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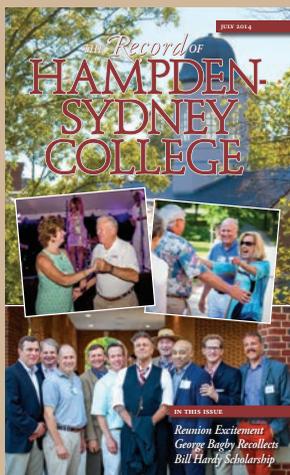
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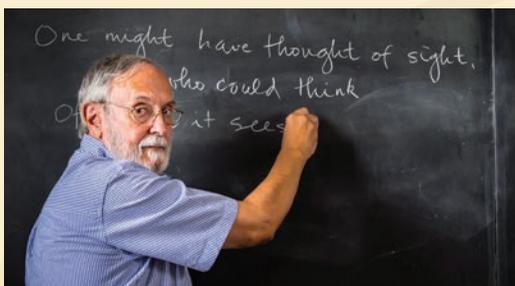
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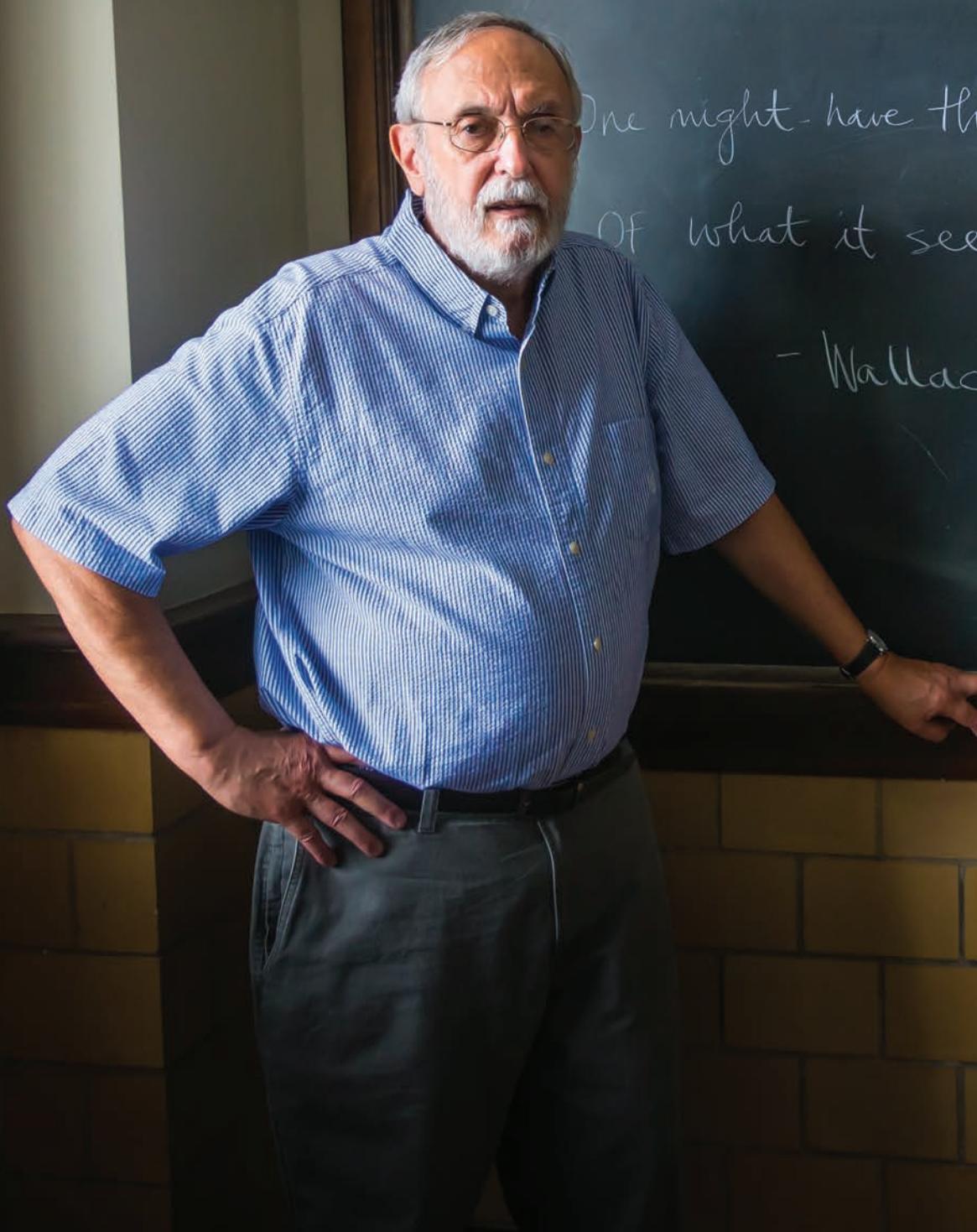
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Getting Better With Time

PERSPECTIVES FROM GEORGE BAGBY'S 42 YEARS AT H-SC

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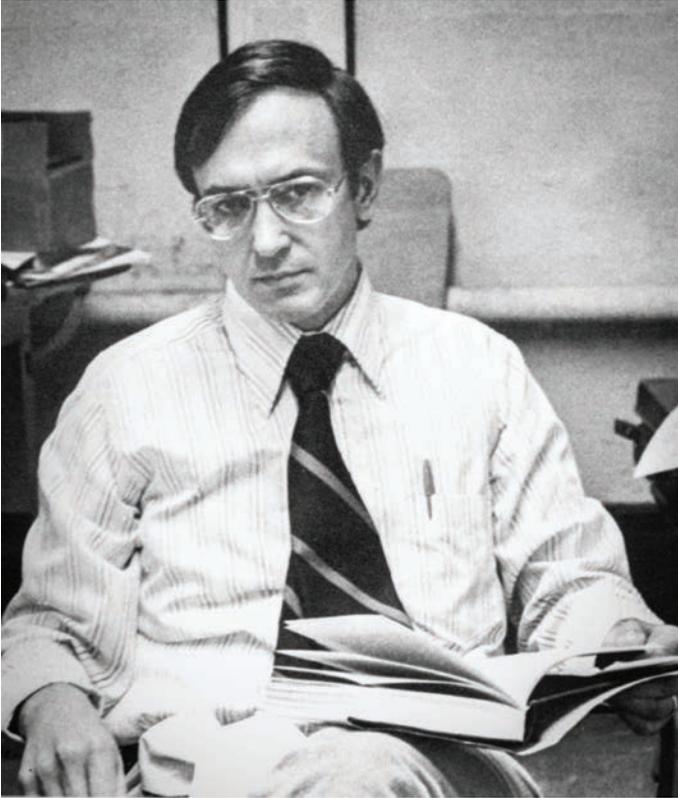
The year was 1972. President Nixon went to China in February and in June, five men were arrested for breaking into the Democratic National Committee headquarters in the Watergate complex. As the eyes of the world turned to the Summer Olympic Games in West Germany—and the subsequent terrorist attack—Hampden-Sydney College itself was going through a series of changes: **S. Douglas Fleet** had assumed the role of chairman of the board of trustees; expansion of the new Eggleston Library was already underway; and preparations had begun for an elaborate national and institutional bicentennial celebration.

The board and the administration were wrestling with the issues of female visitation and coeducation. Though then-President **W. Taylor Reveley II '39** supported remaining all-male, he successfully encouraged the board to bring women onto the faculty and include them on the board of trustees.

Today's students would recognize most of The Hill of 1972. They would get lost in the woods looking for much of current student housing, however, would likely drool over the chance to park in front of Cushing Hall, and would search hungrily for the Commons, then located in Winston Hall.

Meanwhile, the faculty was growing rapidly, having added 20 professors since 1965. The fresh faces on campus during the early 1970s included now well-known names, such as **Brinkley, Franke, Martin, Silvera, Sipe**, and the History Department's Class of '68: **Amos Laine, Ron Heinemann, and James Simms**.

New to the Hampden-Sydney faculty in 1972 was **George Bagby**, a fresh-faced Ph.D. candidate at Yale University who had spent two years teaching at LeMoyne-Owen College, a historically black college in Memphis, Tennessee. Now, for the past 40 years, the Fredericksburg native has taught American literature, with particular interest in poetry, nature writing, and African-American literature, among other genres.



Bagby reads in his office in 1979, seven years after he arrived at H-SC.

The College was changing during the early 1970s—so was the entire country—and since then the College has changed much. Bagby points out that the student ethos at Hampden-Sydney, however, has remained remarkably the same during this time.

“We have a lot of capable students and a small number for whom the classroom is the center of their four years. But I think our students arrive here better prepared to write English than they did 40 years ago. The ’70s was a dismaying time for writing composition in high school. We don’t get perfect students, and I think the Rhetoric Program is a great

way to help people become competent writers, of which there are few in the world. As [retired College Nurse] **Linda Martin** said—maybe 40 years ago—“They are really nice boys.’ I think we have basically good guys here who, allowing for immaturity, grow into good young men.”

That transition from student to good man can take many years in some cases, which Bagby says is the chief challenge of teaching.

“You don’t see the results right away. You

work hard, and what you are doing is planting seeds. Then you move on to the next plot that comes into class a year later, and you plant more seeds. It’s very fulfilling, however, to find out years later that someone who I thought was sleeping through the whole semester wasn’t in fact sleeping and was paying attention and got something out of it.

“The greatest thing about being a teacher at a small college like this is sometimes seeing people make tremendous growth in four years, not just as students of literature but also as people. That is rewarding. But I can’t tell you how many times I sat at graduation and saw

someone cross the stage to get his diploma and thought, “That guy is still 17 at heart.’ Five years later, you run into him, and he’s grown up and doing good stuff and has become a good citizen. That is very rewarding, even if you don’t feel you had anything to do with it.”

Of course there are students who make great strides during four years or even the four months of a semester. Sometimes professors are surprised to learn of great talent that already existed in a student, and that discovery brings great joy.

“I would have a student in ‘American Literature Survey,’ for instance,” says Bagby.

“And he would be slightly above average but would seem to me nothing extraordinary. Then he would read a story that he and **Susan Pepper Robbins** had worked on together, and I think, ‘My God, that was in this guy.’ It’s always wonderful to discover. And Hampden-Sydney students always seem to hide their lights, I think. It’s always nice to find that they have these secret talents.”

Though many students hide their talents and their passions, Bagby wears his on his sleeve. For one, he is unabashedly liberal in his politics. Some people may be surprised that a politically liberal professor would choose to make his career at a college that is known for its conservative students, but Bagby happily did. “One reason is that if you think that people could be more enlightened, this is a good group to work with. The other is, if I had concluded that most students here were hopelessly selfish and determined to make money ... I wouldn’t have stayed. But that is not the way Hampden-Sydney students are,” he says.

Of course, in an English class, the dialogue in the classroom is not particularly political. Bagby says literature is a wonderful tool for people to consider different points of view, to develop empathy for people whose situations are different from the readers’.

“Literature is very useful for that. And I don’t think those are political stands at all. I would assume that liberals and conservatives together could agree on the value of things like that, which is really what you get out of literature,” he says.

Many professors have come and gone from the English Department during Bagby’s tenure. He says jokingly that they “steal ideas” from one another. If so, he has stolen ideas from

some of the greats: Drs. **Larry Martin, Hassell Simpson, Mary Saunders**. He says having Mary Saunders—a woman—on the faculty, and in his department in particular, was valuable. For many years, there were departments with no female faculty.

In addition to these greats of the English Department, Bagby also admires his newer colleagues. “The last six or eight years here in the department have been a happy experience.

We have been good friends, good colleagues. We have gotten along. I haven’t seen any nastiness, and there was a certain amount of that 40 years ago. This has been a department in which, when we get together socially, we just laugh and have a good time,” he says.

Not only do they get along well, but also the current faculty is composed of well-trained academics—a trend that began with the growth of the faculty in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

“When I got here there were still leftover military retirees who weren’t

really academics. Now, I would say we have an amazing faculty for a school as small and obscure and all-male. These are people who are well educated—good teachers, good scholars—and almost insanely devoted. I think it’s just amazing. I don’t know what the future holds for Hampden-Sydney. The College has stayed true to basically full-time, tenure-track faculty members, but that is not the national trend. More than half of the people who teach in colleges and universities today are not full-time and tenure-track. Every year, more are hired to be adjunct or ‘contingent’ faculty, and that is bad in all kinds of ways.”

Bagby’s own academic career began as a Yale graduate student when he was enlisted to teach at LeMoyné-Owen.

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“I don’t think I read a word by a black author during four years at Haverford and three years at Yale. But I started teaching at a historically black college in Memphis. There was a program sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, which tried to get graduate students to go teach for a couple of years at historically black colleges. The program did some useful things for the colleges involved, and it really educated the white graduate students.”

