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# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



To the Hampden-Sydney College Community:

As spring arrives at Hampden-Sydney, we are seeing light at the end of the COVID-19 tunnel; the winter surge in cases has abated and more than 100 million Americans have now received at least one dose of a vaccine. It has been a challenging year for all of us, but the College has risen to the occasion and it has been my privilege and honor to work alongside devoted faculty members, outstanding staff professionals, and an exemplary team of student leaders—all of whom have gone above and beyond to navigate the College through the pandemic and to offer our students the benefits of on-campus, in-person instruction.

On the shoulders of so many who have come before us and shared our commitment to our College's mission, we remain on a journey to lead Hampden-Sydney to its rightful place among the finest colleges and universities in the country. Despite the pandemic's many challenges and distractions, we are determined to see Hampden-Sydney emerge from the pandemic as strong as possible and to be an even better and more distinctive College.

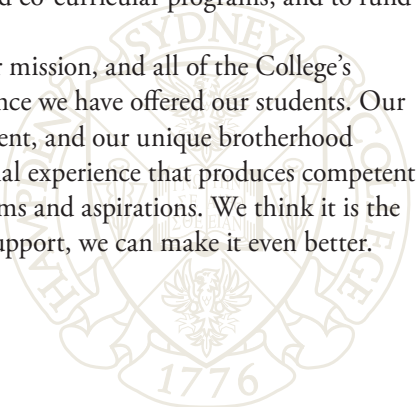
Every initiative of the last several years has aimed to enhance the College's distinctiveness and strengthen the educational experience we offer young men. Compass, our emphasis on learning by doing, is strengthening our students' preparation for jobs and graduate school. New majors in Biochemistry and Engineering Physics and a new endowed professorship in Environmental Science are bolstering our academic offerings in important fields of study. The four-year Wilson Leadership Fellows Program is thriving, with 155 fellows across its first three cohorts. New full-time directors of the Flemming Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation and our High Adventure outdoor education program are providing our students with valuable mentoring and programming. Mission-driven investments in facilities are enhancing our beautiful, historic campus, and we will continue to renovate campus buildings and improve our technology infrastructure so that they are second to none.

To realize our ambitions for the College, we must also strengthen our alumni network so that it is even more distinctive and remarkable. Nearly all of the enhancements just described were made possible by the generosity of our alumni, and we are grateful for their financial support—we take great pride in our strong alumni association and the fundraising success we had last year. On page 23, you'll meet the volunteer leaders of our Alumni Association, whose ongoing stewardship of our enduring brotherhood exemplify why the Hampden-Sydney alumni network is ranked No. 2 in the nation by Princeton Review.

As we endeavor to strengthen every aspect of our College, we must consider how our alumni network can become No. 1. Having more alumni help with recruiting, attend on-campus and regional alumni events, and assist current students with career advice and with securing internships and job placements are all important ways we can strengthen our network. And, because we are a private college, the financial support we receive from alumni and friends is essential. An article on page 14 illustrates the vital role of philanthropy in advancing our mission, and we cannot overstate the beneficial impact of the many alumni and friends who generously and regularly support the College. Gifts of any amount advance our mission and are greatly appreciated. We will continue to promote our annual giving theme of "Every Tiger, Every Year" because this characterizes the kind of loyalty and support we aspire to earn. We also aspire to have our alumni give even more generously. Imagine: If 30 percent of our alumni gave at the Founders level (\$2,500 annually)—a goal that is consistent with the career success they enjoy—an additional \$5 million would contribute annually to scholarship aid for deserving young men, to support our academic and co-curricular programs, and to fund campus improvements.

As challenging as this academic year has been, we have never lost sight of our mission, and all of the College's constituencies should take pride in the on-campus, in-person educational experience we have offered our students. Our rigorous educational program, our longstanding emphasis on character development, and our unique brotherhood provide young men an extraordinary coming-of-age experience. It is an educational experience that produces competent young men of character who are well prepared and equipped to pursue their dreams and aspirations. We think it is the finest education a young man can have, and together, with hard work and your support, we can make it even better.

Dr. Larry Stimpert  
President, Hampden-Sydney College





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# REMEMBERING RON

More than 13 years after his retirement, Squires Professor Emeritus of History **Ron Heinemann** remained a fixture on the Hill. Proof of his lasting legacy can be found in these tributes authored by his former students and fellow faculty members following his passing on November 18, 2020, with many describing him as the consummate good man and good citizen.

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BY DALE PITTMAN '71

Ron Heinemann has been one of the most important influences in my life since I first set foot in his classroom in Morton Hall. I have driven back to campus many times over the years to sit in that same classroom and attend more Heinemann history lectures, and memories of history classes gone by come right back. The set of his jaw. The look in his eye as he confidently paused before making his next point.

More than 50 years after pursuing my history major, I can pick up one of Ron's books or one of the many notebooks I kept from those classes and see comments from those late '60s history lectures come flying right off the page. In a polarized world, he possessed the nearly unheard-of capacity to enthrall students from across the entire political spectrum, not just liberals like me. He was the quintessential world-class professor, and he loved

Hampden-Sydney right down to his core.

My daughter Linnea once described her favorite professor at Georgetown. She finished by saying, "Dad, she's my Heinemann." I told Ron this story and finished by saying that it brought tears to my eyes. He said that it

brought tears to his eyes also. There we sat, professor and former student, now old men, weeping over the joy of learning.

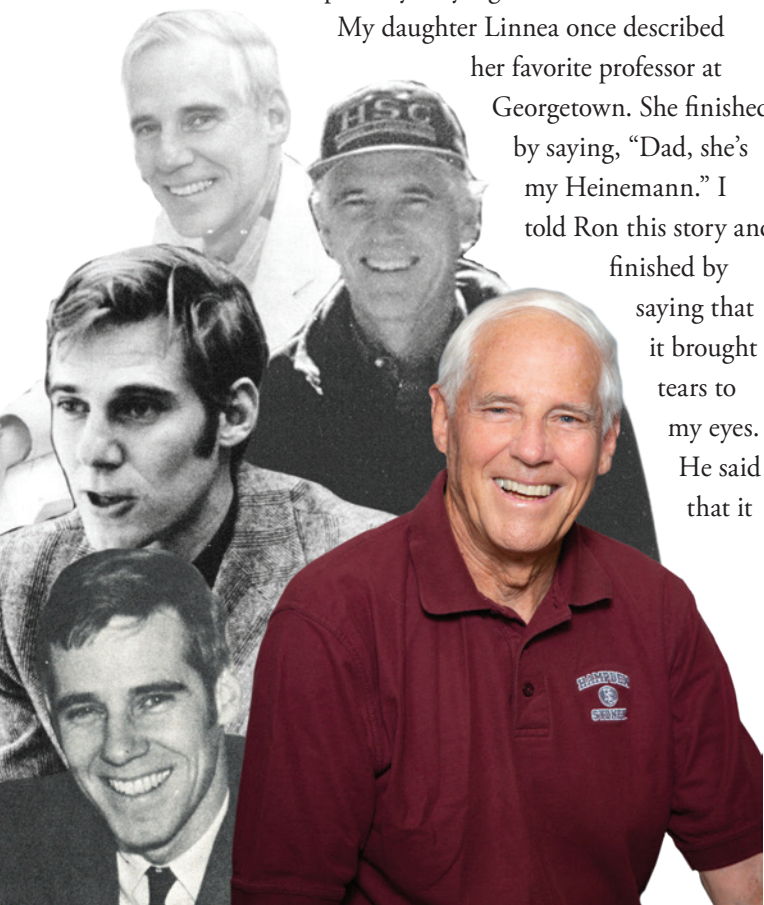
We mourn the loss of one of the best while we smile in deep appreciation for what he taught us and how he inspired us.

BY DAVID MARION, ELLIOTT PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT & FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Ronald Heinemann was not a quiet or timid member of the Hampden-Sydney community—he made his presence felt around campus and beyond the campus as well. He was unquestionably a consequential member of the Hampden-Sydney family, and the depth of his commitment to making a difference was reflected in the energy, passion, and serious thought that he invested in his teaching, his scholarship, his community service, and life itself. His moral convictions defined him in every way that is important, and they were visible for everyone to see—Ron was not one to hide his convictions under a bushel.

Our conversations over a period of more than 40 years, some of them public and some private, were often spirited and always enlightening. We were both prominent and passionate participants in the faculty's coeducation debate of the mid-1990s—and we were not on the same side. But he never acted as if there was anything personal about our disagreement. Our last public debate, on the merits of the Electoral College, took place less than a month before his untimely death. His tough and informed criticism of the Electoral College, and his stamina at 81 left me feeling rather aged at 72. I apologized the next morning for the occasional aggressiveness of my defense of the Electoral College only to have him respond that debates should be spirited. His response, as always, was generous and good humored.

He could be spirited himself, something that did not escape his attention, but he was too proud to behave as anything other than a thoroughgoing professional, too proud not to conduct himself as a gentleman. Ron was emblematic of what was best about the Hampden-Sydney College that I joined in





the mid-1970s—it will be a shame if the qualities that defined him are not also emblematic of what is best about Hampden-Sydney College in the decades to come. It would give him great pleasure to know that he is remembered as an exemplary “good man” and “good citizen.”

**BY GEORGE NOLLEY '86**

Dr. Heinemann was an integral part of a golden faculty that significantly impacted generations of young men and future leaders in our Commonwealth and beyond. In a school that fosters an environment of free thinking, Dr. Heinemann simultaneously pushed and demanded of his students an expression of thought beyond mere platitudes, to instead think critically and to be prepared to do so daily.

Dr. Heinemann never shied away from stating his opinions on the hot topics of the day and facilitated discussion of issues without demeaning those with whom he disagreed. He insisted that his students also cogently express their views without demeaning their peers. He epitomized the academic environment at H-SC where students are not told what to think or say but are encouraged to develop the ability and logic to speak self-assuredly so that their words carry the authority of the knowledgeable.

My time at H-SC and thereafter left me with the belief that Hampden-Sydney is both a part of my family and a home to me. Dr. and Ms. Heinemann played a central role in fostering these feelings. I've returned to this home many times over the years and invariably run into Dr. Heinemann. He would ask with genuine interest about my family, and I could always count on seeing him and his lovely wife, Sandra, at basketball and football games, cheering on the Tigers, win or lose. His warmth and congeniality, coupled with the spark of mirth in his eye, was an unspoken “welcome home” that I grew to deeply appreciate.

These experiences with Dr. Heinemann are a compelling contradiction to Thomas Wolfe's assertion that “you can never go home again.” In fact, you can, and hopefully you will, whether you are greeted by old friends or merely memories of them and the good times gone by.

We are an accumulation and product of our life experiences—successes, failures, good and bad times and the experiences and lessons in and outside the classrooms of Dr. Heinemann and others at H-SC profoundly impacted the person that I was and have become. Thanks Dr. Heinemann!

**BY JIM SIMMS, ELLIOTT EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF HISTORY**

Professor Heinemann's service to the College transcended being just a teacher and scholar. A good liberal arts education is only one aspect of the H-SC experience, the formation “of good men and good citizens” being the other. Professor Heinemann was an outstanding role model for the College's sons. A strong moral ethos informed his person, his teaching, and his scholarship, and he believed that the historian must do more than simply study history for its own sake. He believed that the historian functions as the moral conscience of society and must assess the past and make moral judgments to inform the students' understanding of the present and reinforce the values brought with the student to the College. It is indicative of the presence of moral issues in his classroom that in his first semester at Hampden-Sydney, the students gave him the sobriquet “Righteous Ronnie,” not an appellation of derision, but one of sincere affection and respect.

Dr. Heinemann exemplified what is to be admired in a professor. To conduct oneself with dignity was the standard for both student and teacher. His students observed that taking pride in one's work and hard work itself are admirable traits, being passionate about life and one's profession are positive virtues, that one should have the courage of his convictions, and that caring for the downtrodden and rejecting discrimination is an obligation of all good men and good citizens. They understood that while he was preaching to them, instructing them, and criticizing them, he cared deeply about them and about their spiritual and moral well-being. Ultimately, it is who he was as a person that will be his most enduring gift to his students and this College.

Professor Heinemann made teaching at Hampden-Sydney his life's work, but working here was not simply a nice way to earn a living; working here was a commitment to a way of life. A man of dedication, honor, and integrity, Professor Heinemann gave himself unreservedly to this College, the community, and his students. He will be deeply missed.

To honor Dr. Heinemann's memory and help future generations of good men and good citizens, we encourage you to consider a donation to the Ronald L. and Sandra W. Heinemann endowed scholarship at [alumni.hsc.edu/gifts](http://alumni.hsc.edu/gifts).





