNELL** and **NICOLE CONNELL**, a daughter, Grace Fentress Connell, on November 2, 2011. They live in Raleigh, North Carolina.

To **JUSTIN** and **KATIE LEE**, a son, Brooks Joseph Lee, on August 13, 2011.

## 1997

To **HUNTER** and **CATHERINE IRBY**, a daughter, Mary Louise Irby, on December 28, 2011.

To Dr. **CORY MICHAEL WILLIAMS** and **KATHERIN MOORE** a son, Trotter Williams, in January 2011.

## 1999

To **JONATHAN** and **ALISON BIEROWSKI**, a daughter, Emmerson Cate Bierowski, on December 21, 2011. She join two sisters, Madison and Peyton, at their

home in Chesterfield.

To **SEAN** and **LINDSEY KELLY**, a son, Joseph Jonathan Kelly, on November 2, 2011.

He joins his sisters Catherine, Rachel, and Alice at their home in Carrollton.

## 2002

To **JASON** and **ANNE PRUDEN**, a daughter, Reagan Grace Pruden, on June 20, 2011. They live in Richmond.

## 2004

To **E. JUDSON McADAMS, JR.**, and **GINGER McADAMS**, a son, Edward Judson McAdams III. They live in Charlotte, North Carolina.

## 2007

To **JORDAN** and **MOLLIE SPROUSE**, a daughter, Quinn Carolyn Sprouse, on April 23, 2011. They live in Chester.

## Faculty

To **NATHANIEL PERRY** and **KATHERINE WORLEY**, a daughter, Lois Amelia Worley Perry, on December 25, 2011. Mr. Perry is an assistant professor of English and the editor of *The Hampden-Sydney Poetry Review*. Dr. Worley is a lecturer in Western Culture.

To Dr. **JEFFREY A. VOGEL** and **COURTNEY VOGEL**, a daughter, Regan Spencer Vogel, on December 13, 2011. She joins her big sisters Callie and McKenna at their home in Farmville. Dr. Vogel is an assistant professor of religion.

# Deaths

## 1937

The Rev. **REX ELTON McDOWELL** of Phenix died on November 5, 2011. He was a graduate of the University of Richmond and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was ordained in 1937 and preached his last sermon in October 2011. He served churches in Halifax and Pittsylvania Counties and was pastor emeritus of Falling River Baptist Church in Brookneal.

Dr. **JAMES W. SIMMONS** of Decatur, Georgia, died on April 22, 2009. He was a veteran of World War II. Also he earned a master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and a Ph.D. from Duke University. He was a professor of physics at Emory University for nearly four decades, serving as chairman and acting chairman of the school's physics department.

## 1941

**EMMETT WELLS McCORMICK, JR.**, of Buena Vista died on November 30, 2011. He was a highly decorated veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy. After the war, Mr. McCormick was a draftsman for Roanoke Bridge Company and later joined his brother and father in their family feed and seed business. He was a member of Buena Vista Presbyterian Church and served on the Buena Vista School Board.

## 1942

**CHARLES H. BEALE, JR.**, of Blackstone died on June 3, 2011. He earned a JD from the University of Richmond and was a retired judge advocate of the U.S. Marine Corps.

## 1943

**CALEB WINSLOW, JR.**, of Jarrettsville, Maryland, died on October 17, 2011. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps. After the war, he was a commercial photographer in Baltimore. His interest in photography led to a career at Ballistics Research Laboratory at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

## 1945

**L. SHELTON CLARKE, JR.**, of Richmond died on December 17, 2011. He attended Hampden-Sydney College but left early to serve in the Air Force during World War II. He graduated from the University of Virginia and earned a law degree from the T. C. Williams Law School. He also earned a master's degree from the University of Richmond. He was a member of the Virginia Bar for more than 50 years and finished his career as an independent estate planner for Phoenix Life Insurance Company.

**JOHN P. HUGHES III** of Lynchburg died on December 11, 2011. He attended Hampden-Sydney and Virginia Polytechnic Institute before being drafted in World War II. After the war, he earned a master's degree in architecture from Virginia Tech. His career in architecture spanned 40 years and took him to Tampa, Miami, and back to Lynchburg. At one point, he was chief architect for Coleman-Adams Company.

