AROUND THE WORLD
H-SC student Tillmon Cook spends a semester at sea.
Earlier this semester, I shared with our students the most important advice I can offer them—to find one or more mentors at Hampden-Sydney to advise them during their time on the Hill. Now comes research by the Gallup organization reporting two factors that correlate most highly with an extraordinary college experience: “I had a professor who cared about me as a person,” and “I had a mentor who encouraged my goals and dreams.”

A hallmark of the highly personal Hampden-Sydney educational experience is a community of faculty and staff members who care deeply about our students and find great rewards in mentoring them. As we remember beloved Hampden-Sydney professors who have died recently, including Victor Cabas, Keith Fitch, Amos Lee Lane, and other giants who have gone before them, it is also a time to honor our faculty and staff members’ dedication to the College’s mission of forming “good men and good citizens.” They are extraordinary mentors who take a very personal interest in our young men, caring about them and encouraging their “goals and dreams.”

The experience we offer young men at Hampden-Sydney differs greatly from what undergraduate students find at larger universities. There, large lecture classes are the norm, often taught by adjunct faculty members or graduate students. Encountering a tenured faculty member, much less having one care about them, is incredibly rare for undergraduates at these institutions—which is probably why Gallup researchers found that only 27 percent of all college and university graduates reported having “a professor who cared about me as a person,” and only 20 percent of all college and university graduates report having “a mentor who encouraged my goals and dreams.”

Our Hampden-Sydney faculty members understand that learning is not confined to the classroom, that some of the most important opportunities for teaching occur during one-on-one meetings, so they are highly accessible outside of class. Faculty and staff members are also interested in developing all aspects of our young men’s lives—their intellect, certainly, but also their social, emotional, moral, and spiritual dimensions—so they are quite literally there for our students, attending athletic contests, theater productions, musical performances, and other activities. And, they see and interact with our students all across campus: in the Brown Student Center, in the Fitness Center, and during meals in Pannill Commons.

Alumni frequently tell me that this was their experience at Hampden-Sydney, too. There is no greater reward for faculty and staff members than to hear how you have been shaped and influenced by them during your college years. So, I encourage you to find a few minutes to reach out to those members of the Hampden-Sydney community who were particularly influential in your life and thank them for the mentoring they provided.

Dr. Larry Stimpert
President, Hampden-Sydney College
2017 marked the centennial year of the U.S. entry into World War I, which the College commemorated by remembering the Hampden-Sydney men who fought in the Great War. At the Wilson Center’s annual Veterans Day program, military historian and Wilson Fellow Col. Greg Eanes, USAF (Ret), highlighted H-SC veterans who served on the Western Front during the First World War. Eanes’ statistical analysis of the nearly 500 Hampden-Sydney men involved in the conflict found Tigers active in all areas of the war effort and in every branch of the military. Beyond serving in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, and the newly formed American Air Service, H-SC men in the war zone served with British, French, and Russian forces, as well as the Red Cross and the YMCA. They were officers and enlisted, sailors and pilots, doctors and chaplains. Regardless of their exact role, Hampden-Sydney men demonstrated individual leadership, often by example, if not by position and circumstance. The following was adapted from Eanes’ remarks, delivered on November 9, 2017.
FIRST IN
The earliest Hampden-Sydney man in the war zone was Dr. John Mann, class of 1894, who set sail in December of 1914 to support one of 13 hospital units funded by the American people under the European War Relief Fund. Commissioned by the Czar as a lieutenant colonel in the Imperial Russian Army, Mann reported to the Kiev-based Red Cross Hospital on February 19, 1915, where he worked with a joint American and Russian medical team to treat the Russian wounded. Mann later recalled,

Some of the poor fellows had not had their clothes off or a bath for more than six months... These were the fellows who had been all through the campaigns in the Carpathian Mountains... Most of them were suffering from frostbite. There was absolutely no kind of gunshot wound which we did not have... Some of the cases were horrible, but some of the operations performed by the doctors at times were remarkable. The most remarkable, perhaps, were those on patients who were given artificial jaws.

After a six-month tour, Mann departed for St. Luke’s Hospital in Tokyo, where he became acting superintendent. The Kiev hospital closed a month later, having treated over 58,000 wounded Russian soldiers.

Another Hampden-Sydney man joined the war effort before the United States entered the war: Clark Epting Lindsay, class of 1917, who left school to join the American Ambulance Field Service in support of the French Army. Lindsay served in Sanitary Squad Unit One for a six-month period in 1916-1917, earning two Army Corps citations. Each ambulance section consisted of 30 men who were assigned to a French division, dressed in French uniforms, and were treated, for all intents, as members of the French Army.

Lindsay was one of 2,000 American volunteers, most of them coming from one of over 100 American colleges. As far as can be determined, Lindsay was the only Hampden-Sydney man, and one of only 16 Virginians, to serve in this capacity. He returned home to enlist in the Army, later serving as a first lieutenant in the Field Artillery. Two more Lindsay men followed in his footsteps at Hampden-Sydney: his son George Walton Lindsay ’52 and his grandson Clark Epting Lindsay II ’77.

BOOTS ON THE GROUND
More than two and a half years after fighting erupted in Europe, the United States declared war on Germany and began building up its military forces by volunteer enlistment and draft. Within a year, American troops were arriving on the Western Front in large numbers, including at least 167 Hampden-Sydney men.

Sixteen Hampden-Sydney men served in the U.S. Marines, including William Baxter Southall, class of 1910, who enlisted in July 1917 and served with the 76th Company of the 6th Marine Regiment, attached to the Army’s 2nd Division. After service in the Verdun Sector, the 27-year-old private arrived in the Château-Thierry Sector on June 1, 1918, and was placed on the lines at Belleau Wood, site of one of the most legendary—and bloodiest—battles in Marine Corps history. Southall was seriously wounded on June 15, shot in the wrist and thigh while in action against the enemy. Hospitalized and
eventually sent home, Southall was one of nearly 8,000 Americans wounded in the month-long battle. More than 1,800 of his compatriots were killed. The brigade’s exploits helped save Paris, leading the French to rename the patch of trees “the Wood of the Marine Brigade.”

Serving in the U.S. Army were 276 Hampden-Sydney men, including 15 Tigers with the famed 80th “Blue Ridge” Division. The 80th Division deployed in May of 1918 and was initially placed into the line with the British near Arras and Flanders along the Somme River. The unit was pulled out to participate in the St. Mihiel Offensive, the first all-American offensive of the war, and was the only U.S. Army division employed in all three phases of the Meuse-Argonne Offensive, the largest and deadliest offensive in U.S. military history.

Notable among its members was then-First Lieutenant, later Captain, William Perkins “Perk” Hazlegrove, class of 1912. A Cumberland County native and Farmville resident, he graduated from H-SC with both bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees, then earned his law degree from UVA in 1916. Hazlegrove served with the 80th Division's Headquarters Troop, receiving two divisional and one general-headquarters citations. The latter, a Silver Star Citation, was upgraded to the Distinguished Service Cross, second only to the Medal of Honor in combat awards. According to the citation,

On the night of November 4, 1918, when the left of the division was counterattacked and temporarily driven back from La Thibaudine Farm, though passed by the retiring front lines and under no obligation to remain in advance of them, Lieutenant Hazlegrove and a companion, though having been advised to withdraw, nevertheless, decided to remain and continued throughout the night several hundred yards beyond the division outposts in an exposed locality well known to the enemy, where they were swept by cross fire of machine guns and under an intensive artillery bombardment, both by enemy guns and by our own fire. From this position they continued to render reports of hostile movements over a telephone line, maintained at the greatest personal risk, to

such good purpose that the attack of the division, renewed on the morning of November 5, 1918, was a complete success. To this voluntary exposure and gallantry in disregard of self is due in large measure the success of the division in carrying out the mission assigned to it.

THE BATTLE FOR THE SKIES
Six H-SC men were sent to France as part of the United States’ first combat aviation force. One of two Hampden-Sydney men to serve as pilots in the newly formed American Air Service was Carrol DeWitt McClung, class of 1915, who shipped off to France in 1918 at the age of 25. He was promoted from cadet to first lieutenant after a period of training and assigned to the 28th Aero Squadron. By July 1918, McClung's squadron had joined the Army's 3rd Pursuit Group in Lorraine and began active combat operations in September.

McClung was one of eight pilots scheduled for a reconnaissance flight over enemy lines just days before the Armistice, but only three aircraft were able to conduct the November 6 patrol. At 10:55 a.m., McClung and his patrol leader engaged a German Fokker aircraft, which eventually crashed and rolled on impact. The Americans were jumped by an additional five enemy fighters during this engagement, and two of the three American planes went down. One pilot was captured and became a prisoner of war, while McClung was reported as missing. The following day, however, he was reported “slightly injured” at Evacuation Hospital No. 6. In two months of combat operations, McClung shot down four enemy aircraft.

The 28th Aero Squadron at Foucaucourt, November 18, 1918.
MEDICINE IN THE TRENCHES

Almost 40 combat medical personnel hailed from Hampden-Sydney, including eight doctors. Lt. 
**Clyde Everett Shedd**, class of 1916, graduated from the U.S. Army Medical School in Washington, D.C. in February of 1918. By April, he had set sail for Europe, assigned as an Army Medical Corps surgeon to the Second Battalion, 327th Infantry. According to a news report, “Upon arriving in France he volunteered for front-line first aid surgery,” a request that was approved. Shedd was reported “on duty in the thick of battle” in the St. Mihiel offensive and the first phase of the Meuse-Argonne offensive, where he was wounded on October 15. Although he could have recuperated longer, he chose to return to duty the following day. He was killed that day, on October 16, 1918, at the age of 25.

Providing medical care to the Marines in combat was Dr. **William Painter Gilmer**, Class of 1910, who had attended the Medical College of Virginia after graduating from Hampden-Sydney. As a lieutenant junior grade in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, he served a year in France attached to the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, participating in the St. Mihiel offensive and two phases of the Meuse-Argonne offensive. During brutal fighting in the late summer of 1918, Gilmer’s heroism was recognized by a Regimental Citation, a Second Division Citation from the commanding general, and three Croix de Guerre decorations from the French government. Hampden-Sydney alumni will recognize the Gilmer name—Dr. William Gilmer’s brother was Dr. **Thomas E. Gilmer**, class of 1923, professor emeritus of physics and president of Hampden-Sydney College.

Our Hampden-Sydney men, representing all the military services and several civilian organizations, held a variety of ranks and duties in the Great War for Democracy. As far as we know, all but four of them returned home. Although the war covered a very brief period of their lives, those who survived brought their sense of duty, patriotism, and leadership home, where they became leaders in their communities. Their lifetime of service is a legacy for us all.
AROUND THE WORLD IN 105 DAYS

BY TILLMON COOK ’18
My name is Tillmon Cook; I’m from a small town in North Carolina, but I go to Hampden-Sydney College in central Virginia. I repeated this line countless times last January as I tried to meet as many of my fellow Semester at Sea voyagers as I could.

I spent the next four months aboard the MV World Odyssey with 600 other students from 33 countries, earning college credit while sailing the world. When the ship left San Diego on January 5, 2017, it was my first time leaving the United States—a global adventure that took me to four continents, 11 countries, and 12 cities.
GREETINGS FROM 21°30.72’ N, 156°33.20’ W
January 11. After six days at sea, I’ve gotten used to the ship’s constant motion and learned that I have a decent pair of sea legs. The views are amazing: I’ve seen sea lions and a whale from the ship’s deck, enjoyed the Pacific sunrise over breakfast, and sailed alongside a battleship. Tomorrow we spend ten hours in Hawaii, the last time I’ll be on American soil until I fly home from Germany in April.

GREETINGS FROM TOKYO
January 27. We sailed for ten straight days before arriving in Kobe, where the Japanese coast guard greeted our ship with a water cannon show and I tasted world-famous Kobe beef—ridiculously expensive, but totally worth it. I spent a day in the now-bustling city of Hiroshima visiting the Hiroshima Bomb Museum and peace memorials. I came away with a new understanding of the atomic bomb’s devastation; it’s sobering to see the effects of war, even on the innocent. I also spent a day absorbing Japanese culture in historic Kyoto before heading to Tokyo with a friend. We got on the bullet train without much of a plan—not even a hotel reservation—but we saw the Imperial Palace and ate dried fish eggs and squid at the world’s largest fish market. The last-minute trip was the most spontaneous thing I’ve ever done, but it taught me how to take control and increased my confidence as a traveler. I’m ready for China!

GREETINGS FROM 19°43.59’ N 174°48.25’ E
January 17. Last night we passed the International Date Line, so we went to sleep on January 15 and woke up on January 17. Apparently, January 16, 2017, is the day I didn’t exist.
GREETINGS FROM SHANGHAI
February 4. Three days ago we arrived in Shanghai, and I felt like I woke up on a different planet. It’s the most architecturally advanced city I’ve ever seen, with skyscrapers as far as the eye can see. The next day I visited the water village of Zhujiajiao, with its ancient buildings lining the waterways, then boarded a flight for Beijing. The two-day trip included everything from a rickshaw ride around the old city to a toboggan ride down the Great Wall; highlights in between were eating dinner in a local family’s home and almost getting in trouble for taking a picture with my H-SC flag in front of the Tiananmen Square. I got the picture, though!