At the time, LeMoyné-Owen had a traditional English program with no specific African-American literature courses that Bagby remembers. “You could take Chaucer and not take Langston Hughes,” he says. “But it was clear that the students were reading black lit, and it was easy enough to work it into various courses during the year.”

Of course, never having read any black literature, Bagby dove into the genre and began teaching himself the topic. Teaching at LeMoyné-Owen and living in Memphis’ black community had a profound influence on Bagby. It developed in him a fondness for African-American literature and an understanding of the importance of black culture. In Prince Edward County, he and his wife Susan have been involved in the development of the Moton Museum and in other biracial activities.

“Black culture and black people have been an important part of my adult life. I just so much admire what black writers have accomplished. They’ve been given lemons and made incredible works of art.”

To this point, Bagby is writing a biography of Hollis F. Price, the president of LeMoyné-Owen from 1943 to 1970.

“He was impressive to me, like a lot of

people from his generation—he was born in 1904—who were treated [poorly] for years and years and years and somehow came out not hating white people. I don’t think I could do that. Some of it, I suppose, is self-protection—you don’t want to be eaten up by hatred—but some of it is just being bigger human beings. It awed me then and it awes me now.”

In retirement, Bagby will be finishing his biography of Price. He also wants to get back to volunteer work and to support the public schools. “They have a tough job to do, everywhere and especially here. But they did a good job for our kids. They got a good education.” He would like to raise money for the Prince Edward County Schools Endowment.

“I would also like to get more black men from Prince Edward County to go to college. There is a long tradition, since we’ve been in this county, of black guys in the high school who could go to college and don’t.

“Ryan Carter [’13] and Christian Hebert-Pryor [’14] had a group called Visible Men, and they were having regular meetings with young, black males interested in going to college. They were the

right people to be doing it: black guys who are in college. I don’t know how effective an old, white guy would be trying to encourage these guys. But it is a real loss for the community that so many young, black guys who could go to college—and do well in college and benefit from college—don’t.”

Bagby’s own college experience was somewhat similar to that of his students. He graduated from Haverford College, which was then still all-male. He says with a smile, “I’ve just been visiting with a classmate—class of ’65—and we both went there thinking, ‘It’s all male;

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we won't waste time chasing after women.' Well you discover that you just have to chase farther because there aren't any women on campus. Fortunately, Haverford is close to Bryn Mawr."

Despite his own experience as a student at an all-male college and teaching at an all-male college, he would like to see women in Hampden-Sydney's student body. "There just are too many times in class when you need their perspective. I tell my students this every time we read *Daisy Miller*—and they are very unsympathetic to *Daisy Miller*—that this is when we need to be coed, so the young woman sitting in class could give you the back of her hand across the face to show you that *Daisy* is really a sympathetic character."

Nevertheless, Bagby loves Hampden-Sydney.

"It is a real achievement for Hampden-Sydney to have stayed concentrated on the liberal arts, concentrated on faculty in the traditional sense, spending the money that is required to keep the Rhetoric Program going with only 14 students per section. That is practically unique in the nation, I think. It is an expensive program to run, but it has made a real difference in our students' lives. This says something remarkable about the College and the trustees and everybody involved, that they have continued to support that strongly. And I love these annual get-togethers of the alumni clubs to celebrate the Rhetoric Proficiency Exam. Is there any other college in the world that does that? I don't think there is.

And what is it all about? It's about writing."

That celebration of writing will continue. Hampden-Sydney's commitment to teaching young men the value and skills of composition will continue. Life at the old College may have changed since George Bagby arrived here in 1972, but he believes those changes have been for the better.



Today Bagby has few worries while relaxing on his front porch in Farmville. Here he spends time with his granddaughter and reads from his home library.

Reunion Weekend 2014

ATTENDANCE TRIPLES IN SECOND YEAR

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Alumni, family, and friends enjoy an evening of music on the lawn near the Watkins Bell Tower.

Alumni graduating in years ending with 4s and 9s met on campus for the second annual Hampden-Sydney Reunion Weekend on June 6-8, 2014. Receptions, dinners, live music, and other events throughout the weekend kept alumni entertained while they spent time with old classmates, friends, and family. Building on last year's inaugural event,

the 2014 Reunion was a resounding success.

The Friday schedule started with a golf tournament at The Manor, a challenging, 18-hole course built in 2007 just south of Farmville. The winning team won a front-row tailgating spot in the Founder's Lot for this year's homecoming game.

Attendees used the relaxed Friday atmosphere





William "Bill" Wilson '60 and his wife, Lang, dance to the Motown band by Watkins Bell Tower.

to stroll around campus, visit favorite spots, take in the alumni panel, and see new projects. At around 5 p.m. alumni converged on the Tiger Inn patio for an epicurean tasting of bourbon, wine, and beer followed by dinner on Chalgrove Point, featuring the music of Drs. **Victor Cabas** and **Kenneth Townsend**. After live music on the Carpenter lawn, classes gathered in hospitality rooms until late into the night.

Much of the excitement from the night before carried into Saturday. Many alumni took to the outdoors for a jog around campus or a mountain-bike ride on the Wilson Trail prior to attending the Alumni Celebration in Johns Auditorium. Alumni from the Classes of 1934 to 1964 were honored at the annual Patrick Henry Society Luncheon, with the Class of 1964 inducted into the Society for reaching its 50th anniversary. Class photos, luncheons, painting classes, and a cocktail reception at Middlecourt hosted by Dr. and Mrs. **Chris Howard** filled much of the day's schedule. The social highlight of the weekend were the class dinners, followed by the Motown band playing at the Watkins Bell Tower while attendees enjoyed beer from Afton's Blue

Mountain Brewery, owned and operated by **S. Taylor Smack '97**.

The weekend wasn't purely social, however, having an academic component as well. It overlapped with the Summer College program, promulgated by the Wilson Center for Leadership. Dr. **Ralph Hattox** gave the keynote address on "World War I: Its Origins and Significance" at Crawley Forum; and Capt. **Steve Knott '82**, USN (Ret.), of the U.S. Army War College returned to The Hill to discuss D-Day in honor of the 70th anniversary of the invasion of Normandy. Dr. **Herb Sipe** offered his "Toxic Chemicals Redux" class. On Friday evening, Dr. **Mike McDermott** led alumni to the astronomy observatory to catch glimpses of Jupiter, Saturn, and other celestial bodies through the College's 17-inch telescope.

With two successful reunions under its belt, the Alumni Office has found solid footing for planning next year's events. Growing attendance and a manifold program schedule have set a high standard for the 2015 Reunion. With support from engaging alumni and volunteers, it should only get better.



Alumni and friends from the Class of 2004 (top, l. to r.) included Savannah Smith, Chris Turner, Aaron Barber, William Putegnat V, Michael Copty, Brent Fallin, and David Jones (front). Sam Moore '64 and his wife, Sally, (above, l.) reconnected with old friends. The Class of 2009 (above, r.) gathered for a group picture by Everett stadium. From the Class of 1964 (below, l. to r.), Buddy Koch, Ken Pritchett, Janet Druen, Sid Druen, and Kathy Koch.





Sew Many Ties, So Little Time

RECENT ALUMNUS FASHIONS TRADITIONAL APPAREL

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

It started as many entrepreneurial stories do: **Rollie Edwards** '17 wanted an American flag bow tie to wear to a Fourth of July party, but every one he found was too expensive. So, he made one. He already knew how to sew; his mother had taught him sewing and knitting years before. He watched some YouTube videos about making bow ties, bought some fabric, and got to work. Little did he know that in less than a year, he would be well on his way to starting his own handmade bow tie company, Whitley Cotton Company.

The Edwards family is full of creative, crafty people. Edwards' grandmother, mother, and sister all sew, crochet, and knit. When he was a child, there was always someone around sewing or knitting, and so it was something he learned at an early age. He even started a knitting club in the second grade, although he admits it was mostly to meet girls.

In the eighth or ninth grade, he started wearing bow ties and has preferred them to long ties ever since. Finally his affinity for bow ties and his ability to sew came together like the perfect seam. And people noticed.

"I started by making a lot for myself and just wore them around. People started saying, 'Aren't those the bow ties that you make? I like that one. I want one of those.' So, I started making them for other people."

Because he charged only \$15 for his handmade bow ties (even for custom orders), demand increased quickly. He faced a rush of orders just before Christmas last year and had to turn away some customers because he was too

busy studying for finals.

He makes 15 or 16 during a full workday, a "work-day workday," as he calls it. "I sit down and make a large batch at one time. I handcraft each one. It's a long process."

Since he started in July 2013, he estimates he has made close to 1,000 bow ties.

Although the ties are his bread-and-butter, Edwards also makes cummerbunds and will soon start selling Whitley Cotton Company-branded T-shirts. A bow tie and cummerbund set sells for \$60.

"When I was considering other products, I tried making bows for girls' hair, but that didn't work out very well. Then I was looking at the Vineyard Vines website and I saw their cummerbunds. I thought, 'That can't be too difficult.' My grandmother, my mom, and I sat down and watched a couple of videos one day on how to make cummerbunds and

then took apart one of my own. From there we just figured it out. The first one turned out pretty poorly, but after that I got it down. A lot of my fraternity brothers wore them to their formals this year."

Edwards considered also making long ties but never moved beyond experimentation. He found that long ties take longer to make and require much more fabric. "I've made one," he says. "I don't wear it; no one wears it."

He likes that his apparel is handmade in America, but that makes expansion challenging. Edwards is considering employing his grandmother and some of her bridge club friends to take over manufacturing while

"It was also nice to see photos of people wearing them on Facebook after Easter Sunday or to walk around a football game and see so many people wearing my designs."

ROLLIE EDWARDS '17

he concentrates on marketing and distribution. He is already working on getting his bow ties into the Hampden-Sydney campus store and wants to set up a booth at a home football game in the fall.

Edwards' bow ties have been a huge hit at Hampden-Sydney. At the request of Dean of Students **David A. Klein '78**, he recently made one from two bandanas brought home from student service trips to Central America.

Selling bow ties has opened many doors around campus. He has met many students, faculty, and administrators whom he probably would not have met if they weren't interested in buying his product.

"The coolest thing is the Facebook 'share' option. I've worked at and attended summer camps in Canada and across the Eastern U.S., so I have a lot of friends on Facebook who share photos. I may get a message from a random person in Georgia asking me to make a seersucker version. We may have one mutual friend, and it may be someone from camp. It's great. It was also nice to see photos of people wearing them on Facebook after Easter Sunday or to walk around a football game and see so many people wearing my designs."

This summer Edwards will be busy making bow ties until he begins working as a camp counselor. He is also rolling out a new Whitley Cotton Company website and filling orders.

Back at Hampden-Sydney, he plans on



Edwards takes custom orders, handcrafting each tie to the customer's preferences.

majoring in economics and looking to fellow Hampden-Sydney men for inspiration.

Bow-tie production is a challenging path. "I would like to see this become my occupation and have it become a company like Collared Greens [founded by **Randy Ashton '01**] or Southern Tide, but I have to be realistic. I may end up in finance or banking."

Whether or not his business takes off, Edwards will always be able to enjoy making his own bow ties—or whatever he chooses to create. Learning to sew and knit gave him the opportunity and the independence to express himself creatively, a skill his mother and grandmother likely had in mind when they first put a needle and thread in his hand.

Allen Luck '12 Has Reel Commitment

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

Pursuing a passion is rarely easy. **Allen Luck '12**, just two years out of college, is getting firsthand experience as he balances a full-time job with his quest to become a professional bass fisherman. When he is not working at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Ashburn, he is either angling or trying to find more sponsors.

"I think about fishing all of the time. I grew up hunting and never really fished until I was 19 years old. I met some great guys at Hampden-Sydney and fell in love with the sport."

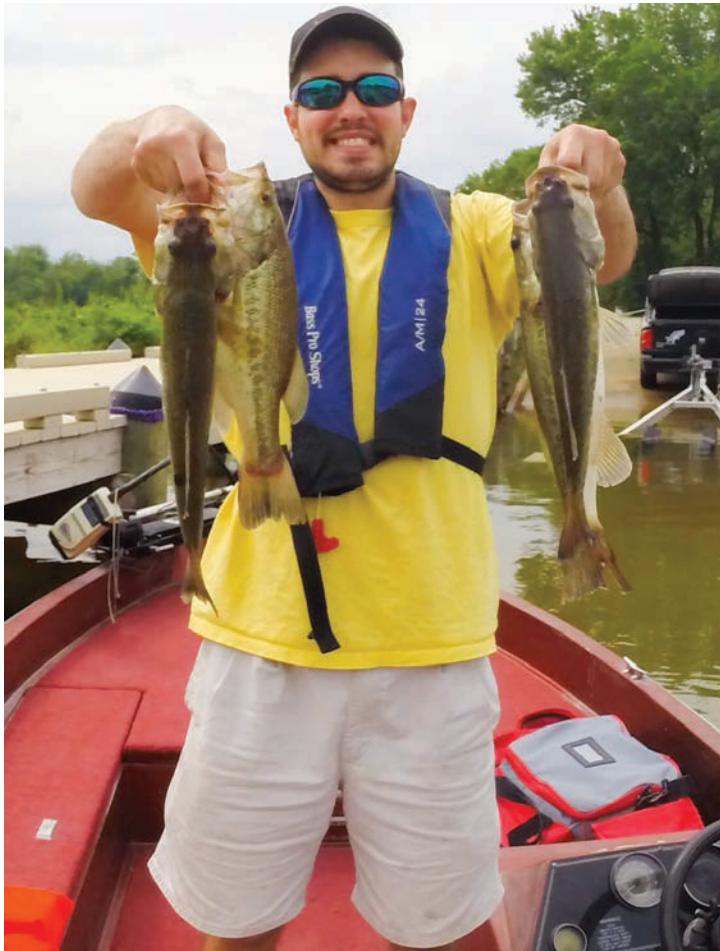
He and **Charlie Parrish '12** cofounded the Hampden-Sydney Anglers Club and went on to make a name for themselves and for the school on the collegiate fishing tour. Now that Luck is on his own and has to work full time, it is harder to make time for fishing, but he is not about to give up on his passion for the sport.