# BORN A CHANGE MAKER

Warren Thompson '81 on  
Overcoming Obstacles to Build a Legacy

BY ALEXANDRA EVANS

Diversity and diversification are two guiding principles by which **Warren Thompson '81** has lived his life, and they have served him well. Founder and president of award-winning Reston-based Thompson Hospitality—the largest minority-owned food service company in the country and named 2010 Company of the Year by *Black Enterprise* and 2017 Number One Minority Owned Company by *Washington Business Journal*—Thompson has become an agent for change in the food service industry and in the communities that he loves through a commitment to innovation and inclusion.

## The Early Days

Born into a tight-knit family in rural Windsor, Virginia, Thompson is the son of entrepreneurs and educators. His father, Fred Sr., was a math teacher and principal, and his mother, Ruby, taught home economics.

“Until I was in middle school, my family rode to and from school together every day,” Thompson says. “And every day after the final bell rang, I would either go to my father’s classroom and learn high school algebra, or I would go to my mother’s classroom and learn how to cook.” It is no surprise that Thompson has made a successful career in the food service industry. Hospitality and business are simply in his blood.

“My passion for diversity and inclusion is very much aligned with where the school is headed.”



In a still-segregated southern Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were employed by the all-Black Georgie Tyler School and earned about 60 percent of what white teachers at the neighboring school made. So to make ends meet, the Thompson family ran a variety of businesses together including raising and harvesting hogs and buying and selling produce.

Despite their busy schedules, the Thompson family made spending quality time together a priority. Every Friday, the family of five traveled to Portsmouth to get groceries and have dinner at Shoney's. It was during one of these family outings when he was 12 that Thompson got his first glimpse into his future.

"Growing up in that part of Virginia in an African-American community, my only real exposure to business was going to a restaurant," Thompson explains. "Most people in my neighborhood worked at either the meat packing plant or the shipyards in Newport News. But sitting in that Shoney's and watching people come in with friends and family and have their meals, I thought, 'Wow, that's a neat way to make a living.'"

When he expressed his interest to his mother, she told him that he could do anything he wanted to as long as he worked hard. The entrepreneurial young man took that advice to heart. As he got older, Thompson started playing an integral part in the family enterprises, even buying his father out of their hog business when he was just 16 years old. That same year, Thompson bought an older model blue school bus with a brand-new engine at auction so he could more easily transport peaches and apples from the mountains of Virginia to the tidewater region; he then sold the produce to local grocers and roadside stands. And with all of his spare time, he ran a lawn mowing business, servicing 12 to 15 lawns a week.



*Photos courtesy of Warren Thompson '81*

## A Hill to Climb

Working toward his goal of going into the restaurant business, Thompson followed his brother, **Fred Thompson, Jr. '79**, to Hampden-Sydney.

"I had never heard of Hampden-Sydney. But Fred was friends with brothers **Dick Holland '74** and **Greg Holland '77**, and they encouraged him to apply. I came to visit Fred when he was a freshman, and I just fell in love with the College," Thompson says. "H-SC isn't far from my hometown, and with my family being so close, it really worked for me to follow my brother there."

As one of only about a dozen Black students at the time, Thompson encountered resistance to his presence on the Hill. He recalls experiences both in his classes and during social activities that illustrate the obstacles

and trauma people of color often face. Thompson became determined not just to make it to commencement but to make an impact during his time at Hampden-Sydney.

Thompson and the other Black students on campus banded together to ensure that their voices were heard in all corners of College life. They earned positions in student government and on the Student Court, wrote for the newspaper, and created the Minority Student Union (MSU). Their advocacy extended beyond the College gates, as Thompson and the MSU used their College-sponsored funding to support Farmville-area literacy programs to empower the local Black community that had been negatively affected by the school closings of 1959 to 1964. Thompson himself was elected student body secretary/treasurer, served on the Student Honor Court, and played basketball while at Hampden-Sydney. He also ran for student body president but lost by just 12 votes in the third run-off election.



## The Power of Perseverance

“One thing that really attracted me to Hampden-Sydney was its graduate school matriculation rate, which was about 40 percent at the time. And I knew I wanted to get an MBA before I started a career,” Thompson says.

During his junior year at H-SC, Thompson attended a presentation by a representative from the University of Virginia’s (UVA) Darden School of Business and felt that he had found the MBA program for him. There was a catch, though. Darden did not accept students right out of undergrad, instead requiring at least two years of work experience to be accepted into their MBA program.

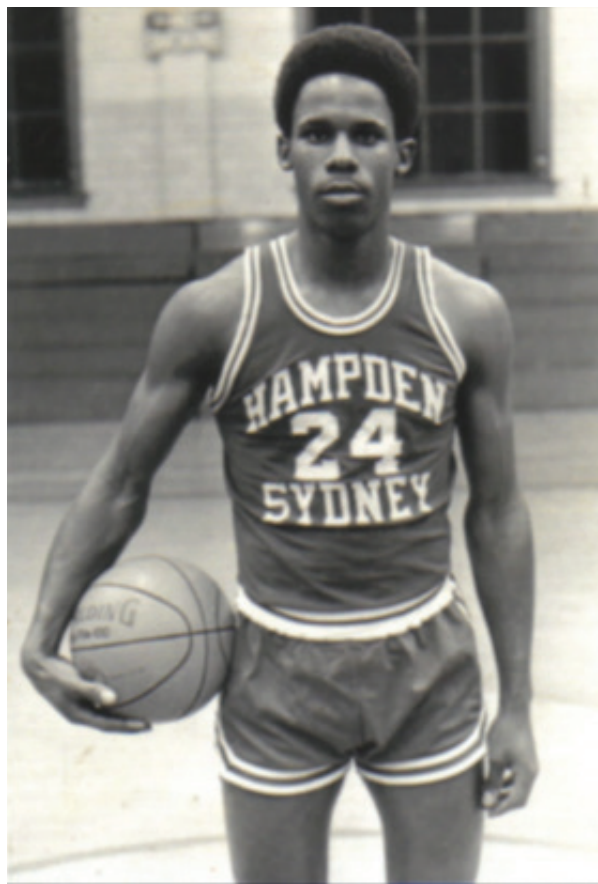
But Thompson didn’t want to wait. After all, he had three successful business ventures and close to 10 years of work experience under his belt. “So I made my pitch,” Thompson says. “And I was told no a couple of times. But I kept making my pitch as to why I should be allowed to go directly from undergrad. And finally they agreed.”

Aside from the MBA program being the top program in the Commonwealth at the time, Thompson had a personal motivation to pursue a UVA education. His father, Fred Sr., had been denied acceptance to the university because he was Black. But by 1992, all three Thompson children held degrees from UVA.

Between his first and second year at Darden, Thompson earned an internship with Marriott, a fast track program that accepted 10 to 12 MBAs from top institutions such as Harvard, the Wharton School, and Darden. At the end of the program, one intern would be offered a full-time, post-graduation position reporting directly to Richard Marriott. Thompson’s innovative upgrade to a food distribution system was implemented company-wide, improving product quality, saving countless hours in labor, and earning him that coveted post-graduation position.

So after graduating from Darden in 1983, Thompson entered the corporate world as a full-fledged MBA, and was on his way to fame and fortune—flipping burgers at Roy Rogers. Yes, you read that right. Richard Marriott started all of his MBA employees off at the bottom of the food chain, instilling practical knowledge of every aspect of restaurant operations. Thompson took on the challenge with grace, noting that, of course, his MBA classmates came by to order a meal.

“It wasn’t very long before they were coming by to ask me for a job,” Thompson laughs.



On his first day at Marriott, Thompson shares, a senior vice president called him into his office and told him, “Your career is going to be different than Chuck and Steve just because of the color of your skin. As a Black person, you’re not going to have the same opportunities.”

“And he was right,” Thompson says. “It was difficult breaking certain color barriers, but my experiences dealing with racism at Hampden-Sydney and Darden had prepared me well to deal with that.”

## Building a Legacy

When he started at Marriott, Thompson envisioned spending seven years with the company, leaving to start his own business by the time he was 30.

“My great-great-grandfather Cleave was a slave on a plantation just outside of Charlottesville,” Thompson explains. “He learned the blacksmith trade, and when he was freed at the age of 30, he started his own blacksmith business. And I always used that as a kind of guide for my life. When I was 30, I wanted to be free of the proverbial plantation and to start my own business at that time.”

Thompson ended up staying with Marriott for nine



years, putting him in the right place at the right time when the company decided to sell off its restaurant properties to focus solely on the hotel business. In 1992 Thompson approached the CEO with a proposition to buy the Big Boy restaurants in the D.C. market. Collaborating with the leaders of both Shoney's and Marriott, Thompson orchestrated a leveraged buyout of 31 Big Boy restaurants with \$100,000 of his own capital and backing from Marriott. And so Thompson Hospitality was born.

As Shoney's restaurants averaged \$300,000 more in annual revenue than Big Boy, Thompson converted 27 of the 31 Big Boy locations to Shoney's at a pace of one restaurant per month. The first restaurant conversion was up 40 percent in the first few months, and Thompson and his team started celebrating, believing they had struck gold. But six months down the road, that first restaurant's numbers were flat compared with the prior year.

Feedback revealed that customers were excited at first, but then decided that despite the cosmetic upgrades, Big Boy and Shoney's were not really that different, and their issues remained. So, after 10 months in business, Thompson knew he had to make some hard decisions fast.

Having planned to get into contract food service in year five, following the Marriott model, Thompson decided to speed up the timeline.

"One night I had a dream that my father told me to go after a contract with St. Paul's College, his alma mater," Thompson says. "So I called the college and managed to speak to the president, who actually went to school with my father. And within 10 days we had the contract." This quick thinking and calculated risk-taking saved Thompson Hospitality.

Today, Thompson Hospitality is the largest Historically Black College and University (HBCU) food service provider in the country. But as Thompson learned in that first 10 months, diversification is key to survival. This means that Thompson Hospitality is not just a food service company, it is a full-service hospitality provider. The company provides healthcare, janitorial, landscaping, and plant operation services in addition to running an array of successful restaurant endeavors, and they recently entered the hotel industry. Their diverse portfolio has enabled Thompson Hospitality to weather the COVID-19 pandemic so far, with some sectors growing year-over-year in 2020.

Having seen the trends of the industry swaying toward fast casual nearly 10 years ago, Thompson has adjusted his approach to the restaurant segment of his business. He credits the organization's steadfastness throughout 2020 to having the right mix of full-service and fast casual locations. He continues to innovate as he sees new trends or needs emerging and has begun building out ghost kitchens in several of his eateries, with one brand being street-facing and up to four other brands operating as delivery-only. This approach enables one location to house four or five operations, maximizing profits and drastically cutting operational and real estate expenditures.

Some of Thompson's approach is informed by the various boards that he sits on.

"I like to get on public boards where I think I can learn something," he says. "I spent 12 years on the board of Federal Realty, which is one of the top retail real estate companies in the country. I got a chance to look at what the most successful restaurants were doing from a real estate or landlord's perspective."

## **Paying It Forward**

As one of the newest members of the Hampden-Sydney Board of Trustees, Thompson is excited to be involved in the progress of his alma mater.

"My passion for diversity and inclusion is very much aligned with where the school is headed," Thompson says. "The College has done a tremendous job of creating a much better environment for minority students."

Just as he believes diversification is the key to business, so too is diversity necessary for the success of the College's mission "to form good men and good citizens."

"Diversity is as much a benefit to the majority student as it is to the minority," Thompson says. "It helps us to create a better, more informed citizen. We're trying to create a graduate who can do well in corporate America or as a business owner or wherever, and we can't do that without exposing him to diverse perspectives and experiences."

The Thompson Scholarship at Hampden-Sydney is awarded to students who have demonstrated a commitment to diversity and inclusion. Thompson hopes to encourage the next generation of students to continue disrupting the status quo, because as he states, "Once you get that in your blood, and you want to be a change-maker, you never stop."





# MAPP GOES THE EXTRA MILE:

Alumnus on a Mission to Provide Pediatric Care in Central America

BY ALEXANDRA EVANS



*Jeff Mapp '01 and wife, Kimball Mapp*



Bidding farewell to the hot, dry sunshine and warm, caring people of Guatemala after his first medical mission trip, then-Hampden-Sydney sophomore **Jeff Mapp '01** left a piece of his heart behind.

Twenty years later, he returned to claim it.

On his return to Guatemala, however, Mapp was no longer just a young, eager college student only qualified to tote supplies and help with paperwork. Instead, he returned as a trained pediatrician leading Extra Mile Pediatrics, the medical nonprofit he founded because of his passion for the people he met those many years before.

"I was just planning on being a college guy. Play football, join a fraternity, have some fun," laughs Mapp, who serves as a managing partner and physician at Pediatric Associates of Richmond, in addition to his duties as president of Extra Mile. But three weeks into his freshman year at Hampden-Sydney, Mapp's life changed forever when his little brother, Joey, underwent brain surgery to remove a tumor.

"That surgeon was immediately my hero. It wasn't just the technical skills of removing the tumor, it was seeing the trust that he took on and the comfort he gave our family throughout the process," Mapp says. "I knew from that moment that I wanted to go into pediatrics."