GREETINGS FROM 10°47.62’N 108°34.37’E
February 9. I can’t help but laugh when I read over my first few entries—I had no idea the kind of adventure awaiting me! I’ve traveled by myself in foreign countries (and grown more confident because of it); I’ve met some of the nicest, most incredible people; I’ve experienced history first-hand; I’ve learned to appreciate my home more than ever. But I’m not ready to go home yet. The air is turning warm and the sea views are spectacular as we approach Vietnam. I can’t wait to see what the coming days hold.
GREETINGS FROM VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

February 13. We ported three days ago in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, surrounded by landscape that looks exactly like the war documentaries I’ve seen. It was strange to see a local museum exhibit about the “American War” and the “savages” that killed their men. But the people-watching here is fascinating: people piled on mopeds, a herd of cattle in the river, shacks and hammocks and friendly people everywhere.

After a six-hour boat ride to Cambodia, I learned graphic details of the Khmer Rouge atrocities at the Cheung Ek Killing Field and the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum. I met one of only seven known survivors of Tuol Sleng, a former high school-turned-prison where nearly 20,000 people were killed in the late 1970s. Bou Meng is almost 80 years old, but he returns to the Genocide Museum every day to remind people of what happened there.

Not everything in Cambodia was so sobering. My small group traveled north to a village to meet local school children—whose English was surprisingly good—and help an elderly woman build a wall for her house. I was especially excited to visit the Angkor Temples, an opportunity that did not disappoint. I saw the sun rise over Angkor Wat, got blessed by a Buddhist monk, and tried out my French on some other tourists.

GREETINGS FROM MYANMAR

February 25. We packed a lot into our three days at port: Buddhist monasteries and pagodas; hiking, kayaking, and cave exploring; boat rides and bus rides throughout the Mon State, one of the oldest civilizations in Southeast Asia; and visiting both ancient and colonial sites. I had to remove my shoes and wear a skirt to cover my knees at holy sites like the famous Shwedagon Pagoda, a golden temple where we saw hundreds of monks praying and worshiping. We also visited the pagoda in Mawlamyine that author George Orwell climbed each day to watch the sunset when he lived in Burma. Myanmar has been the most eye-opening experience for me so far with its juxtaposition of impoverished villages, beautiful temples, and flawless natural beauty. Myanmar, you are an amazing country. Thanks for treating me with respect and kindness—I couldn’t have asked for better!
GREETINGS FROM INDIA

March 3. I'm more than halfway through my voyage around the world, but there's still so much to see and learn. I spent my first day in India at an orphanage, where we played soccer and danced around with the kids on our shoulders. Those kids wore me out, but it was heartwarming to share their excitement and joy. I also spoke with the orphanage's director, who told me how difficult it is for them to secure funding. I hope to convince my church at home to support them. The remainder of the week I traveled with friends to New Delhi and the Taj Mahal—without a doubt the most beautiful structure I've seen.

GREETINGS FROM SOUTH AFRICA

March 24. My first week in Africa can be summed up in one word: adventure. I hiked Table Top Mountain, which overlooks Cape Town and the bright blue sea beyond; visited a beautiful beach and attempted to swim in the ice-cold Antarctic waters; went sandboarding on the dunes, which was more fun than expected; and even jumped out of a perfectly good airplane—an experience I highly recommend. I spent my final day at Cape Point, the southwestern tip of the continent where tradition says the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet. We enjoyed incredible scenery: ostriches, baboons, and penguins; vineyards and villages; breathtaking cliffs and ocean views.

Mid-week, I took a break from adventure to visit the Langa Township, thousands of tiny tin homes that made me realize how huge our American houses are. We spent time with local children—first at a crowded orphanage where we sang and danced with the kids and donated school supplies, then at an after-school program called Happy Feet where the kids taught us stomp dance moves. We also took a bike tour of the township, which really opened my eyes to the inequality of races in South Africa. It truly is one of the most beautiful places on earth, but South Africa's sad legacy of apartheid and racial inequality still affects millions of people.
GREETINGS FROM ACCRA, GHANA

April 3. I’ll be honest, I didn’t have many expectations of Ghana, but I’m appreciative of the hospitality we experienced. I spent some time traveling alone—a chance to get out of my comfort zone—and enjoyed an afternoon in Makula Market, packed with people and goods for blocks in every direction. There were food vendors selling baseball-sized snails, kitchen supplies stacked as tall as me, and men making leather drums and carving wooden masks. Everyone carries things on their heads—I gave it a try when a woman selling bottled drinks let me carry her basket. The good news is that I didn’t drop her basket, which is basically her livelihood.

I spent a day in a fishing village and another at City of Refuge, an orphanage that rescues children from slave trafficking. In the village, we watched the fishermen return from the sea in man-powered wooden boats, met the local chief and asked him questions about the village’s economy, and saw firsthand how commercial fishing vessels were decreasing the local fishermen’s catch. A highlight from the orphanage was playing two hours of soccer with the kids in 103°F heat—now I know why Ghanaians are in such good shape! We’ll spend the next week on the ship sailing to Morocco, busy with final papers, projects, and exams as we finish up our classes.

GREETINGS FROM 0° N AND 0° E!

March 30. We crossed the equator for the second time, this time at the prime meridian—which makes me a member of the Poseidon Society and an Emerald Shellback. If anyone ever asks, there actually IS a buoy that marks the center of the world.
GREETINGS FROM MOROCCO
April 15. With only four days in our final port, we had to be strategic with our time. As soon as we stepped off the train in Marrakesh we were blown away by the city’s beauty. The food was delicious, the people were welcoming, and the city center was full of energy: shops, musicians, acrobats, even a spectator boxing match. Next on our itinerary was the Ksar of Ait-Ben-Haddou, a 17th-century city along the caravan route to the Sahara. From there, we took a camel ride to a nomad camp in the Zagora desert, where we hiked the dunes and enjoyed the desert’s incredible views and incredible silence. That evening, the camp came to life with traditional dancing, dinner, star gazing, and conversation with fellow campers from around the world. I drifted off to the best night of sleep I’d had in a long time.

My last afternoon in Morocco was spent alone, exploring Casablanca’s stunningly beautiful Hassan II Mosque, built on a promontory over the sea. It was a bittersweet experience, though, to make my way back to the ship that had become my home and climb aboard for the final time.

GREETINGS FROM BERLIN
April 22. Our disembarkment in Hamburg three days ago marked the official end to my Semester at Sea. It still hasn’t sunk in that after sailing 23,911 nautical miles, I am now officially a world traveler. I’ve seen parts of the world I didn’t know existed, met friendly people at every stop, made personal connections to global events, and realized that I take my home and family for granted far too often. Most importantly, I’ve learned more about myself than I ever expected. I can’t express my gratitude to Semester at Sea and Hampden-Sydney for allowing me to follow my dreams—I can’t wait to see where they take me next!
On September 1, 1775, a notice appeared in the Williamsburg Virginia Gazette about the recently established Hampden-Sidney Academy, soon to become Hampden-Sydney College. It notes that construction on the Academy’s first buildings—a smoke house, a dwelling and kitchen for the president, and an academic building known as the “Academy House” or simply “the College”—was proceeding “with the greatest Expedition.” Within two years of the College’s founding, additional buildings were authorized and soon under construction, including a steward’s house, kitchen, and student housing, the latter built by private citizens. Almost a dozen principal buildings formed the Hampden-Sydney campus by the end of the 18th century, in addition to an unknown number of outbuildings and dependencies like privies, dairies, stables, and, possibly, slaves’ quarters.

All of the buildings stood on a ridge of high land along the west side of what is now College Road, immediately opposite the present football field—the highest piece of land within the 98 acres owned by the College at that time. Although the buildings served Hampden-Sydney for the first four decades of its existence, by 1817 construction had shifted to the south and, by the 1840s, most of the original buildings had fallen into ruin or been dismantled. This area of the original campus came to be known as “Old College,” but over time the locations of those first structures were lost to memory. Today, not a single building from the 18th-century College remains.
Hampden-Sydney has, of course, taken efforts to maintain the historic buildings still standing on campus, several of which can be found on the National Register of Historic Places; however, the archaeological remains of the early College, buried out of sight, have been largely ignored over the years, with little effort made to study or preserve them. Recent efforts seek to change that omission by using cutting-edge technology to survey the area with non-destructive and non-intrusive methods. Funded in part by the S. Mason and Lulu Cole Charitable Trust, the project is a cooperative effort between local archaeologists, the Esther T. Atkinson Museum, and the Hampden-Sydney College history department.

From the outset, the project prioritized direct student involvement in the search for Old College. Dr. Caroline Emmons, Elliott Professor of History at Hampden-Sydney, helped establish a one-credit class to expose students to the geophysical instruments used in archaeology, expand their understanding of the diverse ways of studying history, and stimulate an interest in the early history of their College. “This project used the campus itself as a sort of laboratory,” says Emmons, “which is a perfect example of experiential learning. With so many campus-wide conversations taking place around that topic, the timing was perfect.” Ten Hampden-Sydney students enrolled in the course, participating in every aspect of field work when the geological survey was conducted over a two-week period in the fall of 2017.

For Charles “Mac” Anderson ’19, the course was a chance to connect with both H-SC’s history and his personal history. Anderson’s long ties to Hampden-Sydney include an ancestor who was enrolled in the College’s first class as well as a member of the College’s first Board of Trustees. “Several of my ancestors studied in the Old College building before it was demolished,” he says, “so that motivated me to enroll in the course. The scientific validation that these grounds were in fact what we say they were, and that these buildings were where we say they were, corroborated the history for me. The hands-on aspect of the course was also valuable. For us students to be able to operate the equipment ourselves, rather than just watch the archaeologists, was really unusual.”

The students used two geophysical instruments: a ground-penetrating radar (GPR) and a magnetic gradiometer. The GPR sends an audio signal through the earth; when that signal reflects off buried objects, the instrument’s software processes it into a visible signal. The amplitude, or strength, of a reflected signal measures the density of a buried object relative to the surrounding soil. Thus, a buried brick foundation or even a modern pipe can be identified because they contrast with their surroundings. The magnetic gradiometer, on the other hand, measures the earth’s magnetic field at a specific location. A range of objects, including pieces of ferrous metal and bricks (because they become magnetized when fired), produce variations in that magnetic field. The instrument can even identify pits and trenches, because their fill contrasts magnetically with undisturbed surrounding soil.

First, H-SC students helped archaeologists Charles Pearson and Bryan Haley establish a series of grids in the accessible portions of the Old College area, extending along the west side of College Road from Crawley Forum...
to Hampden House. The GPR and gradiometer were then moved along ropes stretched at one-half-meter intervals across each grid. The result is a highly successful survey that located two identifiable 18th-century buildings, at least two unidentified buildings possibly dating to the 18th century, and a number of features from early life at the College such as privies and buried trash.

Most exciting of all is the discovery of a well-preserved foundation belonging to the original “Academy House” or “College” building, a three-story brick building erected in 1776. Located immediately north of the driveway leading into Hampden House, most of the foundation lies underneath a grassy area; however, portions extend beneath the adjacent driveway and parking lot. The foundation first appears in GPR records at an approximate depth of one foot below the surface, with portions extending to a depth of more than four feet. Its perimeter measures 35 feet by 55 feet, matching the building dimensions cited in an 1805 fire insurance policy.

Internal elements of the College foundation consist of one east-west wall and two parallel north-south walls, which certainly supported the two sides of a central hall running through the building. Their orientation means that this building was perpendicular to College Road; it did not face the road as previously believed.
“The hands-on aspect of the course was also valuable. For us students to be able to operate the equipment ourselves, rather than just watch the archaeologists, was really unusual.”

– CHARLES “MAC” ANDERSON ’19

In the area between Crawley Forum and College Road we found the buried remains of another building, tentatively identified as the original President’s House. These remains are 265 feet north of the College foundation, very close to the “about 80 yards” distance noted in the 1805 fire insurance sketch. Unfortunately, the remains are poorly preserved and only remnants of the original foundation could be detected by the GPR; however, one distinctive feature was recorded about three feet below the surface. Measuring approximately 22 feet square, it seems to be the remains of an English basement extending beneath half of the President’s House—not an uncommon 18th century architectural feature. Its high amplitude reflection possibly results from brick and other architectural debris filling the lower part of the basement. Like the College building, the President’s House did not face College Road, but was positioned perpendicular to it. We suspect the house faced south toward the College, creating a “commons” area between two of Hampden-Sydney’s most prominent early structures.

The survey’s finding will certainly open up new experiential learning opportunities for Hampden-Sydney students. According to Emmons, “As a result of this project, we have some exciting information that will help us plan future projects, including, I hope, an eventual archaeological dig on campus. We also see possibilities for student work in mapping, creating digital exhibits, and interpreting the rich historic resources that are all around them on campus.”

Thomas Alvarado ’21 (kneeling), Jonah Popp ’21 (L), and Ryan Gale ’18 (R) establish survey lines and operate the GPR.