Whether he's going to Smith Mountain Lake or the Potomac River, or if there is an FLW Outdoors BFL Series tournament in the region, Luck is there. Because he is new to the series and trying to make a name for himself, he has been competing as a "co-angler"; at the beginning of a tournament, co-anglers are randomly paired with a boater (a fisherman with his own boat) to get out on the water, but the co-anglers compete against one another. This is a great way to meet other anglers and a less expensive way to compete.

The struggles are real: Luck bought a used boat last year and has uncovered numerous headaches; every out-of-town tournament requires paying for a weekend of meals and hotels—and during a couple of tournaments last year he didn't catch a thing. So it goes.

Luck is undeterred, however. He has gained one new sponsor, launched a new website at *AllenLuckFishing.com*, and is preparing for a summer of competitive fishing. The club gave the College tremendous exposure in the world of collegiate bass fishing, and so he also wants to reinvigorate the Hampden-Sydney Anglers Club by mentoring interested fishermen. It was a constructive and influential part of Luck's Hampden-Sydney experience, and he would like to keep moving forward.

"It's an addiction that I haven't been able to cure at all. It's a driving force in my life, and I probably think about fishing more than I do anything else. Ever since I started fishing at Hampden-Sydney, I've been hooked."



Professional hopeful Allen Luck '12 poses with one of his latest catches.

Dr. Vitale's Multiple Personalities

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

“We always say we are a community,” says Elliot Professor of Psychology Dr. Jennifer Vitale. “In a community, that means you don’t have prescribed, specific roles.”

Dr. Jennifer Vitale is a generalist. “It means wearing multiple hats,” she says. “The idea is not, ‘Oh, that’s not my job; that’s your job.’ So, I do a lot of different things, because that is how this place is supposed to function. If you can do something, you do it.”

Vitale was recognized at Commencement this

is currently the chair of the Human Research Review Committee, and she guides students from their times as freshmen until they begin upper-level work as seniors.

Vitale graduated from Pomona College, a small, liberal arts college, and was drawn to working at a similar school. When she applied to



Dr. Vitale discusses parietal lobe functions with psychology students.

work at Hampden-Sydney, she saw the opportunity to work closely with students and to have the autonomy to cultivate her own interests. Vitale finds that her personal area of interest, forensic psychology, appeals to many students at Hampden-Sydney, though she admits she has to get them past the Hollywood version of a “psychopath” before they can learn about real violent, anti-social behavior.

“Often students will ask me about characters from a movie or a book,

year with The Thomas Edward Crawley Award, which is given annually to a professor who is most distinguished for devoted service to the ideals of Hampden-Sydney College and to the education of its sons.

She has served the College well. During the past two years alone, she has been chair of the Psychology Department, chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, and director of the Honors Program. She also served on the *ad hoc* committees for Western Culture Revision and for the Living and Learning Communities. She

and I talk to them about how in fiction you don’t need psychological realism. That person wouldn’t exist in real life, and we get to talk about why. That classic trope of the ‘con-man with a heart of gold’—you don’t get that in real life. People who do that kind of manipulation don’t have hearts of gold.”

Even though students might not find the reality of forensic psychology as thrilling as what they get from Hollywood, Vitale hopes they will find an interest in the science of psychology, just as she has.

"I tell my students that psychology is the science of human behavior, and human behavior involves cognition, emotion, and affect; those motivate human behavior. Psychology is different from economics and sociology in that we are interested in the micro level, the individual level, rather than the system level. We are sort of caught between social science and natural science, but our methodology is definitely scientific. It is empirical. I try to get my students to understand that this is not about case studies and intuition. No, you have to show me with data."

It is no surprise, then, that research is an integral part of Hampden-Sydney's psychology curriculum. Every psychology major must complete an empirical project before he can graduate. Some students, particularly those interested in going to graduate school, must also complete independent-study research. This summer Drs. **Daniel Mossler, Robert Herdegen,** and Vitale all have students conducting research. (Dr. **Daniel Weese** is on sabbatical.)

Vitale urges, "We want to get our students starting research sooner. We have a lot of guys who want to go on to graduate school, and—I think this is true in all of the disciplines—if you're not publishing as an undergrad, you can't get into a Ph.D. program. We need our students to be starting research as sophomores so they can be going to conferences by the time they are juniors and seniors."

She also says that those in the Psychology Department need to do a better job of explaining to students what psychology can do for them in terms of careers. "We used to have students come to us and say, 'I don't want to become a psychologist.' And I would say, 'Ninety percent of our majors don't become psychologists.' So, we have been trying to explain how to make the connections with broader education or coaching or advertising or law enforcement."

In addition, as a psychologist, Dr. Vitale is acutely aware of the mental health issues facing Hampden-Sydney students today.

"Young men typically do not reach out for help with mental health issues. They do not want to recognize them. When you are talking about depression or anxiety, you have to pay extra attention to it on this kind of a campus because they probably are not seeking help on their own."

She works with her students, as well as the general student body, to help them understand that psychotherapy is not just taking a pill or lying on a therapist's couch talking about their feelings. There can be more to it.

"A lot of treatment is really straightforward, cognitive, behavioral stuff. I tell them to think of it in terms of learning a new sport or a new hobby. You develop a set of skills and you practice them. That is what psychotherapy can be. That takes some of the mystery out of it."

As mental health issues gain more attention on college campuses, Vitale says she has seen a shift in attitudes among faculty.

"When I first came here I went to a faculty meeting, and we were talking about learning disabilities. The

attitude among some of the faculty was, 'They should just power through.' Now there is much more acceptance and understanding that these are real things, real problems. A lot of our students have very bad anxiety problems and think that it's not okay—not just for men, but for people generally. Faculty now are much more understanding of these problems and in helping our students work through these issues."

Taking part in the community beyond the classroom has long been a regular part of being a professor at Hampden-Sydney, so recognizing one among the many is a difficult task. This year, Vitale illustrated how important it is to the College for faculty to be both outstanding scholars and educators as well as caring and compassionate people.

"We need our students to be starting research as sophomores so they can be going to conferences by the time they are juniors and seniors."

DR. JENNIFER VITALE

Call Him “Trey”

ON THE LEVEL WITH DR. TREY THURMAN

JOHN LEE DUDLEY '95

Students learn in many different ways. At a men's college, we understand the value of men's particular educational needs.

Dr. **Hugh O. “Trey” Thurman** is certainly unique. But first of all, don't call him “Dr. Thurman.”

“I don't like hierarchy in any form. I don't like to be called ‘Dr. Thurman.’ I tell my students that if you can't get over that, if you can't get over calling me ‘Trey’—because some people can't—it's okay. ‘Dr. Thurman’ will work. I'm not going to respond to you as quickly, though. Eventually all of them wind up calling me ‘Trey.’”

The associate professor of physics and astronomy was recognized at Commencement this year with the Cabell Award for his “outstanding contribution to the classroom for the education of Christian young men.”

Trey works hard to create an open, engaging classroom environment. In addition to telling his students to call him by his first name, Trey is frank with his students, especially regarding what he expects from them.

“I make it clear that if I am covering something, and you don't understand what I'm doing, you've got to stop me. I don't have ESP. I tell them to stop me in the middle of anything we are doing, and I will try to figure out where it is that I lost you. That means that my classroom is pretty active between the students and myself. Students realize that when they show up, it's not going to be just me broadcasting information at them. It's going to be me directing, but they are going to have to be engaged. Conversations are going to happen. Questions will come up.”

Conversations will stray from the topic of the day, but Trey sees pedagogical value in these expanded and unplanned conversations about science. Because of the growth and demand of science and technology industries, Trey believes that science is one of the most important fields students can study.

“For me, the ability to describe science for someone else—at any level—cannot be discounted, because that is the essence of science. If you know only how to solve problems, you are doing mathematics. If you can't tell someone what is going on physically, then you truly don't know what you are teaching. The guys who take quantum mechanics with me truly begin to understand the subject because I teach it in a way radically different from the way it was taught to me. We start with *why* you need to study quantum mechanics in the first place. We spend almost half of the semester going over concepts of quantum mechanics. We don't solve our first problem until about halfway through the semester. Upon solving that first problem, all of the concepts that we had been covering come into play.”

You would be wrong to believe, however, that Trey is focused singularly on science. The Orange County native entered Old Dominion University at 18 years old with a passion for politics and his sights set firmly on serving a two-term U.S. presidency. His plans have obviously changed, but he is still interested in politics, public policy, law, and even religion.

Trey has developed an interdisciplinary course called “Energy in the Environment,” which includes basic concepts of physics, as well as governmental energy policy and its impact on the environment. He also recently taught “Life in the Universe,” a class that garnered information from nearly every natural science field while focusing on the philosophical question: “Should we even be concerned with the possibility of life existing elsewhere in the universe?” His class decided that the answer is unequivocally, “Yes.”

“I think many of my students know how I view the world,” says Trey. “But I try to remove my own personal impression or opinion from any topic that I teach. I try to teach as if I am just a source. I don't want to convey upon them

my interpretation of whatever we are discussing. Some students, however, will probe and ask me, ‘So, what do you believe?’”

In his typically straightforward way, if his students ask, he tells them.

Part of what makes Trey such an effective teacher is that he actually does not see himself *as* a teacher.

“Students probably first recognize that I still see myself as a student. I still see myself as a learner. Yes, I am ‘in charge’ of the classroom setting. It does not mean that I know everything, nor does it mean that someone cannot surpass me in the knowledge that I have. But I do have time. I’ve been doing this for a long time, and I’ve acquired this knowledge by listening to other

people and by doing my own work. At the same time, I don’t think that knowledge is gained by pouring it down one’s throat. Knowledge, to me, is gained by having a level playing field. We both sit at the table, and we both discuss an idea. I come at it with my point of view—time and experience—but the student also has something to contribute, and the best way to learn, in my opinion, is to level that playing field. If the student feels like he is on the same playing field, then he is going to feel more engaged in the learning experience.”

So, the first step to creating that level playing field, that approachable environment, is for Dr. Thurman’s students to get used to calling him “Trey,” which they all do in their own time.



Dr. Thurman accepts the Cabell Award from H-SC President Dr. Chris Howard.

Living Life on Your Own Terms

H-SC FILMMAKER AND 2014 VALEDICTORIAN SEND GRADUATING CLASS ON ITS WAY

On May 11, 2014, **Scott Cooper '92**, the writer and director of the films *Crazy Heart* and *Out of the Furnace*, delivered the address during Hampden-Sydney College's graduation at the close of the 239th academic year.

Cooper was born and raised in Abingdon and graduated from Hampden-Sydney with a degree in economics. He is now a writer, director, producer, and actor living in Los Angeles with his wife Jocelyne and his daughters Ava and Stella. Ava added her own part to the Commencement exercise, much to the delight of

the crowd, with an impromptu rendition of the popular song "Let It Go" from the film *Frozen*.

Cooper told the graduates that when he was sitting in their place 22 years ago, he was frightened—not that he would be unprepared for the life ahead, but that he "wasn't about to live life on his terms." He was starting a job for which he was grateful, but it was not a job in the arts, something he desperately wanted.

"I'm not certain of the numbers, but those actually leading lives in the arts are staggeringly low, unfortunately, relative to those leading lives



Scott Cooper '92 (above, at podium), a Hollywood writer, director, and actor, stands with his daughters after giving the address at the Class of 2014 graduation ceremony on May 11, 2014. Cooper urged graduates to follow their instincts.

outside of the arts—low because it’s a difficult life. It’s a life of rejection, uncertainty, a life where there are no rules or structure, a life with no linear ascension, a life that your folks, if they’re being honest, truly don’t want you to lead when you have a degree from a prestigious institution such as this.”