As the first in his family to consider the medical field, Mapp knew he needed help navigating the complexities of medical school admissions. So in his sophomore year, he reconnected with that same neurosurgeon who had treated his brother the year before. Dr. John Ward then invited Mapp to Guatemala on a medical mission trip so that he could gain valuable, firsthand experience.

"That trip not only cemented my desire to go into medicine but also planted a seed in my heart to serve that area of the world," Mapp says.

When he returned to the Hill that fall for his junior year, Mapp dove into his pre-med courses. He remembers especially fondly his classes with then-McGavacks Associate Professor of Biology **Michael Dougherty**, saying, "At a time where I was finding a lot of motivation within myself to do well, he was presenting really challenging material. He saw in a few of us some of that motivation to reach our goals, and he poured his energy

into us by making himself available and guiding us. I felt that with so many of my professors at Hampden-Sydney. That's the beauty of Hampden-Sydney—the smaller size allows the faculty to really take the time to get to know their students and their students' goals."

Mapp also credits Hampden-Sydney's small class sizes and accessible faculty with helping him get into medical school. "The science department was relatively small at the time compared to maybe economics or history, but I think that worked in my favor," says Mapp. "You need strong references to get into medical school, and because my professors were able to spend one-on-one time with me, they were able to really speak to my work ethic and my character. Whereas in a larger research school setting, professors and students rarely have that type of intimate relationship because of class size alone."

After graduating from Hampden-Sydney, Mapp landed at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine, where he completed both medical school and residency. His desire to return to and serve the people of Central America had never wavered, but between the time commitment and expense of

medical school, residency, and raising a young family, it would be another 15 years before Mapp returned to the region, this time on a trip to Nicaragua with South Carolina-based nonprofit One World Health.

"I was thrilled to be back in Central America serving with such a great organization, but I started to see some opportunities to improve the model that most medical nonprofits use," Mapp admits. "What struck me the most was the fact that we only had a limited time in front of these patients, and because many organizations return to the same countries but not to the same communities, they have no idea when these patients will have access to medical care of any kind again."

"As a general pediatrician, most of the patients I see are healthy kids, and my job is to teach them how to create healthy habits that will sustain their health for a lifetime. So I thought, why can't we do that in these areas?" Along with his wife, Kimball—a pediatric nurse and Extra Mile co-founder—Mapp began considering how to tweak the model to create more sustainable, long-term impact in the communities he felt called to serve.

At a preventive care  
level, healthcare is  
about resources, not  
just medicine





"If we can teach foundational health habits while the kids are generally healthy, we are helping to raise a healthier community over time," Mapp explains. "I knew there was value in returning to the same communities every few months to assess long-term patient growth and development and to focus on education and preventive care."

By now Mapp had also received an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and after harnessing his business education to establish a nonprofit organization and his training as a pediatrician to inform the care model, Mapp set about identifying communities where he could help. He made connections with community leaders across Central America through a group called Christian Surfers International, and as he began connecting with local communities, he made sure to only offer support or services where needed.

"We never want to undermine what's already happening in the community," he says. "If they already have healthcare infrastructure set up, we don't want to disrupt that. That goes against our whole vision of long-term sustainability. We would rather work with that community and find ways that we can support them. Or if they're already doing a great job, we would be more useful in another community

that doesn't already have access to those services."

After several logistical trips to identify buildings that could house clinics, coordinate with in-country pharmacies to procure medicine and supplies, and build relationships with the local families they would soon be serving, Extra Mile took its first group of 12 volunteers to the Tamanique area of El Salvador in 2019.

And although COVID-19 has limited the group to just the two trips taken to El Salvador in 2019 and one trip to Guatemala in early 2020, Mapp says he believes the group is still on the right track. "The biggest question mark for us going into the second trip of 2019 was 'could we see the same families?' And overwhelmingly we did," Mapp says. "It's going to take much longer to see the fruits of our impact there because our whole model is focused on development, growth, and nutrition, which happens over time. What we have been able to show already is that the families understand the need for follow up and preventive care in ways that they didn't before."

Because the communities Extra Mile Pediatrics serves are remote—located several hours outside of major cities through rough terrain without the benefit of public transit—seeking medical care is often not an option for





Photos courtesy of Nick Davis Photography.

these families unless there is a significant illness. Visiting a doctor often means whole families miss out on days of work or school and spend what little resources they have on the trip alone.

This disparity in access to resources is something else that Mapp would like to help fix. “At a preventive care level, healthcare is about resources, not just medicine,” Mapp says. “If a community doesn’t have access to clean drinking water because the largest industry in their area is salt mining, which has contaminated the ground water, suggesting that a patient drink more water to help with their headaches is a worthless recommendation. By identifying the obstacles, we can help solve the more systemic issues. We can coordinate to bring in nonprofits that are equipped to provide non-medical services.”

In his own business model, Mapp strives to eliminate barriers to access and opportunity as well. He knows how important experiences like his very first one in Guatemala are to young physicians in training.

“Dr. Ward said that if I could find a way to pay for my flight to Guatemala, then he would take care of everything else,” says Mapp. “That trip changed my life, and I didn’t know it at the time. I was fortunate that my family could

afford this kind of trip, but I don’t like the thought that financial barriers could prevent others from having that experience. Where our patients are born and live isn’t a reason for them not to have access to healthcare. In the same vein, not being able to afford the flight or lodging shouldn’t be a reason not to have this experience.”

To honor the work that Dr. Ward started years ago, Extra Mile Pediatrics offers the John D. Ward Scholarship, which helps send physicians in training or providers who are early in their careers on service trips with Extra Mile. The scholarship also funds partnerships and sharing opportunities with local organizations to strengthen healthcare offerings in the communities Extra Mile serves.

This aspect of sustainability underpins Extra Mile’s whole mission. “Ten years from now I don’t want to be talking about just having a trip every six months,” Mapp says. “I want to have helped build healthcare infrastructure that supports these communities both in between our visits and long-term.”

Talk about going the extra mile.



# HAMPDEN-SYDNEY FINANCIALS

A CONVERSATION WITH KEN COPELAND,  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND FINANCE

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Hampden-Sydney College recently announced the receipt of an extraordinary \$12 million gift from the estate of the late **M. Blair '37** and **Lucile Dickinson**. This unrestricted gift—the second-largest in the College's 245-year history—provides valuable support College-wide at a time when many institutions are struggling in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a nonprofit entity, Hampden-Sydney would not be able to provide the transformative education that we offer young men without the generous philanthropic support of alumni and friends like the Dickinsons. To share insight into the College's financial model and illustrate the power of this culture of philanthropy, the *Record* recently caught up with Vice President for Business Affairs and Finance **P. Kenneth Copeland, Jr.**

## **Q: FIRST, HOW IS HAMPDEN-SYDNEY WEATHERING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC?**

**A:** This pandemic has tested every organization, and Hampden-Sydney is no different. However, thanks to many years of sound fiscal management and prudent budgetary practices, as well as the generous philanthropic support of alumni and friends, the College has so far been able to navigate the pressures of this pandemic without having to reduce employees' take-home pay, perform lay-offs, or make major budgetary reductions. Not many institutions can say that. And while the pandemic has created many unexpected expenditures for Hampden-Sydney, federal funds from the various COVID relief bills passed by Congress have provided valuable support to reimburse the College for pandemic-related purchases such as personal protective equipment, as well as a significant amount of funding directly for students.

## **Q: WHAT ARE THE COLLEGE'S MAIN EXPENDITURES?**

**A:** The College's two largest areas of expense directly involve our people: First, scholarships and financial aid represent 33.9 percent of the College's annual expenses, and these funds are essential for providing high achieving students access to a Hampden-Sydney education. Second, 57.4 percent of our annual operating budget goes toward compensating and retaining the exceptional employees who devote their lives to creating opportunities for our students and to forming good men and good citizens. In addition, the College invests every year in the student experience, from academic support services and classroom instruction to co-curricular opportunities outside of class. Preserving and enhancing the quality of the campus and physical plant also requires significant annual investment.

## **Q: WHAT IS THE CURRENT COST OF A HAMPDEN-SYDNEY EDUCATION?**

**A:** Hampden-Sydney's cost reflects the personalized education the College offers young men. Tuition, room, board, and fees amount to \$61,986, and tuition generally increases annually at a rate consistent with the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI). Net tuition and fee revenue from students accounts for approximately 73 percent of the total annual revenues, with the remainder coming from the endowment draw and philanthropic support—meaning that the gifts of alumni and friends assist every single Hampden-Sydney student.



## Q: WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY?

A: Hampden-Sydney's annual operating budget is financed through several sources. The vast majority of the College's revenue comes from tuition, room, and board fees. The endowment also supports the operating budget, providing nearly 14 percent of our annual revenue. However, these two revenue sources alone do not fully finance the College's operations each year, so ongoing philanthropy is a critical element of closing that gap and ensuring H-SC can continue providing students a transformative coming-of-age experience, as well as "the atmosphere of sound learning" emphasized in our mission.

## Q: WHAT IS THE ENDOWMENT AND HOW DOES IT WORK?

A: Hampden-Sydney's endowment is a collection of hundreds of individual endowment gifts, both restricted to specific purposes and general use, designed to support the people, programs, and activities of the College in perpetuity. Donors make endowment gifts with the understanding that the College invests the original gift and spends the earnings annually to provide a permanent legacy of support for Hampden-Sydney.



A strong endowment is essential for the College's long-term growth and sustainability. Our endowment is expertly managed by Spider Management at the University of Richmond and Partners Capital, headquartered in Boston. The value of the College's endowment has grown from \$154 million in July of 2016 to a current level of approximately \$216 million. Drawing from the endowment at a rate of 4.5 percent based on a three-year moving average ensures that even as we invest in today's Hampden-Sydney students, we are also supporting an ambitious future for the College.

## Q: WHAT DOES THE HAMPDEN-SYDNEY FUND SUPPORT?

A: Gifts to the Hampden-Sydney Fund are among the most immediately impactful gifts supporters can make to the College. Revenue from the Hampden-Sydney Fund covers 5 percent of the College's annual operating budget, and these unrestricted funds are harnessed during the current fiscal year to advance the College's mission. These funds support every student, faculty member, and campus program, and allow the president to respond to unexpected needs that arise during the year. These resources cover that gap between tuition and endowment earnings and ensure Hampden-Sydney remains strong and resilient.

# What's the difference?

Think of H-SC as a large investment, like buying a house. You have to make payments on your mortgage, but you also need to keep the electricity on. The endowment is like the long-term investment of mortgage payments, while the annual fund is like the immediate need to pay utility bills.

ENDOWMENT		HAMPDEN-SYDNEY FUND	
Savings Account	Needs to increase with the growth of the College	Checking Account	Pays expenses not covered by student tuition
Investment		Every year	
Long term	Stability during times of recession	Short term	Accessible
Buffer		Small gifts making a large impact	Available to use
Lasting security			Reoccurring 
FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE		IMMEDIATE NEEDS	



## LIFE ON THE HILL DURING COVID-19

2020 brought challenges big and small for the world, and Hampden-Sydney was not immune to those difficulties. With COVID-19 came changes to Hampden-Sydney's academic and social structure to ensure that classes and College life could safely continue in person. Mask wearing, social distancing, and enhanced cleaning protocols may have set the fall 2020 semester apart from the past 244 fall semesters, but it did not alter the fabric that holds the Hampden-Sydney brotherhood together. **Jason Hill '22**, **Phil Pullen '21**, and **Ian Lichacz '22** share how their experiences from Greek Life and athletics to Residence Life and student government this past fall were different but not diminished.



Jason Hill '22

### Jason Hill '22—Resident Advisor

Working in Residence Life on the Hill is never easy. If a resident advisor (RA) says it is, they're being quite modest, I assure you. This job comes with plenty of challenges, interesting situations, and long nights. This fall semester was no different. I can't lie, I was nervous about being an RA this year. There was a pandemic after all. During training and as my residents moved in, a litany of questions ran through my mind. How am I going to interact with my residents? How can I build comradery between my residents? How do I get them to wear masks? What can I do as an RA to help my residents during a pandemic? Can I really expect my guys to not have guests on campus or go elsewhere to see friends and significant others?

But we all adjusted. I held hall meetings outside, so it would be safer for everyone. I also had my residents spread out during meetings to keep up with CDC guidelines and school policy. We made more effort to spend time with each other than having

off-campus friends visit. When doing programs, I gravitated towards the familiar options that were inherently safer, like barbecues. After all, good food and good tunes are hard for a fella to say no to. Even if he just grabbed a plate, said hi, and kept going, those events let my residents know that I was available and there for them.

