Seven years from now, we will celebrate the 250th anniversary of Hampden-Sydney’s founding. To prepare for that milestone, we will use the coming years to reflect on important aspects of our College’s heritage and legacy—moments in our past that made us the College we are today. The 2018-19 academic year is itself an important anniversary year for at least four major events that contributed in significant ways to shaping who we are as a College.

This is the 40th anniversary of our Rhetoric Program in its current form, though we can proudly trace Hampden-Sydney’s emphasis on rhetoric all the way back to its founding. The possibilities are endless for young men who know how to think critically and express themselves well, so we take great pride in this keystone of our academic program. We will soon break ground on the Center for Rhetoric and Communication, which we look forward to dedicating next spring.

2018 is also the 40th anniversary of the publication of To Manner Born, To Manners Bred. Subtitled “A Hip-pocket Guide to Etiquette for the Hampden-Sydney Man,” this booklet is much more than an etiquette guide. In his epilogue to the most recent edition, Thomas H. Shomo ’69 tells us that “character” is derived from a Greek word meaning “to shape, cut furrows, engrave.” The greater value of this book is in reminding us of the ethos of the Hampden-Sydney brotherhood and that the character of a gentleman is cut into the furrows of his life and engraved on his heart.

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of the enrollment of the College’s first African-American student, Alphonso “Pat” O’Neil-White ’72. At a time when we as a nation are as conflicted as ever about race, this anniversary challenges us to examine how far our society has come in the last 50 years, and it also begs us to focus on the important, hard work that remains for us to do if we are to have a truly inclusive College and nation.

Finally, this year marks the 50th anniversary of Gilmer Hall. Costing just over $2 million—or nearly 2.5 times its original estimate of $850,000—Gilmer Hall was quickly dubbed the “science palace” by Hampden-Sydney students in the late 60s and early 70s. While we celebrate the innumerable contributions of faculty members who have taught and conducted research in this building and we honor the accomplishments of the many students they have mentored, we are also developing plans to address the future needs of our science curriculum, faculty members, and students.

As with other recent editions of the Record, in this issue we are pleased to share stories that exemplify the vitality of our educational program, the wealth of experiences we offer our students, and the good work of our alumni. We also look forward to welcoming many alumni, parents, and friends of the College back to the Hill for our fall athletic season.

Dr. Larry Stimpert
President, Hampden-Sydney College
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Entrepreneurs Tate Socha ‘18 (left) and Luis Torres ‘18 (right) founded Fully Stocked, a concierge grocery service, during their senior year at Hampden-Sydney. (Photo by Courtney Vogel)
After a delayed flight, lengthy taxi ride, and two-hour wait for the keys to his vacation rental, Luis Torres ’18 found himself in a situation that many vacationers will recognize: tired and hungry in an unfamiliar city, he finally made it to his Airbnb only to discover an empty refrigerator and the local grocery stores closed for the night. “My first day in Prague was such a hassle,” says Luis, who visited the city during a semester abroad in Valencia, Spain. “I remember thinking, ‘There has to be an easier way to start a vacation.’” So, when a Hampden-Sydney classmate brought up the idea of a grocery service geared for vacation rentals, Luis knew he had found the right business partner in Joseph “Tate” Socha ’18.

The two economics majors spent their senior year preparing to launch Fully Stocked, a concierge company that facilitates the purchase, delivery, and stocking of groceries in vacation units before tenants arrive. By April of 2018, Luis and Tate had been selected for two entrepreneurship contests and were preparing for a whirlwind 48 hours, starting with a live pitch competition at Charlottesville’s Tom Tom Festival and ending with Hampden-Sydney’s Tiger’s Den Competition. One of only 15 teams chosen for the American Evolution Innovators Cup at the Tom Tom Festival, the Hampden-Sydney team presented a three-minute pitch before a live audience and a panel of judges, followed by a three-minute Q&A session. The pair had just a few hours to take advantage of the festival’s valuable networking opportunities, then it was back to H-SC, where Fully Stocked was one of four teams vying for a $1,000 prize and an investment of up to $15,000 from the Hampden-Sydney Venture Fund.
This year’s Tiger’s Den Competition was notable for its breadth and depth, with pitches for social-entrepreneurship ventures as well as traditional supply-and-demand start-ups. In addition to Fully Stocked, Tiger’s Den finalists included Pan Clothing, a socially-conscious fashion company founded by Jacky Cheng ’18 and Tanner Beck ’18 with the purpose of supplying textbooks to impoverished schools; Turtle Sense, affordable technology to monitor and protect sea turtle nests while creating ecotourism opportunities, presented by Kyler Vela ’18; and Randolph & Overstreet, a full-service importer and retailer of antique and bespoke European sporting arms founded by Phillip Beatty ’18 and Zane Moody ’18.

A panel of alumni judges—all entrepreneurs themselves—faced a difficult task in selecting a winner among the four finalists. “This is my second time participating in the Tiger’s Den event,” says Brian Church ’98, co-founder and CEO of TheStartup.com, “and the quality of this year’s plans—coupled with the critical thinking it took to find real solutions that consumers are willing to pay for—was very impressive. I wouldn’t be surprised to see several of them reach significant revenues.”

Dave Carter ’93, co-founder and CEO of the Graphic Cow, agrees: “All of the young men were passionate about their particular businesses and proved they were ready to take the ventures from concept, to execution, to the finish line.”

Just like Luis and Tate’s idea for Fully Stocked, each of this year’s business ventures was inspired by the students’ personal experience, from Hampden-Sydney-sponsored internships to family hunting traditions. The genesis of Pan Clothing, for example, was a College-sponsored Beyond the Hill service trip to the Dominican Republic, where Jacky and Tanner had the opportunity to visit a village primary school. “We were shocked to see an entire classroom sharing just one textbook,” the young men explain in their business plan. “We were even more shocked to find out that this is a problem not just in the Dominican Republic, but around the world.” To combat the problem, Pan Clothing donates five textbooks for every item of clothing it sells; within a few months of its launch, Pan donated over 2,200 textbooks to primary schools in Haiti.

The Tiger’s Den Competition grew out of a Shark Tank-inspired IDEAS competition in Dr. Greg Dempster’s BUSN 223: Entrepreneurial Thinking class, where student teams develop business plans over the course of a semester and pitch their ideas to alumni judges. First held in 2012, the Tiger’s Den has proven successful in launching young entrepreneurs like Busky Cider owner Will Correll ’13 and Buzz.Report co-founder Adam O’Donnell ’12, as well as reconnecting alumni entrepreneurs like Todd Flemming ’85 and Dr. Larry Caplin ’86 with the College.

Tiger’s Den finalists compete for an investment of up to $15,000 from the Hampden-Sydney Venture Fund, which provides capital to start-up ventures that have recently launched or are close to launch. The contest is open to current Hampden-Sydney students as well as recent alumni of the College. Alumni with class years 2014-2018 are encouraged to apply by January 2019 for next April’s competition. Visit hsc.edu/entrepreneurship/venture-fund or contact Dr. Justin Isaacs ’95 at jisaacs@hsc.edu for more information.
Kyler’s passion for endangered sea turtles also originated on a College-sponsored experience, a summer internship with Dr. Erin Clabough, assistant professor of biology, at the Hatteras Island Ocean Center on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. There, Kyler worked to protect sea turtle nests with a low-powered, inexpensive monitoring system that makes it possible to predict hatching dates within a window of just a few days. The Turtle Sense technology enables humans and sea turtles to share the beaches of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore in a mutually beneficial manner. In addition to protecting the turtle eggs and hatchlings, Turtle Sense reduces beach closures, creates ecotourism activities, and enables scientific research.

It was a shared interest in upland-bird hunting that first connected the founders of Randolph & Overstreet, who grew up immersed in the hunting traditions of the American South. Neither of the young men expected to start a business right after college—Phillip, a history and classics major at Hampden-Sydney, planned a career in finance or commercial real estate, while Zane, a government major, expected to attend law school. But when the pair discovered a niche market for fine European firearms among American sportsmen and a ready supply of the specialty guns in the U.K. market, they decided to follow their passion into the industry. “Our conversations with Hampden-Sydney alumni who started their own businesses convinced us that this was a viable option right out of college,” Phillip says. “It was the right time for us to do this.”

The Tiger’s Den judges were impressed not only by the creativity of this year’s business plans, but by the students’ preparation, presentation, and quick thinking on their feet. “The students had done the research needed to launch, and every presenter was distinguished and genteel,” notes Church. “As someone who sees about 1,000 deals a year, I rarely attend a contest where I can say that each finalist was investible as a person. Hey—it’s Hampden-Sydney and the lads did not disappoint!”

Equally appreciated was the young men’s willingness to admit what they didn’t know, according to both Church and Carter. “Our job as judges is to challenge the entrepreneurs and help them find the holes in their ideas,” Carter explains. “Although they did a good job anticipating challenging questions, we did come up with some scenarios they hadn’t considered. What impressed me most—and I think it is indicative of Hampden-Sydney culture—was the students’ honesty and candor. Instead of trying to gloss over something, they were candid about saying, ‘That’s a great question. We need to take some time to think about that.’”

The judges themselves required some time to choose a winner among the four viable business plans, but ultimately it was Fully Stocked, Tate and Luis’ concierge...
grocery service geared for vacationers, that emerged from the Tiger’s Den in first place. “The definition of entrepreneurship is identifying a problem and trying to be a solution for that problem,” says Carter. “I loved the fact that Tate and Luis were interested in making vacation a positive experience by providing a resource for the family that had a stressful day getting settled into their vacation rental.” With its mission to provide the most valuable luxury—time—to its customers, Fully Stocked recognizes that consumers don’t just demand goods and services, they demand convenience—and they’re willing to pay for it.

Regardless of the final outcome, contest participants agree that the Tiger’s Den process enabled them to launch a business in the midst of completing their Hampden-Sydney degrees. Firm deadlines provided accountability in researching commercial viability, completing financial projections, and testing products and services, while mentorship opportunities through the College’s Flemming Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation provided crucial guidance and feedback. The founders of Fully Stocked and Randolph & Overstreet, in particular, made good use of the Center’s flex office space and took full advantage of the Center’s Entrepreneur-in-Residence, Daniel Morris. An attorney who has founded several successful companies and worked extensively with start-up incubators, Morris helped the student entrepreneurs identify potential pitfalls and practical solutions throughout the process.

Dr. Justin Isaacs ’95, interim director of the Flemming Center for Entrepreneurship and professor of business and economics, believes that entrepreneurship and the liberal arts complement each other well. “A liberal arts institution like Hampden-Sydney forces students to think critically and apply different methods across the curriculum to solve problems and draw conclusions,” says Isaacs. “These tools are exactly those necessary for successful venture creation.” He continues, “The Flemming Center enhances the skills already being developed by the College to give students with an interest in entrepreneurship the opportunity to learn technical skills necessary to start their own businesses.” And the students who make it to the Tiger’s Den have an even greater advantage, according to Isaacs. “Having students work through the entire entrepreneurial process from idea creation to the final stages of business development and financing cultivates a degree of independent self-reliance,” he explains, “which gives them a true advantage, regardless of their aspirations after Hampden-Sydney.”

The founders of Fully Stocked are also quick to point out the value of the entrepreneurial process. For Tate,
the past year increased his self-confidence and tested his resolve. “I had toyed around with business ideas before, but sitting down for nine months to work out a business plan, pitch to investors, speak in front of crowds—those experiences taught me so much along the way,” he says. “I’ve learned the meaning of commitment. At this point, Fully Stocked is more than just an idea, more than just a project. It has become a mission.”

Two months after commencement, each of the proposed start-ups continues to grow. In addition to launching their services in Virginia Beach and Ocean City, Fully Stocked has secured partnerships with individual property owners and a rental agency in the Virginia Beach market. Now fully licensed to import and sell firearms, Randolph & Overstreet offers antique English double-barrel shotguns on commission and has entered an exclusive partnership with a Scottish manufacturer of high-end, custom-made sporting arms. Pan Clothing—which has already produced its first apparel with an overseas manufacturer, secured sales, and entered a philanthropic partnership with an established charity—continues to grow its customer base through social media influencers and pop-up events. And the investment in Turtle Sense technology that Kyler pitched has become a pilot program for Hampden-Sydney’s proposed experiential learning initiative, with four H-SC student interns using the technology at the Hatteras Island Ocean Center this summer. (Visit hsc.edu/hatteras-internship to read more about the students’ work on Hatteras Island.)

For the alumni who mentor Hampden-Sydney’s student entrepreneurs or serve as judges in the IDEAS and Tiger’s Den competitions, the experience is both a chance to give back to their alma mater and a confirmation of H-SC’s vital mission. “Having the opportunity to return to campus and re-live the past while having a small part in empowering someone’s future is something I cherish and hope to continue for a long time to come,” says Church.