Cooper recalled a chance meeting in Farmville’s Walker’s Diner with the actor Richard Gere, who was in town filming *Sommersby* in 1992. Cooper interrupted Gere’s lunch to introduce himself and to discuss his desire to lead a life in the arts. Gere said to him, “Follow your heart. Seek fulfillment with zest and passion, and don’t wait to seize the day. Go for it and don’t look back.”

It took Cooper two years to heed Gere’s advice. He moved to Los Angeles, took acting classes, and built a network of close friends. Several years later, he was cast in the film *Gods & Generals*, where he met actor Robert Duvall. Cooper and Duvall became good friends and worked together on several occasions. Duvall also supported Cooper’s life in the arts and told him, “Don’t wait for others to make your luck for you.” With that advice, Cooper began writing *Crazy Heart*, a film that would win two Academy Awards.

After recalling the setbacks and struggles of his own career, Cooper said, “I know with certainty that you too can and will face your fears and overcome them. Regardless that you are likely frightened, just as I was, you will overcome your fears because that is what Hampden-Sydney men do. That’s what Hampden-Sydney men are prepared for. I just simply want you to do it your way. Follow your instincts and your heart because those are the truest. Allow them to be your compass.”

Following the presentation of awards, Valedictorian **James B. Hughes ’14**, who graduated with a major in biology and a minor in chemistry, addressed the crowd. “Coming to Hampden-Sydney was the best decision I have ever made, even if it isn’t coed,” he joked.

“The camaraderie we have here is truly something special. Since I have been here, never

have I been torn down but only have I ever been built up ... I hope that all of you can say the same. Without this brotherhood and without you, my friends, there would be a lesser man standing before you today.”

The baccalaureate address was given on Saturday night by Dr. **Robert M. Franklin, Jr.**, the James Laney Professor in Moral Leadership at Emory University and president *emeritus* of Morehouse College, a liberal arts college for men from which he graduated.



Valedictorian James Hughes '14 thanks his classmates.



Dr. Franklin gives his address in Kirby Field House.

AWARDS AND HONORS AT COMMENCEMENT

At this year's Commencement, Hampden-Sydney basketball's **Khobi Williamson '14** was awarded the one of the highest honors bestowed at graduation when he was named the 2014 winner of the Gammon Cup.

The Gammon Cup, given in memory of Dr. **Edgar G. Gammon**, a Hampden-Sydney graduate of the Class of 1905, pastor of College Church from 1917 to 1923, and president of

the College from 1939 to 1955, is awarded to the member of the graduating class who has best served the College through character, scholarship, and athletic ability.

Former Student Body President **Justin Pugh '14** earned the award for the junior or senior who has shown the most constructive leadership during the school year, the Anna Carrington Harrison Award.

The Samuel S. Jones Phi Beta Kappa award in recognition for intellectual excellence was presented to **Jonathan Drake Bishop '14**, an honors graduate in biology with minors in chemistry and classical studies.

The annual award for a member of the faculty or staff recognized for active devotion and service to the College and its ideals, the Robert Thruston Hubbard IV Award, was presented to **Debbie Maxey**, operations supervisor in the Admissions Office.

The Senior Class Award, given to the member of the faculty, administration, or staff who the graduating class believes has contributed significantly to the College, the community, and the students during their four years, was



Student Body President Justin Pugh '14 with Adjunct Associate Professor of Rhetoric Dr. Susan Pepper Robbins.



Second Lieutenant Hugh Fraser '14 stands with his parents, Mr. John Fraser and Ms. Susan Leslie-Fraser.

presented to Dr. Susan Pepper Robbins, adjunct associate professor of rhetoric.

Hugh Wilson Fraser '14 was commissioned into the U.S. Army.

Paul Boydoh '14, William "Will" L. Pannill '77 of Martinsville, and his father, William "Bill" Gordon Pannill of Palm Beach, Florida, all were honored at commencement with the presentation of Algernon Sydney Sullivan Medallions. Three medallions were given this year, one to a member of the graduating class distinguished for

excellence of character and generous service, and two to friends of the College who have been conspicuously helpful in Hampden-Sydney's efforts to encourage and preserve a high standard of morals. William Gordon Pannill II '08, Kenneth Stuart Pannill '08, and John Taylor Pannill '14, accepted the medallion on behalf of their grandfather, William Gordon Pannill.

GREENSPAN HONORED WITH METTAUER AWARD

A true delight at the close of the academic year is the presentation of the Mettauier Award, named after Dr. John Peter Mettauier, Class of 1811, a medical pioneer who developed surgical procedures and instruments that are still in use today, although with some refinements. This award goes to a member of the faculty for outstanding achievement.

The recipient never knows in advance if he or she will be recognized for excellence, however. The unadulterated surprise and joy expressed by the recipients for this recognition resonates throughout the crowd.



Provost and Dean of the Faculty Dennis Stevens congratulates Dr. Greenspan.

This spring, Dr. Nicole L. Greenspan, associate professor of history, was genuinely surprised to be named the 2014 Mettauier Award recipient.

Dr. Greenspan earned her undergraduate degree from York University in Toronto and her Ph.D. from the University of Toronto. She began teaching at Hampden-Sydney in 2006.

Some of her many publications include the articles "News, Intelligence, and Espionage at the Exiled Court at Cologne: The Case of Henry Manning" and "Charles II, Exile, and the Problem of Allegiance," as well as her book *Selling Cromwell's Wars: Media, Empire and Godly Warfare, 1650-1658*, which examines how the Protectorate government of Oliver Cromwell sought to use the new propaganda outlet of newspapers to shape public opinion and to garner more support for its major military undertakings.

In addition to publishing and speaking at conferences, Dr. Greenspan is a respected and well-liked professor, teaching a number of appealing classes. One of her most popular has been "Piracy in the Early Modern World."

WINSTON HALL IS REBORN AGAIN

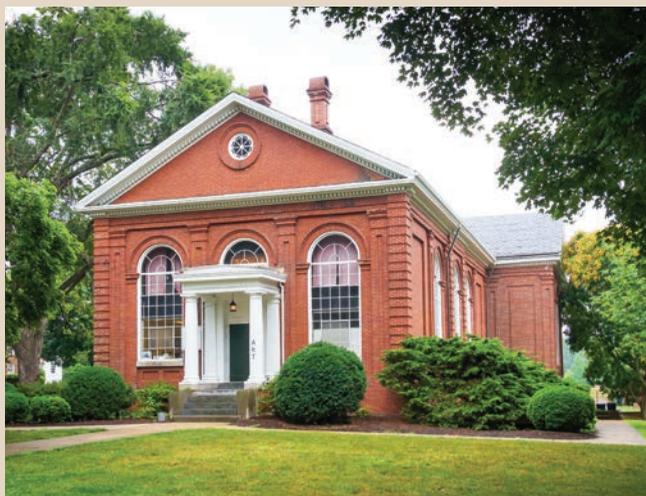
The arts are getting a renewed home at Hampden-Sydney following approval by the board of trustees for a complete renovation of Winston Hall. The \$4-million project will modify the interior of the building to better accommodate the needs of the Fine Arts departments, including dedicated studio space, music practice rooms, seminar rooms, and an exhibition gallery.

The project is being supported by a \$1 million gift from the Carpenter Foundation. Architects will develop the final plans after the College has raised at least 60% of the project cost, and construction will begin after all of the project funding has been raised.

A mezzanine to be built over part of the old dining room will provide instructional space; students will access the space from the top floor of the building. This mezzanine will isolate sound for the two classrooms that currently exist on the main floor of the old dining room. The central section of the old dining room will remain as flexible space. This space, which has beautiful, two-story windows on both sides, is used for small performances and receptions.

Photography Professor **Pamela Fox** says, “Photography and design students will enjoy a larger Mac lab, and there will be a space that will be used for working with studio lighting and backdrops. Students will also have more space to set up and store their projects. Good working space is crucial to the creative process. It helps students stay engaged with the long and sometimes frustrating process of making art.”

She adds that the renovation will do much more than make Winston Hall a safer and more effective teaching space: “We also envision that these changes will help facilitate an alternative after-hours environment for students who want to make music and art or hang out with



those who do. We see the new Winston Hall as a space that will encourage creativity in a supportive environment—a place to be used both night and day.”

Winston Hall was built as a library by the Union Theological Seminary in 1898. The rear of the building was added in 1935, just six years before the front section was destroyed by fire. The front was rebuilt in 1950, and the building served as the Commons from 1961 to 1991. Since that time, it has been home to the Fine Arts Department, the Health Center (which recently moved to a new location), and the Student Publications Office. This will be the fourth major restructuring of the building.

Part of the renovation project will involve shuffling some campus offices and making changes to the Bortz Library. The Fuqua Computing Center, which has been in the basement of Johns Auditorium for many years, will be moving to the main floor of the library to better meet the needs of today’s technologically savvy students. The then-available space in Johns Auditorium will become home to the Student Publications Office (home of *The Tiger* newspaper and *The Garnet* literary magazine) and the Communications Office, which are currently in the basement of Winston Hall.



*Anthony Rowe '14, the first Hampden-Sydney theatre major, works with Hokunani Womack, a senior at Nottoway High School, in the play *Life is a Dream*. The production was held at Johns Auditorium in November 2013.*

THE STAGE IS HIS WORLD

Two years ago the College introduced a major in theatre, and this year saw the first student graduate with a degree in that discipline. **Anthony Rowe '14** of Fredericksburg majored in theatre and minored in Spanish. During Final Convocation, Rowe was honored with the **Robert H. Porterfield '29 Drama Award** (along with his good friend and theatre minor **Michael Casterlow '14**), which is named after the alumnus and founder of the Barter Theatre in Abingdon.

Rowe took part in theatre at Louisa County High School but entered Hampden-Sydney with the intention of majoring in government. That changed after an introduction to theatre and appearing in a one-act play during the first semester of his freshman year.

As a student, Rowe appeared in several plays, including *Henry V*, *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, and *Frost/Nixon*, and he directed others. "I prefer the acting aspect of theatre. I can direct, but I am not the most organized person, so organizing a group of people can be hard at times. Also, I like taking a piece of written work and creating a living character from it."

Professor of Theatre **Shirley Kagan** says, "His thesis project was the 17th-century Spanish-language play *Life is a Dream*, for which he wrote an artist statement and researched through his Spanish minor on performances of the play in the Spanish colonies. That was also his first lead role in a Theatre Department production."

The faculty voted two years ago to divide the fine arts major into separate disciplines: theatre, visual arts, and music. This gave Rowe the opportunity to focus on theatre—and he took it. He loves being a pioneer: "I am excited to be the College's first theatre major. It's a nice thing to be the first at something, especially at a school this old."

Since graduating, Rowe plans on working with some community theatre companies around Fredericksburg and Charlottesville before applying to graduate school for acting. He is unsure if he will end up working more in education or performance, but whatever he decides to pursue, he knows that he may very well be the first one to do it.

Hundreds Turn Out to Support Bill Hardy '80

ALUMNI AND FRIENDS RAISE \$460,000 FOR ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

JOHN P. CARTER, INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Alumnus **William “Bill” Hardy '80** is a successful business leader. He's also a colleague, a friend, a father, and a husband, and he was recently diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. To honor a man whom they love and respect, Hardy's many supporters joined together to create an endowed scholarship for young leaders.

THE GENESIS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

Hardy's friends realized that they wanted to do something for him, but they were at a loss.

collection of Hardy's friends, which included Hampden-Sydney alumni **Tom Allen '60** and **Kevin Beale '80**, to raise funds for the William E. Hardy Endowed Scholarship. It will benefit Hampden-Sydney students who exhibit exceptional character, drive, leadership, and financial need.

THE COMMITTEE

Bill's Buds included men and women from the University of Richmond, the University



Scott Hetzer, senior vice president and treasurer of Dominion Resources and a lifelong friend, visited him at his home to offer a number of ideas for fundraising. Hardy was supportive of all the organizations that might benefit from their generosity, but he was convinced that his *alma mater* and those students who had financial need should be the recipients of any fundraising effort. Hetzer suggested that a scholarship be established in Hardy's name. Bill agreed, and Hetzer formed “Bill's Buds Committee,” a

of Virginia, the University of North Carolina, and Hampden-Sydney College. Each of the members of the committee had applicable skills particular to their fields. Many members were financial experts; others were in direct sales, law, and consulting. All of those on the committee supported various charities in the Richmond community. This particular project was different because they were supporting a Hampden-Sydney College scholarship, not another *alma mater* or a local charity. More importantly, each

had a love and respect for Hardy and a desire to do their best in honoring him with a successful campaign. The committee decided to host a fundraising golf tournament and cocktail party to raise awareness for the scholarship and to attract more donors.

Bill's Buds met for one hour each Wednesday from March 10, 2014, until May 14, 2014, the day before the golf tournament. After detailed planning and the work of dedicated committee members, there appeared to be no loose ends by day of the event.