Time passed, and the fall semester ended. We, the Residence Life Staff, had pulled it off. I am not going to say it was easy or that there weren't disagreements between all parties along the way. There was plenty of push back from residents to RAs, RAs to staff, and the other way around. We were all stressed about charting unfamiliar territory, but we made it through. Being an RA isn't easy, and being an RA during a pandemic is even harder, but if I can get a resident to have enjoyed his time on the Hill—and kept him as safe as I could—then I've done my job. I only hope to do better and make my program and staff proud.



## Phil Pullen '21 — Tiger Football, Student Body President



It's no secret that COVID-19 has presented many challenges during the past year. However, unlike many of my friends who attend other schools, I was lucky enough to return to the Hill this past fall with all of my fellow classmates to finish out my college career in person. Of course, things looked different. The

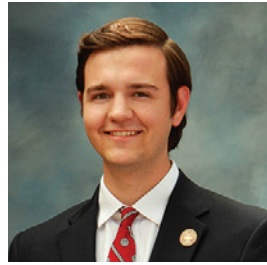
Freshman Welcome on the front lawn of Venable Hall featured socially distanced seating and a flock of cameras streaming the ceremony via Facebook Live. The Honor Code signing was held in Kirby Field House to allow for social distancing. There were no football games, no tailgates, no Homecoming, and Fraternity Circle is the quietest it has ever been. For those familiar with Hampden-Sydney's vibrant social culture, these changes to the norm may seem terrible.

But for every hurdle that COVID-19 has placed in front of us, there has been more positivity, more strength, and more resilience than we all could have imagined at the start of the fall semester. The football team still had early morning lifts and practices in preparation for the 2021 spring season. We made it through the fall semester in person, thanks to professors and students alike following the necessary safety protocols. The Hampden-Sydney brotherhood has been strengthened significantly by our collective desire to look out for each other and our community members.

Last spring's necessary but unfortunate transition to virtual learning created a deeper appreciation for the incredible value of learning in person alongside our professors and our brothers. Being at my home away from home with my Hampden-Sydney brothers is a blessing and was one of the best things that happened to me this year. I have profound gratitude for the smaller things that the H-SC experience offers, like "seeing" all the smiling, friendly faces behind masks and casual conversations in the Commons. We have made more time to catch up with each other about life in general. While sidewalk conversations have become one of my favorite ways to be late for a class or meeting, our professors and staff members have been extremely accommodating. An unexpected conversation has become an even more treasured experience.

This academic year may look different, but Hampden-Sydney is still the same place that we all know and love. It's hard to put exactly why into words, but this has been one of the best years I've had at H-SC. If nothing else, this year has proven that the good men and good citizens that Hampden-Sydney produces and the community that helps us develop along the way are exactly what the world needs more of. I wouldn't trade my time on campus this year for anything.

## Ian Lichacz '22 — Delta Kappa Epsilon Brother



Greek Life is pivotal to Hampden-Sydney College. Sadly, it has been quite a different year on Fraternity Circle than years past. When the weekend comes around, it almost feels like a little bit of the soul of the College has been taken. The Circle is quiet rather than reverberating with the sounds of live music and parties

that echo across campus. Despite this, I feel all of Greek Life has done its best to adapt to the circumstances. We have found ourselves enjoying the firepits in front of our houses and grilling out more. One of our brothers **Maxwell Hampton '22** recently founded the Pit Masters Club on campus. There were many weekends that Max and other brothers would start smoking a brisket at five a.m. And after a long day of keeping the smoker going, we would all come together for a good family meal. In my mind these are the days that brought our house closer together than the average weekend of partying.

We've enjoyed the bunkers as they give the fraternities someplace outside of their living spaces to hold small social functions that comply with the governor's orders. COVID-19 necessitated restrictions have made navigating the rush process this year tricky to say the least. Rather than having large scale rush events we have had to pick and choose which rushes to have over on various nights. While this limited the houses' ability to engage in a robust rush process we have been able to get to know our potential new members better. Despite the challenges, we are committed to showcasing the unique fraternities on campus and giving new Hampden-Sydney men a chance to find their brotherhood within the brotherhood, ensuring that Greek Life can live on.

For some 170 years, Greek Life has been a part of Hampden-Sydney, and we surely are not going to let COVID-19 prevent it from thriving. As Lieutenant General **Sam Wilson** once said, "Traditions drive us, like a strong wind in our sails. We simply cannot fail those who have come before us, and we will not fail them or fail ourselves." As we head into the spring, we look forward to warmer weather that will make spending time outside more enjoyable. One way or another, Greek Life will continue to navigate this storm. I think we all really look forward to the day that live music and mask-free frivolity will be heard emanating from the Circle once again. Until then, we still have our brothers.



## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: *Anything but Ordinary*

***"A once in a generation kind of student."***

Mike Wolyniak,  
MacGavacks associate  
professor of biology

***"Without a doubt, the best student I've ever had."***

Mike McDermott,  
dean of the faculty

***"The consummate scholar-athlete."***

Marty Favret,  
head football coach

All sentiments from H-SC faculty and staff members to describe **Tyler Howerton '21**. A standout offensive lineman, 4.00 physics major, and humble and gracious Hampden-Sydney man, Tyler has accomplished an impressive list of feats in his four years on the Hill.

Tyler's research identifying and quantifying environmental radioactivity on campus earned him a 2020 Barry Goldwater Scholarship, the nation's preeminent undergraduate math and science honor. He is the College's first physics major to earn the distinction and the seventh Hampden-Sydney recipient overall.

That project segued into his senior year research to study how zinc-67 behaves in the body. With support from Dean McDermott, Tyler has spent the academic year developing a piezoelectric transducer drive system to perform Mossbauer spectroscopy in zinc-67.

"I'm particularly interested in the interaction of zinc and the pancreas and its relation to diabetes," Tyler says. Having entered college with dreams of becoming a doctor, he quickly traded the stethoscope for a microscope. He still intends on pursuing a doctorate, but Tyler now looks forward to continuing his study of physics as a Ph.D. candidate to develop solutions for human health problems such as diabetes and cancer. Tyler has already been accepted to Ph.D. programs at the University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Despite a grueling football schedule, an intense academic load, and leadership positions in numerous extracurricular activities, Tyler handles his workload with characteristic aplomb. "I focus on what I can control. I make sure I stay on top of my work, I never miss class," he says. "If you focus on things out of your power, it's too easy to feel helpless and lose focus. It's the same with football. It's a team sport, but it takes everyone doing their individual job to come out with a win. I can't make the block for the guy next to me. I just have to make sure I block my man and trust my teammates to do the same."

This healthy mindset makes Tyler well-suited for a research career because, as he explains, "the nature of research is that there are going to be problems and complications. You'll have to take those problems as they come and work them out. A lot of times you'll expect one outcome and get another, but that's why research is so great. That's how we learn new things."

Tyler's accomplishments extend equally to the gridiron. The 6'3", 290-pound offensive lineman is a 2020-21 team captain and has started 30 career games. A three-time ODAC All-Academic Team honoree also named to the 2019 Academic All-America® Division III Football First Team, Tyler holds the Tiger Football program's all-time squat record of a crushing 700 pounds.

"What distinguishes Tyler from the pack is his phenomenal work ethic," Favret says. "Whether it's preparing for a football game or a thesis on nuclear physics, he outworks everyone."



The crowning athletic achievement of Tyler's epic undergraduate career was his selection as a finalist for the 2020 William V. Campbell Trophy, college football's premier scholar-athlete award, often dubbed "the Academic Heisman." As one of only 12 student-athletes to earn the honor from a pool of over 3,000 students across all three NCAA divisions—and the only Division III finalist—Tyler received an \$18,000 postgraduate scholarship.

"Tyler is a perfect example of the term student-athlete, as he excels at such a high level in both academics and athletics," says Director of Athletics **Chad Eisele**. "He is so well-deserving of being named a finalist for the prestigious Campbell Trophy. Obviously, we are all extremely proud of Tyler, his accomplishments, and the way that he represents Hampden-Sydney College."

Tyler's Campbell nod also makes him the College's first homegrown finalist. Former Hampden-Sydney President **Christopher Howard** won the inaugural Campbell Trophy in 1990 when he was a running back at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

"I did not expect to make the finals list," Tyler says. "It was a really proud moment, and I'm really thankful and appreciative to all of those who helped me get there. I have a lot of support in my corner, and that's a big part of my success." This comment is emblematic of Tyler's tendency to shift praise away from himself to those who have helped him along the way.

"Tyler is confident in his abilities," says **Trey Thurman**, associate professor of physics and astronomy and Tyler's junior year research advisor. "But he has maintained a humbleness that allows his fellow students to seek him out for assistance, which he is very willing to provide."

This pay-it-forward attitude has led Tyler to participate in and lead organizations such as H-SC's Student Athlete Mentorship (SAM) Program and Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), the national leadership honor society. "If I can help someone else, I will," he says. "I probably can't ever pay back the people who have helped me over the years, but I just hope I make them proud."

Among his most acknowledged supporters are his family. Tyler comes from a long line of football players. His grandfather and uncle both played football at Randolph-Macon, and Tyler grew up hearing about the Game. "I guess they're not disappointed I ended up at Hampden-Sydney," he jokes. "They haven't disowned me yet."

Though Tyler's time on the Hill may be winding down, he doesn't plan on leaving his experience behind, saying, "I know that the lessons of honor and good conduct as well as the diverse and intense education I have received at H-SC will stick with me wherever I go."





## Tiger **ATHLETICS** Rises to the Occasion



Marty Favret



Chad Eisele

Recruiting student-athletes as a NCAA Division III member school during “normal” times has its challenges, but just imagine how much more difficult those challenges become during an unprecedented pandemic. Not so here at Hampden-Sydney College. The Tigers’ coaching staff has thrived in their collective recruiting efforts since last March when COVID-19 began forcing colleges and universities nationwide to halt sports, close their campuses, move classes online, and begin operating under pandemic-related restrictions never thought possible.

Last March, the Division I Council enacted an immediate ban on in-person recruiting for Division I coaches, and Division II followed suit. Additionally, those schools were advised to suspend visits to campus from prospective student-athletes. This ban on in-person recruiting activities has been in place ever since, and the Division I recruiting dead period was recently extended through May 31; Division II did lift its ban last September. Division III, however, has allowed in-person recruiting and campus visits to those schools allowing them, which Hampden-Sydney does and has throughout the pandemic—though keeping mask-wearing and social-distancing at the forefront.

“Being allowed visitors has been advantageous,” said 21st-year Head Football Coach **Marty Favret**. “This past summer, we had 85 student-athletes on campus, which is a record high for football.”

The cancellation of sports seasons last spring and this past fall had a huge impact, as well. Home football games at H-SC are big events, to say the least—taking on a life of their own during those four or five weekends each fall—and are used by the coaching staff to bring recruiting prospects to campus.

“With no games last fall, this caused our coaches to change their planning,” said fourth-year Director of Athletics **Chad Eisele**. “Instead of having large recruiting events, we had to have individual visits that take more time and detailed planning. Although we all wish we had football games on campus for a variety of reasons, this necessary change in recruiting tactics, I think, has made us better recruiters in the long run.”

Eisele, who also serves in his third year as the head golf coach, adds that he had recruits from Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, and Texas visit campus last fall.

“Without them coming to campus, I don’t think we would have had a chance for them to commit here. I was able to go to six junior golf tournaments last summer across the Southeast to see recruits play. With Division I not allowing coaches to recruit off campus, I was able to make connections with golfers and their families who might not have taken the time to look at a Division III school.”



Tiger Basketball players and coaches back on campus during fall semester.

Second-year Head Basketball Coach **Caleb Kimbrough** says we are lucky to be a part of a college that is willing to adjust and do what it takes to continue to attract top-notch recruits during these different times. Coach Kimbrough added that a lot of the traditional recruiting methods have been taken away and that his staff had to get creative with ways to showcase the College and program to recruits.

"The recruiting process has been difficult for everyone this year. Our recruiting efforts have included Zoom meetings, virtual tours, socially-distanced meals—outside at times—and masked in-person tours," Kimbrough explains. "The fact that H-SC has allowed in-person campus visits has given us a major competitive advantage over many other colleges. The willingness of our professors and alumni to connect with recruits via Zoom is also a clear indication of our College's commitment to success."

It also does not hurt to have such a historic and beautiful 1,340-acre campus to showcase, especially now, according to third-year Head Cross Country Coach and Director of Club Sports and Intramurals **Matt Griswold**, who is also serving in his second year as the head distance track coach. He feels that having families visit our beautiful campus and speak to our students and faculty is really impactful.

"The best thing I can do to help our recruits and families get to know us and decide if H-SC is right for them, is to have them talk to our students and faculty, who do a terrific job of representing the College in a positive way," stated Griswold.

"I think Hampden-Sydney has a beautiful campus that is great to walk, so once recruits are here, we can really explain to them our story and what we are all about," explained third-year Head Tennis Coach **Byron Balkin**. "I feel that since we are such a niche school that we can get players from all over the country. It helps that our professors and admissions officers are readily available for tours and talks about majors and academics. As an institution, the communication between athletics, admissions, and academics is very strong."