Carter feels the same way. “I love getting back to campus and interacting with students, and I’m always impressed by what I see,” he says. “In a time where many people feel like college students are changing, the culture is changing, and technology is changing, Hampden-Sydney College is still developing great young men. The College’s values and mission are needed now, more than ever.”
ON THE HUNT
FOR A GOOD CAUSE

BY KAREN E. HUGGARD

[All photos courtesy of Mike Luter '95]
Entrepreneur, outdoor enthusiast, family man, youth baseball coach: whatever Michael D. Luter ’94 sets his mind to, he pursues with energy, passion, and dogged determination. And Luter’s latest venture is no exception. Inspired by his love of the outdoors and his deep appreciation for the U.S. military, this Hampden-Sydney man has started a new family tradition to give back to those who serve our nation.

Now in its fifth year, the Legacy Ranch Tower Shoot provides a day of camaraderie and sportsmanship to wounded or injured service members and veterans in the Hampton Roads region. Luter and his family join forces with the national charity Freedom Hunters to put on the annual event, which has quickly grown into the organization’s largest event of its kind nationwide. The hunt allows both veterans and active-duty men and women a chance to participate in a social, familiar activity outside of a military or hospital setting, Luter says, hopefully lending a sense of normalcy to their lives.

“I live in an area with thousands of veterans, and I have seen the toll that military service can take on a soldier’s mind, body, and family,” says Luter, whose own son-in-law recently returned from deployment with the U.S. Navy. “If my family and I can make a difference in just one soldier’s life by giving him or her a normal day,” he says, “then we have accomplished our goal.” Luter goes on to cite a sobering statistic from the Department of Veterans Affairs: the United States loses approximately 21 veteran and active-duty service members to suicide each day.

Before the hunt each year, he says, “my family and I pray that the Legacy Ranch Tower Shoot can help reduce that number, if only for a single day.”

Mike Luter ’94 welcomes veterans to the 2018 Legacy Ranch Tower Shoot.

The Legacy Ranch Tower Shoot begins bright and early with steaming coffee, gourmet doughnuts, and a safety presentation entitled “Shoot the Birds and Not Your Buds.” By 10 a.m., everyone’s focus is on the 240 pheasants soon to be released in the tower-shoot-style hunt. Approximately 40 hunters ranging in age from their early twenties to their late sixties take to the fields of a private hunting preserve just outside Suffolk, several outfitted with specially-constructed track chairs to help them navigate the uneven terrain. Participants hail from multiple military branches, many having seen combat in Vietnam, Iraq, or Afghanistan. All have sustained injuries—some are wheelchair users with visible injuries, others suffer from invisible wounds such as PTSD. Regardless of their differing circumstances, however, the hunters spend the day connecting with each other and sharing stories from their time in the service.

After several hours of shooting, the group reconvenes for a homemade lunch courtesy of Judy, Luter’s wife, and Keith Blythe, a close friend “despite being an R-MC
Their cowboy chili and warm apple cake served over an open fire are perennial favorites. Also popular are the prizes and giveaways, which include tickets to athletic events, bottles of specialty bourbon, and top-of-the-line hunting and fishing gear. By the end of the day, the harvested pheasants are ready for the hunters to take home, cleaned and dressed by Luter’s sons.

It takes an army of volunteers to put on the Legacy Ranch Tower Shoot each year, most of whom are either family members, close friends, or parents from the two youth baseball teams that Luter has enthusiastically coached for the past 11 years. “I could not do it without them,” says Luter, whose wife and children are involved in every aspect of planning and executing the hunt. “Seeing my family work together to give back to our soldiers makes my heart burst with pride.” In fact, the event’s name is a nod to the couple’s intent to continue the shoot for years to come through their children and, eventually, grandchildren. Luter explains, “I want this hunt to be part of the legacy I leave behind—something that continues long after I’m gone.”

Luter didn’t always have the time or the means to pour into such a labor-intensive event. In 2006, the entrepreneur left a secure job in the environmental services industry to start his own company, taking equity out of his personal residence to buy his first vacuum truck and pitching his business plan to five different banks before one took a chance on his start-up. It wasn’t easy—Luter was in the field doing the dirty work for the first year—but Arrowhead Environmental Services quickly turned a profit. Still, he remembers thinking, “I’ve got a biology degree from Hampden-Sydney College, I’ve got an MBA from Averett University, and I’m cleaning sludge out of an industrial tank at three in the morning.”

Twelve years later, though, Arrowhead Environmental employs a staff of 34 and counts companies like DuPont and Anheuser-Busch among its clients. With a commitment to safety, customer service, and giving back to its employees and community, the accolades are rolling in for Luter’s company. Most recently, Entrepreneur magazine ranked Arrowhead 178th among the “Best Entrepreneurial Companies in America,” one of only eight Virginia companies named to the list. Other recognition includes two appearances on Inc. Magazine’s Inc. 5000 list of fastest growing U.S. companies, television coverage on the Ion network show The World’s Greatest, and regional awards like Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal’s Roaring 20 List and their Entrepreneurial Excellence Award. “It takes ten years to be an overnight success,” laughs Luter, “but things are falling into place really well.”

Also an owner of a consulting firm, ONE Environment Group, Luter runs his businesses with the same integrity and work ethic that he encountered at Hampden-Sydney, where he learned that a man’s word and his handshake still had merit in the world. “From the time I walked onto
campus,” Luter recalls, “I was treated like an adult and held accountable by professors who expected hard work and accepted no excuses.” Coming out of a small, rural high school that sent only a handful of graduates on to four-year institutions, Luter claims he was unprepared for the rigors of Hampden-Sydney academics. But professors like Dr. William Shear made the difference for Luter, who was the first of his family to attend college. “Dr. Shear knew I did not come from a strong academic background, but he made me focus on what I could be, rather than on what I was. His constant encouragement and no-nonsense approach pushed me to be better. It changed my way of thinking and, ultimately, my life,” he says.

Despite the demands of his growing business, Luter still finds time to indulge another great passion: the outdoors. Always a hunting and fishing enthusiast, Luter has pursued increasingly extreme outdoor adventures in recent years, such as a week of solo turkey hunting in Mexico’s Yucatan jungle and a backcountry excursion hunting Dall sheep in Alaska. The latter proved to be the most mentally and physically challenging experience of his life, according to Luter. From their base camp at an elevation of 2,500 feet, he and a guide covered 8-10 miles and approximately 4,500 feet of vertical elevation each day. On their sixth day off the grid, Luter says, “We crested a mountain and encountered a wall of snow with just enough time to hunker down in a hole for about four hours.” The pair eventually made it back to their base camp well after dark, but the next four days were a whiteout of snow and sleet that delayed their extraction by several days. “I wanted the deep-wilderness, off-the-grid experience,” Luter says with a chuckle, “and I certainly got it!”

Always pushing himself, always challenging his comfort zones, Luter approaches each area of life with the same energy and attitude that helped him succeed as an undergraduate at Hampden-Sydney College, whether it’s building a successful business or investing time and talent in his local community. With his determination to leave a legacy of giving back—especially to wounded veterans and service members—Mike Luter is living out the College’s ideal of a good man and a good citizen.

“If my family and I can make a difference in just one soldier’s life by giving him or her a normal day, then we have accomplished our goal.”
I was out on the road late at night when Dr. Victor N. Cabas, Jr.'s grin parted his greying goatee, unmistakably sharing a deep memory, even though I couldn't know any of the particulars. The headlights of the Lincoln Town Car that Victor Senior had given his son to drive from the Pacific coast to Faber, Virginia, illuminated one of those lonely, shot-up signs on I-40 that tells you just how far you are from your destination on a long-distance-in-a-short-time cross-country road trip. On December 30, 2004, the lights of Albuquerque were dimming in the rear view mirror, about a thousand miles from my drop off in Nashville, and Vic sang, “I've been from Tucson to Tucumcari,” amazingly the only lyrics I heard over two 16-hour days in the car.
Since his death, I’ve gladly realized that my bond with Victor wasn’t all that special… or rather it was, but profound relationships founded on unique shared interests were actually the hallmark of the rapport Vic built. When about a hundred friends gathered in May to spread his ashes on a hill atop a semi-wooded pasture overlooking the house he’d called home for four decades, the celebrants of Dr. Cabas’ life included students who spanned his entire teaching career, colleagues, music buddies, Nelson County neighbors, and young children who made exception to their “no adults allowed” club rules for Victor and Victor alone. Folks traveled thousands of miles to honor his memory, and more than a few recounted meeting strangers internationally only to realize they shared something: their lives were distinctively richer for sharing some time with Vic.

Under normal circumstances, most of us wouldn’t have had much in common, and almost certainly wouldn’t have been friends, but because of literature, blues, guitars, farming, dogs, old guns and coins, semi-sordid pasts, and who knows what else, Victor had forged direct and lasting bonds with all of us. We each had trowelled our own metaphorical mortar onto allegorical chimneys with Vic, and we all had our own figurative road trips with him, some just more copious than others. Although our individual goals and destinations may not have been clear, Victor was always more than willing to be moving with us, encouraging critical analysis, reflection, and revision. And even while helping us on our own paths, Cabas always knew he was going back to teaching in the classroom, gigging at Basic Necessities, and tending his farm in Nelson County with his favorite, his dogs, and a lifetime of memories built with friends.
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(all photos courtesy of Courtney Vogel)
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HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE CLASS OF 2018 FAST FACTS

255 GRADUATES

20 DOUBLE MAJORS

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREES

79%

21%

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREES

25

19 CUM LAUDE

19 MAGNA CUM LAUDE

19 SUMMA CUM LAUDE

HONOR GRADUATES

68 STUDIED ABROAD

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H-SC STUDENTS PREPARE FOR WALL STREET

Although most college students are eager for a break at the end of the academic year, 20 Hampden-Sydney students remained on campus after commencement for hands-on, practical training in the fundamentals of finance. The three-day “financial boot camp,” sponsored by the Ferguson Career Center and presented by Training the Street, focused on basic finance skills expected of Wall Street interns and new hires, such as financial statement analysis, corporate valuation, and finance modeling, as well as Excel shortcuts and macros to build, format, and navigate financial projections.

Economics and business major Larry M. Pullen, Jr. ’19, who attended the workshop in anticipation of an internship at Fidelity Investments in Rhode Island, put those skills to immediate use. “The practical skills covered in the Training the Street workshop, particularly those involving Excel, allowed me to tackle the typical tasks of a Fidelity intern with ease,” Larry says. He spent the summer as a paid intern with Fidelity’s Institutional Asset Management division, where his Training the Street experience and his Hampden-Sydney education quickly set him apart. “As a result of Training the Street and my Hampden-Sydney rhetoric background, I had the opportunity to work alongside Fidelity’s Head of Internal Distribution as well as Vice President of Statistical Analysis to write a white paper on the integration of data analytics into a traditional, relationship-based distribution system,” Larry explains. “If it weren’t for the skills I learned in the Training the Street course, I would have been far too bogged down in the day-to-day tasks to take on additional projects.”

Other participants agree that the practical skills taught by Training the Street complement the theoretical aspects of a Hampden-Sydney degree well. As an economics and business major who will work on Hampden-Sydney’s Tiger Fund this fall, Tyler Beall ’19 took the course to round out his finance skills and learn ways to work more efficiently; he also feels that the course helps students complete their finance portfolios. “For example, the instructor provided templates that helped us perform a discounted cash flow (DCF) analysis, which should be included in your body of work when you interview for a job in finance,” says Tyler, who will graduate early from H-SC this December and is contemplating either a job in the finance industry or a dual MBA/JD program.

“We realize employers have high expectations when it comes to financial analysis and valuation, and Training the Street was the perfect add-on to what our students already learn in the classroom,” says Stephanie Joynes, director of the Ferguson Career Center. “We approached this as a fantastic enrichment program to provide students with an added layer of skills to bring into their internships and job interviews. The response we’ve received has been nothing but positive.”
Recent Hampden-Sydney graduate Max Dash ’18 devoted the bulk of his senior year to honors research, delving deep into what he calls a very personal, passion-driven project. “I wanted to do something that was true to me, that would bring things full circle as I closed out my college career,” says the Crawley Scholarship recipient and former editor-in-chief of the Tiger newspaper.
Max can’t recall a time when he didn’t want to pursue athletics in one way or another—with the possible exception of a brief childhood ambition to be president of the United States. “Like a lot of kids, I dreamed of being a professional athlete or the president, but by fifth grade I was determined to become a sports journalist,” says Max, who has devoured sports writing since the time he learned to read. “As an English major, I analyzed a lot of Shakespeare during my time at H-SC,” he says with a wry smile, “but I wanted to return to my roots with this project.” The result was a year-long honors capstone devoted to non-fiction sports writing in all its forms.