Jil Harris, wife of Hampden-Sydney alumnus and trustee **H. Hiter Harris III '83**, and **Heather Daniel** brought budgeting and planning experience to the table to ensure that costs, as a percentage of revenue, stayed under 6%. She worked with **Sandy Yeatts** at Hampden-Sydney to coordinate all of the incoming donations. Other committee members included **Bill Cogar**, **Randy Daniel**, **Bart Farinholt**, **Tom Horton**, **Walter Jones**, **Freddie Moore**, and **Gene Webb**.

THE FUNDRAISING EFFORT

Fundraising committees often employ the concept of division of labor.

This committee was no different. The committee discussed corporate donor prospects and asked for the names of Hardy's friends, and they requested from Hampden-Sydney Vice President of Institutional Advancement **Lee King '94**

a list of Hardy's 1980 classmates and Lambda Chi fraternity brothers. They also contacted the potential corporate donors. Several people said they knew those donors, helping to carry the project forward. At each interval of planning the golf tournament and the cocktail party, several members would call out, "I'll do that," "I'll contact him," or "I've worked with them through my business." Each committee member followed through as promised, with all members enthusiastically completing the tasks for which they had volunteered.

THE EVENT

The big day arrived and 88 golfers turned out, despite a weather forecast predicting rain in the mid-afternoon. It didn't. Hardy visited with some of the golfers and took a group picture, snaking his way with a golf cart around the course throughout the day.

A Hole-in-One insurance policy was purchased to add some fun to the game and remarkably, one player hit a hole-in-one. The prize was a big-screen TV.

The cocktail party was held inside the Country Club of Virginia and was well attended with about 400 supporters. President **Chris Howard** was in attendance, as were other members of the Hampden-Sydney staff.

Hetzer announced a surprise challenge at the cocktail party: If he could raise another \$20,000 by the end of May, then three challengers would match that amount. This triggered Hetzer's altruism, with him announcing that he and his



Bill Hardy '80 sits next to his wife, Melinda, and their three sons.

wife would donate additional funds. Despite the dead silence that ensued for several minutes, Hetzer remained composed. Then a guest spoke up: "I'll give \$1,000!" And then another called out. Within minutes, the crowd rallied to meet the \$20,000 target, even exceeding the challenged amount.

This entire event generated more than \$460,000 for the William E. Hardy Endowed Scholarship. In honoring their colleague, friend, father, and husband, these people have given future leaders the chance to succeed at

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DAVIS YAKE '08, SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

FOR TIGER SCHEDULES AND THE LATEST NEWS, VISIT WWW.HSCATHLETICS.COM

Bates Retires as Head Coach

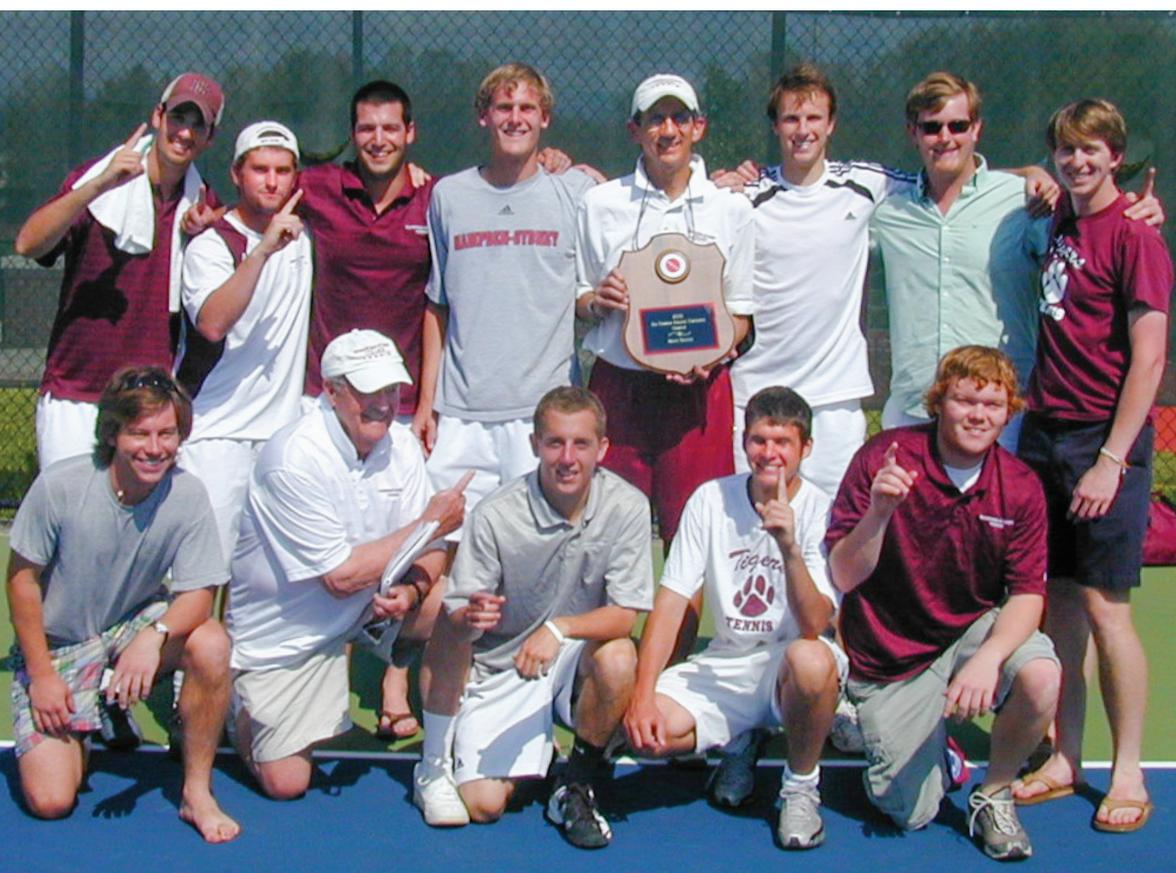
After eight years at Hampden-Sydney College, **Murrie Bates** is retiring from his post as tennis head coach.

His teams went 80-47 overall and 52-22 in the ODAC, finishing in the top two in the ODAC for four straight seasons, including going undefeated at 9-0 in 2010. From 2007-2011, Coach Bates guided the Tigers on the best four-year run in the program's history. The Tigers recorded an overall record of 54-17 and a 33-3 mark in the ODAC, winning the ODAC Championship in 2009 while advancing to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

Bates was named the ODAC Coach of the Year in 2008 and 2010 as well as State Coach of the Year in 2009.

In total, he placed a student-athlete on All-ODAC Tennis teams 53 times. **William Moss '10** won the ODAC Player of the Year award all four years, and **Rich Pugh '11** took home the top award in 2011. Moss also earned the ODAC Rookie of the Year award, was twice named the ODAC Scholar Athlete of the Year, and he won the "Doc" Jopson Award, the top honor for a male athlete in the ODAC.

"As always, God's timing is perfect, and I thank him for leading me to Hampden-



The 2009 ODAC Championship Team, kneeling in the front row, left to right, are Kenneth Holzzapfel, Assistant Coach Bill Thompson, Kevin Calhoun, Zack Pack, and Ian Sammler. Standing in the back row are Tal Covington, Shad Harrell, Philip Parrish, William Moss, Head Coach Murrie Bates, Rich Pugh, Ryan Davis, and Matt McFarland.

Sydney at this time in my life,” said Bates.

“There are so many people to thank. First of all, **Bill Thompson**, who encouraged me to apply and volunteered as an assistant coach for all eight years. I couldn’t have done it without him. Also, **Carter Carson ’71** helped so much these past couple of years, and Will Moss, who has been a great encourager for the team.”

“My time at Hampden-Sydney has been satisfying thanks to the administration, staff, and fellow coaches who have been such a support in my personal life and with my coaching. I appreciate all your kindness. I’m at a place now where I feel new leadership for the program will be beneficial, and I’m looking forward to the next season in my life.”

Hampden-Sydney Athletic Director **Richard Epperson ’79** has worked with Bates for years, gaining insight into his relationships with players.

“Murrie Bates has been instrumental in building a well-respected tennis program during his time here,” he says. “His calm and caring influence on our student-athletes has been exemplary. On behalf of our past and current players, their parents, and Murrie’s many colleagues and friends in the H-SC Athletic Department, I wish him nothing but the best.”

As a player, Moss was a strong asset to the team and worked with Bates to elevate the players both physically and mentally. That encouragement from team members and leadership from Bates helped propel the team to greater heights.

Moss says: “Coach Bates epitomizes the excellence and class that was Hampden-Sydney tennis during his coaching tenure. I know I speak for all of his players when I say that playing under Coach Bates was the highlight of my college career. He supported, nurtured, and mentored his players off the court while helping them reach their highest potential on the court. Coach Bates brings out the best in every one of his players and has made one of the most profound impacts on my life. He has left an indelible mark on Hampden-Sydney athletics. His presence on the courts will be deeply missed, and the Tiger tennis family is forever grateful to him for his service and dedication.”

Armstrong Named Lacrosse All-American; Fulton and Bowden Dubbed Scholar All-Americans

Hampden-Sydney lacrosse wrapped up its season at 10-8 overall and 6-3 in ODAC play with an appearance in the ODAC Championship game. Seven Tigers earned All-ODAC honors, and midfielder **Thomas Armstrong ’15** highlighted the group with a United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) All-America nod. **Ned Bowden ’14** and **Bobby Fulton ’14** were tabbed USILA Scholar All-Americans.

Armstrong became just the fifth H-SC lacrosse student-athlete to be named an All-American as both a sophomore and a junior, joining elite territory with **Jamie Worthen ’98**, **Chamie Burroughs ’99**, **Chris Biddison ’03**, and **Chris Lucas ’03**. Armstrong was announced as a First-Team All-ODAC player earlier in the month. He finished second on the team in points (46), goals (30), assists (16), and man-up goals (5), and he led all H-SC midfielders in each category. Armstrong posted at least three points in 10 games, scored two or more goals in 16 of 18 games, and contributed at least one point in 17 of 18.

To be a Scholar All-American, a student-athlete must be a senior and have maintained a 3.0 or better cumulative grade-point average. He must also be an All-American, a member of a North-South team, or an outstanding league or conference player.

Bowden, a physics majors and a long-stick midfielder, led the team in caused turnovers (22) and ground balls (53) and also added two goals and an assist. He was also a First-Team All-ODAC player and was Academic All-ODAC all four years.

Fulton scooped 19 ground balls with 11 caused turnovers as a short-stick defensive midfielder. He was also Academic All-ODAC for four years as an economics major with a minor in military leadership. He will be entering the U.S. Army Special Forces track this summer. Additionally, Fulton is the first solo captain in the history of Hampden-Sydney

lacrosse. Bowden and Fulton helped anchor a team defense that allowed an average of just 6.79 goals in ODAC competition.

Golf Enjoys Success, Burt Places Fifth in NCAA Championship

The Tiger golf team had an outstanding season with individual breakouts from **Brian Burt '17** and **Rick O'Connell '14**. Burt was named an All-American this season after placing fifth individually in the 2014 NCAA Division III Golf National Championship Tournament with a four-round score of +3. He shot 67-69-80-75 for a four-round total of 291, finishing just one stroke shy of third and three strokes short of second. His first round card of 67 was the lowest individual round of the tournament. He was also an All-Region and First Team All-ODAC pick for the Tigers (*golfstat.com*).

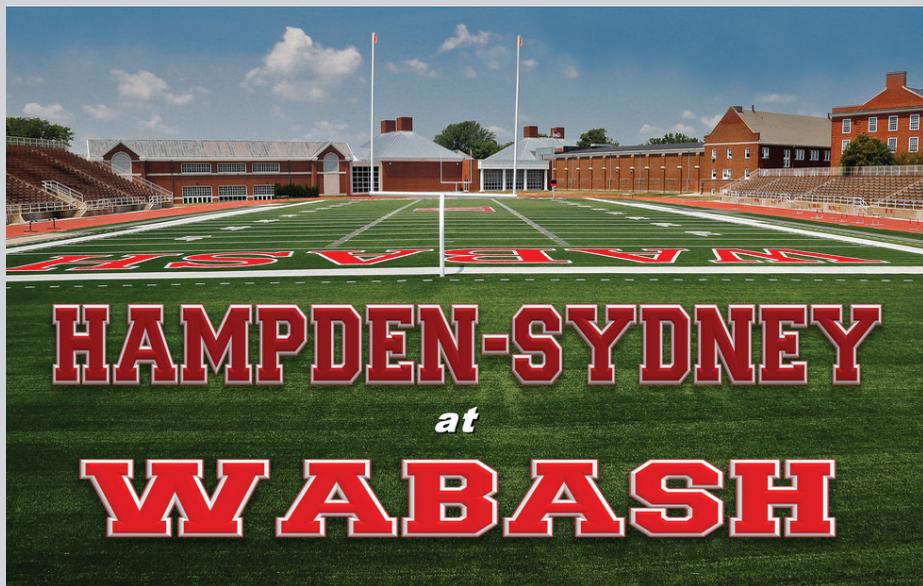


Brian Burt '17 follows through on the 7th hole. Burt was named All-American this past season.