"We have been very fortunate to bring students on campus to experience Hampden-Sydney during this time while many other schools have not been able to offer that," said fourth-year Head Soccer Coach **Tommy DiNuzzo**.

"We were fortunate as a program that the College remained open to campus visitors for recruiting, an idea that seemed to be an anomaly among most colleges throughout the country," added fifth-year Head Lacrosse Coach **Jason Rostan**, a 2003 graduate and two-time All-American for the Tigers. "Our staff was also able to travel to tournaments throughout the summer and fall, identify prospects, and host prospective student-athletes on campus for day visits all year long. I am thankful to the College for staying the course and blazing its own trail in a time when many schools did the opposite."



**Caleb Kimbrough**



**Matt Griswold**



**Byron Balkin**



**Tommy DiNuzzo**



**Jason Rostan '03**



**Betsy Leonard**

Tenth-year Head Swim Coach and Director of TigeRec **Betsy Leonard** adds that having students on campus shows that the administration is dedicated to giving students the experience they deserve and the opportunities they were promised during the admissions process.

"We are one of the few schools allowing on-campus visits, and getting them to our beautiful campus is definitely an experience that helps make their decision easier," Leonard says. "I guess the biggest point I should make is that the administration and admissions did a great job of keeping things as normal as possible, which has made our recruiting efforts as normal as possible."

So while we recognize the ongoing risk that COVID-19 presents, the Tigers' coaching staff has taken full advantage of the many factors unique to Hampden-Sydney that allow our students the best opportunity to live and learn in a safe environment on campus.





## Get to Know the Alumni Board

You're probably aware that there is an Alumni Board of Directors, but do you know who serves on it and what they do? Director of Alumni and Parent Engagement **Cameron Marshall '12** says, "I want our alumni to understand how important our Alumni Board members are in developing our alumni engagement strategy, the incredible amount of work they put in, and that these dedicated alumni representatives are an accessible resource."

The Hampden-Sydney Alumni Board of Directors is one of the highest levels of service for an alumni volunteer. Members are appointed by the Office of Alumni and Parent Engagement and serve a three consecutive year term. Currently consisting of 19 members, the Alumni Board represents the alumni interest in bi-annual meetings with the Office of College Advancement. The Alumni Board president leads the board and serves as the chief liaison between the Alumni Board and the College.

The Board has evolved over the years, once the Alumni Council—consisting of regional alumni club presidents—and most recently as the appointed Alumni Board of Directors. "This committed group of top alumni volunteers is essential in advancing alumni engagement initiatives and shaping the overall alumni experience," Marshall says. "As we grow our alumni network to the top in the country—currently number two—we recognize that this important group must be characteristic of the entire alumni base. We have been very intentional with our recent appointments, and we have an unprecedented variety of class years, geographic representation, multicultural backgrounds, and professional expertise."

With the leadership and vision of Marshall and current Alumni Board President **Will Shumadine '94**, the Alumni Board has been more active than ever. Board members are asked to participate in areas where their experience and passion

can have the most positive impact, focusing on engagement, philanthropy, mentorship, and recruitment. Alumni Board members have fielded hundreds of calls to promote occasions like Giving Day and Reunion Weekend and the recently launched Tigers in Touch initiative. They have delivered welcome gifts to the doorsteps of incoming freshmen and volunteered countless hours to helping students find jobs and internship opportunities using the Hire a Tiger resume directory. In addition to promoting the various initiatives of the College, the Alumni Board helps govern the Alumni Association by establishing new alumni clubs, recognizing alumni with annual awards, and identifying new opportunities for the Office of Alumni and Parent Engagement to connect alumni with the College.

## Changing of the Guard

"Will Shumadine has been a stalwart for the Hampden-Sydney Alumni Association since he graduated in 1994," Marshall says. Serving as president of the Richmond Alumni Club from 2014 to 2016, Shumadine joined the Alumni Board when it was formally reorganized in 2013, but he served on the "Alumni Council" for many years before that.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed leading the Alumni Board for the last three years," says Shumadine. "We've done our best to strengthen the bonds between the College and our loyal alumni base. So many alumni have re-engaged in recent years and volunteered with prospective student recruiting, job seeking, and fundraising efforts. And we will be ready to resume our traditional schedule of alumni events with full force once the pandemic is behind us! I feel fortunate to turn over the leadership role to a very capable successor, **Scott Anderson '10**. Scott has impressed us from his first year on the Alumni Board, and he will bring new energy to ensure we maintain our high levels of alumni engagement."

Anderson, who resides in Durham, will begin his three-year term at the helm on July 1, 2021. "I'm very excited to be able to serve as the next H-SC Alumni Board president," he says. "Any chance to serve our alma mater is an absolute privilege. I've been fortunate to be able to learn so much from Will Shumadine over the past few years, and I'm very grateful for his leadership."

## Meet the Members



WILL SHUMADINE '94

### Will Shumadine '94

Will was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, a tour guide, a resident advisor, and chairman of the Entrepreneurship Society and the Student Development Committee. Since graduation, he has served as a class agent, an admissions volunteer, president of the Richmond Alumni Club, and president of the National Alumni Association. Will is a senior underwriter at Professional Governmental Underwriters Inc., which provides professional lines risk management for police departments, schools, and municipalities throughout the country. He has served as the head of the Disaster Management Team, president of the Richmond Parliament and the Westham Civic Association, and as a 10-year board member of the Greater Richmond Chapter of the American Red Cross. Will and his wife, Lisa, have two daughters. He enjoys vegetable gardening, shucking oysters, picking crabs, smoking pork shoulders, and cheering on the Tigers.



SCOTT ANDERSON '10

### Scott Anderson '10

While on the Hill, Scott volunteered as a Young Life leader and HSVFD firefighter and served as chair of the Student Senate and student body secretary-treasurer. He also played football, helping the 2009 team achieve an undefeated record before graduating with a bachelor's degree in economics. He then went on to

earn his MBA from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Scott is now the sales director for the Americas and Asia-Pacific for Luxfer Gas Cylinders, where he leads a team with bases in Sydney, São Paulo, and greater Los Angeles. Scott lives in Durham, with his wife, Caroline, who is the statewide morning anchor for Spectrum News 1. They are expecting their first child, a boy, in May.



STEPHEN ABBITT '06

### Stephen Abbitt '06

Stephen is a native of Newport News and graduate of the class of 2006.

While on campus he served on the Honor Court, was a resident advisor, and chaired the College's Habitat for Humanity club. Stephen is the president of The Abbitt Group Inc., a family owned real estate company specializing in management,

development, and brokerage services with operations in Virginia, North Carolina, and Georgia. The company is celebrating its 75th year in business in 2021. Stephen lives in Williamsburg with his husband, Joe. They both enjoy working with local nonprofits, spending time on their boat, and being with their families.



## Meet the Members



CHARLIE AGEE '84

### Charlie Agee '84

At H-SC, Charlie was a member and officer of Sigma Chi fraternity. He was instrumental in helping re-establish Sigma Chi at the College in 1983 and currently serves as chapter advisor. After graduating with a degree in managerial economics from H-SC, he went on to earn a Master of Arts degree in education and human

development from The George Washington University and a certificate in corporate community involvement management from Boston College. Charlie retired in July 2017 as director of corporate citizenship for Altria Group after serving in leadership roles at Altria and its companies for over 32 years. He lives in Richmond, where among many community volunteer roles, he serves on the board of the Community Foundation for a greater Richmond.



AARON ARANT '13

### Aaron Arant '13

Aaron is a 2013 graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, where he graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's in economics. At Hampden-Sydney, Aaron was president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and a two-year starter on the Tiger Football team. Aaron currently resides in Charlotte with his wife, Marion, and son, Mac.

After H-SC, Aaron worked in the petroleum industry and received his MBA from Southern Methodist University. He is now a part-owner of Northeast Tool & Manufacturing, a leading aerospace & defense manufacturer. As director of business development, Aaron focuses on generating new lines of revenue and providing strategic direction to the company. Outside of work, Aaron enjoys spending time at the coast with family, traveling to his wife's hometown of New Orleans for festivals and crawfish season, and honing his golf game.



JAMIN BARBOUR '99

### Jamin Barbour '99

While at H-SC, Jamin was a tour guide, president of the Student Museum Board, and active in a number of clubs and honor societies. He has also volunteered for the annual fund since 1995. As an alumnus, Jamin is active in the Richmond Alumni Club, a member of the 1776 Society, and received

the Gammon Young Founders Medallion in 2008. Jamin is manager of data & research in the advancement office of St. Joseph's Villa in Richmond. He is an alumnus of the Community Foundation's Emerging Nonprofit Leaders program, is certified in nonprofit management, and former vice president of the Richmond Chapter, Association of Fundraising Professionals.



DEANE CHEATHAM '88

### Deane Cheatham '88

Deane is a 1988 graduate of Hampden-Sydney College with a bachelor's degree in history. As a student at H-SC, Deane played football and lacrosse, was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity and Student Senate, wrote for the *Tiger*, and sang in the Chorus. After graduation he served as associate

dean of admissions for seven years. He has been working in the Richmond area with Hometown Realty for 26 years. As an owner, manager, and salesperson, Deane has helped Hometown grow to be the area's second largest brokerage with over 350 agents. Deane currently lives in Mechanicsville with his wife of 31 years, Cindy. They have three children—Deane, Caroline, and Clayton. Deane is an avid outdoorsman and frequently enjoys hunting with friends from H-SC.

## Meet the Members



SPENCER B. CONOVER '10

### Spencer B. Conover '10

Spencer graduated twice from Hampden-Sydney, and in the best kind of way. While he received his official sheepskin in 2010, he credits the four years after his graduation that he spent as a College employee in the advancement office as what really helped him “figure it all out.” He will be forever grateful

for the hundreds of one-on-one conversations about life, business, and ol’ alma mater that he had with alumni of all ages during those years. After 10 years in professional fundraising, Spencer joined Nasdaq in 2020. As part of Nasdaq’s governance solutions segment, Spencer helps boards and leadership teams at public, private, and nonprofit businesses achieve governance excellence.



JOHN CRONLY '06

### John Cronly '06

John was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and the Tiger Tennis team while at Hampden-Sydney. During summer breaks from H-SC, he worked in the construction industry learning the trade from the ground up. After graduating in 2006 with a bachelor’s in applied mathematics, John spent many

months exploring career opportunities in the fields of real estate and investments. Quickly realizing he preferred working with his hands to sitting behind a desk, he started his career as a carpenter’s helper and worked his way into a carpenter position. He became passionate about building and construction and launched Hampden Hill Custom Building in June of 2009. When not spending time with his wife, Jo, and their three children, he enjoys playing tennis and hunting.



RAFI GUROIAN '01

### Rafi Guroian '01

Rafi grew up in the Baltimore region, and while he was a student at H-SC, he majored in English and spent four years working in the basement of Johns in the computer center on a work-study. He also sang in the Glee Club—serving as president—and co-founded the student-run octet, The General’s Men. After he graduated

in 2001, Rafi went on to a career at Cox Newspapers, Amtrak—where he created the Amtrak iPhone app—and NASA. He now works for Apple as a senior systems engineer, primarily working with schools in Virginia and Maryland. Rafi married Katie Jones in 2013, and they live in Midlothian with their two daughters, Louise and Vivian. The family is expecting a third baby this summer.



MICHAEL HOLLAND '91

### Michael Holland '91

After graduating magna cum laude from H-SC, Michael earned a juris doctor degree from Widener University School of Law. A client advocate in Willis Tower Watson’s Richmond office, Michael specializes in delivering property and casualty insurance brokerage and risk management services to a wide range

of large commercial clients. Prior to joining Willis Towers Watson, Michael served as a client executive and P&C practice leader for 12 years with Wells Fargo Insurance Services and as the corporate secretary, in-house counsel, and risk manager for A. Smith Bowman Distillery for six years prior to that. Michael and his wife, Brooke, have two daughters. When he’s not cheering on the Dallas Cowboys and St. Louis Cardinals, Michael enjoys playing tennis, fishing, and relaxing in Duck, NC.



## Meet the Members



JEFFREY KETRON '92

### Jeffrey Ketron '92

Jeffrey is a 1992 graduate of H-SC, where he majored in political science. He currently serves as vice president of the Multifamily Finance Division at Fannie Mae. He is the co-head of production, leading multiple teams of finance professionals that oversee the origination of multifamily loans across the country. Jeffrey currently

serves or has recently served on the boards of St. Paul VI School in Loudoun County and St. Leo the Great in Fairfax as well as in roles in his son's Boy Scout Troop and as league director and coach in his daughters' soccer club. Jeffrey and his wife, Teresa, are natives of Richmond and currently live in Fairfax with their three children, who all enjoy spending time outdoors together as often as possible.