The buried archaeological remains at Old College, like the standing historic structures at Hampden-Sydney, are important expressions of our history and tell a unique story of early academic life. Many of the Hampden-Sydney community’s most distinguished members studied, worked, and lived in these buildings, including one President of the United States, several U.S. senators and congressmen, state governors and legislators, as well as educators, soldiers, and ministers. The discovery of such well-preserved remains provides us with a tangible connection to the past, bringing with it a greater understanding and appreciation of life during the earliest years of Hampden-Sydney College.

Dr. Charles E. Pearson, who holds degrees in archaeology and anthropology, has conducted archaeological research on historic and prehistoric sites throughout the southeastern United States and published widely on this work. For almost 40 years, Pearson served as the senior archaeologist with an environmental consulting firm in Louisiana. An adjunct professor of history at Hampden-Sydney College, he is also engaged in a long-term archaeological study of Slate Hill Plantation. Pearson resides in Appomattox with his wife Sharon Goad, former library director at Hampden-Sydney.
How does a Hampden-Sydney biology and pre-med student end up applying to law school in the fall of his senior year? For Will Fussy ’18, the answer involves Hampden-Sydney’s famous alumni network, as well as the College’s undergraduate research opportunities.
An alumni-sponsored internship in Will’s hometown of Charlotte, North Carolina, confirmed to him that the law—particularly its intersection with science—was the direction he wanted to head. “After interning with Zachary Dussault ’07 at Kushner and Kushner during the summer of my junior year, I knew I wanted to become an attorney,” he says. “So when I needed to choose a topic for my honors capstone, I found one that combines my biology major with my desire to attend law school: the legal patenting of human genes.”

The interdisciplinary project has Will working with professors from multiple disciplines: government professor Guy Burnett, who advises Will’s legal research; biology professor Michael Wolyniak, who advises his scientific research; and classics professor Janice Siegel, who advises his writing. Rhetoric professor Nicholas Nace has also coached Will on the oral presentations of his capstone project. Once finished, his 30-page thesis will examine the history of patent law, its application to the biotechnology industry, and the resulting impact on research and innovation.

“Dr. Burnett has me reading constitutional law textbooks, oral arguments, Supreme Court decisions—all of which were new to me at first,” laughs the biology major. But the design of the honors capstone—which awards course credit for the successful completion of the project—has allowed him to devote the necessary time to a project of this scope. “Having that block of time set apart in my schedule means I can dive into this at a really deep level,” he says. Also helpful is the “Communications and the Natural Sciences” course he’s taking with Dr. Nicholas Deifel this semester. “It’s all about how scientists can communicate their work effectively and how technology is changing that. In my capstone, I’m writing about the human genome, artificial proteins, RNA, and I have to be able to explain those concepts in a way that my readers can understand. Then they can form their own opinions on the legal issues raised.”

At the crux of Will’s thesis is the 2013 Supreme Court case AMP v. Myriad, which ruled that natural DNA discoveries, such as the isolated BRCA1 breast cancer gene and the test that identifies it, could not be patented. Will’s paper examines the ruling’s effect on research and innovation. “The lack of patentability has driven down the price of genetic tests, but it’s a double-edged sword. Companies don’t invest in new technology with such a low profit margin, so the tests haven’t improved over the last decade,” he claims. Furthermore, AMP v. Myriad allows the patenting of synthetic DNA only if it is distinguishable from natural DNA. “So much biomedical research revolves around RNA sequences that are indistinguishable from those found in the human body—like cancer research that uses a biological molecule to silence genes,” he explains. “But if no one can patent their work, what’s the incentive to innovate?”

Will’s honors capstone has involved hours upon hours of research, and although his advisors offered some starting points, most of it has been done independently. “The process has pushed me to find resources on my own; I’ve read law reviews, science blogs, legal blogs, and Supreme Court decisions from the 1880s to the present day,” he says. “I enjoy searching for the different pieces and determining how they fit together.” He says he also approaches current events with a new understanding: “I constantly find news articles that relate to my project in ways I hadn’t thought of previously.”

The capstone is the culmination of the Hampden-Sydney Honors Program, which requires 15 credits of honors coursework beyond a student’s core curriculum and major requirements. “I’m thankful that I stuck with the honors program and had the opportunity to do an undergraduate research project of this scope,” says Will. “There was a time when I questioned whether I wanted to take on the extra work, but Dr. Wolyniak really encouraged me, knowing it would be a rewarding experience.” The capstone truly prepares H-SC students for graduate school, says Wolyniak, because “we’ve set graduate-school level expectations for the students’ senior research.”

At press time, Will had been admitted to the Washington & Lee University School of Law, his top choice, and offers from other schools were still rolling in. He notes that heading to Lexington would bring his Hampden-Sydney experience full-circle, in a way. When he first visited H-SC as a high school senior, his tour guide, biology major Spencer Wiles ’15, was influential in Will’s decision to become a Tiger. Wiles is now in his final year at W&L Law, so once again Will is following in Wiles’ footsteps. Regardless of where he ends up, though, Will knows he enters graduate school well-prepared and well-supported by the H-SC brotherhood.

Read more about Will and his leadership of Hampden-Sydney’s Prince Edward County Elementary School Mentor Program at hsc.edu/mentor-program.
On the day of its annual Rhetoric Proficiency Exam, Hampden-Sydney announced an exciting addition to the College’s celebrated Rhetoric Program: an innovative and collaborative new space dedicated to the teaching and practice of communication arts.

Plans are underway to transform the space beneath Pannill Commons into a state-of-the-art facility, leveraging the success, reputation, and resources of the Rhetoric Program in the service of a truly distinctive academic experience. The new Center for Rhetoric and Communication will house the Rhetoric Program and its faculty members, as well as the writing center, the Ferguson Center for Public Speaking, the Office of Undergraduate Research, a new center focused on public history, and student publications. The project will make good use of the centrally-located space that was left vacant when the Tiger Inn moved to the new Brown Student Center last fall. Construction will begin this summer, with completion expected in the winter.

“Those of us who teach rhetoric couldn’t be more pleased by the College’s ongoing support for the 1978 faculty mandate that Hampden-Sydney students learn to speak and write well,” said Dr. Katherine Weese, director of the Rhetoric Program, “and we’re excited about the cross-disciplinary collaboration that will take place when the Rhetoric Studio—which will house both our writing and speaking centers—is in close proximity to the offices for undergraduate research and public history.”

The facility’s design concept marries the vibrant intellectual life inside the space with a freshly landscaped Chalgrove Point, as well as a new dining terrace above. Most walls will be glass, coupling acoustical privacy with visual exposure that invites student participation in the practice of communication, from editing The Tiger newspaper to tutoring in public speaking. The Center will include dynamic shared space in a center ellipse, as well as innovative classrooms, the rhetoric studio, and presentation practice rooms.
The new space will help the Rhetoric Program expand into 21st-century rhetorics while remaining firmly grounded in the liberal arts. Said Weese, “Overall, the Center’s open design and central location encourage students and faculty alike to work together on projects that involve communication in various modes, including visual and digital rhetoric.”

The space’s expansion and renovation is made possible in part by a $2-million gift from William L. Pannill ’77, whose family’s gift enabled construction of the original building almost 30 years ago. “Thanks to Will’s extraordinary generosity,” said President Larry Stimpert, “a former cafe will be transformed into a dynamic, collaborative space that feeds our students’ intellectual curiosity and enables them to discover their own unique voices. I know the entire Hampden-Sydney community joins me in thanking Will for his exceptional and enduring support.”

“I am very pleased that Hampden-Sydney College has been a pioneer with its Rhetoric Program, and I am happy to be involved in making it even better,” said Pannill. “Even though the Rhetoric Program began the year after my graduation, I truly believe that in my many, many returns to this Hill, I have gained quite a bit of rhetoric knowledge, most likely through osmosis. I have also seen the program’s positive impact on my three sons.” Pannill and his wife Susan have four children: Gordon ’08, Stuart ’08, Taylor ’14, and Catie, Roanoke College ’17. Pannill’s generosity was also instrumental in funding the Brown Student Center, completed in 2017.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Rhetoric Program in its current form. The College is planning events that will commemorate this milestone later this year.
H-SC ETHICS TEAM WINS THREE-PEAT

Defending champion Hampden-Sydney College beat arch-rival Randolph-Macon College in the final round of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC) Ethics Bowl on February 12, marking the Tigers’ third consecutive title in the annual event. This year’s tournament, “Ethical Issues in a Multi-Cultural Society,” featured teams from 15 Virginia colleges debating real-world ethical dilemmas that arise from the different cultures, religions, and generations in American society.

H-SC is the first college to win three consecutive VFIC Ethics Bowls in the tournament’s 19-year history—a record made even more sweet because the win occurred on home turf. Debating before a packed crowd in Johns Auditorium, the undefeated team of Samuel S. Melson ’18, Kole F. Donaldson ’19, Shelby T. Hanna ’20, and Bjore S. Samard ’21 presented a logical and eloquent argument in the final case study, which centered around religious traditions at private colleges.

Hampden-Sydney has consistently been a competitive force in the tournament, winning five of the past seven championships and appearing in seven of the past nine championship rounds. The team’s coach for the past five seasons, philosophy professor Dr. Patrick Wilson, credits their successful record to the students’ discipline, thoughtfulness, and sensitivity to underlying ethical principles. “I feel privileged to be working with such talented young men,” says Wilson. “By demonstrating integrity and sportsmanship through many months of preparation and in the competition itself, our students have put ethics into practice.”

The College’s mission of forming “good men and good citizens” is a key aspect of H-SC’s Ethics Bowl success. With its focus on honor, integrity, and brotherhood, Hampden-Sydney produces young men interested in and capable of grappling with ethical issues on a deep level. Also important is the College’s focus on rhetoric, which helps students craft well-reasoned arguments and present them with confidence. Wilson notes that H-SC team members think well on their feet and deliver polished answers to the judges’ questions—traits that frequently set them apart from their competitors.

As host of this year’s Ethics Bowl, Hampden-Sydney was allowed two teams in the competition, both of which posted impressive performances. Jacob A. Clayton ’19, Dalton P. Hall ’19, and Garnet S. Crocker ’20 competed as H-SC’s second team and lost only one closely-contested round to eventual runner-up Randolph-Macon. “The Team One victory was really a two-team effort,” says Wilson, “with each team bringing out the best in the other during practice throughout the year.”

On hand to present the championship trophy was VFIC Trustee H. Hiter Harris III ’83, managing director at Harris Williams & Co. and a former Hampden-Sydney College Trustee. After enjoying the lively and thoughtful debate between H-SC and R-MC in the final round, Harris said, “The competition between the brightest of Virginia’s college students debating the toughest topics of our era impresses me every year, and Hampden-Sydney prevailed this year against 14 other talented teams. Hampden-Sydney’s record over the past decade in the VFIC Ethics Bowl speaks volumes of the training and depth of thinking gained at Hampden-Sydney. These young men should be proud of their hard-fought victory.”
MINORITY ALUMNI MENTORSHIP WEEKEND 2018
BY ALEX ABBOTT ’17, COORDINATOR FOR PROGRAMMING, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION

Hampden-Sydney’s Office of Student Affairs hosted the sixth annual Minority Alumni Mentorship Weekend on March 23-25, with some 60-plus people in attendance. More than a dozen prospective students, 15 current students, and 18 alumni attended the multi-day event, the theme of which was, “If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

Alumni, many of whom had not been on campus since the last MAM event in 2016, had the opportunity to tour the newly built Brown Student Center and the recently remodeled Brinkley Hall. A panel discussion featuring current students Jamie Turner ’18 and Noah Brooks ’19, as well as alumni Jonathan Wade ’15 and Tyler Langhorn ’17, allowed prospective students and their families to get a glimpse of daily life on the Hill for students of color. Attendees also enjoyed a picnic at the Minority Student Union (MSU) House, a reception at the Tiger Inn, and a small party at the MSU House.

MAM Weekend builds on a longstanding H-SC tradition that Dr. Jeffrey Harris ’90 helped create. “When Alvin Allen ’90 and I first talked about creating an event to encourage Black alumni to return to the Hill, neither of us imagined that the spring 1990 reunion would continue in various iterations almost thirty years later,” said Harris, who attended this year’s event. He continued, “It has been a privilege to meet generations of Hampden-Sydney men and humbling to hear current students say that the reunion inspired them to attend the College. Returning for the reunion always feeds my soul.” Wade, the weekend’s keynote speaker, echoed Harris’ sentiment: “The opportunity to engage with old classmates again, notice the growth of current students, and talk with prospective students reminds me of why I attended H-SC myself,” said Wade.

This year’s event was notable for several reasons. First, the number of prospective students in attendance seems to be the highest in the history of the event. “It was great to have MAM weekend back up and running again this year,” said Brian Gwaltney ’19. “The most exciting part was getting 14 prospective students on campus and giving them an inside look into the life of an H-SC student.” Second, the alumni prevailed in the traditional alumni versus student basketball game with a 70-68 win in overtime, buoyed by a superhuman effort from Leon Hargrove, Jr. ’15.

Details for next year’s MAM Weekend will be announced over the summer. In the meantime, many thanks to all who attended, and we look forward to seeing you again next year on the Hill!
H-SC KICKS OFF ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

The strength of a mission. The names on Memorial Gate. A professor’s voice, the ringing bell, the old brick. But more than anything, hope. This is how longtime Dean of Admissions Anita Garland described the endowment’s sweeping impact on Hampden-Sydney College during remarks at the February kickoff dinner for Possibilities Fulfilled: An Endowment Campaign for the Men of Hampden-Sydney.