With the help of his advisor, Dr. Sarah B. Hardy, Max divided his capstone work equally between the creative and the critical. A series of multi-media projects utilizing audio, video, photography, and writing formed the creative side. From an oral history of the first televised Division III football game—which happened to feature H-SC’s 1976 defeat of JMU—to an in-depth article about Coach Tony Shaver’s successful tenure at the College—think Moneyball meets H-SC hoops—the creative work thrust Max deep into Tiger athletics past and present. He even built and coded his own website to host the content, creating a digital portfolio of sorts that will serve him well as he launches a career in sports journalism.

Not all of the creative work was digital, though: Max also created a photo essay based on Levels of the Game, John McPhee’s narrative exploration of the 1968 U.S. Open match between Clark Graebner and Arthur Ashe. As a fellow native of Richmond, Max explored Ashe’s hometown guided by McPhee’s prose, paying particular attention to issues of race and class. The self-published photography book is entitled Lieutenant Ashe.

For the critical portion of his research, Max analyzed the relationship between sports narratives and American culture through the lens of three separate non-fiction works, focusing on different sports in different eras: tennis in the 1970s, basketball in the 1980s, and baseball in the 2000s. His cultural analysis touched upon issues like race, wealth, and celebrity, as well as the progression of technology at the end of the 20th century.

Max says the critical aspect of his honors capstone, which culminated in a 60-page thesis, forced him to think deeply, draw out larger ideas, and support those claims in depth—all of which challenged him as a journalist. But the creative work also proved valuable as he explored different media through practice, rather than analysis. “In a sense, I’ve been developing these different multi-media muscles,” he says of the audio, video, and photo work. “It helped me, as a journalist, to step out from behind the keyboard.”

Those metaphorical muscles will be put to work in the coming months at a paid internship with Turner Broadcasting in Atlanta. As a member of the network’s NBA Content Marketing Team, Max will help craft the strategy, branding, messaging, and content for the NBA on TNT, NBA.com, and NBA TV.

The position at TNT is what Max has been building up to for the past four years by pursuing every opportunity to work in journalism and athletics. Beyond his editorial duties with H-SC’s student newspaper, Max was the camera man for the Tiger soccer livestream, the scoreboard operator for H-SC basketball and lacrosse, a tutor at the Ferguson Center for Public Speaking, and an intern for Virginia Living magazine.

All of those commitments plus the massive scope of his honors research meant Max’s senior year at Hampden-Sydney was anything but easy. “Although I spent less time in the classroom, I had to be more regimented with my time than ever. I got very close with the library staff,” he jokes, “because they had to kick me out at closing time several nights a week.” Even in the final week of his senior year, Max was in the Tiger office until 5 a.m. getting his last issue of the paper off to print.

In both expected and unexpected ways, Hampden-Sydney prepared him for a career in communications, says Max. “Early on, I recognized the value of a small, liberal arts college with a focus on rhetoric.”

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HOME IS THE KEY

PHOTOS BY PAMELA FOX’S VISU 285 CLASS
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING CLASS PARTNERS WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Home is the Key, a photography exhibition exploring the relationship between poverty, housing inequality, and the Prince Edward County school closings, was the product of a collaboration between Hampden-Sydney College and Habitat for Humanity. Created by students enrolled in a May Term visual arts class, the documentary project is an example of the College’s new experiential learning initiative.

Experiential learning encourages educators to engage with their students in direct experience and focused reflection, thereby developing skills while increasing knowledge. In particular, Hampden-Sydney uses internships, student research, study abroad, and service learning to incorporate the methodology into the College’s academic program. Created and taught by Professor Pamela Fox, VISU 285: Exploring Our Relationship with Community integrated photography, communication, and service to document the work of Habitat for Humanity in Farmville, culminating in a creative installation in the new Brinkley Hall gallery.

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The course integrated classroom instruction with documentary work. Students learned how photography can communicate insight into social themes, as well as the technical aspects of using a DSLR camera, image-editing software, and digital printing. Then they went to work in the community—volunteering at a local Habitat for Humanity home build, meeting people at the organization’s ReStore, learning about the Prince Edward County school closures at the Moton Museum, and interviewing community members whose lives have been affected by the school closings and by Habitat. All the while, students put their newly acquired image-making and interviewing skills into practice.

The focus on experiential learning was a good change of pace at the end of a demanding Hampden-Sydney academic year. “I love being in the classroom,” says Brady Updike ’19, “but getting outside and doing something tangible—shingling a roof or taking a portrait of someone in their new home—it’s hard to top that.” It was also an opportunity to engage in a different learning style, according to Garrett Shooter ’18. “We learned through field work, practical application, and personal experience, and I think we’ll remember the concepts better because of that,” he explains. “We had to take greater responsibility for our own learning.”

The service aspect of the course immersed Hampden-Sydney students in the local area as well, with help from Alanna Rivera, volunteer coordinator for the Farmville Area Habitat for Humanity. “I wanted the students to see and be a part of as much of our day-to-day work as possible, so I made our affiliate an open book. I also wanted them to understand where some of the prevalent issues in our small town are rooted,” says Rivera.

George Marshall ’21 gained a deeper understanding of the community surrounding campus. “This was my first year at H-SC,” he explains, “so I didn’t know much about the Prince Edward County community. I got to learn about it from multiple perspectives, including those affected by the school closings.” And government major Jonathan Walkey ’18 appreciates how many different types of people came together on the Habitat initiatives. “We have a lot of work to do when it comes to housing, whether it’s in a small community like Farmville or in a larger city like Richmond,” says Jonathan. “But working with Habitat gave me an idea of how much people can accomplish—even in a short amount of time—when they come together.”

With its focus on community involvement and experiential learning, Professor Fox calls VISU 285 one of the most fulfilling courses she has taught in her many years at the College. “Our H-SC students were thoroughly involved and took leadership roles in all aspects of the course, from the conceptual level of defining the project to the printing and installation of the exhibition,” Fox says. “They were able to put their understanding of documentary work into practice almost immediately, which made grasping the classroom portion not only relevant, but absolutely necessary. Walking into the home of a person they had just met, knowing they needed to connect on a personal level and to make a very good photograph, really sharpened the students’ understanding.”

And the partnership between H-SC and Habitat for Humanity proved a positive experience for all involved. “We were very fortunate to work with Farmville Area Habitat; the families and the organization made us feel comfortable and welcome,” says Fox. “I felt we developed a strong connection with both the people and the mission of the organization; this connection helped the project come together.”

Habitat’s Rivera agrees. “Working with Pam Fox and this great group of young men in an experiential partnership was such a unique experience. What we discovered seems a bit clichéd, but it’s absolutely true: we learned that we are far more similar than we are different; that most of us want the same things in life for ourselves, our families, and our community; and that we all carry a responsibility to leave this world a little better than we found it,” Rivera says. “I hope that Habitat for Humanity was able to help the H-SC students shine just a little bit brighter and understand the power they hold and the stories they can share with something as simple as a camera.”

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The end of the 2017-2018 academic year also marked the end of four influential careers at Hampden-Sydney College. As we bid farewell to our retiring professors—a dynamic husband-wife duo, a celebrated artist, and a dedicated mathematician—we asked them to reflect on their time at the College. What emerged were the highlights of a combined 138 years of service.

David Dodge Lewis, Barger-Barclay Professor of Fine Arts

Time at H-SC: 31 years

Lessons Taught: We see before we learn to speak, which links us all across cultures. Art is a way of organizing this most fundamental and precious sensation, and to communicate more directly than in perhaps any other medium. But it takes some real effort both to see, and to respond to what we see, coherently. As a first step, I hope my classes helped students to see more coherently. Secondly, since being a visual artist usually means working alone, I hope I have encouraged students to develop their skills and thinking beyond the class. Too often the collective wisdom divides the world into leaders and followers, but I believe the rugged individualist is equally important in moving civilization forward.

Lessons Learned: There are too many lessons I have learned to be able to list them all. I do believe focusing on introductory level courses has made me more confident in the basics, as well as how to get them across clearly and simply without being patronizing.

Favorite Memory at H-SC: I like kidding with students. In one class I had a student say, “By the end of the semester, I want to be drawing as well as you do.” I thought about it, then answered, “Well, I could drop a rock on my hand.”

Greatest Accomplishment: While getting a renovated fine arts facility was a group project at every level and every step of the way, it required convincing a lot of people and building a program that could make full use of such a space. I was the stuck record that repeated, over and over again, the need for such a space, so I have been happy to spend my final year in the exceptional new facility.

Dr. David S. Pelland, Associate Professor of Mathematics & Computer Science

Time at H-SC: 37 years

Lessons Taught: I wanted my students to learn critical thinking and problem-solving skills. They can always look up the technical details necessary to solve a problem if they understand the big picture.

Lessons Learned: I learned the importance of changing my teaching approach to suit the various generations of students over the years.

Favorite Class: My favorite class was Differential Equations because it required students to apply what they learned in their calculus and linear algebra classes to solving problems.

Favorite Memory at H-SC: I loved the 1999-2000 Division III national basketball championship game between Hampden-Sydney and Wisconsin-Platteville. Even though H-SC lost 76-75 in overtime, it was the most exciting Tiger basketball game I’ve seen in 37 years.

Greatest Accomplishment: It was an honor to be recognized for both my teaching and for my work in administration by receiving the College’s Cabell Award for Distinguished Teaching and the Thomas Edward Crawley Award for Distinguished Service.
Dr. Lowell T. Frye,  
Elliott Professor of Rhetoric and Humanities

Time at H-SC: 35 years

Lessons Taught: I hope that my students have taken away an appreciation of the riches of the English language, but even more that they have the capacity in them to improve as readers and writers. Writing well is a craft that demands considerable effort over time: capable writers are made, not born. In literature courses, I hope that students take away the capacity to immerse themselves in fictional or poetic worlds and therefore to understand why reading matters in the making of a good man and a good citizen.

Lessons Learned: Perhaps a chief lesson as a teacher at H-SC comes from talking with alumni whom I taught years before: very often what I have considered the most important thing I have done in a class is not what my former students remember as particularly important. I have learned again and again that an education in the liberal arts has more to do with the growth and development of young people than it does with a particular body of knowledge or information. I value greatly what I teach, but I cherish especially those whom I teach.

Favorite Class: I can honestly say that I have liked all the courses I have taught over the years—in rhetoric, literature, western culture, honors. I am very fond of Rhetoric 301: Creative Nonfiction, where I found great pleasure in helping students explore in their portfolios of essays who they are and what they believe. I also love teaching Rhetoric 360: Rhetorical Traditions, which offers the opportunity to help students understand the long history of rhetoric from ancient Greece to the present and so to help them understand how and why H-SC’s Rhetoric Program came into being.

Favorite Memory at H-SC: For 14 years, Misty Blue, our long-haired Chiuhaua, was a regular in the Writing Center. Before any consultation could occur, students had to greet Misty Blue and pet her. I can honestly say that hundreds of students got to know Misty Blue, and many of them would come by my office especially to visit her—conversation about their writing was merely an excuse to visit the dog! Misty, and still more her interactions with students, came to symbolize nebulously for me something important about the H-SC community, and my memories of the place and the students will always be intertwined with my memories of that little dog.

Greatest Accomplishment: I am most proud that Elizabeth and I have found a way to build a joint career here at H-SC, and that we have had a role in sustaining and growing the Rhetoric Program over the past 35 years. The founders and early participants (let me shout out here particularly to Mary Saunders, Wayne Tucker, Larry Martin, and George Bagby) did a wonderful job of getting the Rhetoric Program up and running. That the Rhetoric Program here has lasted—and thrived—through 40 years is highly unusual, and we are proud to have contributed to that.

Dr. Elizabeth J. Deis,  
Elliott Professor of Rhetoric and Humanities

Time at H-SC: 35 years

Lessons Taught: I focused on teaching students to read more carefully and with more interest than they had prior to my class and hope that they learned some strategies for writing clearly, concisely, and effectively. I also hope that they learned to consider literary texts within and against the background of the historical and political culture in which the author lived and worked.

Lessons Learned: I learned that a professor cannot always predict or control everything that happens in class discussions and that being flexible can allow for the development of really special and important classroom moments.

Favorite Class: It’s hard to name any classes that I did not enjoy teaching. Creative Nonfiction students are highly motivated to improve their writing. They choose to work on very complex essays and the quality of their work is almost always terrific. Gender and Communication—a class that spent a couple weeks tutoring students at Prince Edward County High School and took notes on those students’ approach to writing—was an enjoyable rhetorical theory class as well.

Favorite Memory at H-SC: My favorite memory is from the 2017 Commencement ceremony when Lowell and I received the senior class award. It was the best feeling to be selected by the students themselves.