TYLER LANGHORN '17

### Tyler Langhorn '17

At H-SC, Tyler was involved in a wide variety of activities including UPLS and the Minority Student Union. He was also a resident advisor, member of the Garnet and Grey Society, a sports announcer on Tiger Radio, active with the Wilson Center, and a member of the Music Interests Club. Passionate about

poetry and music, Tyler often recorded with friends in the Carriage House or performed poetry at local open mics while on the Hill. Tyler is now an educator with Roanoke County Public Schools and continues his ambitions as a professional musician and spoken word poet, collaborating with artists as far away as Leeds, England. He is currently involved in a Black History Month project with the City of Roanoke and Roanoke City Public Libraries and is also producing several musical and poetic projects.



CAMP SOMMARD AHL '91

### Camp Sommardahl '91

After graduating from H-SC with a bachelor's in history, Camp has stayed involved with the College and community, serving as president of the Lynchburg Alumni Club. While on the Hill, Camp was a Pi Kappa Alpha brother and a member of Student Senate, Student Admissions Committee, and the

Development Committee. He also played for Tiger Soccer and was named to the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges list. Camp is now a core products manager with Ferguson Enterprises and an elder of Lynchburg's First Presbyterian Church. Along with his wife, Laurie, Camp has four children, **Warner '20**, Katie, Helen, and Libbie.



JOHN STONE '94

### John Stone '94

John graduated from H-SC in 1994 with degrees in economics and psychology. John played four years on the offensive line for Tiger Football and enjoyed college life with his Kappa Alpha brothers. Between his junior and senior years on the Hill, he completed U.S. Marine Corps boot camp on Parris

Island. John is currently the executive vice president of financial services at the Virginia Credit Union, as well as the president of Joyner Fine Properties, Virginia Credit Union Financial Services, Virginia CU Insurance Services, Virginia CU Realty, and Virginia Select Realty. A licensed real estate broker in Virginia, John also maintains his Virginia licenses for life and health and property and casualty insurance. John and his wife, Lindsey, live in Moseley, with their children Alexandra Walker "Lexi" Stone and John Carter "Jack" Stone, Jr.

## Meet the Members



CHIP VINCENT '83

### Chip Vincent '83

Chip is a 1983 graduate of H-SC with a political science degree. On the Hill, Chip was a member of the golf team, brother of Theta Chi fraternity, and drummer for the campus band Dry Heaves. He went on to graduate from Campbell Law School in 1986 and is a member of the North Carolina State Bar. He

started Vincent Law Firm in 2005 and is a trial lawyer with emphasis on workers compensation, social security disability, and personal injury cases. Chip has been a board certified specialist in workers compensation law since 2000 and co-founded the H-SC Bar Association. Chip and his wife, Leigh Anne Caton, reside in Southern Shores, NC, and have four children, Caton, **Branch '16**, Anna Leigh, and David. He also serves as the president of Hampden-Sydney's Eastern North Carolina Alumni Club.



NOLAN A. WAGES '04

### Nolan A. Wages '04

Nolan is an associate professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences and the co-director of the Center for Early Phase Trials at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He is a biostatistician for the UVA Cancer Center, where his research focus is primarily on the design, monitoring, and analysis of

clinical trials in oncology. Nolan lives in Charlottesville with his wife, Olivia, and their three children, Andrew, Whit, and Sarah. At Hampden-Sydney, he served as the president of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He was also a member of the H-SC faculty from 2009 to 2011. Nolan enjoys watching and playing sports with his kids, spending time with family and friends at the river, and coaching youth basketball.



BLAIR C. WASHINGTON '04

### Blair C. Washington '04

Blair graduated with a bachelor's degree in history from H-SC in 2004. While on the Hill, he was a member of the Glee Club and the Minority Student Union. Blair is an executive director/regional head of international banking in J.P. Morgan's Commercial Bank, responsible for the international

sales and coverage efforts for U.S. based commercial banking clients in the Northeast and Southeast U.S. Blair works in New York City but lives with his wife, Aja, and 5-year-old daughter, Charlotte, in West Orange, NJ. In his spare time, Blair is a founding member of Black Watts Cycling Club, a cycling club composed of mostly black dads living in the "Oranges" of New Jersey. He is a rabid Manchester City Football Club fan and fancies himself an amateur mixologist.



BO WILKINS '92

### Bo Wilkins '92

Bo is a 1992 graduate with bachelor's degrees in history and German. On the Hill, he was a resident advisor, Student Body president, a Student Senator, and a member of the Tiger Football team and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Bo is a founding member and partner of High Ground Company, specializing for 27 years

in solving challenging issues for family held businesses. A member of the Advanced Association of Life Underwriters and two-time president of the Society for Financial Service Professionals, Bo holds three designations: chartered life advisor, chartered financial consultant, and charitable advisor in philanthropy. A board member for Songs for Kids Foundation, Inc. and on leadership council for the U.S. Soccer Foundation Atlanta Chapter, Bo enjoys spending time with his family, live music, and long-distance running.



## John H. Waters Memorial Cup



Members of the Hampden-Sydney Club of NYC at a happy hour event in 2019.

Since his passing in December of 2020, the Hampden-Sydney College community has been mourning the loss of Mr. **John H. “Johnny” Waters III ’58**. Johnny was a beloved alumnus and legendary director of alumni relations. In memory of Johnny’s exceptional life and legacy, the Office of Alumni and Parent Engagement has renamed the award that is presented annually to the most engaged regional alumni club in the Alumni Association. Previously the “Waters Cup,” this honor will now be called the “John H. Waters Memorial Cup.”

The Hampden-Sydney Alumni Association has 21 active alumni clubs that are committed to advancing the mission of the College and creating opportunities for regional engagement to enhance our renowned brotherhood. Our alumni network is strong because of the thousands of alumni who work tirelessly to strengthen these bonds of brotherhood and steward our network for future generations of Tigers.

The success of our alumni clubs is measured not by the volume of alumni in a given region but by their impact on engagement, recruitment, philanthropy, and mentorship. This year’s recipient has shown incredible growth in alumni engagement and has dedicated countless hours to mentoring our students who are interested in pursuing careers in this target city. This club has proven that a small team can do big things for their alma mater, and the College is very proud to announce that the Alumni Club of New York City has been chosen as the 2021 recipient of the John H. Waters Memorial Cup!

Club President **Matthew Moore ’08** and volunteers **Jacky Cheng ’18** and **Tanner Beck ’18** have brought great energy and enthusiasm to the Club of NYC. They have hosted nearly a dozen events since January of 2019, including innovative programs like the Grand Central Terminal Tour in January 2020 and the Chinatown Food Tour, a virtual event celebrating the Chinese New Year on February 11, 2021. The NYC leadership team also developed creative ways to engage alumni with more variety by striking a balance between regular happy hours, local attractions, and the newly developed Alumni Dinner Table—a more formal dinner setting with several courses and wine tastings.

The Tiger pride and dedication of the alumni in NYC is apparent, and we hope that all alumni will join us in celebrating their success. Thank you to Matt, Jacky, Tanner, and the entire Alumni Club of New York City for all that you do to serve your alma mater and your local alumni.

The Club of NYC’s plaque will be displayed in Hampden House on the newly established John H. Waters Memorial Cup wall. We look forward to having you on campus at the earliest opportunity to see it in person!

*Caum T. McCall*





HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE

# TIGERS IN TOUCH

The connection between Hampden-Sydney alumni and their commitment to preserving the uniqueness of the brotherhood make H-SC's network strong—the No. 2-ranked alumni network in the country, in fact.

To further enhance our renowned brotherhood, the Office of Parent and Alumni Engagement has launched Tigers in Touch, an initiative to strengthen the ties of our alumni network by encouraging alumni to update their contact information with the College. We want to ensure that every Tiger receives invitations to regional and on-campus events and that the *Record*, Tiger News, and other important updates from the Hill are reaching the correct mailboxes and inboxes. An accurate alumni profile also enables you to keep in touch with fellow alumni directly via the alumni portal. And thanks to the Hire a Tiger Program, there are more opportunities than ever to mentor our current students and help shape the next generation of Hampden-Sydney alumni.

As Tigers move and change jobs, phone numbers and email addresses often become out-of-date and some alumni lose touch with the College. Make sure your friends stay connected by encouraging them to update their contact information as well.

Please visit [alumni.hsc.edu/info](http://alumni.hsc.edu/info) to update your alumni profile.

## WHY STAY IN TOUCH?

- Discover alumni accomplishments, recall fond memories, and be in-the-know on all things Hampden-Sydney via the *Record* and Tiger News
- Reconnect with fellow alumni via the alumni portal
- Use the Alumni-Owned Business Directory to support fellow Tigers
- Mentor and engage with current students through the Hire a Tiger Program
- Learn about regional and on-campus alumni events like Reunion Weekend, the RPE Toast, and Homecoming
- Help us identify and recruit future generations of Tigers
- Be the first to hear what's happening on the Hill





## H-SC ALUMNUS CONCLUDES 50-YEAR CAREER

Dr. **JACK HANSON POWELL III '73** has retired after a nearly 50-year career as an orthopedic surgeon. Founding partner of Georgia Bone and Joint in Newnan, GA, and one of the medical directors of the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, Powell leaves behind a legacy of innovation. A November 30, 2020, article in *The Newnan Times-Herald* details how Powell and his team at Georgia Bone and Joint helped pioneer safer surgical procedures such as spinal and extremity blocking procedures that put patients at a lowered risk during surgery compared to using general anesthesia. A Newnan native and the town's first orthopedic surgeon, Powell is the fifth generation in his family to practice medicine in Coweta County. According to the article, current president of Georgia Bone and Joint, Dr. Jayson McMath, says, "Dr. Jack Powell's passion and heart for the patients of Newnan and Coweta County is boundless...Dr. Powell has served thousands of patients, and he has led our practice with grace, passion, and intellect."

## 1970s

**STEVE ECHOLS '74** has retired to his birthplace of Roanoke after a career in banking in South Florida. In December 2020, Steve published his third book of golf humor under his pen name, Dorsey Whitlock. *Playing*



*Through Pandemic* is the fictionalized tale of the 2020 Greater Roanoke Invitational Tour for Seniors (GRITS), a tour that never happened. Nefarious characters from around the Valley golf scene are interwoven with the onslaught of real events occurring in 2020. It is an easy, breezy, humorous read in spite of the gravity of the true events woven into the story.

**ROBERT V. "TREY" HATCHER III '79** has been appointed to the board of Kinsale Capital Group, Inc. according to a press release on Yahoo! Finance. Trey has more than 40 years of insurance industry experience.

## 1980s

**WARREN M. THOMPSON '81**, president and chairman of Thompson Hospitality Corporation, has been appointed to the Performance Food Group Company Board of Directors according to a December 1, 2020, article on citybizlist.



## MAKING HISTORY ON CAPITOL HILL

Vice President Kamala Harris wasn't the only person breaking gender barriers on Capitol Hill this January. **CHARLIE CAPITO '76** made history as he was elected the first male president of the Congressional Club Museum and Foundation, an organization established in 1908 as "a social and philanthropic group for spouses and members of Congress and other high-ranking federal officials," according to a January 1, 2021, article in the *Charleston Gazette-Mail*. Capito is the husband of U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito. Charlie has been a part of the club since his wife was first elected to the U.S. House in November 2000. The club has long been a place for spouses of Congress members to "find support for how to balance their personal lives with the workload and public scrutiny that comes with federal public office," the article explains. Charlie says his focus as president is to "make sure the club continues to do what it does best and look at how it can evolve with the times," going on to explain, "I'm a steward of the club's terrific heritage and history." The club also serves underprivileged children living in the nation's capital, started the tradition of presidential wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and hosts an annual luncheon honoring the first lady.

**CHRISTOPHER ALTIZER '84** recently had a four-year research project on mindfulness and personality published in *Consulting Psychologist Journal* and covered by *Forbes* magazine.

**BARRON SEGAR '84** was named president and CEO of World Food Program USA, according to a January 21, 2020, press release. Formerly UNICEF USA executive vice president and chief development officer, Barron has over 20 years of experience in growing philanthropic and cause marketing platforms. Barron also delivered the keynote address at his alma mater Norfolk Collegiate School during its July 24, 2020, commencement ceremony.

**KEITH D. VANDER VENNET '87** is president-elect of Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg according to a December 9, 2020, *Virginian-Pilot* press release.

## 1990s

**KARL SCHNEIDER '91** was elected as the president of the board of the Colorado Springs World Affairs Council in August 2020. CSWAC's guiding principle is that an informed and engaged citizenry must be the foundation for shaping policy in a free society. This is especially true in the domain of foreign policy, where global issues are increasingly complex and international relationships are increasingly interdependent. Karl also currently serves as the president of the board of the CIVA Charter High School in Colorado Springs.