The campaign aims to raise $50 million, growing the College’s endowment above $200 million by the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. To date, gifts and commitments totaling more than $27 million have been raised toward the campaign’s goal.

The chief priority of Possibilities Fulfilled is scholarship endowment, which ensures access to a transformative education for future generations of Hampden-Sydney students—regardless of their families’ ability to pay. This effort has been enhanced by a grant of $4 million from the Carpenter Foundation toward scholarship aid endowment, contingent upon the College raising $16 million in matching funds.

Possibilities Fulfilled will also fund key curricular and co-curricular initiatives that will further enhance the educational experience the College offers young men. The support of alumni and friends of the College will enable the men of Hampden-Sydney to fulfill possibilities in a variety of areas, from entrepreneurship, experiential learning, and the arts and sciences, to leadership and outdoor education. A $4-million challenge gift provided by Bill Kirk ’72 and his wife Shireen toward the athletic endowment will aid this effort, enabling the College to strengthen its athletic program and reinvest funds in other areas like scholarship aid and infrastructure.

The campaign kickoff event featured heartfelt, personal stories about the power of a Hampden-Sydney education from a number of College luminaries, including Dr. and Mrs. Ronald Heinemann, Campaign Chairman Jon Daly ’78, President Larry Stimpert, Dean Garland, as well as H-SC students, alumni, and former parents. Their memories underscored a commitment to building upon the historic foundation of Hampden-Sydney. Daly commented that “after just completing two major building projects, the normal tendency would be to take some time off. The momentum created over the last few years has Hampden-Sydney reaching higher than ever before.”

President Stimpert emphasized that the campaign is not about the funds raised. Rather, “it is about how that money will allow us to double-down on what this College is, and achieve our full potential as one of this country’s greatest colleges. And, above all, it is about creating even more possibilities for the young men of Hampden-Sydney.”

Possibilities Fulfilled is, ultimately, about strengthening the future for Hampden-Sydney students. But it is not just about Hampden-Sydney’s fate. As Dean Garland put it in her remarks, “What we are doing is determining the future of this country, because our students are the future of this country.”

Top: Campaign chairman Jon Daly ’78 and his wife Bonnie.
Bottom: At the February kickoff dinner, artist Heidi Schwartz created original artwork inspired by H-SC. The piece will be available for auction at the campaign’s end.
The expectations of today’s college graduates probably aren’t what you expect. A recent Washington Post article reports that the top characteristics of successful Google employees don’t necessarily involve technical expertise—rather, they are soft skills like building relationships, communicating well, making connections across complex ideas, problem solving, and critical thinking. In other words, skills that are developed in a liberal arts education.

This is one of the many reasons I chose to accept the role as director of the Ferguson Career Center at Hampden-Sydney after working with quantitative MBA students and analytical graduate students at The College of William & Mary. Whether in the structured environment of a business school or the interdisciplinary environment of a liberal arts college, I saw a clear need to teach some of the basics—a concise and impactful résumé, interpersonal skills through networking, storytelling in a high-pressure interview environment, and the simple impact of a thank you note.

At the same time, I immediately found the students at Hampden-Sydney to be passionate learners, even if they weren’t sure where their career paths were leading. Through one-on-one meetings, I listened to their stories and heard their goals and aspirations. But I also sensed anxiety, trepidation, and uncertainty about their next steps.

At its core, the Ferguson Career Center exists to alleviate that stress of not knowing the next step. We’ve all felt the pressure to know exactly where our path is heading, but realistically that isn’t possible. What we can do is empower ourselves with the skills to get to the next step, evaluate our options, and then continually move forward. Simply put, career education teaches life skills that our students will use far beyond their time on the Hill.

Students often arrive in my office thinking they have little to offer an employer, which couldn’t be further from the truth. Experience comes in all forms: community service, club activities, research projects, and internships—not to mention the incredible discipline, competitiveness, and commitment of H-SC Athletics. All of these college experiences provide value to future employers and highlight each student’s individual talents, specific interests, and unique personalities.

Today’s technology helps connect Hampden-Sydney students to opportunities not just in Virginia, but throughout the country and the world—and alumni are a critical part of that effort. Thanks to the accessibility of LinkedIn and our newly implemented system Handshake, we are able to introduce our students to alumni quickly and easily. We can set up face-to-face conversations through Skype, and we can tweet opportunities from Handshake to our Twitter handle @hsc careers.

But technology cannot replace interpersonal communication. There are so many possibilities when the H-SC community comes together, whether it is sharing experiences at our annual Professional Development Institute, meeting underclassmen during Homecoming, or celebrating a new class of graduates at Commencement. Alumni, with all of their life and career experience, are always welcome here.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

- Conduct a mock phone interview so students can practice their interview skills.
- Offer student résumé reviews for your industry.
- Sponsor a student with an unpaid internship.
- Mentor a student or offer networking support and introductions.
- Post your company’s internship, leadership development, or full-time employment opportunities on Handshake, Hampden-Sydney’s career education service. Don’t know how? Have your human resources department contact us at career@hsc.edu.

Stephanie Joynes, director of the Ferguson Career Center, comes to H-SC with 20 years of professional experience in tourism, museums, and higher education with a B.A. in English and Anthropology from Syracuse University and an M.A. in the Social Sciences from The University of Chicago. She has held education and marketing positions at the Smithsonian Institution, Colonial Williamsburg, and most recently, William & Mary’s Mason School of Business, where she was the associate director of career advising and education for the Graduate Career Management Center.
Johnson Headlines FOOTBALL Awards

BY DAVIS YAKE ’08, ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

The Hampden-Sydney Football Tigers saw success in 2017, doubling their win total from a season ago while finishing second in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. Team members also saw individual success, headlined by senior wide receiver Cam Johnson ’18, whose numerous accolades include the title of All-American.

Johnson earned Second Team All-America honors from the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) and an Honorable Mention nod from d3football.com. Additionally, he was tabbed Offensive Player of the Year by both the Virginia Sports Information Directors (VaSID) and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. The First Team All-ODAC, All-State and Second Team All-Region receiver was also one of three finalists for the Lanier Award, presented annually by the Richmond Times-Dispatch and the Touchdown Club of Richmond to the best small-college player in the state.

Johnson was outstanding in 2017, leading the nation with 110 receptions and finishing the regular season in the top five with 1,261 receiving yards. He also led the ODAC with 12 touchdown catches. In conference play, he averaged 140 yards-per-game, including a program-record 19 catches for 230 yards and two touchdowns against Randolph-Macon. He hit the 200-yard mark against Emory & Henry as well, going for 204 yards and a touchdown on 12 catches.

Johnson wrapped up his Tiger career with an impressive 219 receptions for 2,740 yards and 27 touchdown catches.

Eleven Tigers joined Johnson on All-ODAC teams, four of whom were also named First Team: senior tight end Patrick Kline ’18, senior offensive lineman Wesley Spencer ’18, senior defensive lineman Joe Everette ’18, and sophomore linebacker Griffin Davis ’20. Earning Second Team honors were junior quarterback Alec Cobb ’19, senior defensive lineman Benjamin Carson ’18, senior defensive back Kendall Blankenship ’18, and junior defensive back Brian Gwaltney ’19. Senior running back Mike DeMasi ’18, sophomore wide receiver Major Morgan ’20, and freshman offensive lineman Tyler Howerton ’21 were named to the Third Team.

On the state level, Johnson, Kline, and Everette earned First Team All-State honors, and Cobb, Morgan, Spencer, Davis, and Blankenship earned Second Team honors.

The 2017 Tigers will graduate 20 players, and the 2018 team will open up its season on September 1 at Averett with a 6 p.m. kickoff.
TIGER FOOTBALL 2018 SCHEDULE

**Home Games in Bold — *Conference Games**

**SEPT. 1**
AT AVERETT

**SEPT. 8**
vs. CNU

**SEPT. 15**
vs. UNE
HALL OF FAME

**SEPT. 29**
vs. E&H*
FAMILY WEEKEND

**OCT. 6**
AT SHENANDOAH*

**OCT. 13**
AT BRIDGEWATER*

**OCT. 20**
vs. GUILFORD*
HOMECOMING

**OCT. 27**
AT FERRUM*

**NOV. 3**
AT W&L*

**NOV. 10**
vs. R-MC*

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30th HALL OF FAME Class Inducted

In November, the Athletics Hall of Fame inducted football and wrestling star Ray Dodson ’69, football and basketball captain Brent Rusnak ’98, and tennis standout Patrick Gee ’06, and awarded special citations to lacrosse goalkeeper Rick Bagby ’79 and retired lacrosse coach Ray Rostan.

1 Ray Dodson was an outstanding two-sport athlete, playing defensive end on the football team and grappling at heavyweight for the wrestling team. On the gridiron, Dodson was a three-time All-Mason Dixon selection, a three-time All-Virginia Small College selection, and a 1968 All-American. A captain in 1968, he helped the Tigers to a 1966 Mason-Dixon Conference Championship. On the wrestling mat, he was a two-time Ray Moore Award Winner, given to the most valuable wrestler. He also received the Otis Bradley Outstanding Wrestler Award and the Outstanding Freshman Athlete Award. Dodson was a captain of the wrestling team as a senior and held a career record of 34-5-1.

Brent Rusnak was also a two-sport athlete who played four years of football and two years of basketball, serving as a team captain for both teams as a senior in 1998. On the football field, Rusnak was a four-time All-ODAC honoree, receiving First Team honors in both 1995 and 1997. As a senior, the defensive back recorded 139 tackles, four interceptions, five pass breakups, three fumble recoveries, and one touchdown. That year, he was named First Team All-ODAC, Second Team All-South, and was named the Division II-III Defensive Back of the Year by the Richmond Touchdown Club. Rusnak ended his career with 316 total tackles and 14 pass interceptions.

3 Patrick Gee had an impressive tennis career for the Tigers, starting all four years at number-one singles. As a freshman, he finished second in the ODAC in singles and third in doubles while being named Second Team All-ODAC and ODAC Rookie of the Year. As a sophomore, he made Second Team All-ODAC with a second-place finish in singles. Gee broke through as a junior, winning the singles championship while being named the 2005 ODAC Player of the Year and earning First Team All-ODAC honors. He capped off his career with a third-place finish in the singles championship.

4 Rick Bagby, a standout goalkeeper in the early years of H-SC lacrosse, helped the Tigers to their first winning records; the two-time All-Southern League goalkeeper was also honored by In the Crease magazine as a senior. Bagby’s mark on the sport of lacrosse has been immense: he boasts a 291-89 record as a high school coach, helped start several youth programs, and founded the “21 Lacrosse” organization. He served as athletic director at Emerson College and Bellarmine University, helping establish a Division I lacrosse program at the latter. Bagby, who coached club teams at Emerson, Northeastern, and Georgia, currently serves as head lacrosse coach at Massachusetts Maritime.

5 Head coach Ray Rostan spent 32 seasons at the helm of Hampden-Sydney lacrosse, compiling a record of 302-172 with the Tigers. Rostan led Hampden-Sydney to eight NCAA Tournament appearances and four ODAC Championships, and 17 of his teams finished the season with a top-20 national ranking. He coached 66 All-Americans, five Academic All-Americans, and has seen 13 players be inducted into the Hampden-Sydney Hall of Fame. Rostan was named ODAC Coach of the Year five times—most recently in 2016—and was twice voted National Coach of the Year by his peers. Rostan’s career record of 342-197 ranks eighth in all-time collegiate victories in all NCAA divisions.

If you would like to nominate someone for the Hall of Fame, please contact Davis Yake ’08, assistant athletic director for media relations and compliance, at dyake@hsc.edu. Former athletes are eligible for consideration when at least ten years have elapsed since their most recent season of participation.
Ryan Odom ’96 Makes NCAA History

Congratulations to Hampden-Sydney basketball alumnus Ryan Odom ’96, who made NCAA Division I Tournament history when he coached the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) to an unprecedented victory over top-seed Virginia on March 16, 2018.

In his March Madness head coaching debut, Odom orchestrated UMBC’s decisive 20-point win against the ACC champs. It was the first time that a number-16 seed defeated a number-one seed at the men’s national tournament, and it took the sports world by storm. According to The Washington Post, “One of the red-hottest names to emerge from the NCAA tournament is that of Ryan Odom,” and USA Today placed UMBC’s triumph number one on its list of “the top 10 upsets in college basketball history—of all time.” The same article claimed, “We’re talking sports history, not just college basketball history.”

Odom wasn’t the only Tiger involved in the historic win. Former H-SC teammate Griff Aldrich ’96, a member of Odom’s coaching staff for the past two years, has just been tapped as head basketball coach at Division I Longwood University.

DiNuzzo Leads SOCCER to Winning Season

BY SCOTT HARRIS, ASSISTANT SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Hampden-Sydney soccer showed dramatic improvement under the direction of first-year Head Coach Tommy DiNuzzo, winning ten games for just the second time since 2010. Defying the odds after being picked tenth in the 2017 ODAC Preseason Poll, the Tigers finished fifth in the league and earned an ODAC tournament bid after a two-year drought.