Greatest Accomplishment: Helping persuade the rhetoric staff and then the faculty as a whole to pass the Rhetoric Minor. Students had been asking for more advanced rhetoric classes, and it has been gratifying to see them become so popular.

Retirement Plans: I plan to complete some research projects and am excited about the possibility of traveling to various places. I am perhaps most excited to have the time to learn to play the mandolin and to read books that aren’t necessarily related to classes or research projects.
Hampden-Sydney College’s resident specialists on Japanese history and culture joined forces to organize a spring symposium, “The Arts of Civil War.” Elliott Associate Professor of History Eric G. Dinmore and Associate Professor of Theater Matthew R. Dubroff have collaborated for years to promote Japanese studies at the College—organizing H-SC’s first study-abroad trip to Asia and team teaching an Honors Program seminar on samurai culture, for example—but the symposium was their first opportunity to formally explore parallels between the Japanese Genpei Wars (1180-1185) and the American Civil War (1861-1865).

Over the course of two weeks in early April, the campus community examined artistic and personal responses to civil war in both Japan and the United States through lectures, theater performances, and visual art exhibits.

Although focused on Japan and the U.S., “The Arts of Civil War” raised questions with global application, according to Dinmore: “We asked, ‘How do literary and fine arts promote reflection and reconciliation in divided societies? How do they allow for distortions and obfuscations of historical records? And can we discern universal human patterns in the way writers and fine artists respond to civil conflicts?’”

In addition to Dinmore and Dubroff, symposium participants included noted Japanese scholar Mark Ravina, professor of history at Emory University; H-SC American Civil War scholars Ronald Heinemann, Squires emeritus professor of history, and Caroline Emmons, Elliott professor of history; Abigail Horne, assistant professor of English; Neil Perry, Elliott professor of English; and Alex Grabiec, visiting professor of fine arts.
Central to the symposium was Hampden-Sydney Theater’s production of *Atsumori*, a *noh* play that features a fallen warrior of the Genpei Wars. Tackling *noh*, the oldest surviving form of Japanese theater, is an ambitious undertaking for a collegiate group, as the classical discipline involves acting, dancing, singing, and playing musical instruments. “For each of these skills, the preparation time in Japan is years, not the months I had with students who were new to the art,” explains Dubroff.

To bring all of those elements together for the students, Dubroff translated the 14th-century Japanese text into English, adapted the musical score to coordinate beat patterns with English syllables, and developed his own system of notation and scoring. The effort took Dubroff four years and required two separate trips to Japan.

Lending further authenticity to the production were the elaborate costumes and set, as well as three days of training with master *noh* performer Akira Matsui, who is designated an “Intangible Cultural Asset” by the Japanese government. Matsui brought authentic costumes and masks from Japan, while H-SC’s set designer built a reproduction *noh* stage in Johns Auditorium. “Jerry O’Connell recreated the effect of a *noh* pavilion remarkably well with one of the largest sets we have ever had for a College performance,” says Dubroff. Rounding out the schedule was a one-night performance by the Theater Nohgaku troupe of Gettysburg by Elizabeth Dowd.

According to Dubroff, “The symposium brought the campus together in the ancient Greek sense of the word, involving food, drink, entertainment, and speeches. Each event was well-attended and well-received.”
Hampden-Sydney Lacrosse boasted another outstanding season in 2018, finishing second in the ODAC with a 13-5 overall record and an 8-1 mark within the conference. The eight ODAC wins were the most in a single season at Hampden-Sydney, and the Tigers also went undefeated at home at 8-0. H-SC posted thrilling last-minute wins over Roanoke and Lynchburg, scoring game-winning goals with 26 seconds and 8 seconds remaining, respectively. In addition, the Tigers posted notable wins over Mary Washington (16-10), Randolph-Macon (18-7), and Scranton (10-8).

Seniors Hunter Brown ’18 and Ian Levin ’18 repeated as USILA All-Americans while Brown was also selected to play in the USILA North-South Senior All-Star Game. They joined Kent Henry ’18 on the All-ODAC First-Team, and a school-record 10 total Tigers were named All-ODAC.

The senior class, the largest in team history, was also one of the most successful in H-SC history. In addition to winning the ODAC Championship in 2017—the Tigers’ first since 2001—the class of 2018 won a total of 51 games to become the winningest senior class in H-SC Lacrosse history. Four individual players scored 100+ career points, with all four ranking top-20 in career goals.

With 240 points, Levin concluded his career second in school history, while also ranking sixth in goals (149) and third in assists (91). Brown finished fifth in points (207), second in midfielder points (just one point shy of the record), and second in assists (103).

Chandler Shaheen ’18, a Second-Team All-ODAC selection, ranks 18th in points (138), eighth in midfielder points, and ninth in goals (118). Connor Pool ’18, picked to the All-ODAC Third Team, rounded out the top scorers with 122, good for fifth, while also ranking 18th in goals (91).

Wilson Booth ’18, pictured below, was named Second-Team All-ODAC and ended his career as one of the top face-off specialists in H-SC history with 245 ground balls, good for sixth in school history. Mitch Renfrow ’18 once again proved to be an outstanding goalkeeper, earning Second-Team All-ODAC honors and concluding his career sixth in saves with 456.

Three other Tigers earned All-ODAC honors as well, with senior Marshall Via ’18, junior John Burke ’19, and freshman Canevin Wallace ’21 joining Pool on the Third Team.

While the Tigers graduated a talented, accomplished senior class, next year’s team will see 34 players return from the 2018 squad.
Hampden-Sydney Tennis made huge strides again this season in its quest to return to its former glory. The Tigers won 16 games this spring, the most wins since at least the 1990s, and their 8-2 ODAC mark placed them third in the league, just two years removed from consecutive 2-15 seasons.

The Tigers avenged a narrow 5-4 regular season loss to Guilford College by defeating the Quakers 5-2 in the ODAC Tournament Semifinals, which secured the team’s first appearance in the ODAC Championship match since 2011. While the Tigers eventually fell 5-1 to the Generals, the duo of Clark Cummings ’20 and Grayson Burns ’20 handed W&L their first doubles loss in ODAC competition this season. Additionally, it was only their second ODAC doubles loss in the last two seasons—the other defeat came at the hands of Hampden-Sydney’s #1 doubles team in the 2017 season.

Burns was named All-ODAC twice this year with First-Team honors at #6 singles and at #3 doubles along with his partner Cummings. Matthew Moody ’20 and Michael Moody ’20 were also First-Teamers at #1 doubles. In addition, Matthew Moody picked up a Second-Team selection at #1 singles while William Driskill ’21 and Levy Young ’20 were tabbed Second-Team at #2 doubles.

Matthew Moody finished the year with a school-record 40 overall wins (singles and doubles), and Cummings finished closely behind with 38 overall wins for third.

Cummings’ 20 wins in singles competition are the third most in school history, and his 19-2 dual-match singles record was the best in the ODAC. Cummings split his time at #4 and #5 singles but settled in at #4 as the season progressed; his 13 wins at the fourth spot are the second most at H-SC.

Matthew Moody picked up 18 victories in singles for fifth place, while his 15 wins at the top flight are good for third in a single season. Burns won 17 matches for eighth place and posted the second-best dual-match singles record in the ODAC at 17-2. His 16 wins at the sixth flight also rank second most in a season.

The Moody twins set the season mark for doubles wins with 22 and #1 doubles wins at 20. Cummings finished fifth in doubles victories at 18. Driskill checked in at third in #2 doubles wins at 14, while Burns picked up the fifth most #3 doubles victories with 12.

Cummings and Burns, despite only being sophomores, have already set or tied a career record. Cummings’ 19 wins at #4 is tied for the top mark in school history while Burns’ 24 wins at #6 shattered the previous record of 18.
GOLF Enjoys Success in 2018, Ranked 24th Nationally

BY DAVIS YAKE ’08, ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

The Hampden-Sydney golf team earned a spot in the national top-25 in the final poll of the year by Golfstat.com, wrapping up the 2017-18 season as the 24th-ranked team. The Tigers were strong all season and finished the year with a fourth-place finish in the competitive ODAC Championship.

As a team, the golfers earned six top-ten finishes—including three in the top five and a tournament win in the Shenandoah Invitational.

Individually, the Tigers had three All-ODAC performers, including the co-Rookie of the Year in Allen Smith ’21. Seniors Parker Smith ’18 and Austin Fockler ’18 joined Allen Smith on the All-ODAC Second Team.

Allen Smith, pictured below, had the tenth-best stroke average in the league, shooting 75.3 per round in 16 rounds of play this year. He competed in eight events this season, with his top performance coming in the fall when he won the Greene Turtle Invitational in Winchester, finishing the two-round tournament three-under-par.

Parker Smith, the 2017 ODAC Golfer of the Year, led the Tigers in stroke-per-round average with a 74.2 mark that stands fifth best in the ODAC. He had one top-five finish this season, placing second in the Greene Turtle Invitational while shooting two-under-par.

Fockler’s 75.4 stroke-per-round average was twelfth best in the ODAC with the senior playing 14 rounds and competing in seven events. Fockler also earned a top-ten finish for the Tigers, placing sixth in the Tom Kinder Memorial Tournament with a three-under-par finish in the two-round event.

Trio of BASEBALL Players Earn All-ODAC Honors

BY DAVIS YAKE ’08, ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Three Hampden-Sydney baseball players earned All-ODAC honors, with senior catcher Devin Daugherty ’18, sophomore catcher Andrew Kasiski ’20, and sophomore utility player Jonathan Triesler ’20 named to the Third Team.

Daugherty, pictured above, earned his second All-ODAC designation after receiving Third Team honors in 2017, as well. The senior had a strong finale in 2018, batting .302 with 35 hits in 116 at bats. Daugherty scored 19 runs while batting in a team-best 27, in addition to leading the team with five homeruns and hitting seven doubles and one triple.

Kasiski enjoyed a strong year at the plate, batting .333 while finishing second on the team with 35 hits and 20 runs scored. The sophomore batted in 18 runs, and three of his hits went for extra bases with two doubles and a homerun.

After earning Second Team honors a season ago, Triesler posted a strong sophomore season both in the field and on the mound. At the plate, Triesler batted .320 while leading the team in both hits (40) and at bats (125). He batted in 24 runs, scored 23 more, and hit eight doubles and three homeruns. He appeared on the mound 13 times, posting a 3-1 record with a team-high three saves. He boasted a 4.03 ERA with 22 strikeouts to 16 walks in 29.0 innings.
“Everyone tells you to have a five-year plan,” says Tiger baseball coach Jeff Kinne at the start of our interview. “But regardless of your plan, it’s God who decides where you’re going.”

By way of explanation, Kinne relays a story from his days as the pitching coach at neighboring Virginia Military Institute. When Kinne’s boss handed him a job listing for the head coaching position at Hampden-Sydney, the New Hampshire native passed up the opportunity. “That summer, though, I visited H-SC for a baseball camp and realized how beautiful the campus is and how great the town of Farmville is.” He didn’t make the same mistake twice: the job re-opened five years later, and, Kinne says, “I was all in.”

The rest, as they say, has become history: in his fifteenth year at the helm of Tiger baseball, Kinne reached a professional milestone this spring, celebrating his 300th win as H-SC’s head coach in a home-game victory over Marymount University. Yet Kinne downplays this personal accomplishment, citing team accomplishments like going to the Division III World Series in 2005 or winning 17 of 18 games in one stretch in 2010 as the most memorable of his career.

What he has learned about Hampden-Sydney in that 15-year career, beyond its beautiful campus and unique identity as an all-male college, is just how well the College carries out its mission to form good men and good citizens. “Hampden-Sydney demands excellent character of its students—the faculty demands it, the staff demands it, the students demand it of each other,” he says. And a lot of that occurs on the field, where 30% of the student body participates in NCAA Division III athletics.

“Team leadership makes such a difference in a given season, so we’re always thinking about how we can create new leaders instead of just waiting for leaders to emerge,” Kinne explains. A key part of that effort has been collaboration with the Wilson Center for Leadership, where several of Kinne’s baseball players are active participants.

With their focus on character development and academics, H-SC’s student-athletes are distinctive, according to Kinne. “We get young men who are here for the right reasons,” he says. “Our athletes don’t just ask, ‘How will this prepare me to play professional ball?’ They ask, ‘How will this prepare me for life?’”

Kinne’s own life has always included baseball in one capacity or another. “Every 12-year-old dreams about playing in the major leagues when he grows up,” he says, “but when I was 15, I broke my leg severely and I’ve walked with a limp ever since.” He recovered enough to play on his high school and college teams, but Kinne’s competitive edge and love of the game meant he wasn’t ready to give it up when his time as a player was through. It didn’t take long, then, to discover his calling as a coach.