## 1948

**J. STANLEY LIVESAY, JR.**, of Portsmouth died on March 12, 2011. He earned a juris doctorate from Washington & Lee University School of Law and retired as president of the law firm Livesay & Associates. He was a member of the Virginia Bar Association for more than 60 years.

## 1949

**WILLIAM NORMAN COOK, JR.**, of Independence, Missouri, died on October 3, 2011. His career in community service at United Way agencies spanned 39 years and included time at the YMCA in Lynchburg and the Nor-Val-Ea YMCA, the Northeast Community Center, the West Side and Bellefontaine Community Centers of The Salvation Army, and Whatsoever Community Center all in Kansas City, Missouri.

The Rev. **WILLIAM LOCKETT "BILLY" WILSON** of Rice died on November 24, 2011. He was a veteran of World War II and a graduate of Union Theological Seminary. Mr. Wilson served as a Presbyterian minister for more than 30 year, retiring in 1982. Hampden-Sydney College awarded him an

honorary Doctorate of Divinity in 1962. He is the brother of President Emeritus **Samuel V. Wilson** and of **John D. Wilson '51**.

## 1950

### BILLIE MERIWETHER



**MILLNER** of Newport News died on December 1, 2011. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and

graduated from the University of Virginia Law School. He practiced law for many decades in Newport News. Mr. Millner was an active member of the community, including secretary of the Board of Visitors for Christopher Newport University and vice-mayor of Newport News. In 2007, the Virginia Conference for Community Justice gave him its Humanitarian Award.

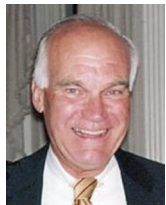
**THOMAS L. THOMAS II** of Penllyn, Pennsylvania, died on December 19, 2011. He worked for Superior Zinc Company and formed the T.L. Thomas Company, a non-ferrous metal brokerage. He enjoyed boating on the Chesapeake Bay, traveling, and spending time in Florida and Cape Cod.

## 1951

The Rev. Dr. **JAMES E. GUTHRIE, JR.**, of Harrisonburg died on January 10, 2012. He received an engineering degree from Virginia Tech and a master's degree and doctorate in divinity from Union Theological Seminary. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He served churches in Alleghany County, Rockbridge County, and the City of Winchester. He also served as the chaplain of Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community.

## 1952

**Dr. T. AUSTIN SYDNOR, JR.**, of Charlottesville, died on October 13, 2011. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia Medical School and served in the U.S. Navy as a



flight surgeon. He was a specialist in ear, nose, and throat until his retirement. He is the father of **Thomas E. Sydnor '82** and the grandfather of current student **Bryant Jenkins '15**.

**STUART A. TALBOT** of Wake Forest, North Carolina, died on October 30, 2011. He was retired from Mobil Oil Company after 38 years of service.

## 1955

**JAMES ARTHUR DEYERLE II** of Roanoke died on January 20, 2012. He attended Virginia Military Academy and Hampden-Sydney College and was active in the Mason's and Salem Kiwanis Club. He loved motorcycling and worked as a real estate broker and developer.

## 1957

The Rev. **WARREN C.**



**BRANNON, SR.**, of Stoney Creek, North Carolina, died on January 10, 2012. He was a veteran of the U.S. Naval

Reserve and the Korean War. At Hampden-Sydney, he was inducted into three honor societies: Sigma Upsilon, Eta Sigma Phi, and Omicron Delta Kappa, and he received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for leadership. Mr. Brannon earned a master of divinity from Union Theological Seminary and was ordained a Presbyterian minister in 1957. He served churches in Greenbrier Valley, West Virginia; Shenandoah Valley, Virginia; and Burlington, North Carolina before retiring in 1995. He is the father of **Warren C. Brannon, Jr. '85** and **James C. Brannon '88**.

**Dr. AUSTIN B. "A.B."**



**HARRELSON** of Richmond died on November 7, 2011. He was a graduate of the Medical College of

Virginia and taught neurology there before serving his country at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, Hawaii. Dr. Harrelson was the co-founder of Richmond's first private neurology practice. After he

retired, he was active lobbying for the Medical Society of Virginia and the Richmond Academy of Medicine.

**EDWARD LEWIS "LOU" SUTOR III** of Edgewater, Maryland, died on December 1, 2011. He and his wife Chris started Colonial Florist, Inc., in Annapolis in 1969. He worked there until his retirement in 2011. He was an avid reader and enjoyed watching television and feeding the wildlife around their home.