“Overall, we felt there were a lot of positives that came from this season,” says Coach DiNuzzo.

“For a team predicted to finish 10th in the conference, it was important that we were able to reach double-digit wins, gain the fifth seed in the tournament, and really prove ourselves as a team on the rise in the ODAC. In many ways, we were able to lay a foundation this year, and now it’s our responsibility to raise our standards even more so we can compete for conference championships on a yearly basis.”

A young squad, the Tigers saw 14 sophomores and freshman start at least one game while another sophomore played in all 18 contests as a reserve. Conversely, just seven juniors and seniors were picked for the starting 11 at least once.

Hampden-Sydney posted ODAC wins against Emory & Henry, Virginia Wesleyan, Shenandoah, Guilford, and Bridgewater. The overtime win against Virginia Wesleyan was the Tigers’ first victory over the Marlins since 2006.

In fact, several of the Tigers’ wins came in overtime or with late game-winning goals. Hampden-Sydney picked up a win against Stevenson in double overtime off a Jacob Mann ’20 goal in the 107th minute, while sophomore Cole Burton ’20 notched the winning tally against Guilford in the 88th minute off assists from Spell Carr ’20 and Mann. Against Virginia Wesleyan, junior JP Reatagui ’19 secured victory for the good guys with a penalty kick in the 94th minute.
Hampden-Sydney alumni around the nation raised a glass on Tuesday, March 20, to commemorate 40 years of the Hampden-Sydney Rhetoric Program. Approximately 400 alumni and friends of the College gathered in 40 locations across the country for the annual RPE Toast, which celebrates the Hampden-Sydney man’s “write of passage” on the evening of the Rhetoric Proficiency Exam.

As President Larry Stimpert joined alumni in New Orleans for this year’s event, he noted that the unique tradition underscores the vital role the Rhetoric Program plays in a Hampden-Sydney education. “Countless alumni have shared with me the impact of the Rhetoric Program on their careers,” Stimpert said. “Today’s RPE Toast reinforces the distinctive power of what we offer. After all, what other college has graduates gathering across the world to toast a rhetoric program?”
AMBASSADOR IN RESIDENCE

Congratulations to Ambassador Edward T. “Ed” McMullen, Jr. ’86, who was officially sworn in as the U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland and Liechtenstein by Vice President Mike Pence on December 4, 2017. Several members of the Hampden-Sydney community joined the new ambassador and his family at the White House for the ceremony, including President Larry Stimpert and Dr. James Pontuso, Patterson Professor of Government and Foreign Affairs. McMullen was nominated for the post by President Donald Trump in September, confirmed by the U.S. Senate in early November, and took up residence in Bern in mid-December—in time to welcome President Trump to Switzerland in January for the World Economic Forum in Davos. The Record looks forward to taking an in-depth look at McMullen’s work as ambassador in an upcoming issue.

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THE 40TH ANNUAL
THOMPSON TENNIS CHALLENGE

The Thompson Tennis Challenge honors the memory of Dr. Graves H. Thompson ’27, professor of classics and first tennis coach at Hampden-Sydney.

Alumni, spouses, and children are welcome to join this round-robin tournament.

Register at urls.hsc.edu/tennis
For Dr. Rodney Scott Keel ’02, following his dreams and grasping every opportunity has taken the Virginia native around the world and back. At each stop, though, he has found a way to include others in his life and extend them similar opportunities.

Now, Keel and his efforts are the subject of an upcoming feature-length documentary, The Road Less Run, which tells the story of Keel’s friendship with a young Czech man living with cerebral palsy; together, they have run in dozens of races withRunning With Those That Can’t (RWTTC), the charity Keel founded in 2009 while he was a medical student in Prague. RWTTC gives individuals with physical, intellectual, and developmental disabilities the opportunity to participate in races by providing them with an adaptive stroller and a team of runners to support them. In doing so, RWTTC raises awareness of the challenges this population faces and increases their acceptance and inclusion in society.

Keel hopes the film will spread the charity’s mission of inclusion by inspiring others to start similar groups in their own communities. He explains, “From the beginning, we tried to involve people from all over the globe in our races in Prague, to inspire them to go home and recreate the mission in their own way. We wanted to spread an idea, not an organization.” And the idea has spread, both in Europe with events in Germany, Austria, and the United Kingdom, as well as in the United States, thanks to his Hampden-Sydney brothers. A chance meeting with Keel at an H-SC alumni event in 2010 inspired Bryan Mangas ’06 to found Inclusive Racing, the non-profit that broke down the barriers for wheelchairs in the Richmond Marathon. Dr. Trey White ’93 is also passionate about inclusion; as the founder and director of Team Hoyt VB, White helped bring inclusive racing to Virginia Beach in 2006.

"If you want to live a life of passion, first you have to dream, then you have to seek out opportunities. They may be across the world or right in front of you, but the opportunities are everywhere."

—Dr. Scott Keel ’02
In fact, Keel says his time at Hampden-Sydney and the close relationships student enjoy with faculty and administration gave him the confidence to start the charity. “Because General Sam Wilson and Dr. Walter Bortz interacted with us so much, we were used to talking with people at the top of an organization,” says Keel. “When I wanted to start an inclusive-racing charity overseas, it felt natural to seek help from the dean of the medical school and the mayor of Prague.” The medical school donated the first two specialty strollers so disabled athletes could participate in the Prague International Marathon, and its faculty and students continue the charity’s work—donating 14 wheelchairs in 2017—now that Keel has returned to the U.S. for his residency.

The path to a medical career was not direct for Keel. After he graduated from H-SC with an economics degree, Keel’s passion for travel took him abroad for nearly 15 years. He lived in the Czech Republic for a decade teaching English, founding a crystal stemware company, and eventually attending medical school at Prague’s historic Charles University. In between, he took humanitarian jaunts around the world—including to Thailand after the 2004 tsunami and New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina—and even competed in the Monkey Run, a 3,000-mile motorbike race through the jungles and deserts of Peru.

Keel says all of those experiences taught him about the necessity of human connection and the power of human compassion. “We all have compassion in us,” says Keel, “we just need to take the time to give it away rather than keep it to ourselves.” Whether it was helping international students from all over Europe connect with each other at medical school in Prague or working to integrate mental health services into pediatric care after returning to Richmond two years ago, Keel’s efforts to connect with others have drawn attention. In 2013, he was awarded a national Czech philanthropic award as well as a service award from the Czech Parliament. And in 2017 he was named one of Richmond’s “Top 40 Under 40” by Style Weekly for his pilot program mandating suicide questionnaires in the pediatric setting.

Now he’s pouring the same energy into his medical residency in pediatrics at Roanoke’s Carilion Memorial Hospital. “All my experiences—everything I’ve learned by traveling, founding a charity, and living in other cultures—applies to my work as a doctor. We have to be culturally sensitive, exercise compassion, and have a burning desire to make a change while we use evidence-based medicine to make a difference in people’s lives,” Keel explains. “I love what I’m doing.”

To watch the trailer for the documentary film The Road Less Run, visit roadlessrunfilm.com.
1950s
Patrick Henry Society
Reunion Weekend: June 1–3, 2018

Dr. CLAUDE PRITCHARD ’50 was recently honored by Maryville University in St. Louis with the dedication of the Claudius Pritchard Wing of the main administrative building. Dr. Pritchard served as the university’s president for 15 years, retiring in 1992 as president emeritus. He also served on H-SC’s staff in the 1950s and 60s as assistant to the president, business manager, and vice president for development.

Dr. FREEMAN EPES ’52 was given the Life Changer Award by the Sarasota Friendship Center, where he has volunteered his medical services for the past 15 years. The center’s volunteers provide $2 million in in-kind medical services to uninsured or underinsured older adults each year. Dr. Epes has been a family practice physician in Sarasota since 1959.

1960s
Patrick Henry Society & Class of ’68
Reunion Weekend: June 1–3, 2018

JOHN S. REPASS ’65 made a religious pilgrimage to the Holy Land last May with a group from St. John’s Episcopal Church in Roanoke. They spent two weeks touring the Holy Land and studying at St. George’s Anglican College in Jerusalem.

W. Waverly Townes ’66 was honored with the 2017 Judge Richard A. Revell Family Law Practitioner of the Year Award, presented by the Louisville Bar Association.

TRAVIS J. “TY” TYSINGER ’66 was honored by the Blue Ridge Community College Educational Foundation with director emeritus status; he was a member of the Foundation’s executive committee, as well as chairman of the development committee. He is retired from Woodberry Forest School, where he served as the senior development officer.

Dr. JOHN M. BASS ’69 was inducted as a fellow in the Pierre Fauchard Academy, an international dental honor organization, on November 11, 2017. Founded in 1936 and named for the “father of modern dentistry,” the Pierre Fauchard Academy aims to recognize and grow leaders in the dental profession, their communities, and society worldwide. Fellows are selected for their service to the profession of dentistry, as well as their high ethical, moral, and professional standards.

1970s
Classes of ’73 and ’78
Reunion Weekend: June 1–3, 2018

DALE WOOD PITTMAN ’71 received the Oliver White Hill Courageous Advocate Award from the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association for his more than 35 years of work on behalf of Virginia consumers. Dale is a consumer protection attorney in Petersburg.

Dr. WILLIAM F. RAYBURN ’71, a distinguished professor and associate dean at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine, is chairman of the board of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. The Council sets and enforces standards in physician continuing education (or lifelong learning) for more than 2,000 health institutions and organizations in the U.S.

RICHARD “DICK” PONTI ’77 was the subject of a December 17, 2017, article in The Virginian-Pilot, which focused on his 40 years as a math teacher, administrator, and basketball coach in Virginia Beach. The former Tiger led Kempsville High School to five district titles in nine seasons as head basketball coach.

DAVID RIDDICK ’77 and retired Tiger lacrosse coach Ray Rostan were inducted into the US Lacrosse Virginia Hall of Fame on December 2, 2017.

WILLIAM R. “BILL” GARDNER, JR., ’57 and his son RODERICK M. “ROD” GARDNER ’88 recently enjoyed a successful quail hunt at Rasawek Hunting Preserve in Goochland County. They were joined by Rod’s 17-year-old sons Hunter and Tabb.

PATRICK C. DEVINE, JR. ’78 was named the top lawyer in health care law by Coastal Virginia magazine. Patrick was featured in the magazine’s February 2018 edition for his work in the Hampton Roads area, which includes establishing the area’s first HMO in 1982 and working as a partner at Williams Mullen (previously Hofheimer Nusbaum).
RICHARD A. “RICK” BAGBY ’79 has been named head lacrosse coach at Massachusetts Maritime Academy, an NCAA Division III school. Most recently, he served as an assistant lacrosse coach at Babson College. In November, Rick was issued a special citation by the Hampden-Sydney Athletics Hall of Fame for his success as a lacrosse goalkeeper at H-SC and his influence on the sport as a youth league, high-school, and collegiate coach.

FRED THOMPSON, JR. ’79 has been named to the executive committee of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

JAMES K. “KEN” WOODLEY III ’79 wrote 31 daily spiritual meditations for January 2018 that were published online and in print by Forward Day By Day, which is read daily by over half a million people in more than 50 countries around the world. His first book—about the journey to overcome the shadow of Massive Resistance in Prince Edward County—will be published in 2018 by NewSouth Books of Montgomery, AL.

1980s
Classes of ’83 and ’88
Reunion Weekend: June 1–3, 2018

BILLY GREER ’81 and his wife Nancy are the owners of Jing Ying Institute, a Kung Fu and Tai Chi school in Severna Park, MD. The Greers and their work at the Jing Ying Institute were the subject of a feature article in Up.St.ART Annapolis, an art and culture magazine.

BILLY GREER ’81

BENJAMIN F. “BEN” KNIGHT III ’81 has joined Viking Mergers & Acquisitions as a managing partner; he will open a new location for the firm in Charleston, SC. Ben recently sold his own business, three franchise locations of FASTSIGNS. Under Ben’s leadership, they grew to be one of the highest revenue generating groups in the company’s international franchise system. The move was featured in Markets Insider on December 1, 2017.

CHARLES BOWLES ’82 has been appointed director of strategic initiatives for Trader Interactive, which was recently acquired by Goldman-Sachs.

VEE PITTMAN ’84 hosted an esteemed group of H-SC alumni at his family farm in Courtland in September for an evening of revelry followed by a dove hunt the next day. The annual outing was a huge success, and the group is already looking forward to 2018’s event. Pictured are David “Doc” King ’84, Jim McVey ’89, Vee Pittman ’84, Andy Blanton ’84, and Burke Steele ’85. Also in attendance were Billy Hudgins ’84 and Churchill Young ’84.