The following years included stints at schools both large and small, from Division I programs in the Carolinas, to a community college in New Hampshire, to several of H-SC’s Division III rivals in Virginia. His first coaching jobs, like a one-year internship at NC State, weren’t exactly glamorous. “When you intern, they put the pretty people in the front greeting and the ugly guys in the back doing laundry. I was stuck with the laundry,” he laughs, “but I worked hard and developed a lot of work ethic.”

Self-deprecating humor aside, Kinne’s hard work is making a difference in the lives of H-SC’s student athletes, both on the field and off. “As a coach, I’ve grown to love the preparation: watching video, breaking down our opponents’ flaws, identifying our own flaws, and setting up practices in response.” And on a personal level, he invests in the lives of his current and former players, whether arranging optional weekly Bible studies and or staying in touch through social media.

“Because we don’t have a big roster, I get to know the players really well,” he says, and the stories he tells about Tiger baseball alumni prove it. Throughout our interview, Kinne speaks with pride about those who got the chance to play professional baseball; he shares news of graduates’ weddings, the births of their children, and their successful careers. “The College does a great job of producing leaders who are well-spoken and present themselves well,” Kinne says. “It’s fulfilling to see them succeed.”

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Alumni who returned to the Hill in early June enjoyed reconnecting with Hampden-Sydney brothers and meeting new ones, introducing their families to familiar haunts and returning to the classroom for some 21st-century education, greeting the morning with golf and dancing to live music late into the night. In between, adult attendees explored experiential learning with faculty lectures on the psychology of negotiation and the chemistry of food and drink, while the youngest Tigers enjoyed a story, snack, and art project with Mrs. Lesley Stimpert.

“Reconnecting with old classmates, learning about new programs, visiting with professors, taking in the beauty of the campus … I loved every minute of the weekend.”

Class of 1968 alumnus
Alumni traveled from far and wide to attend their 50th reunion: farthest north was John Feldman ’68 from Vermont, farthest south was John Heilig ’68 from Florida, and farthest west (and the longest overall distance) was Christopher Evans ’68 from California.

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1940s
Patrick Henry Society
Reunion Weekend: June 7–9, 2019

Dr. HORACE ADAMS, JR. ‘43 recently celebrated his 95th birthday surrounded by family and friends. The Farmville native served in the U.S. Navy during the Second World War, then received his Ph.D. in chemistry from UNC-Chapel Hill and pursued a career in the manufactured fibers industry. He and his late wife of 64 years had five children, 13 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He is pictured with his five children, who gathered to honor their father on May 28.

RICHARD “DICK” McCARTHY ’61 met up with President Larry Stimpert in New Orleans in March, the day after catching a 45-pound red fish in the Gulf of Mexico. Dick shared with President Stimpert his connection with H-SC’s namesakes, John Hampden and Algernon Sydney: Patricia “Tish” Hobart Hayes McCarthy, Dick’s late wife of 54 years, was a direct descendant of John Hampden, grew up on Sydney Street in London, and was presented to Queen Elizabeth at the royal garden when she made her debut. She enjoyed connecting with Dr. Graves Thompson when she visited the Hill, and he with her. Dick is pictured below with his 45-pound catch.

1960s
Patrick Henry Society & Class of ’69
Reunion Weekend: June 7–9, 2019

Dr. E. DOUGLAS VAUGHAN, JR. ‘60 preached on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of Abbeville Presbyterian Church in South Carolina. Doug was pastor of the Abbeville church when it celebrated its 100th year in 1968.

GORDON SCHRECK ’65 received the Maritime Association of South Carolina’s Beacon Award on February 9, 2018. He was the first practicing attorney to receive the award, which honors distinguished service to the maritime industry. Gordon recently assumed retired partner status at Womble Bond Dickinson’s Charleston, South Carolina, office.

HARPER S. ALFORD ’66 was honored with the national Air Force Association’s Exceptional Service Award for significant contribution to the goals and programs of the Air Force Association. He is president of the 600-member Richmond AFA chapter and actively supports military veterans causes, as well as Air Force JROTC high school and ROTC university programs.

HERBERT L. SEBREN, JR. ’66 is still practicing law in Tappahannock. Herb writes, “I invite all former classmates and teammates and H-SC alumni to look me up when they come to the ‘rivah.’” He spreads the word about Hampden-Sydney every chance he gets, most recently on a trip to Grenada, pictured below.
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WILSON CENTER HONORS ALUMNI

On May 18, 2018, the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest honored two distinguished alumni with Patrick Henry Awards, presented in recognition of significant contributions to their professions, local communities, and our nation.

The Honorable William C. “Andy” Andrews III ’67 served in the U.S. Navy after Hampden-Sydney, earned his law degree from William & Mary, and practiced law for 16 years in Hampton. Appointed to the Hampton General District Court in 1990, Andrews served six years on the court, two as chief justice. In 1996, he was appointed to the Hampton Circuit Court, where he sat on the bench until 2007. He continues to serve the courts today as a retired circuit judge. Williams has held leadership positions with the Hampton Rotary Club, the Peninsula Salvation Army, the Community Criminal Justice Board, and the Peninsula Legal Aid Board. He has served on the boards of the Virginia Living Museum, the Virginia Air & Space Museum Foundation, the Peninsula Ports Authority, and the Peninsula Economic Development Council. His service to alma mater includes leadership of the H-SC Peninsula Alumni Association and the establishment of a scholarship awarded to Hampden-Sydney students with demonstrated financial need.

An Allen Scholar, Student Court member, resident advisor, Tiger newspaper writer, and Lambda Chi Alpha brother, William J. “Bill” Pantele ’80 was an active student at Hampden-Sydney, inducted into both Phi Beta Kappa and Omicron Delta Kappa and graduating summa cum laude. After law school at the University of Virginia, he worked as a corporate attorney before forming Williams, Pantele & Skilling, PC in 1994. Throughout his career, Pantele has worked to better the greater Richmond area as chairman of the city’s Industrial Development Authority, president of Virginia for High Speed Rail, and a member of the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission and the Richmond Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. For four terms, Pantele represented Richmond’s Second District as a City Councilman; he was elected president of the City Council in 2007. Now settled back into private law practice, Pantele’s hobbies include politics, attending H-SC football games, and supporting UVA athletics. His nephew, Richard M. Pantele ’13, is an associate dean of students at Hampden-Sydney.

1970s
Classes of ’74 and ’79
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WILLIAM C. KEIGHTLEY ’75 has been named vice chair of the board of directors for Hospice Savannah, Inc.

BUFORD “LEE” DRISKILL III ’78 has joined the architectural firm CRGA Design as a principal. He will focus on senior-living design at the Annapolis-based firm. Most recently, Lee was a principal and lead designer at Hord Coplan Macht.

1980s
Classes of ’84 and ’89
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WARREN M. THOMPSON ’81 was named one the 50 most influential Virginians in the March 2018 edition of Virginia Business. He was noted for his leadership of Thompson Hospitality, specifically the company’s new business unit Pheast Food Group, which opened four restaurants last year.

JOHN L. GIBSON III ’82 was awarded the Keating Medallion in recognition of outstanding service and extraordinary dedication to Hampden-Sydney College. A former Trustee of the College, John served as chair of the Building and Grounds Committee and has selflessly supported H-SC’s scholarships, athletics, and annual fund. He is also the top scorer in Tiger lacrosse history and a member of H-SC’s Athletic Hall of Fame. Presenting the award at the Society of Founders annual meeting in March, Johnny Ellis ’70 noted John’s “keen concern for his alma mater and her people. He cares about relationships, personal connections, and continuity.”

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Garrett Chapman Jeter ’84 earned a Ph.D. in English with a specialization in British literature from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in May. He spent four years serving in the university’s newly-formed graduate-student government and was a member of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity.

Timothy C. Tyler ’88 has written a book detailing the history of the Iranian Revolution, the overthrow of the Shah, and the subsequent seizure of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. The Decline and Fall of the Shah is available in hardcover at Barnes and Noble, www.bn.com. Tim is a U.S. Navy veteran and a former civilian intelligence officer for the U.S. Department of Defense, assigned to U.S. embassies in Panama, Bolivia, and Afghanistan. He did six tours in Afghanistan, four of which were as an advisor with the Afghan National Security Forces in Paktia and Kabul provinces.

1990s
Classes of ’94 and ’99
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Col. David Stewart ’91 was appointed chief of staff at Fort Sill in Lawton, Oklahoma, in May. David has been at Fort Sill since last September as the assistant commandant of the Air Defense Artillery School. Other highlights of his military career include deployment in Saudi Arabia; assignments in Korea and Germany; and degrees from the Australian Command and General Staff College, the U.S. Army War College, and Canberra University in Australia.

Jeffrey H. Biederman, Jr. ’93 has been named to Morgan Stanley’s Master’s Club, a group of the firm’s top financial investors. He is a senior vice president at the firm’s Huntington, West Virginia, wealth management office.

Ernest "Len" Norman, Jr. ’93 is owner and president of The Colonial Group, which offers executive and technical search services to the manufacturing sector. The company has offices in Richmond and Williamsburg.

Col. Anderson Sale, Jr. ’93 administered the U.S. Army Oath of Enlistment to his son Mason Sale ’20, an Army ROTC cadet at H-SC, on April 3, 2018. The ceremony took place in front of Memorial Gate in honor of Hampden-Sydney alumni who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation. While on campus, Col. Sale was a guest lecturer in several classes, including Leadership and Ethics, American National Security, and U.S. National Intelligence. Sale returned to campus again in late April as the guest speaker at the Army ROTC Spider Battalion banquet. Col. Sale is currently a brigade commander at Fort Meade in Maryland.

Adam R. Artigliere ’95 recently coordinated a Law Merit Badge Academy for Troop 235 of the Boy Scouts of America. Along with local sheriff and police departments, Adam provided information about the development of our legal system, the role of lawyers and law enforcement, and the importance of law in our society. The scouts also conducted a mock trial, where they learned basic trial process and evidentiary practice. Sixteen scouts earned their law merit badges, and Adam hopes to conduct similar academies in the future. Adam is an attorney with McNair Law Firm in Greenville, South Carolina.

PI KAPPA ALPHA GOLF TOURNAMENT
Hampden-Sydney brothers met in Myrtle Beach for the 12th annual Pi Kappa Alpha “Camp Agape” golf trip March 1-3, 2018. L to R: Tom Gray ’80, Bob Calcote ’79, Jack Clark ’75, Dave Riddick ’77, Benton Downer ’77, Greg Wilkerson ’81, Kevin Howard ’79, Elliott Bondurant ’79, Blake Auchmoody ’82, Bill Bailey ’85, Ford Francis ’80, Trevor Boyce ’83, Keith Leach ’81, Randy Reed ’82, Scott Thomas ’84, Roger Gardner ’84, and Mike Pace ’79.
CHRISTOPHER W. BISHOP ’95 and AMY NICODEMUS welcomed a son, Eliot Nicodemus Bishop, on May 3, 2018. He joins older brother Will and older sister Caroline. Christopher and Amy are Foreign Service Officers for the Department of State; the family will move from Beijing, China, to Ottawa, Canada, later this year, where Amy will begin a new assignment at the U.S. Embassy.

JOHN MILLS ’95 was named Ad Person of the Year by the Richmond Advertising Club for his work at Release the Hounds, the Richmond-based ad agency he founded nine years ago. John and his recent recognition were the subject of a Richmond Times-Dispatch article on April 9, 2018.

SCOTT “GRiff” ALDRICH ’96 has been named head men’s basketball coach at Longwood University, an NCAA Division I program. Most recently, Griff spent two years as director of recruiting and program development at University of Maryland-Baltimore County (UMBC) under head coach and fellow Tiger Ryan Odom ’96.

TIMOTHY M. MckAY ’96 was recently promoted to assistant fire chief with Chesterfield County Fire and EMS.

SUMMER PLANS
Attorney and government-relations consultant JOHN-GARRETT “JG” KEMPER ’93 has added the title singer-songwriter to his list of accomplishments. Kemper is half of the rock-duo Summer Plans, which released its self-titled debut album in 2015 and a follow-up album, Echoes, this June. All songs on the two albums were written by Kemper and his musical partner Kara Lorraine; the two met at a Richmond concert in 2010 and struck up a creative partnership, meeting once a week to write songs together. Their latest collaboration, written in Los Angeles and recorded in Nashville, is a collection of “1980s-style summer anthems, love ballads, and everything in between,” according to Kemper.

Kemper’s passion for music dates back to his Hampden-Sydney days, when his band Filet of Soul practiced down the street from the Theta Chi fraternity house and performed at neighboring colleges like Sweet Briar, Hollins, UVA, and UNC, in addition to opening for bands like Colonel Bruce Hampden during Greek Week at H-SC. “The band’s drummer, Jeff Parker ’92, is now my stepbrother,” says Kemper, “but our memories are bittersweet now as our bass player and my roommate, Matt Hollowell ’93, died in 2016. Matt was an amazing guy and musician—I learned a lot from living with him.”