## 1964

**GEORGE FAIRFAX PERKINS** of



Charlottesville died on September 6, 2011. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and captain of the football

team at Hampden-Sydney. He also coached at the college until moving to Charlottesville to begin his financial services career. He founded Perkins Financial Services in 1968 and worked there for more than 42 years.

## 1969

**ROBERT C. DOUGLAS** of Beaverdam died on December 31, 2011. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Order and worked for the Virginia Department of Corrections.

## 1971

**JAMES M. "EASTWOOD" ALLEN** of Crittenden, Kentucky, died on October 28, 2011. He was a member of Sigma Nu and retired from AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals.

## 1973

**MELVIN LEE CASTLE** of



Frederick, Maryland, died on November 15, 2011. He earned his master's degree from Towson State University

and a pre-doctoral certificate in clinical psychology from the University of North Carolina. He worked for more than 30 years as a school psychologist with the Frederick County Public School System. He was active in many local



civic groups and the Republican Party.

**ROBERT KENNON WELLS, JR.**, of Severna Park, Maryland, died on November 27, 2011. He worked for Ferguson Enterprises for 38 and was a top salesman for many years, including being a member of the President's Club for many years. Most recently, he held the position of vice president of sales for one of Ferguson's largest branches.

## 1976

Dr. **THOMAS FREDERICK LEFTWICH, JR.**, of Hopewell died on January 19, 2012. He was a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry and operated his family dental practice in Hopewell for 27 years. Dr. Leftwich enjoyed being outdoors, sailing, and traveling. He also liked walking, cooking, and spending time with his family and friends.

## 1979

**JAMES W. WALLACE** of Staunton died on November 23, 2011. He earned an MBA from The College of William & Mary. He worked as a licensed real estate appraiser and consultant with MAI certification.

## 1983

**WILLIAM P. BISHOP** of Holland, Pennsylvania, died on December 19, 2011. He was a pension consultant and actuary for many years.

Mr. Bishop served as president of Savitz, a Philadelphia employee

benefits consulting firm. As a direct descendant of William Paca, who signed the Declaration of Independence, Mr. Bishop had a lifelong love of history.

## Faculty-Staff

Dr. **JEANNE LOUISE ELLIS** of Minneapolis, Minnesota, died on December 13, 2011. She taught Spanish at Hampden-Sydney College, as well as at Sweet Briar College, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Piedmont Valley Community College, Mohawk Valley Community College, and the University of New Hampshire. She earned her Ph.D. from Cornell University.

**ROBERT H. "BOB" JONES** died on November 29, 2011. He was the dean of admissions at Hampden-Sydney College from 1981 to

1995. He also served as senior vice president under Presidents Leutze and Wilson. In semi-retirement, he served as an area recruiter in the Southeast for five years from his home in Ormond Beach, Florida.

**ROBERT "BOB" THALMAN**, a former head football coach at Hampden-Sydney College, died on January 31, 2012. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. He fought in the Battle of Iwo Jima and received the

Presidential Unit Citation. After the war, he earned a degree in economics from the University of Richmond. He began his career in sports coaching high school football in Richmond and Norfolk. He coached football and served as athletic director at Hampden-Sydney College during the late 1950s during which time he won two Mason Dixon conference titles. During the 1960s, he coached at the University of North Carolina and Georgia Tech. In 1971, he was named head football coach at Virginia Military Institute; he stayed there for 14 years and won two Southern Conference titles. In 2000, the Robert J. Thalman Scholarship was established here in his honor. He was the father of **Thomas D. Thalman '82**.

## Friends

**DAVID G. MONETTE**, a former



Trustee of Hampden-Sydney College, died on January 11, 2012. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine

Corps and earned an associate's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University. He joined his family's firm, V. H. Monette and Company, in 1960, and guided it through a profitable merger before retiring. He came out of retirement to work with Pre-Mix Industries, from which he retired again in 2000. He was active with many civic, church, and non-profit organizations throughout his life. He is the father of **Colin T. Monette '95**.