Surviving Chronicles

Chairman of Micropac Laboratories and Hampden-Sydney College Trustee J. TREVOR BOYCE ’83 is best known for his business acumen, but his recently published memoir takes a decidedly personal look at his lifelong passion for surfing. A collection of interrelated stories, Boarding School Beachbums: My Adventures in Weekapaug and Beyond recalls with humor and nostalgia the people, places, and events that first instilled in Boyce a love of the ocean and inspired him to continue surfing throughout adulthood. Although the hobby has taken Boyce around the world—he’s ridden waves all over North America and the Caribbean, as well as Europe and Africa—it’s his childhood haunt of Weekapaug, Rhode Island, that takes center stage in most of Boyce’s tales. And the colorful cast of characters from his younger years includes at least one Hampden-Sydney brother, Tony Conte ’83, who finds himself in close proximity to a particularly large shark while surfing with Boyce in hurricane swells off the coast of Block Island. Most of the book was written from 25,000 feet—Boyce first penned the tales as a way to pass time while travelling for business—but they’re firmly anchored in the sand and surf of his youth.

KENNETH “SKIP” CERF, JR. ’85 has been named general manager of the Sheraton Baltimore North Hotel. In 2015, Skip received the Community Engagement Award from Marriott’s Worldwide Business Council, and in 2017 he was selected for Marriott’s Emerging Leader Program.

J. TYLER DINSMORE ’86 has been named assistant managing member at Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso PLLC in Charleston, West Virginia. He also chairs the firm’s business development committee and mass litigation group.
Brig. Gen. **DAN BUNCH ’87** has been selected as the Air National Guard Assistant to the Judge Advocate General (TJAG) of the United States Air Force, a position that carries the rank of major general. As the senior judge advocate in the National Guard, Gen. Bunch will advise TJAG on matters of national importance and provide leadership for all National Guard legal offices, including 440 judge advocates and paralegals throughout the U.S. and territories. In his civilian career, Gen. Bunch is a state court judge in Oregon.

**ROGER H. W. KIRBY ’88** and the TowneBank Team took first place in the AM flight of the 2017 Richmond Sporting Clays Classic. Fifty-eight teams participated in the event, which raised about $95,000 for the Heart of Virginia Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Roger, pictured second from the left, sported an H-SC shooting team hat, which he says must have given him luck.

**CHARLES W. “CHARLIE” PAYNE ’88** was appointed treasurer of the board for the Fredericksburg Regional Alliance at the University of Mary Washington, an economic development partnership between public and private entities. Charlie, a former Trustee of the College, is a partner at Hirschler Fleischer.

**ONDRAY T. HARRIS ’89** has been named director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) at the U.S. Department of Labor. Ondray joined the Labor Department in the spring of 2017 as a senior advisor at the Employment and Training Administration.

**GEN. DAN BUNCH ’87**

**CHRISTOPHER A. HUTSON ’88** has been elected to lead the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors. Chris is serving his second term on the board.

**ROGER H. W. KIRBY ’88**

**1990s**

**GEORGE M. TRIBLE IV ’91** has been tapped to lead the Regions Bank (Birmingham, AL) contact center, which handles approximately 80 million customer contacts per year. Previously, George was Wells Fargo’s central Alabama region area president.

**MILES C. WILLIAMS ’91** has been named chief marketing officer at JW Player, the world’s largest network-independent video platform, where he is responsible for all facets of the company’s global marketing efforts.

**JEFF PARKER ’92** has joined CBRE Hampton Roads as a senior vice president in the retail brokerage group. Most recently, Jeff was the leasing director for a Virginia Beach retail portfolio that included 73 shopping centers and covered approximately 5.5 million square feet. The move was reported in Virginia Business on December 11, 2017.

**KEVIN MICHAEL KUNST ’94** has been named head of school at Evansville Day School, an independent preK-12 school in Evansville, IN. Most recently, he was headmaster at Harrells Christian Academy in Harrells, NC.

**MICHAEL DAVID “MIKE” LUTER ’94** and his business, Arrowhead Environmental Services, were named to the 2017 “Roaring 20” list by Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal. The list recognizes Hampton Roads’ fastest growing companies making significant contributions to the local economy. Mike founded Arrowhead Environmental in 2006 after working in the environmental and manufacturing fields for a decade. Since then, the company has grown from one employee to 26.
ALEXANDER BLOUNT “ALEX” McGEE ’94 has been appointed vice president for external affairs and chief of staff at Kennesaw State University in Atlanta. Most recently, Alex was a principal in the public policy and regulatory affairs practice at Dentons US/McKenna, Long and Aldridge, one of the world’s largest law firms.

MATT MALONE ’95 was featured in Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal on November 2, 2017. Matt is CEO of JES Foundation Repair, which won the magazine’s Roaring 20 award as one of Hampton Roads’ most dynamic businesses based on revenue and employee growth. Matt is also CEO of the umbrella organization JES Companies and a managing partner at Succession Capital Portfolio Company.

MILLS’96 has joined Brunswick, a global communications and management consultancy, as a partner. Most recently, Mills was the UK CEO of Ogilvy Public Relations, a position he held for three years. He will continue to be based in London, where he has lived since 2008.

ROBERT HUTCHESON “BOB” RAMSEY ’97 took a new job at Customers Bank as director of investor relations and strategic planning, working out of the company’s Washington, DC, office. Bob and his wife live in Arlington with their seven-year-old twins.

Dr. MATTHEW D. BITNER ’98 was recently named chair of the department of emergency medicine for the Greenville Health System in South Carolina.

DANIEL ’98 and FRANCESCA BURKE welcomed a son, Liam Lorenzo Burke, on April 10, 2017. The family resides in Alexandria.

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TIGER TOUR OF DUTY

When Col. DWAYNE BOWYER ‘92 sat down next to a junior officer in the mess hall at Erbil Air Base in Iraq, he had no idea the young man was a fellow Tiger.

1st Lt. HUGH FRASER ’14 explains, “We were sitting at lunch discussing our lives, and Col. Bowyer happened to ask where I went to school. I answered, ‘A very small college in the middle of Virginia—Hampden-Sydney.’ He laughed and said, ‘No way. I’m a proud Tiger, too!’”

BOWYER and FRASER had been working together for several weeks before they discovered the connection. Bowyer says the two interact often, sometimes multiple times a day: “Lt. Fraser’s duties are vital and assist with my ability to oversee and manage the base contract support.” As the Base Operating Support-Integrator (BOS-I) Commander, Bowyer is responsible for the life support, services, protection, and daily operations of Erbil Air Base, which supports about 4000 U.S. and Coalition service members, civilians, and contractors, who enable the government of Iraq and the Iraqi Security Forces to detect, target, destroy, and defeat ISIS.

The coalition forces at Erbil include U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force troops, as well as Italian, French, German, Hungarian, and Canadian forces, so the chances of two Hampden-Sydney men working so closely together are slim, to say the least. But Bowyer isn’t completely surprised. “I’m continually amazed at where you can find H-SC gentlemen and what they are doing to serve our nation,” he says. “Lt. Frazer and I are both proud of our service, proud to be H-SC alumni, and proud of the support that our service members receive from the greater H-SC community.”

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2000s
Classes of ’03 and ’08
Reunion Weekend: June 1–3, 2018

NATE DAPORE ’00 has been named managing director at Acertitude, a top-tier executive search firm and talent solutions consultancy located in New York. Most recently, he was a managing director at Battery Park, advising middle-market health care and tech companies. He is the founder and former CEO of PeopleMatter, a workforce management SaaS company, and a Trustee of the College.

MATT MARKHAM ’00 has been named director of the Georgia Center of Innovation for Logistics. Previously, he served in leadership roles at the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, the State Road and Toll Authority, and the Georgia lieutenant governor’s office.

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JAMES F. “JIMMY” GOODMON, JR. ’99 has been named president and chief operating officer of Capitol Broadcasting Company in Raleigh, NC.

Hugh Fraser ’14 and Dwayne Bowyer ’92
CLASS NOTES

T. BRODERICK MULLINS ’00 earned an MBA from the University of Richmond in May 2017. He is a portfolio manager with the strategic advisory group at Thompson, Siegel & Walmsley in Richmond, providing investment advice to individuals, families, and regional institutions.

M. NEAL SMITH ’00 has been named partner in the suburban Chicago office of Robbins Schwartz. He represents municipalities, school districts, and other local governmental clients in litigation, land use, zoning, public finance, public pension law, election law, and campaign finance.

C. MORGAN TRIBLE ’00 and MEGAN J. QUICK were married on September 23, 2017, at Smith Ferry Farm on the Pamunkey River in King William County. In attendance were Jay Golden ’02, Kenny Strickler ’05, George Trible ’91, James Kelly, Waring Trible ’84, Jim McVey ’89, Parker Moring ’00, Dave Hamnett ’00, Justin Norbo ’06, and Ryan Jones ’00. Morgan is employed by Commonwealth Commercial Partners and Meghan by Virginia Farm Credit. The couple resides in both Richmond and King William County.

WALTER “JAY” LEE IV ’02 has been promoted to assistant director of finance at the Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center, a historic 330-room hotel and 63,000-square-foot conference center in Roanoke.

Dr. BARRETT W. R. PETERS ’02 has been named a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry after successful completion of the final examination in the voluntary multi-year board certification process. He has also accepted an appointment as an affiliate professor with the VCU Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

Dr. Peters, his wife, and two children reside in Charlottesville, where he maintains a full-time private practice.


DAVIS HUNT ’03 recently earned his MBA from Wake Forest University. He and his wife Sarah live in Charlotte, NC, where Davis is the marketing director for the Remi Group, a leading provider of equipment maintenance management programs for the healthcare, higher education, government, and commercial market segments nationwide.

KEVIN L. TURNER ’03 has been appointed senior vice president and general counsel of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

MICHAEL JOHN WALLACE ’03 left Vertex Resource Services and began working at Freeport McMoRan Copper and Gold in June 2017. He is a senior GIS (Geographic Information System) analyst in the Tailings Crushed Leach and Water Group, a technical services division of the mining company. He works at the corporate office in downtown Phoenix.

KRISTOPHER J. HILSCHER ’04 has been named to Business North Carolina’s 2018 Legal Elite for his work as a family law attorney in Raleigh, where he lives with his wife and two sons.

WESLEY S. LAWSON ’04 recently became the general manager at Jesse Brown’s Outdoors, a specialty outfitter in Charlotte, NC. Wes was an associate dean of students at H-SC for almost a decade; most recently, he was assistant director of integrative student services at Wake Forest University’s Charlotte campus.

JUDSON ’04 and GINGER McADAMS welcomed their third child, a son, George Wicker, on September 20, 2016. Wicker joins his brother Tripp and sister Eliza at home in Charlotte, NC.

ANDREW M. “DREW” RILEY ’05 has joined Propark America as the new president of Winpark Management, LLC, headquartered in Houston.
J. Philip Land, Jr., ’06 was recognized by Greenville Business Magazine as one of the “Legal Elite of 2017” in the category of corporate mergers and acquisitions law. Philip is an associate at Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd in Greenville, SC.

Keith ’06 and Anna LeGrande welcomed a daughter, Campbell Jane, on January 21, 2017. Campbell joins her big brother, William.

Capt. Bill Kammerer ’07 deployed to the Middle East this winter with the 738th Airlift Squadron, flying the C-130H Hercules in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. Following the deployment, Bill will begin new training, as his Air Force squadron has been selected to convert to the C-17 Globemaster III.

Andrew M. “Drew” Comstock ’08 was installed as the 62nd President of the Home Builders Association of Southside Virginia on December 4, 2017. The association supports and serves the home building industry in six cities and 16 counties across Southside Virginia.

Davis ’08 and ChrisYake welcomed twin daughters, Charlotte Louise and Madeline Gray, on July 1, 2017. Big sister Charlie arrived first, and younger sister Maddie joined her seven minutes later.

R. Patrick Bolling ’09 was featured in Lynchburg Business Magazine’s 2017 Millennials on the Move, which identified 25 young professionals who are “on the move not only in their places of work, but also in the community.” An attorney at Woods Rogers Edmunds & Williams, Patrick focuses his practice on commercial transactions and litigation.

C. J. Berkeley Horne ’07 has been promoted to partner at LeClairRyan. He works on the firm’s corporate services and energy industry teams. The promotion was featured in the January 3, 2018, edition of Richmond Biz Sense.

Patrick Sterling Wilkinson ’07 has been appointed to the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors, replacing a retiring member until a special election is held next November.
JAMES T. HOFFMAN ‘09 was promoted to associate consultant at KVCF Solutions, a Richmond-based government relations and economic development consulting firm. He will concentrate on the firm’s business development while continuing to serve existing clients on legislative and strategic matters. James joined KVCF in January 2017.

Dr. KRISTOFFER ALAN “KRIS” NORBO ‘09 and Dr. ASHLEY ANN WHITE were married on May 13th, 2017, in New Orleans. In attendance were Dr. Justin Norbo ’06, Nathan Norbo ’11, Matt Shankle ’11, John Roberts ’12, McLean Bean ’09, Ben Harris ’09, Mike Patterson ’09, Goodman Duke ’11, Mark Castrovinci ’09, Cole Faulkner ’09, Brandon Clapp ’09, Zach Campbell ’09, Dr. Chris Collie ’10, and Darden Barrett ’11.

ROBERT R. “BOBBY” BEASLEY III ’10 was selected as a 2017 Top 40 under 40 honoree by Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal. Bobby works at Harvey Lindsay Commercial Real Estate.

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PHILIP HOLDEN BRYANT ’10 has joined Kinsdale Insurance Co. as an associate underwriter in the general casualty division. The move was featured in the October 24, 2017, edition of Richmond Biz Sense.