## 2000s

**RYAN '00 AND HELEN PEMBERTON** welcomed their first child, Walter Harold, H-SC class of 2042, on June 3, 2020.



RYAN PEMBERTON '00 FAMILY



## CURRENCE '87 ADDS GOOSE CREEK CLUB TO RESTAURANT RESUME

Oxford restaurateur **JOHN CURRENCE '87** has added the Goose Creek Club to his repertoire of establishments. According to a December 31, 2020, article in *The Oxford Eagle*, when Currence realized the tennis club was definitely closing, he decided to try his hand at something different while also saving a place that the residents of Oxford enjoy, including the Currence family. "We've just fallen in love with the place," he says. The City Grocery, Big Bad Breakfast, and Snackbar owner admits this latest acquisition is a bit outside of his wheelhouse, explaining, "It's five or six businesses under one roof." But the string that connects all of them is a strong culture of hospitality, something which Currence knows how to cultivate. Renovations to the club are well underway, including the enclosure of a large outdoor sitting and dining space to provide year-round accommodation and the addition of a covered event space. Currence and his business partner, Stefano Capomazza, plan to unveil the new and improved club this spring once renovations are complete.

## KEMPER '02 AND BECKY BEASLEY

welcomed George Theodore Beasley, born on November 19, 2020, joining siblings Kemp and Mallye. He looks forward to many H-SC memories with his future roommate Walter Pemberton!



KEMPER BEASLEY '02 FAMILY

**STEPHEN M. ABBITT '06** is the newly elected president of Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg according to a December 9, 2020, *Virginian-Pilot* press release.

**JAMES PHILIP LAND, JR. '06** has graduated from Georgetown University Law Center with a Master of Laws in Taxation (Executive LL.M.) according to a recent news release. He is an attorney with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd in Greenville, SC.



JAMES PHILIP LAND, JR. '06



# CLASS NOTES

## COREY MILES '07 AND MARSHALL DAME

were married on December 4, 2020, in a private ceremony at Windy Hill Farm, home of the bride's family, in Crozet. No other alumni were in attendance due to COVID-19 protocols. The couple resides in Fredericksburg.



MILES-DAME WEDDING

**ASHBY ROBERTSON CARVER III '08** married **ERIN ELIZABETH RICHARDSON** on August 22, 2020, at Second Presbyterian Church with a reception at the Commonwealth Club in Richmond. The bride is a graduate of the University of Mary Washington, earned her Master of Fine Arts from VCU, and is a commercial interior designer with Quinn Evans. The groom is the director of architectural woodwork and specialties at Nycorn, Inc. The couple reside in Richmond. Groomsmen included **Joseph Lynch Farmer '08** and **Jonathan Brian McDougald '08**.



CARVER III-RICHARDSON WEDDING

## 2010s

**BRETT R. CHONKO '10**, a Spanish teacher at Clover Hill High School in Richmond, was awarded a 2020 R.E.B. Award for Teaching Excellence according to a press release on the Chesterfield County Public Schools website.

**HENRY CLARKE SKIBA '10** has passed the rigorous exam for AWS Certified Solutions Architect-Professional reports an August 17, 2020, article on FRGrisk.com. He has been in Malaysia since 2016. Per LinkedIn: "In 2016, I moved to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to help start the FRG APAC office. I lead a team of consultants specializing in FRG's advisory and implementation services in the APAC region as well as supporting our other projects worldwide."

**WILL WISEMAN '11 AND JESSICA ANNE MATHEWS** were married on October 19, 2019, at Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church in Blowing Rock, NC, followed by a reception at Blowing Rock Country Club. The groom is the son of **Frank Wiseman '73**. In attendance were **Jeff Clifton '83**, **AJ Prill '11**, **Cabell Barrow '07**, **Christopher Collie '10**, **Zach Harrelson '11**, **Michael Doyle '07**, **Kyle Grantier '11**, **Paul Horne '11**, and **Jay Shelly '11**. The bride is a 2011 graduate of the University of North Carolina and works as a special education teacher in Gastonia, NC. The groom earned a J.D. from the University of North Carolina in 2014 and is employed as an assistant district attorney in Cleveland County. The couple resides in Belmont, NC.



WISEMAN-MATHEWS WEDDING

**DABBS MCGREGOR WOODFIN '11 AND ELIZABETH COLLINS-WILDMAN** were married in a small ceremony at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Kalamazoo, MI, on January 1, 2021. The bride is a Ph.D. candidate in math at the University of Michigan, and the groom is formation minister at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The Collins-Woodfin couple lives in Kalamazoo.



WOODFIN-COLLINS-WILDMAN WEDDING

**BOYD "BO" COGGINS '15 AND KATINA KONDILIS** were married on September 27, 2020, at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Charlotte. The reception was held at the Belle Crane Inn in Fort Mill, SC. Groomsmen included **David Campbell '15**, **Peter Clarke '15**, **Davidson Faunce '16** and **Houghton Flanagan '15**. The bride is a graduate of the University of North Carolina-Charlotte and is a first grade teacher at Elizabeth Lane Elementary School in Matthews, NC. The groom is a Service Delivery Manager at Artech Information Systems. The couple resides in Charlotte.



COGGINS-KONDILIS WEDDING



**CHRISTIAN EDWARD HAMLETT '15** married **COURTNEY GAYLE JONES** on September 11, 2020. The bride is a graduate of UVA and the manager of championship and events at the Virginia State Golf Association. The groom is a consultant with Employee Benefits of Virginia. The couple reside in Richmond. Groomsmen included **Joseph W. Nixon '15** and **Garrett P. Birnbaum '15**.



**HAMLETT-JONES WEDDING**

**PATRICK ALAN FORD '16** is now the program director of Pulaski on Main, "a nonprofit entity whose mission is to work with business and nonprofit partners to support vibrancy in downtown Pulaski," according to a December 28, 2020, article in *The Southwest Times*.



**PATRICK ALAN FORD '16**

**TRAVIS GOODLOE '16** married **SARAH HANNAH "SALLY" IMMEL** on May 23, 2020. In attendance were (from left to right) **Theo Koulianos '17**, **Carter Guice '14**, **Bo Turney '16**, **Chris Ferrante '15**, **Will Hopkins '16**, **Stewart Thames '19**. Travis also graduated from medical school at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine in May 2020. He graduated with Alpha Omega Alpha honors and is currently in a three-year emergency medicine residency at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.



**GOODLOE-IMMEL WEDDING**

**MICHAEL TAIWAN MURRAY '16** has joined George Mason Mortgage as a loan officer in Glen Allen according to a December 8, 2020, article in *Richmond BizSense*.

**IAN BAKER LICHACZ '22** was named to the *Virginia Business* 100 People to Meet: Impact Makers list on November 29, 2020. Since age 16, the ambitious, 21-year-old history major has known he was meant for politics. Ian has fundraising and constituent services experience under his belt—having worked for state Senator Bill DeSteph, Virginia Beach—and serves on the city's Historic Preservation Commission. A self-described moderate Republican who tries to find the "human angle to every issue," Lichacz is considering running for office one day—possibly after law school. The son of former FBI agents, he says, "I was taught to never lie or try to lie."





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Get all your H-SC gear and more at the online campus store.  
Visit [www.hscampusstore.com](http://www.hscampusstore.com) today!





## OBITUARIES

### 1940s

Dr. **WILLIAM WALTER HALLIGAN, JR. '44** died on September 28, 2020, after a brief illness. Upon graduating from Hampden-Sydney, Bill served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and then earned a master's degree in history and a Doctorate of Education from UVA. Bill started his career in education in Virginia public schools, then became a professor at Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC. After a brief stint at the University of Arizona, Bill returned to Spartanburg to become a professor at Converse College, where he later served as registrar and assistant dean until his retirement in 1990. At Converse, he was involved in the creation of the graduate school of education offering the Master of Arts in Teaching degree. During retirement, Bill was an active member of Pawleys Island Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder and as superintendent of the Sunday school. Bill loved the beach where he and his wife, Dorothy, took almost daily walks. They enjoyed travel both abroad and at home and cherished time with their four children and their families. Bill is survived by his wife of 70 years, their four children, 12 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

### 1950s

Dr. **CHARLES LEON "BOB" BURNS, JR. '50** died on November 22, 2020. At Hampden-Sydney College, he was president of his senior class and of his fraternity, Theta Chi. Bob enlisted in the United States Air Force and served four years until 1954. He then continued his education and graduated from the Medical College of Virginia in 1959, interned at Roanoke Memorial Hospital, and completed his residency at the Medical College of Virginia. Bob and his family moved to Winchester in 1963, where he began his 25-year practice of ophthalmology. He and his family became actively involved in their new community. Bob was on the board of Lord Fairfax Community College and served a term as president of the Winchester Medical Center medical staff. He was always grateful for his four children and the experiences the family shared at home in Winchester and on their many trips together in the U.S. and abroad and later for the gift of eight grandchildren. Following his retirement in 1988, he was able to continue his long interest and pleasure in drawing and painting and took weekly classes for many years at the Torpedo

Factory in Alexandria and at other locations. His paintings, mostly in oils, were of family, friends, and places and scenes he had visited and photographed. He hoped they might provide some tangible expression of his life and experiences for his children and grandchildren. Bob's intellectual curiosity prompted him to read and study a variety of subjects and to analyze and retain a wealth of information. Whether confronted by a patient's vision problems or an automobile's idiosyncrasies, he was a skilled diagnostician and would find a solution. Other interests included music, sailing, sports, travel, his dogs, and a life-long concern for the care and protection of all animals. Bob is survived by his wife, three sons, including **Steven Rainey Burns '82**, a daughter, eight grandchildren, and two stepchildren.

**FRANK LAIDLEY FIELD, JR. '50** died on



December 20, 2020, from complications of COVID-19. He attended Hampden-Sydney College, received a Bachelor of Science degree in foreign service from Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the University of Akron, and a certificate in advanced accounting from the International Accountants Society. He was a member of the Delta Sigma Pi business fraternity. After serving several years in the United States Foreign Service, Frank worked for the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., where he held various financial positions including treasurer-controller of Firestone Plantation Co., vice president of L&C Marine, and finance director of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. of New Zealand. After retiring from Firestone with 38 years of service, he went to work for the Internal Revenue Service for a few years. He was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church where he served as treasurer, endowment trustee, deacon, and elder. Other memberships included the Rotary Club of Akron and the Men's Garden Club of Akron. Frank is survived by his son and three grandchildren.

**EDWARD DONALD "DON" MCCLURE, JR. '50**



died on Sunday, November 8, 2020. After HS-C, he served four years in the U.S. Air Force, achieving the rank of technical sergeant. He was a retired banker and owner of McClure

Furniture Company. He was an emeritus member of the board of directors of Augusta Health, having served as a member of the board, chairman of the board, and member of the personnel, finance, and CEO search committees. Don was instrumental in the merger of King's Daughters' Hospital and Waynesboro Community Hospital to form Augusta Health. He was also a member of the board of directors of Jefferson Bankshares and served on the Augusta County Service Authority board. He was active in numerous organizations, including Ruritan National, Chamber of Commerce, Augusta County Democratic Committee, and the March of Dimes. He helped establish the Stuarts Draft Rescue Squad and was a member of the board of directors of the Shenandoah Shared Hospital Services. Don is survived by his children and grandchildren.

**FREDERICK LAWRENCE "LARRY"**



**SILBERNAGEL, JR. '50** died on December 22, 2020. Larry was a loving husband; proud father, grandfather, and great grandfather; and a friend to many. He lived life fully and always brought

a hearty laugh, huge smile, and kind words to others. A brother of Pi Kappa Alpha and member of the Tiger Baseball team, Larry graduated from Hampden-Sydney and went on to attend Rutgers University School of Banking and earned his master's degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Business. From there he established a successful 34-year career in the banking industry. He served four years in the United States Navy during the Korean War on the LSMR 411. Among his many joys in life, Larry was a true baseball enthusiast, playing pitcher for H-SC. He loved, played, and enjoyed the sport. During the summer months in between high school and college he played semi-pro baseball, and he and his team were later inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown. He was a dedicated Baltimore Orioles fan, Baltimore Colts fan, and eventually a Baltimore Ravens fan. He lived an active lifestyle where he enjoyed golf at Holy Hills and played tennis on the Baker Park courts near his home. Larry

believed in serving his community, and he was a rotarian, chairman of the United Way, member and chairman of the Frederick Cotillion, chairman of the finance committee at Frederick Health Hospital, chairman of the Frederick Community Foundation, and served on the associates board of Hood College as well as a chairman of the Homewood Foundation. Larry is survived by his wife of 69 years, three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

**DAVID LEE WATSON '51** died on December 6, 2020. After serving in the United States Air Corps during World War II, Dave graduated from Hampden-Sydney and then had a long career, which included working for the DuPont



Corporation in the 1950s. His abilities as inventor and entrepreneur began to be showcased at Universal Dynamics, where he and three other partners built various dehumidifiers for defense and grain drying. The distinguishing achievement was the pioneering of a dehumidifier for drying ABS plastic. He also developed and sold a new kind of vacuum cleaner. Through these experiences and more, Dave found his passion for selling. In the early 1970s, he began to represent several machine tool manufacturing companies. At Watson-Hegner Corporation, Dave, his wife, Marie, and their partners were often recognized as the number one manufacturer's representative in the nation by many of their suppliers. At age 65, an age when many people retire, he launched another new business with his son, Sam. Watson Machine, a specialty metal laser cutting business, continues to successfully operate in Powhatan and is now part-owned by his son, David. He loved riding his John Deere tractors and grew an expansive garden every year, often heading to his garden before coming to the house when returning home from a business trip or the office. Dave will be remembered for being a lover of people and his uncanny ability to connect with others almost immediately. Known for his forthright and honest integrity, he could be an intimidating character, but most people fell in love with him and they became friends for life, including many wonderful customers he met as he traveled across Virginia, the Carolinas, and Georgia. He is survived by his wife, three children, and nine grandchildren.