Do you own a store, restaurant, bed & breakfast, marina, or other kind of tourist destination in Virginia? We want to include your business in *Hampden-Sydney's Virginia Tourism Guide*. This summer, we will share some great places in the Old Dominion for you to visit and support your fellow Hampden-Sydney alumni. E-mail John Dudley '95 at [jdudley@hsc.edu](mailto:jdudley@hsc.edu) with your suggestions. We can't wait to hear from you.





*The students recognized Dr. Claire Deal, Dean Shawn White, Dr. Sarah Hardy, Mrs. Sandy Cooke, Dr. Alex Werth, Dr. David Keck, Mr. Tommy Shomo '69, Dr. Susan Smith, and Dr. Richard McClintock.*



## *At the Winter Ball*

*Students warmed up Snyder Hall in Kirk Athletic Center during the annual Winter Ball in February. After a delightful dinner, they took to the floor for dancing to the sounds of the Kings of Swing. In addition to having a great time, the dance's organizers used it as an opportunity to recognize faculty and staff who have been particularly helpful to the student body.*

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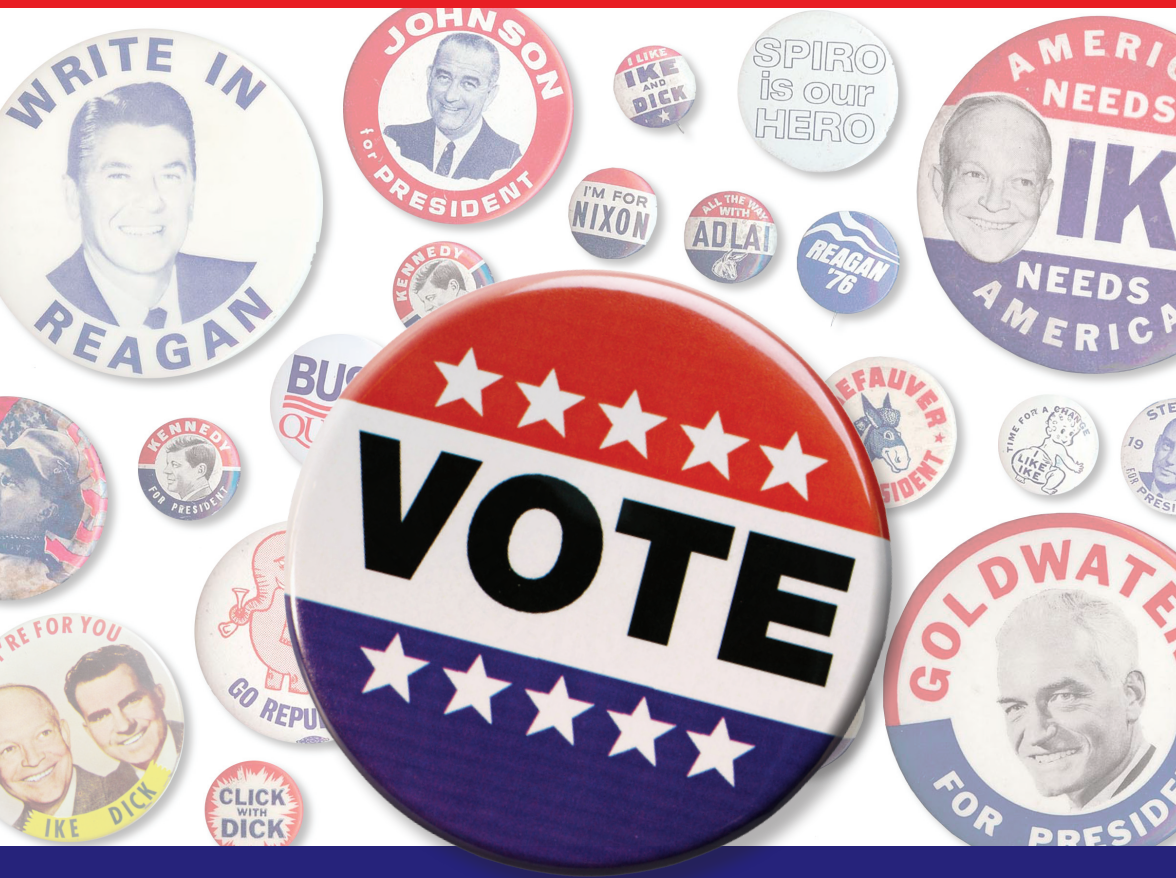
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