MIKE ‘11 and TIFFANY DOWD welcomed a son, Carson Michael, on October 4, 2017. The family resides in Richmond.

MIKE DOWD ‘11 FAMILY

RHYAN SAMUEL ’09 was selected as a 2017 Top 40 under 40 honoree by Inside Business: The Hampton Roads Business Journal. Ryan is an assistant city attorney for the City of Chesapeake.

CARTER HUTCHINSON ’11 has been appointed deputy policy director by Virginia Governor Ralph Northam. Prior to his appointment, Carter worked on Northam’s gubernatorial campaign and transition team.

KYLE MARTIN ’11 has been named the mortgage loan officer at Chesapeake Bank’s Richmond branch. The move was reported in the Richmond Times-Dispatch on January 29, 2018.

GENERAL JENKINS ’12 was appointed to the Prince Edward County School Board when the board unanimously chose him to replace an outgoing member.

ADAM O’DONNELL ’12 and SARAH JADELIS were married on October 28, 2017, at the Pavilion at Carriage Farm in Raleigh, North Carolina. In attendance were John Roberts ’12 and William Boone ’12. The couple resides in San Francisco, where the bride works for a venture capital firm and the groom is president and co-founder of Successly, a SaaS start-up.

EDGAR HATCHER CRENSHAW IV ’11 and ELIZABETH ASHLEY SHIFLET were married on August 12, 2017, at St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church in Richmond. The groom is the son of E. Hatcher Crenshaw III ’79. Alumni in the wedding party were Thomas Crenshaw ’15, Craig Philp ’11, John Mohrmann ’11, John Simmons ’10, James McClees ’11, Tyler Hamblen ’11, and Gray Nexsen ’10. Also in attendance were the uncle of the groom, Bill Crenshaw ’82, and several other H-SC friends and fraternity brothers. The couple resides in Richmond.
BRAD WILLIAMS ’12 has been named RiverFront Investment Group’s regional director for the mid-Atlantic region. Brad joined RiverFront in April 2016 as a regional sales consultant. The promotion was reported in the January 16, 2018, edition of Richmond Biz Sense.

CONNOR WINSTEAD, JR. ’12 has been selected for the Virginia Management Fellows program, a two-year program aimed at developing the state’s next generation of leaders. He is one of 11 members of the program’s inaugural cohort, which will rotate through various state agencies, as well as research and study public administration theories and practices in conjunction with Virginia Tech. Connor holds a master’s degree in public administration from UNC, Chapel Hill.

BRINSON C. WHITE II ’13 and ELIZABETH A. TOMLIN were married on September 30, 2017, at First Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville. Members of the wedding party included Brinson White ’77, Braxton Elliott ’13, Wesley Morck ’13, Connor Rund ’13, Nathan Marshall ’13, General Jenkins ’12, and Tanner Knox ’13. Also in attendance were Bob Johnson ’77, Greg Holland ’77, Mike Stabile ’11, Kyle Martin ’11, Byron Jones ’11, Frasher Bolton ’12, Charlie Parrish ’12, Justin Proffitt ’12, Alex Lemieux ’12, Jordan White ’13, Forrest Allen ’13, McGowan Day ’13, Graham Holman ’13, Tyler Wolfe ’14, and Lawson Olson ’16. The groomsmen wore bow ties made by Collared Greens, a company founded by Hampden-Sydney alumni. The bride, a graduate of Radford University, is a nurse practitioner at Lynchburg General Hospital and the groom is an attorney. The couple resides in Lynchburg.

MICHAEL DONNELL CASTERLOW ’14 graduated from Elon University School of Law in December 2017.

WALKER COLE ’14 graduated from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in December with a master’s degree in public health. He currently serves as the recruitment manager for Pack Health, one of Birmingham’s fastest growing companies.

CHRISTOPHER BERNARDO HALL ’15 graduated from Elon University School of Law in December 2017.

HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE RUGBY 50th ANNIVERSARY

SEPTEMBER 21 - 23
Come back to the Hill and celebrate 50 years of H-SC Rugby! Festivities include Friday night dinner, Saturday morning old boys match, afternoon collegiate 15s match, and postgame social.

MICHAEL GOAD ’13 and KATELYN PENDERGRASS were married on July 29, 2017, at Jennette’s Pier in Nags Head, NC. In attendance were John Michael Sparagna ’13, Tyler White ’13, Kenny Fryman ’13, Michael Larkins ’13, Steven Fogleman ’13, Russell Leboff ’13, Nash Nance ’15, Mel Savarese ’16, Kyle Farlow ’16, Kordell Strauss ’16, and Dalton Lee ’16. Mike and Kate both work at Fork Union Military Academy. Kate works in the development office, and Mike is an English and history instructor, as well as head coach for the middle school football team and debate team. The couple resides in Fork Union.

MATT STEPHENS ’13 and KAITLIN ECKENBERGER were married on September 9, 2017, at Sweet Briar College. The bride is a 2013 Sweet Briar alumna. In attendance were Barrett Keller ’13, Harrison Stewart ’15, Alex Georgiou ’14, Forrest Wilson ’14, Bill Howard ’77, Brandon Gregg ’14, Sean Gatz ’13, Samson Canavos ’14, Jackson Riley ’14, Corey Meyer ’14, Graham Holeman ’13, Robert Stephens ’15, Matt Burnett ’13, Connor Rund ’13, Forrest Allen ’13, John Axsom ’05, Eric Rutherford ’11, Andrew Bauer ’14, Michael Lee ’14, Crawford Simpkins ’12, Kevin Hoffer ’06, and Raymond Bottom, Jr. ’51 (not pictured).
RAYMOND B. BOTTOM, JR. REMEMBERED

Trustee Emeritus RAYMOND B. BOTTOM, JR. ’51, the most generous financial supporter in the history of Hampden-Sydney College, died on February 7, 2018.

Ray earned a physics degree from Hampden-Sydney and a finance degree from the University of Richmond, then served in the U.S. Air Force as an electronic counter-measures officer on B-36 bombers. He left active duty to join the media business, eventually becoming chairman and editor-in-chief of the Daily Press newspaper, then chairman and CEO of Centennial Communications, Inc. Ray continued to serve in the Air Force Reserves for an additional 26 years, retiring at the rank of colonel with the Meritorious Service Medal and the Presidential Citation. He remained an avid aviator throughout his life, often donating the use of his private planes for charitable causes. He was a passionate supporter of the Virginia Peninsula USO and the Virginia Air & Space Center, where he served as a director.

First elected to the Hampden-Sydney College Board of Trustees in 1973, Ray received numerous honors from the College over the years, including the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award and the Keating Medallion, which recognizes outstanding service and extraordinary dedication to Hampden-Sydney. He also served on the advisory board of the Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest and remained active with the College’s chapter of the Kappa Alpha Order. “Ray Bottom believed strongly in our mission to form good men and good citizens, and for his entire life he remained a steadfast and enthusiastic supporter of his beloved alma mater,” says President Larry Stimpert. “We will miss Ray’s counsel and friendship, and we are ever grateful for all that he did for the men of Hampden-Sydney.”

In addition to generously supporting scholarship aid, Ray actively encouraged many young men in the Peninsula area to attend Hampden-Sydney. “He was our star recruiter,” Dean of Admissions Anita Garland recalls, “poring over local newspapers for stories about students who would ‘fit’ us, speaking with those students about Hampden-Sydney, and bringing them to campus to show them the place that changed his own life. Yearly he sponsored events for students and parents so that they could meet alumni and see in practice the brotherhood of Hampden-Sydney College. I can’t quite imagine recruiting a class of Hampden-Sydney men without him.”

Ray’s legacy and selfless spirit will live on at Hampden-Sydney College and in all whose lives were graced by his friendship and generosity. “I have never known a man more generous, more humble, and more willing to do anything to help his alma mater,” Garland says. “He was a legend in his own time, and a true Hampden-Sydney hero.”

OBITUARIES

1930s
JOHN H. GILLIAM, JR. ’39 died on November 18, 2017, at the age of 101. John was a proud member of Pi Kappa Alpha at Hampden-Sydney. He later attended Benjamin Franklin University and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a resident of Fredericksburg at the time of his death.

1940s
Dr. GILBERT S. CAMPBELL, JR. ’43 died on January 9, 2018, at the age of 94. Gil enrolled at Hampden-Sydney when he was just 15 years old, then attended the University of Virginia, where he earned his medical degree in 1946. He completed further advanced degrees at the University of Minnesota, served as head of the experimental lab at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, and earned two Silver Stars, two Bronze Stars, and a Purple Heart in Korea. Gil was on the forefront of open-heart surgery, performing his first in 1955. In 1965, he became chair of the department of surgery at the University of Arkansas medical school, where he earned many accolades until his retirement in 2000.

1950s
Dr. JOHN M. QUARLES ’50 died on January 1, 2018. John’s studies at Hampden-Sydney were interrupted by his brother’s death in WWII; at that time, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served until 1950. He then finished his degree at H-SC, attended the Medical College of Virginia, completed his internship at DePaul Hospital, and embarked on a 50-year career as a family practice physician. Active with numerous regional and national medical organizations, he also served as secretary and president of the executive committee at Riverside Regional Medical Center and provided medical care for residents of Patrick Henry Nursing Home. John gave back to the community through his volunteer work with the Lions Club and the Gloucester-Mathews Free Clinic, as well as his six years as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in York County. An active member of Yorkminster Presbyterian Church, he served as an elder and Sunday school teacher. John had his private pilot’s license, played tennis into his 80s, and played golf up to the week before his death. His sons also attended Hampden-Sydney: John M. Quarles, Jr. ’79, Dr. Peter R. Quarles ’85, and Daniel R. Quarles ’93.
Wade Hampton Ridgway, Sr. ’50 died on September 11, 2017. A native of New Jersey, he graduated from Fork Union Military Academy and served two years in the U.S. Army during World War II before attending Hampden-Sydney, where he was a member of Kappa Alpha. After graduation, Wade went on to a 35-year career as a chemical engineer with DuPont. He was a member of Central Baptist Church in Woodbury, NJ, and a volunteer at Underwood Memorial Hospital. Wade loved all sports, especially the Philadelphia Eagles, and enjoyed skiing, golfing, horseback riding, and traveling.

The Rev. V. Neil Wyrick, Jr. ’50 died on December 17, 2017. Although he was an accomplished pianist, Neil chose a career in ministry, graduating from Union Theological Seminary in 1954. The following year, he founded Palmetto Presbyterian Church in Miami, a congregation that grew from 8 members to almost 800. In 1968, Neil devoted himself full-time to evangelistic work, traveling the world presenting his one-man dramas. He is perhaps best known for his productions of the Easter pageant in the Orange Bowl during the 1960s. He also served as director of the Miami Council of Churches. Neil was a prolific writer, authoring ten books and publishing hundreds of articles in national magazines such as The Saturday Evening Post and Family Circle.

Charles Lear Ponton ’51 died on September 22, 2017. He was a Lambda Chi at Hampden-Sydney, Lear served in the U.S. Marine Corps before settling in Newport News and founding Ponton Realty, Inc. Over the course of his career, he developed numerous residential neighborhoods, shopping centers, and commercial properties throughout Newport News and York County. Lear was a past president of both the Newport News-Hampton Board of Realtors and the York County Rotary Club; he served on numerous other boards, including the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Board, the Virginia Air Pollution Board, and the Virginia Real Estate Board. In his retirement years, Lear enjoyed boating, fishing, and golfing.

Walter Vance Hall ’51 died on January 6, 2018. A member of Kappa Sigma, Vance served in the U.S. Navy after graduating from Hampden-Sydney, then earned a degree in foreign service from Georgetown University. His career as a foreign service officer included posts in South Korea, Italy, Austria, and Fiji. He retired in 1982, but continued to work in the State Department on freedom of information cases until 2000. Vance sat on the boards of the Historic Alexandria Foundation and the American Library Company and served two terms on the Alexandria Archeology Commission. He enjoyed traveling, gardening, reading, and cooking, and he tutored children in the Alexandria public schools for almost 20 years. Vance was a lifelong member of North Farnham Parish Church and an active parishioner at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Alexandria.

John Armstrong “Jack” Locke ’51 died on December 8, 2017. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, then played basketball at Hampden-Sydney. John worked as an electrician at NASA until retirement in 1981. He loved sports, coaching youth basketball for over 50 years and playing tennis until the age of 91.

Charles Hanson Peterson, Jr. ’52 died on January 3, 2018. He earned his MD from the University of Virginia in 1956, then completed an internship in England, residency in Connecticut, and fellowship at UVA in gastroenterology. He served as a physician in the U.S. Coast Guard before entering private practice in Roanoke. In 2014, he retired after more than 60 years of medical practice, but he continued grand rounds at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital until July of 2017. Dr. Peterson was a member of numerous national and regional medical organizations. He served twice as chief of staff at Community Hospital and was an instructor at the University of Virginia Medical School for 18 years. An active member of the Rotary Club and First Baptist Church, he also volunteered his time with the Bradley Free Clinic, Meals on Wheels, and Blue Ridge Literacy. He loved to travel, participating in several medical mission trips to Kenya and Peru, as well as regularly hosting physicians from Africa on their trips to the U.S. for professional development.