Wabash Little Giants Take On the H-SC Tigers

Often thought of as “the other all-male college,” Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Indiana, will soon host the first of two football games against the Hampden-Sydney Tigers on September 6, 2014, at 1 p.m. It is the first time these two institutions have met on any playing field, and many hope this historic trip will jumpstart ongoing competitions

between the two schools for years to come. NCAA President Mark Emmert will speak at a convocation for both teams Friday evening. Next season the Little Giants will travel to Hampden-Sydney. The game will be broadcast live at www.wabash.edu/live and a recording will be available on the Wabash College YouTube channel.



O'Connell was also an All-Region selection after being chosen as one of six individuals to compete in the NCAA Championship. The senior also earned ODAC Golfer of the Year honors as well as First Team accolades.

Head Coach **Mac Main** was named the ODAC Coach of the Year.

Baseball Sets Several Records in 2014

The Tiger baseball team had a successful spring, tying the school record for wins in a single season while going 27-15 overall and reaching the ODAC Tournament. Individually, several records were broken, starting on March 20 with Head Coach **Jeff Kinne** recording more wins than any other coach in the program's history, taking his 226th victory.

At the season's close, the Tigers had five All-ODAC honorees with outfielder **Christian Hamlett '15** and second baseman **Lee Carneal '15** earning First Team honors. Hamlett shattered the school record for hits in consecutive games, going 35 straight games from February 10 to April 21. Outfielder **Spencer Wiles '15** broke records for hits (65) and doubles (22) in a single season, and **Hunter Lewis '14** become the program's new hit king with 179 career hits.

Hamlett and Wiles were each named Third Team All-Region performers while first baseman **Jeff Gray '15** earned Academic All-District accolades to go with his third consecutive Second Team All-ODAC selection. Wiles and Lewis were each named Third Team All-ODAC.



Hunter Lewis '14 connects with the ball. The H-SC third baseman and pitcher racked up 179 hits in his career.

Alumni Salute Rhetoric Students

Learning to write clearly, to capture ideas in words, and to persuade the reader have been cornerstones of young men's Hampden-Sydney education for more than 30 years. More than two-thirds of our alumni have toiled through the Rhetoric Program and finished as better writers and stronger students. Now, each year, we recognize the faculty who pushed us to be our best, and we encourage current Hampden-Sydney students to strive toward excellence as they sit down to complete the required Rhetoric Proficiency Exam. This is the essence of the annual RPE Toast.

On March 25, 2014, alumni gathered at homes and in restaurants across the country and around the globe—even atop the Duke University chapel—to recall their Hampden-Sydney days and to send their best wishes to the students taking the exam that night. At the College, faculty and staff gathered at the Tiger Inn for their own celebration and to watch photographs come in from the event locations.

Rhetoric Professor **Elizabeth Deis** says, “We were thrilled to see pictures of many alumni whom we hadn't seen for some time. It is also wonderful to see the Rhetoric Program recognized in this way. We have confidence in the value of the program, but it's always good to see evidence of the extent to which our students and alumni remember it as an important and valuable part of an H-SC education.”

Alumni are encouraged to attend or host a Rhetoric Proficiency Exam Toast next year. It is a quick and easy way to get together with fellow Hampden-Sydney alumni and to reflect on how the College helped form the men we know today.

For more information, call or e-mail Alumni Relations Coordinator Grace Toney at gtoney@hsc.edu or (434) 223-6776.

A Toast to the H-SC RPE Program

Kevin E. Martingayle '88

Here's to the man who understands that prepositions do not belong at the ends of sentences, and that the question: “Where are you?” does not require “at”;

Here's to the Hampden-Sydney professors who taught us that splitting infinitives is a sad habit of lazy fools and grammar abusers that must be avoided at all costs;

Here's to a tradition that equips our students with an ability to choose intelligently when pondering *who* versus *whom*, *which* versus *that*, *lay* versus *lie*, and countless other words and phrases that the masses torture daily;

Here's to the graduate who knows how to construct a sentence that coordinates singular and plural, puts apostrophes where they belong, and never leaves his modifiers dangling for the world to see.

To our beloved Hampden-Sydney College... may our *alma mater* remain elegant, eloquent, and loquacious, forever. Amen. Cheers!



Baton Rouge, LA



Durham, NC



Houston, TX

Class Notes

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For searchable alumni news, posted as it arrives, visit
www.hsc.edu/Constituents/Alumni.html

1953

OWEN R. MINTER was honored by Starling Avenue Baptist Church in February 2014 for 50 years of music leadership in the Martinsville community and in the church.

To mark the occasion, the church commissioned choral composer Dr. René Clausen to write an anthem in Minter's honor; Clausen's work is entitled, "Creator of the Stars at Night." Mr. Minter recently retired as adult choir director at the church.

1959

CHARLES F. "CHUCK" LUCAS of Beckley, West Virginia, was the recipient of the Beckley-Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award in March 2014. He is retired from his family business, Lucas Tire, and has been active in and a supporter of many local organizations such as Rotary, the Beckley Area Foundation, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Storm Haven, a transitional living facility for recovering addicts.

1960

Dr. **LEWIS H. DREW** was the recipient of the Student Affairs Legacy Award, presented at the Virginia Student Services Conference in November 2013. Dean Drew started working at Hampden-Sydney in 1963 as the director of Admissions and Financial Aid. In 1970, he was named dean of students, a position he held until his retirement in 2000.

1963

JOSEPH F. VIAR, JR., was named the 2014 Nonprofit Board Leader of the Year by Volunteer Alexandria. During the past 25 years, he has been a steadfast supporter of Inova Alexandria Hospital and is directly responsible for raising \$40 million for programs such as emergency medicine, women and children's care, and neonatal intensive care. Other non-profits he actively supports include The Campaigna Center, the Walk to Fight Breast Cancer, the Alexandria Office

on Women's Domestic Violence Program, and the Alexandria Seaport Foundation. He is a trustee emeritus of Hampden-Sydney College.

1964

H. R. "HARRY" POLLARD IV was selected as a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation. He is a founding member of the law firm Parker, Pollard, Wilton & Peadar, P.C., in Richmond and focuses his practice on business and commercial real estate.

1972

WALTER W. MILLER III retired from Cable News Network (CNN) in December 2013 after 24 years as a writer, copy editor, and producer-writer, with a total of 37 years as a print and broadcast journalist, including 11 years as a foreign correspondent in Asia. In retirement, his plans include finishing a second historical novel, set in Japan at the end of World War II and in the early years of the U.S. occupation, and running his sixth full marathon in Boston.

1973

HERBERT V. KELLY, JR., an attorney with the law firm Jones, Blechman, Woltz & Kelly, was elected to the Jamestown-Yorktown



Tom Lawrence '67 (left) climbed Mt. Hood on June 21-22, 2013, along with his son Josh (right), who served as his guide.

Foundation board of directors.

1976

DAVID F. HOST, chairman and CEO of T. Parker Host, Inc., was named chairman of the board of trustees of The Mariners' Museum in Newport News.

1977

WALTER M. JONES III, attorney and managing shareholder of Martin & Seibert in Martinsburg, West Virginia, recently received the prestigious AV Preeminent rating from Martindale-Hubbell, the highest possible rating for both



Dr. John Pendleton '68 (center) and his wife Jill were excited to unexpectedly meet former Tonight Show host Jay Leno at their hotel in February.

ethical standards and legal ability.

Former State Senator **JOHN R. MITCHELL, JR.**, was reappointed chairman of the West Virginia State Bar Committee on Criminal Law.

1978

STOKELY G. CALDWELL, JR., an attorney with Robinson Bradshaw & Hinsoin, P.A., was honored with the TRAC Star Award at The Racing Attorney Conference, presented by the Indianapolis Bar Association Sports and Entertainment Law Section and the North Carolina Bar Association. He has been an attorney in motorsports for 20 years and serves on the following boards of directors: the Dale Jr. Foundation; Kevin Harvick Foundation; Martin Truex, Jr. Foundation; and the Sports Lawyers Association.

1980

Dr. J. SELDEN HARRIS, JR., was one the keynote speakers at the 77th birthday celebration of the Masjid Muhammad Mosque, also called the Nation's Mosque, in Washington, D.C. The event celebrated the life of the late Imam W. H. Muhammad, with whom Dr. Harris had a working relationship. Dr. Harris is a professor of religion at Norfolk State University.

1981

WARREN M. THOMPSON, president and chairman of Thompson Hospitality, was listed among the "Most Influential Virginians" in the March 2014 issue of *Virginia Business* magazine.

RICHARD L. WARE was named chief investment officer at Chesapeake Investment Group, which has offices in Williamsburg and Kilmarnock.

1982

R. BRYAN DAVID is the county administrator for Orange County.

CHARLES V. "CHUCK" McPHILLIPS received the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities' Humanitarian Award for 2014. An attorney with Kaufman & Canoles, his philanthropy and passion for education led him to help found St. Patrick Catholic School.



Dr. W. Randolph "Ranny" Chitwood, Jr., '68 performed successful robotic heart surgery on Maj. Gen. Gordon Nash USMC (Ret) '71 earlier this year at the East Carolina Heart Institute.

1984

ROBERT P. "BOB" MARTIN



is director of wealth management at Union Wealth Management, a division of Union First Market Bank in

Richmond.

S. BARRON SEGAR III was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award by the Norfolk Collegiate School. Segar was the keynote speaker at Norfolk Collegiate's

Alumni Awards Breakfast on April 3, 2014. Segar is senior vice president for development and a member of the senior management team at the U.S. Fund for UNICEF in New York.

1985

M. SEAN McCUSTY is the marketing and outreach manager for the Piedmont Workforce Network at the Central Virginia Partnership for Economic Development.

1986

MAURICE A. JONES is the new secretary of Commerce and Trade



S. Barron Segar III '84 (center) was given Norfolk Collegiate School's Distinguished Alumni Award by Headmaster Scott Kennedy and Chairman Gary Bonnewell.



On February 17, Father Joseph Metzger III '84 celebrated mass with Pope Francis. Fr. Metzger is priest at Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church in Norfolk.

for the Commonwealth of Virginia. He was nominated by Governor Terry McAuliffe and approved by the House of Delegates.

1988

RICHARD F. ANSELL is owner and president of Ansell & Associates, LLC, a Richmond-based environmental services and consulting company specializing in the clean-up of heating oil tanks and radon mitigation.

1990

DAVID L. HOBBS works for Anthem BCBS in the CareMore Health Plan Sales Division. He achieved the distinction of Premier Club and led his sales team for the second straight year.

JOHN M. KUPER has joined Korn Ferry in Philadelphia as a senior client partner.

1991

RORY T. PERKINS was named the head varsity basketball coach at the Landon School in Bethesda, Maryland. Previously, he was the coach of the school's sixth-grade boys' team. He has also coached at Flint Hill and St. Stephen's/St. Agnes. He will continue to coach the sixth-grade team, and he teaches algebra in the middle school.

1994

WILLIAM M. DOUGLASS is the group head and managing director of CIT Corporate Finance,

Healthcare. Previously, he was underwriting manager for the group. He has an MBA from Samford University School of Business.

1995

J. RICHARD "RICK" BROUGHTON earned tenure at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, where he is an associate professor of law. His tenure is effective in August 2014. He teaches in the areas of criminal law, constitutional law, and criminal procedure. His writing focuses on

issues in federal criminal law and the intersection of politics with criminal and constitutional law.

MATTHEW E. MALONE is managing partner of the Charlotte-based private equity firm Succession Capital Partners, which recently opened an office in Norfolk.

JOHN G. MILLS, the owner and creative strategist at Release the Hounds branding agency, was featured in *Richmond BizSense* magazine for the new "Get Some Virginia in Ya" campaign for the Virginia craft beer industry.

1996

MICHAEL S. "MIKE" MORSE is the executive director and show director of the *Kidd Kraddick Morning Show*, a nationally syndicated radio show based in Dallas, Texas. Previously, he was a host on the show *My Carolina Today* on WNCN-TV and co-host and executive producer of *Bob & The Showgram* for more than nine years.

1997

DAVID W. CIAS is an attorney in the Oil and Gas Group at the Houston office of the law firm Thompson & Knight LLP. He earned his J.D. from Southern Methodist University's Dedman School of Law in 2013 and his Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary in 2000.



Tim Mayo '88, Hugo Rodrigues '88, and Sean Oberle '88 (left to right) ran the 200-mile Blue Ridge Relay ultramarathon, September 6-7, 2013.

CARLYSLE L. JOHNSON



completed the second book in his Napoleonic Wars trilogy. *Cold Resistance* traces Napoleon's army through their battles to an end in Moscow.