Kemper splits his time between Los Angeles and Virginia, where he and his team at Kemper Consulting represent Fortune 500 companies, local governments, and large trade organizations in matters before the Virginia General Assembly and other governmental agencies. He says keeping his day job allows music to be an outlet for him rather than a profession, and his experience at Hampden-Sydney prepared him to juggle his demanding career with his love for music. “There were so many opportunities at Hampden-Sydney to play music on campus and to get an amazing liberal arts education that really prepared me for law school,” Kemper recalls. “I learned the importance of balance at H-SC, which I’ve kept to this day.”

JONATHAN H. PARIS ’96 was recently named executive director of sports tourism for the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce. In this leadership role, he will lead efforts to attract and promote sports events and tourism opportunities along the 60 miles of the Grand Strand. Jonathan, his wife Sarah, and their three children Isabella (15), Stevie (10), and Charlie (7) will be moving to Pawleys Island, South Carolina.

JONATHAN H. PARIS ’96

BENJAMiN “JAMiN” BARBOUR ’99 has been elected vice president of the Central Virginia chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, which fosters the development and growth of fundraising professionals and promotes high ethical standards in the profession. This is Jamin’s fifth term on the local AFP board of directors. In December 2017, Jamin received a certificate in nonprofit management from the Community Foundation serving Richmond and central Virginia. The certificate represents five years of intense professional development, leadership programs, and course work in nonprofit strategy, marketing, fund development, and financial management.
Stacey Franklin ‘99 was recently elected chairman of the Honolulu-Pacific Federal Executive Board, which promotes and delivers programs and services related to emergency readiness, employee safety and security, federal workforce development and support, as well as strategic partnerships. Stacey also serves as the General Services Administration (GSA) area manager for Asia Pacific.

John Fruit ‘99 has been promoted to senior vice president at TowneBank, headquartered in Suffolk. John is at the helm of the credit card processing, ATM and ATM/debit card processing, and e-channel support teams. In addition, he chairs the annual TowneBank Foundation golf tournament, a charitable event that has raised nearly two million dollars in 17 years. John and his wife reside in Virginia Beach with their two young children.

Christian Rickers ‘99 and Lori Riley were married on July 3, 2017, in Hawaii, with a reception at the Tuckahoe Woman’s Club in Richmond on July 27. In attendance were Jeff Schmidt ’00, John Howard ’03, George Naylor ’00, Andy Yarborough ’02, Trip Terry ’03, Will Guza ’06, Demas Boudreaux ’02, Tim Daniels ’03, Gary Elder ’02, Conrad Rickers ’91, Lewis Walker ’05, Cory Hopper ’05, Matthew Burlee ’02, Donny Draper ’02, Benjamin Barbour ’99, Richard Naylor ’00, and Charlie Payne ’88.

Thomas R. Waskom ‘99 has been promoted to partner with Hunton Andrews Kurth, where his practice focuses on class action, mass tort, and environmental litigation. The promotion was featured in the April 10, 2018, edition of Richmond Biz Sense.

Meade Whitaker III ‘99 was promoted in April to the position of battalion chief with Albemarle County Fire & Rescue.

Spencer Thomas ’00 has been named CEO of Central Carolina Hospital in Sanford, North Carolina. Spencer has been the hospital’s interim CEO since October 2017; previously, he was the COO of Sovah Health-Danville.

Dr. Ryan Fitzgerald ’02 has joined Village Podiatry Centers in Canton, Georgia. A board-certified foot and ankle surgeon with an emphasis in lower extremity reconstruction, Ryan previously worked in a South Carolina hospital system and served overseas in medical missions. In Haiti, he provided medical and surgical care to the healthcare disenfranchised in Port-au-Prince; in Jordan, he was a member of a multinational medical response team providing care to patients suffering as a consequence of the ongoing Syrian refugee crisis.
Dr. SCOTT KEEL ’02 was nominated by the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine Class of 2019 for the Humanity and Excellence in Teaching Award (HETA), which recognizes outstanding doctors who have provided exceptional guidance, support, and education to students during their clerkships.

CHAD KROUSE ’02 graduated with a doctoral degree in education on May 12, 2018, from Virginia Commonwealth University, where he serves as executive director of regional giving.

NATHAN S. KELLY ’05 recently accepted a new position as a senior systems administrator at Blizzard Entertainment’s e-sports broadcast facility in Burbank, California, where the company produces Overwatch League.

CHRISTIAN BASEL ’06 has been admitted as a Postulant for Holy Orders of the Episcopal Church in South Carolina and will attend Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria beginning in August.

MARK PİNTO, JR. ’06 has been named a Top 40 Under 40 honoree by the Jacksonville Business Journal, which recognizes young professionals who have helped create or grow a successful enterprise. Mark is a consultant and principal at the Fiorentino Group, a governmental relations and business development firm. The article focused on Mark’s efforts as a lobbyist to help those without power or a platform, such as his work on legislation to provide EpiPens in public spaces and his support of charter schools in underserved areas of Jacksonville.

HUNTER ROOKER ’06 recently accepted a job as manager of enterprise risk at Advance Auto Parts in Raleigh, NC.

RYAN SCHILLING ’06 and KYLEE PONDER were married on December 30, 2017, at Reveille United Methodist Church in Richmond with a reception at the Commonwealth Club. Groomsmen included John Baker ’06, Jack Gates ’06, Scott Copeland ’06, John Eppler ’06, Patrick Gee ’06, and Cappy Gilchrist ’06. Also in attendance were James Blackburn ’05, Joe Blackburn ’71, John Cranly ’06, Bryan Dunkum ’06, Heath Gates ’05, Jim Jervey ’80, John Neal ’05, Fred Larmore ’74, Westbrook Parker ’70, and Will Shumadine ’94. The couple resides in Richmond.

CHRISTOPHER ’06 and EVA THOMPSON welcomed a daughter, Moira Alene, on July 25, 2017.

Capt. JASON R. BART ’07 is a judge advocate in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General’s Corps. Jason is stationed in Korea.

DAVID “STEPHEN” BROWN ’07 has been promoted to director of financial planning for Signature Wealth Management Group in Atlanta.

NEAL EİKE ’07 and SARAH CASTLEBERRY were married on March 31, 2018, at the Hay-Adams in Washington, DC. In attendance were Justin Parrish ’07, Mark Ransone ’07, Paul Recordon ’06, Joshua Schniper ’07, Zack Streeter ’07, Ryan Sharkey ’07, Ross Garrison ’07, Garner Simpson ’07, Chris Colgate ’08, Carden Hedelt ’08, and Alex Tzavelas ’10. Sarah, a James Madison University alumna, is an attorney search director at Parker + Lynch in Washington and Neal is a project manager at Rand Construction in Alexandria. The couple resides in Arlington.
WELDON JONES ’07 and HASTINGS CROCKARD were married on November 18, 2017, in Pensacola, Florida. In the wedding party were Gray Pendleton ’07, West Hubard ’07, and Jimmy Philbin ’08. Also in attendance were John Hunter ’07, Adam Purser ’07, Bryan Robbins ’07, Dustin Zedeker ’07 and Cameron Hellmuth ’07. The couple resides in Raleigh, North Carolina, where the bride works as a commercial real estate broker at CBRE and the groom is an attorney with Jordan, Price, Wall, Gray, Jones, and Carlton.

SHAWN ’08 and JESSICA MIDDLEBROOKS welcomed a daughter, Olivia Diana-Elease, on July 1, 2017. Olivia joins big sister Victoria, age three. The entire family returned to the Hill in March for the Minority Alumni Mentorship Weekend.

JOHN PENDLETON ’09 was the subject of a “Getting to Know” column in the Richmond Times-Dispatch on April 11, 2018. John is a property and casualty risk advisor in the Henrico County office of Scott Insurance.

CARY SAUNDERS ’09 and MALLORY MYERS were married on October 14, 2017, in Roanoke. In attendance were Taylor Bondurant ’09, Johnny Jones ’06, Joey Omick ’10, John Reid ’09, Charlie Omick ’07, Dr. Nick Bandy ’09, Gray Hamlin ’10, Andrew Huffman ’09, Dr. Matt Huff ’09, Drew Martin ’08, Andrew Joyner ’11, Matt McKeag ’03, Powell Holt ’11, Mac Reed ’11, Dr. Drew Baker ’07, Tyler Bowman ’09, Buddy Sanders ’76, Cappy Gilchrist ’06, Larry Henshaw ’10, Stuart Callahan ’11, Dr. James Baldwin ’08, and Kevin McEligot ’11. The couple resides in Richmond.

SAM COREY ’08 has been named vice president, pricing and underwriting, for CSC Leasing, headquartered in Richmond. He and his wife Erin have a ten-month-old son.

WILLIAM A. GRESHAM, JR. ’08 has been named vice president of corporate operations at E.T. Gresham Company, Inc. in Norfolk. Most recently, he was the firm’s director of special operations. The promotion was featured in Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal.

2010s

MATT BROWN ’10 is the campaign manager for the Corey Stewart for Senate campaign in Virginia. Matt has worked on multiple political campaigns for the Virginia state senate, U.S. Congress, and the Presidency.

MATTHEW ’10 and LISA COMPTON welcomed a son, Edward Thomas, on April 12, 2017. The family resides in Greenville, North Carolina.

MATTHEW HUDGINS ’10 and MEREDITH FARR were married on December 2, 2017, at Bienvenue in Powhatan. In attendance were Doug Hudgins ’08, Craig Waterworth ’10, Matt Winfree ’10, Rusty Stilner ’11, and Jay Rose ’13. The couple resides in Powhatan.

SHAWN MIDDLEBROOKS ’08 FAMILY

JOHN D. FAY ’10 has joined Ally Financial as a senior financial analyst, overseeing financial planning and mortgage analysis. Most recently, he was with Wells Fargo for seven years.

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JAMAR M. LOVELACE ’10 has been named head football coach at William Fleming High School in Roanoke. Most recently, he was defensive coordinator at Lynchburg’s E.C. Glass High School under head football coach and fellow Tiger Jeffrey A. Woody ’01. Jamar has coached alongside Jeff for the past seven seasons at Brookville, Monticello, and E.C. Glass.

SEAN ’10 and JAIME LYNCH welcomed a daughter, Blakely Jaymes, on March 30, 2018. Blakely is looking forward to making her way to the Hill to enjoy some football this fall.

SEAN C. LYNCH ’10 has been promoted to commercial real estate portfolio analyst with Fulton Financial Corporation based out of Columbia, Maryland. Sean will be providing financial portfolio analysis support for the entire North- and Mid-Atlantic commercial real estate teams.

CHAD PLEASANTS ’10 and JESSICA KARNSER were married on March 24, 2018, in Richmond. In attendance were Ben Pleasants ’11, Richard Griffin ’10, Scott St. Clair ’10, Justin Odanga ’10, Ryland Sweeney ’10, Nick Dowell ’08, Josh Lanier ’08, John B. Murray III ’12, Ryan Sharkey ’07, Nathaniel Thomas ’11, Eric Early ’11, and Telphor Austin ’11. The couple resides in Raleigh, North Carolina.

THOMAS CALDERWOOD ’12 and STEPHANIE FERDRIGO were married on May 5th, 2018. In attendance were Cabot Armentrout ’12, Nick Bowling ’12, and Phillip Tholand ’13. The bride is a 2013 alumna of Lynchburg College.

OSRIC FORREST ’12 earned his Ph.D. in Immunology from Emory University in May 2018. He will be relocating to Boston to work as a postdoctoral research associate at EMD Serono, an affiliate of Merck KGaA.

TIGERS IN REAL ESTATE

The Hampden-Sydney alumni network is well at work in the Virginia real estate market, as evidenced by the number of alumni working together through a recent partnership between TowneBank Mortgage and Hometown Realty. George W. “Trey” Cooper III ’00, TowneBank Mortgage senior vice president and business development manager for Central Virginia, noticed just how many H-SC brothers he interacts with professionally after he and M. Deane Cheatum III ’88, principal broker at Hometown Realty, hosted a real estate industry Q&A session for H-SC seniors. Cooper counts at least 14 Hampden-Sydney men at work in the Richmond area between the two companies, including two recent graduates who attended the Q&A session: Brandon Reilly ’17, a loan officer at TowneBank Mortgage, and Jake Edmonds ’18, a new member of the Ben Rogers ’12 team at Hometown Realty. “Brandon has really excelled in his first year in the business,” says Cooper. “I’ve enjoyed watching his success as a mortgage banker and seeing him network with other young H-SC alumni.” A group of five Tigers representing the mortgage, brokerage, and construction sides of the Richmond market recently gathered for the photo below. According to Cooper, “One thing that is consistent across these real-estate-related fields is the confidence with which you can refer another H-SC graduate.”