Jere M. “Jerry” Adams ’53 died on October 20, 2017. One of the top scorers in Hampden-Sydney basketball history, Jerry scored 1,207 points for the Tigers during four years as a starter and served as the team’s co-captain his senior year, all while earning academic honors. After graduation, he served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, then earned a master’s degree in education from the University of Richmond. He was a high school teacher and basketball coach for five years before earning his J.D. from the T.C. Williams School of Law and embarking on a successful legal career in his native Pittsburgh. Jerry sat on numerous boards and commissions throughout his lengthy career, serving organizations such as the local YMCA, Chamber of Commerce, and Salvation Army; he was also a long-serving bank board director, first with McKeesport National Bank, then with Three Rivers Bank and U.S. Bankcorp. He was a member of the St. Thomas à Becket parish for 45 years. In recognition of Jerry’s contribution to Hampden-Sydney athletics, he was inducted into the College’s Athletic Hall of Fame in 1994.
Dr. John Milton Miller, Jr. ’54 died on December 21, 2017. After graduating cum laude from Hampden-Sydney, Milton earned his M.D. from the Medical College of Virginia in 1958. He completed residencies in internal medicine and hematology oncology, served two years as a doctor in the U.S. Navy, and was a compassionate and dedicated physician at Lewis Gale Clinic in Salem, VA, for 44 years. He enjoyed playing tennis, gardening, and traveling; an active member of St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, he sang in the choir, taught Sunday school, and served as camp physician at Phoebe Needles summer camp. Milton was a devoted husband to his wife of 57 years and a loving father to their four daughters.

L. Stanley Willis ’55 died on October 25, 2017. A Lambda Chi Alpha at Hampden-Sydney, Stan served in the U.S. military after graduation, then earned his Ph.D. at the University of Virginia in 1968. He taught briefly in Texas before joining the history department at Clinch Valley College, now the University of Virginia’s College at Wise. His 30-year career as a history professor there also included service as dean of students and chairman of the faculty council. He was known as an excellent advisor to students and a compelling teacher, who continued to serve the college well into his retirement. In a final gift to UVa-Wise, Stan and his wife bequeathed a 40-acre tract of land to be used an environmental laboratory. It will be known as “Stan’s Woods.”

Earle Provost Dunham, Jr. ’58 died on October 28, 2017. At Hampden-Sydney, he studied business administration and was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha. He then worked as a controller and project manager for Handling Services, Inc. in Greenville, SC. Earle was a leader with the Boy Scouts of America and an active member of Joy Lutheran Church, singing in the choir and serving on the finance committee. He enjoyed traveling, reading, and spending time outdoors, but was most passionate about his family, especially his children and grandchildren.

Edmund L. Waddill, Jr. ’59 died on October 16, 2017. After Hampden-Sydney, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed in England for several years. He then enjoyed a career in life insurance and estate planning, living in Iowa, Maryland, and Asheville before settling in Wilson, NC. He was an avid reader, accomplished golfer, and active member of First Presbyterian Church in Wilson. His son Edmund L. Waddill III ’95 also attended Hampden-Sydney.

1960s

Dean Adcock Bailey ’61 died on November 24, 2017. A member of Kappa Sigma at Hampden-Sydney, he also pursued graduate studies at the College of William & Mary. His career spanned several industries, including service in the U.S. Marine Corps, seven years as a high school history teacher, and almost two decades as an industrial engineer in the garment industry. He then worked for the Commonwealth of Virginia with the departments of economic development and Virginia business assistance. As an amateur archaeologist, he discovered the site of the early 18th century pottery factory belonging to the “Poor Potter of Yorktown,” now a featured location at the Yorktown Battlefield site. He was a board member for both the Virginia Historical Society and the Watermen’s Museum in Yorktown and an active member of St. Thomas Canterbury Anglican Catholic Church in Roanoke and St. Alban’s Anglican Catholic Parish in Richmond.

Charles Edward Hubbard ’62 died on November 24, 2017. Charlie was a member of the George Washington High School (Danville) baseball team that won consecutive state championships in 1953 and 1954. He then served two years in the U.S. Navy before attending Hampden-Sydney and earning his law degree at Washington and Lee. After 50 years practicing law in North Carolina, Charlie was honored by both the North Carolina Bar Association and the Caswell County District Bar, which named its collegiality award in his honor. A strong supporter of the law enforcement community, he was active promoting camaraderie between the North Carolina and Virginia state law enforcement agencies. The North Carolina State Highway Patrol honored Charlie’s dedication by awarding him “Honorary State Trooper” status. He was an avid reader, a lover of history, and a benefactor to local community athletic programs; he loved tracing his family history and was inducted into the French Huguenot Society of South Carolina.

Lewis C. Everett ’63 died on January 28, 2017, from leukemia. Lewis’ athleticism and drive as a high school student garnered the attention of two benefactors who funded his Hampden-Sydney education. He became a star football player for the Tigers, earning First-Team All-American honors and setting the College record for longest punt with a 62-yard kick against Randolph-Macon—a record that still stands. He also competed in track and field, captained the wrestling team, and was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. After Hampden-Sydney, Lewis proudly served as an Army First Lieutenant in Vietnam and was awarded the Bronze Star. He then began his career in securities at Merrill Lynch, eventually joining Wheat First Securities in Richmond. He retired as vice chairman of Wheat First in 1999, enjoying golf, tennis, and sport fishing when he wasn’t traveling the world with his wife Leanna. Lewis’ generosity to Hampden-Sydney College is evident in the football stadium that bears his name, the Lewis C. Everett Stadium constructed in 2007. It was on the Hampden-Sydney football field that Lewis learned lifelong lessons about teamwork, perseverance, and overcoming adversity, and he was proud to give back to his alma mater.
Dr. **THOMAS COLE FLOURNOY ’67** died on October 19, 2017. Cole proudly served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Bonhomme Richard during the Vietnam War, then pursued a career in private business. After earning a master’s degree in counseling from Louisiana Tech and a doctoral degree in counseling psychology from the University of Sarasota, Cole spent 25 years working at the Caddo Correctional Center in Shreveport, LA, where he created the center’s counseling program and served as mental health director. An accomplished pilot who owned a series of small prop planes over the years, Cole flew to all 50 states last year and was active in both the Civil Air Patrol and the Experimental Aircraft Association.

1970s

**FRANKLIN R. TINKLE ’73** died on November 16, 2017. A rugby player at Hampden-Sydney, he served in the U.S. military in Vietnam, then pursued a career in information technology as a systems analyst and project manager. Frank was known as a kind, upbeat person who valued each and every day.

**JAMES S. “JIMMY” MILITELLO ’77** died unexpectedly on October 4, 2017. A psychology major at Hampden-Sydney, he then graduated from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine in 1986 and practiced podiatry in St. Augustine, FL.

1980s

**THACKSTON IV ’85** died on December 31, 2017, after a six-year battle with a rare neurological disease. After his sophomore year at Hampden-Sydney, Tee was commissioned as an Army second lieutenant and joined the Virginia National Guard. Upon graduation, he became an Apache helicopter pilot, winning the Top Gun award for his unit. Tee retired after 21 years of active duty, then became an instructor at the Army Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, KS. He was an avid sportsman and outdoorsman with a passion for bird hunting and dog training; other hobbies included scuba diving and riding his Harley Davidson. He was an Eagle Scout, a member of the Order of the Arrow, and a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. His greatest achievement, though, was raising his three sons into exceptional young men.

**CHRISTOPHER SCOTT ROSATI ’93** died on October 18, 2017, after a courageous battle with ALS. Chris was a soccer player at H-SC who went on to a successful career in healthcare, marketing, and entrepreneurship. After being diagnosed with ALS, however, he shifted his focus to making the world a better place through creative acts of kindness, like hijacking a Krispy Kreme truck and giving away the donuts at city parks and hospitals. Chris founded Inspire MÉdia Network, a nonprofit that funds and films people spreading kindness, then shares their stories to inspire others to do the same. The organization also gives $50 “butterfly grants” to school-aged children around the world. Chris’ story reached national audiences when CBS News produced a series documenting his battle with ALS and his philanthropic efforts.

2000s

**HAMILTON NOBLES ’02** died on December 27, 2017, after a lengthy illness. In high school, Hamilton earned his pilot’s license and was an Eagle Scout; at Hampden-Sydney, he was a member of the Chi Phi fraternity. An animal and outdoor enthusiast, Hamilton was a river guide in the Nantahala Gorge in North Carolina prior to his illness.

**KEITH ALAN SPROUSE** died of cancer on October 21, 2017. He joined the U.S. Marines as a young man, serving and traveling throughout the Mediterranean, then pursued a Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. Keith taught French and Spanish for 12 years at Hampden-Sydney before completing a master’s degree in counseling and working as a therapist. He was also an award-winning photographer.

Dr. **AMOS LEE LAINÉ** died on February 26, 2018. He attended Randolph-Macon College, earned his M.A. and Ph.D. at Duke University, then taught at H-SC for 38 years. Longtime colleague Dr. Ronald Heinemann recalls, “Amos Lee, Jim Simms, and I came to H-SC in 1968, ‘Three Muskeeters’ who would transform the history department and third floor of Morton Hall into a mélange of teaching styles. Lee was the quiet one with the cooler style of the rapier rather than the broad-sword rhetoric of Simms and Heinemann. But he was just as effective in communicating the value of studying history with his understated humor and sensitivity to the issues at hand. He was also an accomplished pianist and organist who accompanied the glee club, visiting soloists, and faculty drama performances. Amos Lee Lainé was an exceptional colleague and friend who will be greatly missed.”

Dr. **KEITH WILLIAM FITCH** died on March 10, 2018. An Indiana native, he earned his bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees from Purdue University, then taught history at Hampden-Sydney for more than 30 years. He enjoyed woodworking, movies, music, and cooking, and was an avid sports fan, especially of the Chicago Cubs.
A CALL TO ARMS

On display at the Esther Thomas Atkinson Museum is a reminder of the patriotic fervor that swept the nation as America prepared to enter the First World War: a Student Army Training Corps (SATC) tunic donated by Robert Wylder Bugg, class of 1920.

Established during World War I to prepare college-aged men for eventual officer training, SATC briefly replaced ROTC on college campuses when most ROTC instructors were called into active duty. The War Department created the program to utilize the resources of civilian colleges by placing the institutions, rather than military officers, in charge of training. Hampden-Sydney faculty and students eagerly organized the student body into a military battalion on April 7, 1917, the day after Congress declared war on Germany.

Although the College Trustees originally voted to make SATC participation mandatory, by fall semester only 80 percent of the student body were eligible to enroll because of the Army’s strict age minimum. The vast majority did participate, though, gathering for training drills morning and evening, marching in formation to daily chapel and Sunday services, and receiving instruction in firearms and physical training. They wore their khaki uniforms to most events—even fraternity photos in the 1918 Kaleidoscope feature young men in their military tunics.

By all accounts, the College’s efforts at military training were successful. The President’s report to the Trustees in June of 1918 notes, “A First Lieutenant in the British Army reviewed and inspected the Hampden-Sydney Battalion this spring and declared that the training which the men had received would be of real value.” And the June 1919 Board minutes include this report from acting-President Ashton W. McWhorter:

Hampden-Sydney was later cited by the Washington authorities as one of the three or four places in the country where the S.A.T.C. scheme has been properly worked out, Hampden-Sydney being held up as a model. It was stated that the co-operation between the academic and military authorities at H.S. was better than anywhere else in the South.

As with many things government run, implementation of the SATC program at civilian colleges was slow. The War Department never supplied the necessary firearms—instead, students practiced on wooden guns purchased by the College. And it wasn’t until August 20, 1918—a mere two and a half months before the Armistice—that the U.S. government officially authorized H-SC’s battalion, presumably securing the College some financial support. The official program was short-lived, however: the War Department demobilized all SATC units after the Armistice, and by the winter term of 1919, Hampden-Sydney College returned to normal. The 1920 Kaleidoscope reflects on the war years at H-SC:

When a state of war with Germany was declared by the United States in the spring of 1917, the students of the College promptly and eagerly stood up to answer the summons and could hardly be kept back... They formed themselves into military companies before the close of the session, and boys as they were, settled themselves with the earnestness and seriousness of men to a regular daily drill. With the opening of the College again in the fall, in the same spirit of patriotic service, they took up their military work on the very first day and throughout the session continued to show their mettle and their zeal. From such material... patriots and leaders of the first order are made. And this is what they call the Hampden-Sydney spirit!

BY KAREN E. HUGGARD
College Trustee Trevor Boyce ’83 had always supported Hampden-Sydney’s mission through annual gifts, but the time came when he wanted to make an even bigger impact—what he calls a transformational gift. Boyce found the means to make that gift by taking out a life insurance policy with Hampden-Sydney as the beneficiary.

“Choosing Hampden-Sydney was one of the best decisions I’ve made in my life,” says Trevor, “and it shaped me into who I am today. I wanted to make this place that I love a part of my legacy, and I hope every alumnus will do the same.”

You can make a $1 million transformational gift to Hampden-Sydney College for as little as $10,000 a year through a life insurance charitable gift. As Trevor says, “Just imagine what 100 such policies could do for the future of Hampden-Sydney.”

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