Currently, he is writing the third book in the trilogy, *Death of an Empire*. His first book, *Wandering Soldier*, and *Cold Resistance* are available on *Amazon.com*.

HAROLD W. "HAL" WELLS IV and his brother **JOSEPH S. "STEVE" WELLS '99** were featured in *The Star News* for their insurance company Harold W. Wells & Son Inc., which was started by their great-grandfather in the early 1920s in Wilmington, North Carolina.

1999

JOHN E. MASON was named senior vice president of StreamCo, a real estate asset management firm in Glen Allen.

BRENT T. WILSON was named sales manager for Crompton International LLC in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He has a J.D. from the Cumberland School of Law.

2000

ROBERT C. "ROBBIE" POTTHARST joined CareMore Health Systems as vice president of business development. He will lead new business development, joint ventures and strategic partnerships with integrated health systems, large physician practices, and health plans with the company.

MORGAN TRIBLE was named first vice president at Commonwealth Commercial Partners in Richmond.

2001

DENNIS R. BISSELL was recently honored as one of the Piedmont Triad's "Top 40 Leaders Under 40" by the University of North



Carolina-Greensboro School of Business and the *Piedmont Business Journal*. Mr. Bissell is a vice president and senior account manager at Lincoln Financial Group in Greensboro.

2003

E. BRYAN HORNER IV and his family relocated to Virginia Beach, where he joined Scott & Stringfellow as a financial advisor.

DAVIS B. HUNT was promoted to director of channel development-intelligence at WorldOne Interactive. Previously, he spent nearly four years as the director of product development with focus on



Len Norman '93 (left) called in this 20-pound gobbler for classmate Skip Hope '93 on Good Friday 2014, in Amelia County. It was a great display of Hampden-Sydney teamwork.



Tom Osgood '78 and Worth Osgood '16, both Sigma Nu brothers, had a successful opening day of turkey season.

Carter B. Myers '95, Entrepreneur and Child Advocate Stopping Bullies and Building Business

More than 3.2 million students are victims of bullying each year, according to the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). This kind of behavior includes physical aggression, threats, teasing, and harassment, and it affects children in all grades.

New technologies and social media, such as text messaging and Snapchat, are tools that bullies sometimes use. But some of those technologies are making it easier for children to reach out for help, too.

In 2014 Carter Myers '95 started the company Txt-AboutIt, which uses text messaging to facilitate anonymous, private conversations between victims and counselors.

“When I initially approached school districts about the issue, although they would admit that there might be some problems related to it, the idea of technology being both a part of the problem and a means to solve the problem was looked at really negatively.” School administrators did not see a place for technology in the schools, so Myers spent many of the early years in “hard-core evangelism,” he says, to promote the technology as both part of the problem and as part of the solution.

Now technology is much more accepted in schools, from allowing students to have cell phones to distributing computer tablets.

Myers says giving a smart phone or a computer to a child with no guidance is like giving

a 16-year-old teenager the keys to a car and saying, “Go learn how to drive.”

“There is so much power behind a web-enabled device that there has to be some education to go along with it.”

Traditional bullying still exists. But a bigger issue, according to Myers, is children using technology to capture on camera the traditional forms of

see kids having really difficult reactions to the issue, even to the point of suicide.”

The technology lets students use any mobile phone to text a short, coded message to the school representative of his choosing, typically a counselor, a teacher, or an administrator. Rather than getting a generic response, the student gets a response from a person he



bullying—fights and humiliation, for example—and then distributing it electronically to an audience that is much broader than the small group who may have actually witnessed the act.

“Now victims have to deal with the shame of it happening to them, and then they have to deal with the wider shame of the distribution of the act to so many people. That’s when you

already knows.

“Students typically don’t believe that our service is real until they get that response from a staff member. As soon as they get that response, that’s when they buy into it. That’s when they start opening up in ways we never expected. We never expected students to say these unbelievably frank and intimate things about cutting and self-injury, about suicidal

ideations, about abuse. That's what was so surprising to us—not just their using it.”

Unless the students reveal their identities or threaten themselves or others, they remain anonymous. There are systems in place so a school can discover the name of the student if necessary, which also helps prevent misuses of the technology, such as submitting false reports.

“People ask me, ‘If you can find out who the student is, why would they use it?’ That’s a fair question, but in my nine years of doing this, I can tell you without a doubt that they do. In fact, more students use the system openly than anonymously. We see this because there is a need for students to reach out. There is a need for a way for students to get past that stigma of needing to get help.”

The technology is moving beyond schools. Community mental health agencies are using it in communities such as Joplin, Missouri, which was devastated by a tornado and left families under severe strain. In those circumstances, adults are using the technology for relief, too.

Just as people are willing to say hurtful things through messaging, they are just as willing to say intimate things about themselves to reach out for mental health assistance.

Myers’ advocacy for victims of bullying has sent him down a winding road. After graduating with a degree in classical studies, he went to law school at the University of Mississippi, but quickly realized he did

not want to practice law. He moved to Washington, D.C., and began working in sales for a technology firm. He helped found a technology company that facilitated grassroots advocacy before he and his wife, Lydia, decided in 2005 to move back to Mississippi, their home state.

“The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 had passed, which required corporations to create basically a whistleblower mechanism. I had been working with major corporations in D.C., and I knew that there was an opportunity there, so I started looking into texting and online messaging. But I found there were a lot of big players in that market who were running 24-hour hotlines; they could have one meeting and introduce a text messaging mechanism that would put me out of business. My mother being a principal at the Episcopal school I attended turned my attention to schools in general. I grew up at my school, so we’ve always had a connection to that world. I don’t really know when the light-bulb moment was, but I knew the technology could be well-used. I just needed to find the population that could significantly benefit.”

Students needed another way to reach out for help, and Myers needed a consumer base.

“I remember after our beta testing thinking, ‘I have no business case saying people will buy it, but I have a usage case that is too compelling to ignore.’ So, like most entrepreneurs, I just risked it and went for it.”

Some of his entrepreneurial spirit came from his days at Hampden-Sydney. He says, “Going to Hampden-Sydney and being in that unique, somewhat isolated environment, you learn to rely on yourself. For someone like me, coming from Mississippi and being dropped off in Virginia, you either have to accept the challenge of where you are and make something special out of it, or you don’t and you leave. Hampden-Sydney gave me the courage to take risky steps, to start businesses that someone else thinks are just nuts.”

Myers also says facing the academic rigor of Hampden-Sydney and his classical studies major—especially his classes with Dr. **James Arieti**—and achieving some level of success in the classroom gave him a great deal of confidence as he entered the workforce.

“I remember my first few jobs after college and I thought, ‘Gosh, I feel really prepared compared to a lot of the people around me.’ I really mean that; I felt very prepared. I didn’t know that walking into it, but I remember thinking, ‘I can do this.’ That confidence came from Hampden-Sydney.”

In recalling his days as a student at Hampden-Sydney, he admits he did not reach out for help when he needed it—nor did he speak up to help other guys he knew were dealing with problems. TxtAboutIt gives young people the chance to do what Myers never did. It also gives him the chance to make great strides in helping children and teens recover from being bullied.

management and innovation of the fast-response market intelligence tool, *www.MedLIVE.com*.

JEFFREY W. MADDUX is an attorney with Chambliss, Bahner & Stophel. He earned his MBA and J.D. from the University of Memphis. He was featured in an article in the *Hamilton County Herald* in which he credits his success to his father.

2005

BENJAMIN D. MUSON was appointed assistant vice president of Old Point National Bank and is now the branch officer in the Ghent area of Norfolk.



2006

CHARLES N. LEDFORD was named branch manager for W & O Supply in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

2007



COREY B. MILES (at right, with U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador Adam Namm) is a Peace Corps volunteer in Ecuador.

GRAY E. PENDLETON was appointed to the North Carolina State Licensing Board for General Contractors. He is an account executive and financial advisor with Pendleton Financial.

THOMAS P. WATSON is part of the sales team at Acme Paper & Supply Company in Richmond.

2010

HUNTER HOPCROFT was featured in *The Richmond Times-Dispatch* for his new store Harvest Grocery & Supply, which he opened in Richmond's Fan district.

ANDREW A. KOCHAN was named *sous chef* at Marigold Kitchen, a New American restaurant



Marshall Manson '96 (left) of Ogilvy Public Relations in London ran into Tuck Shumack '95 of Ogilvy Government Relations during a visit to Washington, D.C.



History teachers David Riddick '77 (left) and Hugh Meagber (right) welcomed U.S. Congressman Robert Hurt '91 to their classes at The Miller School of Albemarle this spring.



Andrew Kochan '10 left a career in finance to pursue his passion for creating fine cuisine. He is a sous chef at Marigold Kitchen in Philadelphia.

in Philadelphia. The kitchen has enjoyed numerous accolades and rankings both in the city of Philadelphia and nationally.

JAMES B. "JIMMY" WOOD is an attorney with Wilcox Savage in Richmond. He earned his J.D. from the University of Richmond School of Law.

2013

AARON VAN ALLEN is the district representative for U.S. Congressman Bob Goodlatte's Lynchburg office.

Advanced Studies

2004

ADAM D. FORSBERG earned a Master of Science in accountancy in December 2013 from Wake Forest University. He also successfully completed the CPA exam and is awaiting certification.

MARTIN J. SCHMIDT completed his Ph.D. in neuroscience at Vanderbilt University. He is pursuing postdoctoral training at Washington University in St. Louis.

2006

SCOTT M. RANEY earned his law degree from the Louisiana State University Paul M. Herbert Law Center in May 2013.

2008

JUSTIN D. KEY was awarded one of only two full scholarships for The Jon Brumley Texas Venture Lab at the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin.

2009

TODD M. MAGEE graduated from both the Louisiana State University Paul M. Herbert Law Center and College of Business in May 2013.

2010

CASPER H. TIMBERLAKE IV is pursuing a master's degree in accounting at Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

2011

WILLIAM RIGGENBACH is a student at Regent Law School in Virginia Beach. (See Births.)

Weddings

1998

JAMES CLIFFORD GOFORTH II and **ELIZABETH ANN McGEE** were married on June 21, 2013, on the beach in Riviera Maya, Mexico. In attendance were **Andy York '98**, **Hunter Irby '97**, and **Vance Tysor III '98**. The bride earned a master's in reading education from the University of Colorado at Denver and works as a reading education specialist with Holly Graves & Associates. The groom earned a Master of Business Administration from The University of Denver and works as the manager of credit and commodity trading risk with Xcel Energy. They live in Denver.

2006

RICHARD PIERCE BUCKINGHAM V and **SARAH DENHAM HANSEL** were married on June 22, 2013, in Little Compton, Rhode Island. In attendance were **Doug LaBrosse '06**, **Tom Melton '06**, **Scott Raney '06**, and **Billy Allison '06**. The bride

is a graduate of the University of Virginia and works as an exercise rider for Darley Stables. The groom is an assistant trainer at Darley. They live in Aiken, South Carolina.

HUNTER LEE ROOKER and **JACKLYN CHLOE BRASCHLER** were married on September 1, 2013, in Cary, North Carolina. The bride is a graduate of Florida State University and has a master's degree in accounting from North Carolina State University. She is a certified public accountant and manager with the Assurance practice at Ernst and Young. The groom earned a master's degree in accounting from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and is an internal auditor at Cisco Systems. They live in Raleigh.

2007

BERKELEY C. LEONARD and **ELIZABETH "BETSY" PRENGAMAN** were married on June 22, 2013, at Watkins Bell Tower at Hampden-Sydney College. College Chaplain Rev. **David Keck** officiated. Alumni in attendance included **Matt Munsey '05**, **Andrew Wall '07**, **Ben Agee '05**, **Jason**



At the wedding of Pierce Buckingham '06 and Sarah Hansel on June 22, 2013.



At the wedding of Berkeley Leonard '07 and Betsy Prengaman on June 22, 2013.

Rostan '03, Scott McAdams '07, Kerry Burke '07, Steven D'Antonio '07, Matt Guill '06, Jayson Hanky '06, Rucker Snead '81, Davis Yake '08, Drew Prehmus '08, and John Apperson '08, as well as many members of the Hampden-Sydney community. The bride attended York

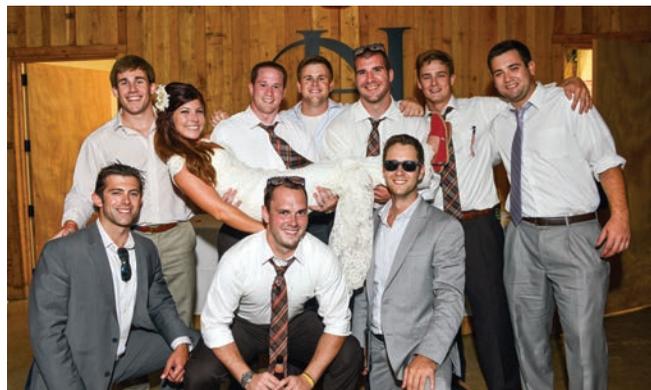
College and works at Hampden-Sydney as the director of the Fitness Center and head coach of the cross country and swim teams. The groom is associate dean of admissions at the College. They live in Farmville with their sons, Gabe and Isaiah.