L to R: Kenneth “Kenny” Fryman ’13, senior loan officer at TowneFirst Mortgage; David Prince ’18, vice president at Prince Construction Inc.; George W. “Trey” Cooper ’00, senior vice president at TowneBank Mortgage; Brandon Reilly ’17, loan officer at TowneBank Mortgage; and Tyler “Ty” Condrey ’10, real estate agent at Hometown Realty.

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CHRISTIAN ‘12 and NATALIA YOW welcomed a son, Nehemiah Lucas, on February 15, 2018.

MASON COREY ‘13 has been named director of asset management for CSC Leasing Company in Richmond. Most recently, he was an asset specialist with the same company.

BRADLEY BENJAMIN MOSTOWY ‘13 and KELLY CHRISTINE MOYET were married on October 21, 2017, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Peachtree City, Georgia. Groomsmen included David Beman ’12, Ryan Martin ’13, Steve Louro ’14, Chase Brown ’14, and best man Tim VanBenthuisen ’11. Also in attendance were Mario Washington ’10, Chris Avellana ’12, Nate Cundy ’12, Cody Hornung ’13, Drake Hudgins ’13, Bobby Fulton ’14, Russell Harper ’14, Matt Kusel ’14, and John William Morris ’14. The couple resides in Roswell, Georgia.

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MATTHEW GOODRICH ’16 is a leasing associate at Longfellow Real Estate Partners in the Raleigh-Durham area. The move was featured in the Triangle Business Journal on February 15, 2018.

JOHN KROENCKE ’16 earned his master’s degree in economics from George Mason University in December 2017. He is a second-year Ph.D. student.

JOSH EARLY ’14 has joined John B. Levy & Co. as a financial analyst. The move was featured in the May 15, 2018, edition of Richmond Biz Sense.
GLOBAL CHALLENGES, GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

In honor of former Hampden-Sydney College President and military intelligence expert General Samuel V. Wilson, the College hosted a foreign policy forum on February 21, 2018. Global Challenges, Global Opportunities featured Hampden-Sydney alumni active in global and national affairs at the highest levels: Joel Velasco ’95, Chris Kurowski ’98, and Henrik Rasmussen ’03.

The panelists examined a number of the geopolitical challenges facing the United States today and provided career advice for students interested in pursuing careers in the national security arena. Approximately 100 students attended the evening event, moderated by Trey Lackey ’85. (Read more about Lackey’s 25-year career with the CIA in the Fall 2017 edition of the Record.)

Velasco is a principal of Albright Stonebridge Group, the global strategy firm chaired by former Secretary of State Madeline Albright, where he draws upon his extensive knowledge of Latin America markets. He began his career as a personal aide to Vice President Al Gore in the White House and then as a senior advisor to the U.S. Ambassador to Brazil. He received his M.A. from Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service.

A senior national security analyst at Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, Kurowski works with military agencies on a wide range of emerging or evolving national security issues. His career has included service at the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Joint Warfare Analysis Center, and the Army Chief of Staff’s Strategic Studies Group. He is a Ph.D. candidate at Cambridge University and holds an M.A. in international relations from Durham University in the U.K.

A native of Denmark, Rasmussen is a senior fellow for the Future Europe Initiative at the Atlantic Council, as well as founder and president of Argonne Global, a consulting firm focused on business expansion and investment across multiple industries and geographies. A longtime advocate of American global leadership, he has appeared in major publications such as the Chicago Tribune, the Financial Times, Forbes, and Die Welt. Rasmussen holds an M.A. in political science from the University of Pennsylvania and became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 2010.

According to Wilson Center Executive Director Rucker Snead ’81, after the program about 30 students and alumni continued the conversation into the wee hours of the morning. “We are blessed to have Hampden-Sydney alumni who have answered the call to serve our nation in the spirit of General Wilson, in both the public and private sectors,” Snead said, “and we are thankful for their willingness to return to campus to meet and talk with H-SC students.”

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Contact Randy Reed ’82 at (434) 223-6864 or rreed@hsc.edu to learn more.
OBUITARIES

1940s

Dr. WILLIAM BELKER WHITE ’40 died on May 24, 2018, at the age of 99. He received B.A. and B.S. degrees from Hampden-Sydney, earned his M.A. from Lehigh University, then served with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater until 1946. While working on his Ph.D. in English at Lehigh University, he was called back into service for two years during the Korean War. After receiving his doctorate, he taught at Salem College for 29 years and was chair of the English department for 11 years. He was a member of Grace Episcopal Church in Yorktown and the St. Andrew’s Society of Williamsburg.

The Rev. ALLAN CHRISTIAN ANDERSON ’44 died on May 1, 2018. He graduated magna cum laude from Hampden-Sydney, studied agriculture at Virginia Tech, then graduated from Union Theological Seminary in 1949. Allan served at Presbyterian churches in Virginia, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Texas, where he was known for building strong congregations, for his pastoral care, and for his commitment to social justice. In Memphis, he supported the sanitation workers’ strike prior to Martin Luther King’s assassination, a stance that led to personal threats against his family and home but resulted in numerous deep friendships. Allan also served as a chaplain in the National Guard for 27 years, retiring at the rank of Lt. Colonel, and kept close ties with his family farm in Virginia. His brothers were the Rev. George A. Anderson ’37 and the Rev. F. Sidney Anderson, Jr. ’41.

HENRY WATKINS BROCKENBROUGH ’44 died on March 11, 2018. After graduating cum laude from Hampden-Sydney, he served in World War II as a U.S. Naval Reserve lieutenant on a Landing Craft Infantry (LCI) assault ship in North Africa, Italy, and Southern France. He earned his law degree from the University of Virginia after the war and began a lengthy career with State Planters Bank and Trust Company, now SunTrust, retiring in 1984 as senior vice-president in charge of trust. He then served as trust counsel for Crestar Bank and entered private law practice with Kimberly A. Pinchbeck, P.C. until fully retiring in 2008. He served as president of the Richmond Estate Planning Council, chairman of the Virginia Bankers Association trust committee, director and chairman of the Tuckahoe YMCA, and elder at St. Giles Presbyterian Church and Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church. He was also a former president and 50-year member of The Cohoke Club. He loved gardening, fishing, boxing, running, and storytelling.

The Hon. ERNEST PLEASANTS GATES, SR. ’45 died on June 18, 2018. A football player and Kappa Sigma brother at Hampden-Sydney, he put his studies on hold to enter the U.S. Navy during World War II. Ernest trained in the V-12 Naval program at H-SC before serving as a lieutenant in the Pacific Theater, where he was wounded in combat on Okinawa and awarded the Purple Heart. After the war, he finished his undergraduate degree at Hampden-Sydney and his law degree at Washington & Lee. He served more than 60 years as a public official, elected Commonwealth’s Attorney for Chesterfield County in 1954 and appointed to the Circuit Court in 1966. Although he retired from the bench in 1987, Judge Gates continued to preside over cases around the state as a Designated Circuit Court Judge until 2012. In addition, Judge Gates served as chairman of the Voluntary Sentencing Guidelines Committee of the Judicial Conference of Virginia and was elected by the General Assembly as chairman of the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission. He was a Master Mason, an active member of multiple legal organizations and historical societies, and served on numerous boards, including the Board of Visitors of Longwood University as vice rector. A member of the Board of Trustees at Hampden-Sydney, Judge Gates received the College’s Patrick Henry Award in recognition of his service to the people of Virginia. He and his wife of 64 years were active members of St. John’s Episcopal Church in Chester, where he served in many capacities, including both Junior and Senior Warden. Judge Gates created a lasting legacy at Hampden-Sydney College, with 14 family members graduating from H-SC: sons William Gates ’74, Ernest “Rusty” Gates, Jr. ’76, David Gates ’78, and Thomas Gates ’88; sons-in-law Phillip Distansioso ’77 and William Moore ’78; and grandsons Benjamin Gates ’01, Charley Gates ’04, Heath Gates ’05, Patrick Gates ’09, Matthew Gates ’12, Drew Distansioso ’15, John Moore ’15, and Will Moore ’18.

JOHN GRAFF ARMISTEAD ’46 died on March 8, 2018. A member of Theta Chi at Hampden-Sydney, he graduated cum laude in physics after serving in the Army Air Corps during World War II. John was an engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Fort Belvoir, where he retired as chief of the surveying division of the topographic developments laboratory. He received the Meritorious Civilian Service Medal, the Army Research and Development Achievement Award, and the Commander’s Award for Civilian Service for his work in satellite telemetry and mapping programs. John had an extremely curious, scientific mind, was an avid reader, and learned to fly RC model airplanes at the age of 90. He was a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church. John is survived by his wife of 64 years, 2 daughters, and 4 grandchildren.

The Rev. Dr. LEWIS H. LANCASTER, JR. ’48 died on February 13, 2018. Lew grew up in China, the son of Presbyterian missionary Lewis Holladay Lancaster, class of 1909. After Hampden-Sydney, Lew graduated from Union Theological Seminary and raised his five children in Japan, where he served as a Presbyterian missionary. He later worked in the office of ecumenical relations at the church headquarters in Atlanta and Louisville. He devoted his working life to the Presbyterian church, rebuilding relationships among Christians and people of diverse cultures. An activist who participated in peaceful protests throughout his life, Lew built houses two days a week with Habitat for Humanity in his retirement. He sang bass in the church choir most of his life.
JACK ALVIN GLASCOCK ’49 died on March 2, 2018. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II before studying science at Hampden-Sydney. After his time in the military, he returned to complete his education and was a chemistry teacher and athletic coach for 42 years. He was also a supporter of UVA athletics.

WILLIAM PRESTON GROSECLOSE ’49 died on June 7, 2018, at the age of 92. Bill served in the Pacific Theater on the USS Brush from 1942-45, then attended Hampden-Sydney after the war. After graduating from H-SC, he began a career in furniture sales before moving to the textile industry as manager of retail operations for Fieldcrest, Inc. He retired in 1987 to enjoy family trips, tee-times, bridge games, church work, and civic engagement. Bill devoted much time to Leasville United Methodist Church, Meals on Wheels, Cooperative Christian Ministries Food Pantry, the Red Cross Blood Drive, and Yakefellow Prison Ministry. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, three daughters, and four grandchildren.

Dr. WINFIELD MASSIE ’49 died on May 17, 2018. After graduating from Hampden-Sydney, he earned a master’s degree in genetics from Virginia Tech and a doctorate of veterinary medicine degree from Texas A&M. He worked for the Virginia Department of Agriculture, retiring as supervisor for the eastern part of the state. During his 30 years with the department, Winfield helped make meat safe for human consumption through the eradication of several livestock diseases in Eastern Virginia, while his diligent inspection practices prevented the introduction of new diseases from abroad. In retirement, he authored a book about his career and was a docent at the Houston Zoo for 20 years. He was active in the Rotary Club and the Episcopal Church, serving on the vestry for many years, and had a lifelong love of animals, the Texas Aggies, target shooting, and books. Winfield is survived by his wife of 56 years, two children, and three grandchildren. His son, Frank D. Massie ’88, also attended H-SC.

EDWARD WYLLYS TAYLOR ’49 died on February 10, 2018. Edward served in the U.S. Navy at the end of World War II, then enrolled at Hampden-Sydney, where he played basketball and golf. He spent the first half of his career designing, constructing, and operating chemical plants; later he enjoyed interests in citrus, real estate development and construction, environmental, and bottled water businesses. He was an avid golfer and an active member of First Presbyterian Church in Lakeland, Florida, where he led Bible studies, taught Sunday school, and helped oversee construction of the church’s current facility. His son Edward W. Taylor, Jr. ’76 also attended H-SC.

The Rev. JOHN DAINGERFIELD ALFRIEND ’50 died on May 22, 2018. John enlisted in the Navy when he graduated from high school in 1945; after the war, he attended Hampden-Sydney, where he was an active member of Sigma Chi, then earned a Master of Divinity degree from Virginia Theological Seminary. An ordained Episcopal priest for over 53 years, John presided over numerous parishes in Virginia and West Virginia, where he made both young people and the elderly a focus of his ministry. He helped establish the retreat center Chanco on the James; was instrumental in the creation of FOCUS, a community social services group that combats drug use; formed the Norfolk Interfaith Coalition for the Elderly; and created the Eastern Panhandle Free Clinic to address the lack of healthcare available to the poor and underserved in five WV counties. He sat on the board of directors for the National Council on the Aging, in addition to numerous faith-based and civic boards to foster aid for the socially disadvantaged and to ease racial tension.

In retirement, he authored a book about his career and was a docent at the Houston Zoo for 20 years. He was active in the Rotary Club and the Episcopal Church, serving on the vestry for many years, and had a lifelong love of animals, the Texas Aggies, target shooting, and books. Winfield is survived by his wife of 56 years, two children, and three grandchildren. His son, Frank D. Massie ’88, also attended H-SC.