At the wedding of James Goforth and Elizabeth McGee on June 21, 2013.



At the wedding of Lawrence Weber and Patton Ellis on October 12, 2013.



At the wedding of Kevin Morrison and Megan Longtain on October 5, 2013.

ANDREW JOHN MITAKIDES and **RACHEL DAVIS** were married on October 25, 2013. The bride is a graduate of Sweet Briar College. They live in Washington, D.C.

2008

LAWRENCE KIRKWOOD WEBER IV and **PATTON LEIGH ELLIS** were married on October 12, 2013, at Christ Episcopal Church in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. The bride is a graduate of the University of Georgia and works as an implementation consultant at Black Diamond Performance Reporting, LLC. The groom is a financial advisor in the global wealth and investment management group at Merrill Lynch. They live in Jacksonville, Florida.

2009

KEVIN BLAKE MORRISON and **MEGAN LONGTAIN** were married on October 5, 2013, at Old House Vineyards in Culpeper. In attendance were **Brett Wilson '09**, **Andrew Sellers '09**, **T.C. Stevens '09**, **Josh Simpson '09**, **Luke Swiney '09**, **Hall Toledano '09**, **Craig Warnement '10**, and **Joey Omick '10**. The bride is a graduate of Radford University and works as a food sourcing coordinator for Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee. The groom is a senior financial analyst with Mountain States Health Alliance. They live in Johnson City, Tennessee.

2010

JAMES CAMPBELL DARLING and **ALYSSA CHRISTINE ANDERSON** were married on June 15, 2013, at College Church in Hampden-Sydney. In attendance were **Cooper Anderson '10** (brother of the bride), **Michael Crincoli '10**, **Willis Davis '10**, **Tyler Gray '10**, **Paul Brammer '11**, and **Brian Kern '10**. The bride is the daughter of chemistry Professor **C. William Anderson** and Kathleen Anderson and a graduate of the University of Miami. She is completing a master's program in marine science at Virginia Commonwealth University. The groom is an associate wealth management advisor with Fitzgerald, Forder & Hailes in Richmond.

2011

STUART GRAY GILCHRIST and **EMILY RUTH ROBERTSON** were married on September 28, 2013, at Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke. Groomsmen included **Douglas Vermilya '11** and **Sidney Vermilya '12**. The bride is a graduate of Roanoke College and works as a

CPA for Dixon Hughes Goodman. The groom is a territory manager for Ferguson Enterprises. They live in Richmond.

2013

CHRISTOPHER M. YENNEY, JR., and **KALEIGH ROSE GILLILAND** were married on November 16, 2013, at Our Lady of

Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. The bride is a graduate of James Madison University and a graduate student at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. The groom works for Wolsley Industrial. They live in Cary, North Carolina.

CHRISTOPHER TOPP DEEN and **KINDALL A. STEVENSON** were married on March 15, 2014, at the Bolling-Haxall House in Richmond, Virginia. In attendance were **Cameron Marshall '13**, **Tyler Lange '12**, **Damian Booker '12**, **Malik Springer '12**, **Joshua Chung '12**, **Christopher Rhodes '12**, **Ben Rhodes '15**, **Grant Gubbins '16**, **Michael Gubbins '14**, **Phillip Smith '13**, **Patrick Adams '13**, **Chris Finton '09**, **John Bishop, Jr. '13**, **James Hendrickson '15**, **Felix Sermon III '15**, **Cody Castelvecci '13**, **Greg Knabel '13**, **Joshua Gaskill '14**, **Kenny Strum '14**, **Andrew Gass '16**, **Joey Wilkinson '13**, **Willis Honeycutt '13**, and **Joe Lannetti '11**. The bride is a graduate of Longwood University; she works in the Marketing and Communications Department at Hampden-Sydney College. The groom works for Distribution International in Richmond. They live in Midlothian.



At the wedding of James Darling and Alyssa Anderson on June 15, 2013.



At the wedding of Stuart Gilchrist and Emily Robertson on September 28, 2013.



At the wedding of Andrew John Mitakides '07 and Rachel Davis on October 25, 2013.



At the wedding of Christopher Deen and Kindall Stevenson on March 15, 2014.

Births

2000

To Dr. **JEREMIAH W. JOHN** and **STEPHANIE JOHN**, a son, Jasper Ephraim John, on September 30, 2013.

2001

To **GREG** and **CHRISTINE YUSI**, a son, Oliver Yusi, on April 18, 2013. They live in San Diego, California.

2002



To Drs. **RYAN** and **SARAH FITZGERALD**, a daughter, Eden Rhys Fitzgerald, on October 13, 2012. They live in Greenville, South Carolina.



To **DANIEL** and **KATIE LeGRANDE**, a daughter, Virginia Page "Ginny" LeGrande, on June 16, 2013. They live in Virginia Beach.

2006



To **NATHANIEL** and **RACHEL PHILLIPS**, a son, Richard Ambrose Phillips, on September 25, 2013. They live near Raleigh, North Carolina.

2008

To **TY** and **KATHERINE LAWSON**, a son, Benjamin Rucker Lawson, on September 10, 2013. They live in Roanoke.



To **WHIT** and **ASHLEY JACOBS**, a son, Landon Carter Jacobs, on August 5, 2013. They live in Orange.

2009



To **ASHLEIGH** and **JESSICA KIMMONS**, a son, Edwin Thomas Kimmons, on January 13, 2013. He joins his brother Arden at their home in Middletown.

2011



To **WILL** and **JESSICA RIGGENBACH**, a son, Davis Henry Rigggenbach, on November 22, 2013. They live in Virginia Beach.

Deaths

1938

Dr. **FRANK MARCELLUS RIPBERGER, JR.**, of Charlottesville died on April 17, 2014. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and the Army Air Corps. He was a graduate of the medical school at University of Virginia and practiced as a pediatrician in Alexandria for many years. In 1967, he moved to Charlottesville as an internist at UVA's Student Health Department, where he worked for 20 years.

1943

Dr. **SAMUEL S. JONES** of Tucson, Arizona, died on April 11, 2014. He graduated at the top of his class at Hampden-Sydney and enrolled at Cornell University, where he was enlisted to work on part of the Manhattan Project. He joined the Army and worked on a trigger mechanism for the project in a secret laboratory in Dayton, Ohio. After the war, he returned to Cornell to earn his Ph.D. He worked in the nuclear power industry for much of his career. He retired in 1996. In 1984, Dr. Jones endowed the Samuel S. Jones Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship in the Natural Sciences. He also has endowed the Samuel S. Jones Phi Beta Kappa Award for Intellectual Excellence to recognize outstanding student research.

1948

ROGER W. DUDLEY of Falls Church died on February 6, 2014. He was a graduate of Washington

& Lee University and was the chairman *emeritus* of The Heritage Collections Ltd.

1949

Capt. **RICHARD NOEL HARRIS** of Richmond died on April 18, 2014. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia Law School and served in the U.S. Naval Intelligence and Reserves, retiring as a captain. After working as an assistant attorney general of Virginia, he was appointed the first director of Justice and Crime Prevention for the Department of Criminal Justice of Virginia.

RICHARD DUNKLEY HUDSON of Stuart died on November 12, 2013. He attended Virginia Military Institute and Hampden-Sydney before graduating from the Medical College of Virginia. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and was the owner and operator of Hudson's Drug Store for more than 47 years.

1950

The Rev. **RUSSELL REID DAVIS** of Richmond died on December 11, 2013. He was a retired Presbyterian minister who served congregations in both Virginia and North Carolina.

WILLIAM DAYTON DIXON, JR., of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, died on March 12, 2014. He was an Army veteran of World War II and a graduate of the Wharton School of Business.

JOHN D. FIELD of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Palmer Springs died on April 18, 2014. He was a graduate of the University of Hawaii and a World War II veteran. He had a lifelong career in the telecom industry and retired from Hawaiian Telephone/GTE in 1986.

Dr. **ROY DAVIS GREENE** of Greenville, South Carolina, died on March 20, 2013. He was a teacher, a principal, and an assistant superintendent of education in Greenville County.

JAMES L. HAZELGROVE of Virginia Beach died on December 4, 2013.

WILLIAM DRAKE HIGGS of Isle of Palms, South Carolina, died on March 19, 2013. He was a veteran of the Korean War, a graduate of the University of Richmond, and a retired certified

public accountant. He was the business manager for WTVD-TV in Durham, North Carolina, for more than 30 years.

1951

WILLIAM CRONE PEAKE of Newport News died on March 30, 2014. He worked for Ferguson Enterprises for 40 years and retired as a senior vice president. He was recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Award from Warwick Rotary Club.



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1952

JAKE E. WILLIAMS of Elberta, Alabama, died on July 7, 2012. He was a retired customer service engineer with Phillips Petroleum. Mr. Williams was also a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War.

1953

ALBERT C. FORD of Newport News died on February 26, 2014. He worked at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company and retired from John J. McMullen & Associates.

1954

JAMES I. SLAYDON of Roanoke died on January 15, 2014. He earned his master's degree from the Wharton School of Business and worked his entire career at Charles Lunsford Insurance Agency. He is the father of Mark Slaydon '84.

1955

WILLIAM H. DAUGHTREY, JR., of Richmond died on February 1, 2014. He was a graduate of the T.C. Williams School of Law and served in the U.S. Army JAG Corps. He was retired as a professor *emeritus* from the VCU School of Business.



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1959

WILLIAM CARLTON "POKEY" McCLURE, JR., of Buchanan died on March 8, 2014. He retired

as a maintenance superintendent for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

1966

R. STEDMAN "TED" OAKLEY, JR., of Charlottesville died on February 9, 2014. He was chairman of the board of Stedman House, an interior design firm. After Hampden-Sydney, he studied architectural history at the University of Virginia.



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1985

WILLIAM PATRICK KELLY, JR., of Upper Marlboro, Maryland, died on October 31, 2013. He earned his J.D. from the University of Baltimore Law School and his LL.M. in real property development from the University of Miami School of Law. He was an attorney specializing in real estate and commercial transactions.

1997

JOSHUA B. BREWER of Raleigh, North Carolina, died on March 29, 2014. He was a graduate of North Carolina State University and earned his MBA from East Carolina University. Mr. Brewer was founder and co-owner of Lane Bradford Building Company.

2006

SIMON T. EVERETT of Raleigh, North Carolina, died on June 12, 2014. He was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity and earned his MBA from Wake Forest University. Everett was an assistant scout master for the Boy Scouts, a youth advisor for White Memorial Presbyterian Church, and was involved with Kiwanis, Rotary Club, Step Up Ministry, and other community organizations. Everett was a founding partner of Walk to State LLC, a property management company.



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Digging Up Daguerreotypes

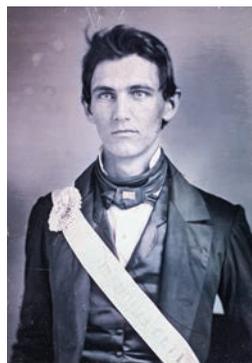
EARLY ALUMNI STILL LOOKING SHARP



Likely to commemorate their graduation from Hampden-Sydney College, seven seniors from the Class of 1851 had their images transposed onto silver-coated, copper plates by one of the few daguerreotypists in the antebellum South, **George W. Minnis** of Petersburg. Discovered by relic collectors and placed on the auction block, the “quarter plates” and a calligraphic card listing their partial names was acquired by the College this year through the auspices of alumni donors. The images themselves may appear unremarkable, but they have at least one, notable distinction: They are the earliest known photographs of any persons associated with Hampden-Sydney.



Archived records provided by Dr. **Cyrus I. Dillon, III**, director of the Bortz Library, confirm these men were classmates, and their ribbons and sashes indicate membership to the Union Society or Philanthropic Society, precursors to the present-day Union-Philanthropic Society. Alumni records revealed their full names: **William Caruthers** of Prince Edward; **Robert A. Dabney** of Powhatan, state legislator and professor at University of the South; **Thomas J. Garden** of Charlotte, Confederate soldier; **John D. Meredith** of Buckingham; **Isaac A. Paul** of Nelson, lawyer and captain in the Confederate army; **Samuel A. Selden** of Norfolk, doctor; and **John B. Shearer** of Appomattox, preacher and cofounder of Southwestern Presbyterian University.



Despite enduring the tedious and delicate chemical procedure more than 163 years ago, the plates still portray clear and defined images of the alumni. Today we have a glimpse into their styles and dress, adding to the photographic history of the College and gaining “a personal connection” with our fellow graduates, as Dillon described.

Because the plates lack individual labels, the College is unable to match the names with the plates. If any alumni, descendants, or amateur sleuths can provide more information on these gentlemen, please contact Dillon at cdillon@hsc.edu or (434) 223-6197.