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ROBERT EDWARD JOHNSON ’50 died on February 18, 2018. Bob was a member of Sigma Chi and served in the U.S. Navy after graduating from H-SC. He then returned to his hometown of Abingdon, taking over the family grocery and florist businesses and developing several residential communities and business properties. Bob served on the board of directors of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the Virginia Highlands Society, and the Washington County National Bank; was elected to the Abingdon town council; and was president of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce and district chairman of the National Federation of Independent Businessmen. He was also chairman of the board of stewards and finance and music committees at Abingdon United Methodist Church. He enjoyed golf, big band and jazz music, and classic sports cars.

PHILIP M. SNYDER III ’50 died on February 27, 2018, at Hampden-Sydney, he was a member of Kappa Alpha and the football, track, and golf teams. He is survived by his wife, their four children, and their five grandchildren.

LAWRENCE TAYLOR BERRY, JR. ’51 died on April 7, 2018, after a long illness. He served with the U.S. Army in Germany during the Korean War, then spent his career in the insurance industry, retiring from USF&G in 1990. He was an avid skier, bowler, golfer, and bodysurfer, activities that he enjoyed with his family by his side.

RANDOLPH BOLLING “DEO” CHICHESTER ’51 died on May 26, 2018. Deo played varsity tennis and was a member of Sigma Chi at H-SC, then attended Naval Officer Training School and served aboard the USS Borie in the Mediterranean. He graduated from UVA Law School in 1958, then joined the Richmond law firm Christian, Marks,
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Scott and Spicer, later known as Williams Mullen. After retiring, he managed Muhlenman Investments, a family real estate company. Deo was a member of the Country Club of Virginia, Sons of the American Revolution, the Virginia Bar, the American Bar, the Heritage Foundation, and St. James Episcopal Church. One of the great joys of his life was playing tennis, at H-SC and beyond.

STEPHEN COLLINS WRIGHT ’51 died on March 15, 2018. After graduating with a B.S. in biology from Hampden-Sydney, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War and attained the rank of major. He then embarked on a career as an aerospace engineer with Grumman Aircraft Corporation. He was a member of Trinity Ecumenical Parish in Moneta and enjoyed reading, studying history, and making model airplanes. His son Gary E. Wright ’76 also attended H-SC.

The Rev. LAWRENCE WILTON AVENT ’52 died on April 25, 2018. After serving as a staff sergeant with the U.S. Army in Europe from 1945-47, Larry graduated from Hampden-Sydney and Union Theological Seminary. An ordained Presbyterian minister, he pastored churches throughout Virginia and North Carolina. Larry was known for his courage and conviction, his preaching and pastoral ministry, and his genuine love and compassion for his congregations and the less fortunate. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather.

WILLIAM EUGENE COLEMAN, JR. ’52 died on April 5, 2018. He served in the U.S. Army and had a career in the savings and loan industry before founding C&T Builders. Bill was an outdoorsman, reader, and woodworker, also known for his large garden and homemade pies and applesauce. He was a member of the Richmond Rotary Club, Richmond Dove Association, and James River Retriever Club. His son Stephen A. Coleman ’91 followed in his footsteps at H-SC.

JOSEPH LEE WALLACE, JR. ’54 died on January 29, 2018. He served in the Pacific Theater in World War II with the U.S. Coast Guard before graduating from Hampden-Sydney and embarking on a 35-year career as an insurance agent. He held leadership positions and taught Sunday School for many years at Second Presbyterian Church and was active with the Boy Scouts of American and other community groups. His son, James W. Wallace ’79, also attended H-SC.

Dr. WALTER LEE GRUBB, JR. ’57 died on April 17, 2018. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the football team at Hampden-Sydney, Walt completed his M.D. and residency at the Medical College of Virginia, then served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps in Italy and at Fort Belvoir. He returned to MCV as a professor of diagnostic radiology before joining Charlotte Radiology in 1971. He retired from medical practice in 1995. An avid golfer, recreational scuba diver, and private pilot who was fascinated by history, Walt realized a lifelong dream when he piloted a P-51 D Mustang. He enjoyed reading and jazz music and was a member of Providence United Methodist Church for over 30 years. His son, Dr. Walter Lee Grubb III ’89, also attended H-SC.

EDWARD PENNINGTON “PENNY” LAMBERT, JR. ’57 died on June 2, 2018. An avid outdoorsman, Penny enjoyed hunting, fishing, snow skiing, and music festivals. He is fondly remembered for his incredible sense of humor. Penny is survived by his wife of 58 years, two sons, and five grandchildren.

The Rev. Dr. EDGAR CALDWELL MAYSE ’57 died on March 2, 2018. He graduated magna cum laude from H-SC, then earned his Master of Divinity degree cum laude from Union Theological Seminary. He also earned Master and Doctor of Theology degrees at Union in the early 1970s. Dr. Mayse authored numerous articles for the American Journal of Presbyterian History, and in 1993 he co-edited a collection of essays, “The History of the Household of Faith.” An ordained Presbyterian minister for 58 years, he lead congregations in Virginia, Maryland, South Carolina, and Alabama. Twice Dr. Mayse returned to Hampden-Sydney as the interim college chaplain and pastor of College Church, in 2003 and 2009.

JOHN F. HODGES, JR. ’58 died on December 18, 2017. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps after attending Hampden-Sydney, then worked as a civil engineer for J.A. Jones Construction Company for 30 years before retiring to Florida in 1989. He is survived by his wife of 62 years.

1960s

HENRY THOMAS “TOM” DAVIS, JR. ’60 died on June 2, 2018. A member of Pi Kappa Alpha at Hampden-Sydney, Tom was an avid golfer who made friends wherever he went and cherished fishing with his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, two sons, and five grandchildren.

CLARENCE KNIGHT “CHUCK” GARRARD, JR. ’65 died on January 28, 2018. After Hampden-Sydney, he served two years in the U.S. Navy and worked in sales for many years before founding his own business, Trees-N-More. He was an Eagle Scout and master gardener who enjoyed playing tennis, fishing, and bird hunting.

MICHAEL KENT VAUGHAN, SR. ’65 died on April 20, 2018. He was a U.S. Army veteran, a Mason, a Pi Kappa Alpha brother, and an active member of the Church of the Holy Comforter in Richmond. He is survived by his son and granddaughters.

LEIGH SULLIVAN FULTZ ’67 died on February 15, 2018. He was a member of Theta Chi and president of the student government at Hampden-Sydney. After service in the U.S. Army, he pursued an insurance career in Winston-Salem, eventually founding The Cambridge
Companies and The Fultz Company. Leigh became a nationally recognized leader in insurance and executive benefits for businesses, publishing articles in industry journals, speaking to groups nationwide, and receiving numerous awards throughout his career. He was also successful in real estate development. He enjoyed athletics—most recently cycling, riding over a hundred miles each week—as well as sailing and traveling with his wife of 49 years.

1970s

Dr. PHILIP NELSON LIGHT '78 died on May 9, 2018, after a battle with leukemia. After Hampden-Sydney, Philip graduated at the top of his class at Eastern Virginia Medical School and completed his residency in ophthalmology. In 2003, he founded the Eye Center of Greenbrier Valley, in Lewisburg, WV, where he ministered faithfully to his patients through his thoughtful and diligent work. Philip was an avid outdoorsman, sailor, skier, soccer coach, and musician who approached every aspect of life with spirit, drive, and tenacity. His abiding passion, however, was his family. He sought to instill in his three children, by example and words, a zest for life and the pursuit of greatness through hard work, careful planning, and sound judgment.

GELON S. “TRIP” HOBBS III ’79 died on May 7, 2018. Trip earned his English degree at Hampden-Sydney, receiving the Garnet Poetry Prize and serving as captain of the rugby team. He also earned his master’s degree in education from Old Dominion University in 1991. Trip’s career in education included almost twenty years of service at Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, where he taught honors English, served as upper school director of admissions, and coached numerous sports. He then worked for Dare County Schools in North Carolina’s Outer Banks for more than twenty years, serving as a principal, director of personnel, director of instruction, and most recently, as the school system’s chief operations officer. He won numerous awards, including teacher of the year, principal of the year, and a national outstanding communicator award. Trip loved surfing, fishing at the beach, and projects around the house.

1980s

WILLIE ROBERT SHELNUT II ’80 died on May 16, 2018, after a long illness. Will studied philosophy and government at Hampden-Sydney, graduated with distinction, then was the owner of FotoFast in Lynchburg for many years. He is survived by his wife and two children.

JAMES RICHARD “JAY” DANIEL ’86 died on March 30, 2018. He studied biology at Hampden-Sydney, then worked for the U.S. Department of Defense. He was an avid fan of the UNC Tarheels and the Washington Redskins, and he enjoyed fishing and spending time in the Outer Banks. He is survived by two children.

1990s

WILLIAM RIPLEY “RIP” WEST ’91 died on April 3, 2018. The Dallas native entered the insurance business after college, following in the footsteps of his grandfather and father and showing great dedication to his clients. Rip also loved the outdoors, especially skiing and camping; he became an expert in growing and planting trees, and even started a small business as a result of the hobby. An avid reader, Rip was always willing to express his views on sports, politics, books, or life in general.

ERIC AMOS TINNELL ’97 died on February 12, 2018. While a student at H-SC, Eric became an EMT with the Prince Edward County Volunteer Rescue and a firefighter with the Hampden-Sydney Volunteer Fire Department. He became president and captain of the rescue squad, running 725 volunteer calls in 1996. Eric graduated cum laude from the T.C. Williams School of Law at the University of Richmond in 2000 and embarked on an 18-year career as a private-practice attorney. He also served as an assistant commonwealth’s attorney for Fluvanna and Prince Edward Counties from 2005-2009 and was appointed a substitute district court judge for the Tenth Judicial Circuit in 2015.

2000s

CHAD SCOTT SOUTHWARD ’06 died on May 27, 2018, after battling chronic rejection of his lungs. He earned his degree in English from Hampden-Sydney, then taught secondary education and worked diligently at the United Network for Organ Sharing. As a survivor of three double-lung transplants, Chad was a powerful advocate for organ donation and his life served as an inspiration to others. He lived for his family and, despite his health challenges, exuded joy everywhere he went. He is survived by his wife and two sons.

FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE

BARBARA CHERNAULT FORE died on May 29, 2018. Mrs. Fore retired from Hampden-Sydney College in 1995 after 25 years as the secretary to the Dean of Students. She was an avid reader and gardener.

PACE MAHOOD FONVILLE, SR., died on April 15, 2018. An icon of Richmond real estate and property development, Mr. Fonville was co-founder of Bowers, Nelms & Fonville, central Virginia’s largest traditional real estate brokerage in its time. The father of two Hampden-Sydney alumni, Pace Mahood Fonville, Jr. ‘92 and Charles Turner Fonville ‘97, Mr. Fonville was an active supporter of the College, serving on both the Parents Council and the Board of Trustees.
As director of the Bortz Library at Hampden-Sydney College, I’m always on the hunt for a few Hampden-Sydney treasures that I know exist, but are unfortunately not accounted for. One such treasure that I’ve frequently heard mentioned during my 16 years in the library is something referred to as the “Watkins Syphering Book.” Imagine my curiosity this spring when I discovered—in the top drawer of an old file cabinet that had been locked for decades and just recently pried open—an old and curious book of drawings, notations, and problems. A gathering of pages resembling a journal or composition book without a cover, the artifact measures 8 x 12 ½ inches. It appears to be a self-made arithmetic workbook used by a student and his tutor, a Mr. Thomas Brooks. About five pages in, I found the notation Joel Watkins his Syphering Book with the date June 12, 1772. In the margin of the same page, a different hand had written Joel Watkins was born A.D. 1758 Day and month not known By his Grandson Philip H. Franklin.

I knew the Syphering Book had been featured in early editions of the Record, so I was quickly able to locate some background information. An October 1937 article notes President J. D. Eggleston’s discovery that Joel Watkins, Jr. was a member of the first class that entered Hampden-Sydney in 1776; in his search to learn more about this Watkins, Eggleston tracked down the Syphering Book in a neighboring state and worked with the Virginia State Librarian to have the book photostated and bound. A copy was placed here in the College’s library. A follow up article from October 1944 reports, “The original, which was owned by Mr. Franklin, of near Concord Depot, Va., has been donated to our Library, and is highly prized.” It has been almost 75 years since the donation of the original, but this treasure is lost no more, and is indeed highly prized, especially because of the College’s long connection to the Watkins family.

The hunt continues for lost Hampden-Sydney treasures. If anyone knows the whereabouts of the Nash LeGrand diploma (1786) pictured on page 29 of Brinkley’s On This Hill, this librarian would be very pleased to hear from you.
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