### HOBSON COSBY "HOBBY" McGEHEE, JR. '52



died peacefully on December 27, 2020. At H-SC, Hobby was a member of Student Council and a brother of Kappa Alpha before he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree. He had a keen interest in geology and took numerous geology-related courses at local colleges to further his knowledge. Hobby first worked for his father who farmed in Berryville and then with the highway patrol in Richmond. He later moved to Jackson, MS, to become involved with the family oil business. Hobby was president of Minerals Management, Inc. and served as a member of the board of directors of Jones-O'Brien, Inc., an oil and gas exploration company founded by his great uncle in 1930. During his tenure on the board, Jones-O'Brien discovered the giant South Lake Arthur field in Vermillion and Jefferson Davis parishes in Louisiana. Hobby gave liberally of his time as a volunteer, first during his son's early years as a coach for their Little League baseball team and as assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 302 at Covenant Presbyterian Church. He was also a regular volunteer at Hospice Ministries, sitting with residents so that family members could have some needed time away. He was a member of the North Jackson Kiwanis Club for over 40 years and president and later chairman of the board of Feild Co-Operative Association, a family association founded in 1919 for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes. His hobbies included auto racing, collecting guns, and writing letters to the editor of the *Clarion Ledger*. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, three children, 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

### RICHARD COLES "DICK" EDMUNDS, JR. '53



died on December 19, 2020. He graduated cum laude from Hampden-Sydney College, where he was tennis team captain, a varsity basketball player, a member of ODK National Leadership Honor Society and president of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He became a lieutenant (JG) in the Navy and served on the USS Randolph aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean with NATO. He received his MBA from Harvard Business School in 1958 and then returned to Richmond to establish his career. He was president of Material Handling Industries, a forklift dealership. Later, he was a consultant for small businesses, which benefited from his entrepreneurial spirit and practical business experience. He was also an evening instructor at the University of Richmond, UVA Extension, and VCU teaching undergraduate and graduate business courses. Later in life, he was a commercial and residential real estate investor. He especially enjoyed his work in historic Church Hill. Dick was very engaged in Richmond civic activities and served on the boards of numerous civic and charitable organizations. He continued to support educational institutions as well, serving as president of the National Hampden-Sydney Alumni Association. Dick's education, professional career, and civic and religious activities demonstrated his commitment to giving back to his community and his deep belief in the value of education, the importance of a spiritual foundation, and the significance of history. In 1989 he established The Henry H. and Richard C. Edmunds, Sr. '25 Memorial Scholarship in honor of his father and grandfather. His love of history was demonstrated by his participation in the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, The Society of the Cincinnati, the Lees of Virginia, The Cabell Family Society, and The Huguenot Society of America. He was a character who was larger than life. To Dick, no dinner was complete unless capped off with a large bowl of ice cream. Ahead of his time, he believed in the re-use of everything with nothing going to waste (but please don't call him an environmentalist!). At gatherings of family and friends, Dick held court. People young and old gravitated to him for his jovial manner, engaging conversation, and great company. He told a good story, loved an irreverent joke, delighted in being a contrarian, and lived life to its fullest. Dick is survived by his wife of 63 years, four children, and 13 grandchildren.



**JOHN EDWARD SADLER, JR. '56** died on December 17, 2020, due to complications related to Parkinson's Disease. After graduating from H-SC, where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order, his early professional life began at



Miller Container Corporation in Roanoke. He later joined his family's business, Sadler Hosiery Mill, where he eventually became president. John later held the position of vice president and sales manager at Chesapeake Container Corporation in Roanoke where he retired in 1991. John was involved in various civic and community organizations including Pulaski Rotary Club and the United Way. He was an elder at 1st Presbyterian Church for a number of years. He served as the first president of Friends of Pulaski Theatre, a role of which he was very proud. He thoroughly enjoyed his retirement of almost 30 years. John was an avid collector of Donald Duck comics, enjoyed a good game of badminton, and participated in the Commonwealth Games—medaling in their senior division. John's biggest adventure was hiking into and out of the Grand Canyon. He loved travel, and he and his wife, Betty, drove twice across the United States, visited Canada, took the Queen Elizabeth II to England for a month, and sailed on several cruises. Although John loved to travel, his favorite retreat was at the family cabin in Giles County on Big Walker Creek. John is survived by his beloved wife of 59 years, his son, **Dr. John E. Sadler III '87**, and two grandchildren, including **Stephen Andrew Sadler '16**. His father was the late **John E. Sadler, Sr. '27**.

**RONALD TYLER WHITLEY '59** died on November 18, 2020. At Hampden-Sydney, he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, and many other honor societies. He was also a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity



and served as editor of the *Tiger*. After a stint in the Army, Tyler began a 50-year career as a reporter, first with the *Richmond News Leader* and then with the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. Beginning as an obituary writer, he became business editor of the *Richmond News Leader* before segueing into a long tenure as a politics reporter. He covered dozens of sessions of the state General Assembly as well as multiple national presidential nominating conventions. As a reporter, he accompanied state trade delegations to Jamaica, Spain, Turkey, South Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Tyler was a member and past president of the Richmond chapter of the journalism society Sigma Delta Chi and was elected to the Virginia Communications Hall of Fame in 2012. A 2010 resolution of the House of Representatives honored his 50 years of journalistic excellence. Tyler had a sharp wit and exuded kindness and decency throughout his life. He brought delight to his friends and relations with his penchant for puns. He loved salty treats and a glass or two of bourbon in the evening. He enjoyed reading long works of history and was active in the American Revolutionary Roundtable, serving on the organization's book awards committee. A lifetime fan of the Brooklyn—then Los Angeles Dodgers, he was able to revel in the end of the team's long championship drought in October. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, three children, and four grandchildren.

## 1960s

Dr. **JAMES ALBERT REPASS '61** died on November 16, 2020, after a prolonged illness. Jim graduated magna cum laude from Hampden-Sydney College and then studied medicine at the Medical College of Virginia. After a tour of duty in the Navy as a ship's physician during the Vietnam War, he specialized in internal medicine and nephrology and practiced in Richmond until his retirement in 1998. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, two brothers, three nieces, one nephew, and one stepgrandson.

Rev. **DAVID JAMES ANDERSON '64** died on November 27, 2020. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Hampden-Sydney College with dual degrees, Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. While there he was a founding member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for "... noble character...and service to others," was listed among Who's Who in Colleges and Universities, and was a member of the G.E. College Bowl Team that competed on national TV for Hampden-Sydney. He continued his studies at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, graduating with a Master of Divinity degree. Having been ordained by the Presbyterian Church he served pastors in Belle Haven Presbyterian Church, Powelton Presbyterian Church, Kempsville Presbyterian Church, and Perrow Presbyterian Church. In retirement, he was a long-term substitute with Chesapeake Public Schools. As a member of King's Grant Presbyterian Church, he became an active volunteer with the Kairos Prison Ministry. He was a talented musician, scholar, and consummate learner, always ready to try new skills. He was a friend to all and a man of great faith. He is survived by his wife, his children, seven grandchildren, and his sisters.



**JOHN HARDY "JOHNNY" WATERS '58** died on November 24, 2020. After graduating from Hampden-Sydney College, he taught high school history in Richmond, where he met his wife, Sally. Married in 1964, they moved to Hampden-Sydney soon thereafter, where he worked in several capacities, first as registrar then director of admissions, and later retiring as the director of alumni affairs in 1998, a role in which he will be long remembered for his work ethic, friendliness, and love of the College. He also served as a volunteer on the board of Southside Community Hospital and the United Way of Prince Edward County. He stayed busy during his 22 years of retirement in Emerald Isle, NC, transitioning from being an avid runner and tennis player to developing a fondness for golf. He and his wife were dedicated volunteers in the Emerald Isle Sea Turtle Program. They were also actively involved in the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Johnny and Sally taught NAMI's signature Family To Family class for many years for those whose relatives suffered from mental illness, as well as leading a support group in Jacksonville. Johnny loved to travel and loved to visit new places, but mainly he loved meeting new people. Making and sustaining friendships was Johnny's true vocation. He is survived by his two sons.



Robert F. Kennedy in 1963, now hangs in the Esther Atkinson Museum at Hampden-Sydney. Other portraits by Louis are on display throughout the College's campus. Louis also served as a fundraiser for the College and received an award from the Atkinson Museum Board for Cultural Achievement by an Alumnus. In 2012 Louis suffered a stroke and struggled for many years to recover his health. His art is currently on display at Crossroads Art Centre; "The Many Faces of Louis Briel" features a retrospective of 70 of his works. He is survived by many friends and family who will miss his sense of humor, intelligence, and warmth. Louis was preceded in death by his beloved beagle, Bob Barker, a loyal companion over Louis' final years.

**B. LOUIS BRIEL, JR. '66** died on January 20, 2021. After graduating from Hampden-Sydney with honors in Classics, Louis earned a master's in classical philology and became a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at Harvard University. He also studied art at the American Academy in Rome and in Boston under Ann Tabachnick and Morton Sacks. Louis went on to become a renowned American portraitist whose art can be seen in the National Portrait Gallery, the Capitol, and many other private and public collections. Louis was able to impact the art world through his dynamic style and talent, which captured the essence of his subjects. Following Princess Diana's tragic death in 1997, Louis painted a portrait of her, which he then sent to Elton John upon hearing of the singer's grief over the loss of his friend. John carried the painting with him on a world tour and hung it in his dressing room at each venue. Louis' portrait of JFK, painted after the president's assassination and presented to

### JAMES "JAY" ROBERTSON ELLIOT, JR. '64



died on November 11, 2020. A Tiger Football team member, Lambda Chi Alpha brother, and Chi Beta Phi honor fraternity president, Jay opened an expansion of his family's company,

Elliot and Company Architectural Woodworking, after H-SC while also serving in the Army National Guard. In 2007, Jay retired as a high school math and science teacher. Jay most loved spending time with his children and grandchildren in whom he instilled a strong sense of adventure and passion for learning. He was always very proud of the sense of civic engagement and responsibility that his wife and children embody. Jay is survived by his wife, three children, and three grandchildren.

Practice, where he practiced for 26 years. In 2002 he accepted an offer from Williamsburg Landing and became the medical director of a Life Plan Community for the next eight years of his career. He was very proud to have been a part of the four medical practices that formed Tidewater Physicians Multispecialty Group in 1992. Webb was a member of Hidenwood Presbyterian Church where he served as an elder. Being with family and friends was a very important part of his life. He took great pleasure in boating, fishing, gardening, and especially in seeing the pleasure of people receiving his roses throughout the years. Woodworking was another pleasure, and he delighted in creating puzzles that drove his family and friends crazy trying to solve. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, two children, and one grandson.

years of age, Stephen was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. He bravely fought the disease for 45 years, and in doing so gave his wife, children, family, and friends a lifetime of loving memories. His legacy is one of triumph over tragedy, of light over dark, where the good guy wins, and love conquers all. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, three children, and five grandchildren.

### Dr. WEBB D. JONES '67



died on October 17, 2020, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. While at Hampden-Sydney he was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, served on the Honor Council for two

years, was chairman of the the Judiciary Board his senior year, and was vice president of the student body. He earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia in 1971 and began the Family Practice Residency program at Riverside Hospital in Newport News. After a two year stint at Patrick Air Force Base in Florida, Webb returned to Newport News and joined Denbigh Family

### 1970s

#### JAMES STEPHEN CALLIS '70



died peacefully on October 20, 2020. Armed with an impressive intellect, magnetic charm, and sharp wit, Stephen attended Hampden-Sydney College and then graduated from the

University of Richmond with a degree in mathematics and physics. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate, he went on to enjoy a successful career with the Defense Intelligence Agency and in the commercial sector with Eastman Kodak. He loved America and everything "American"—from Motown, John Wayne, and Michelob beer to Chevrolet Corvettes, steamed crabs, and the Dallas Cowboys. At just 26

### LOUIS WOOD "WOODY" BEDELL, JR. '74



died on November 1, 2020, after an eight-and-a-half year battle with cancer. After graduating from Hampden-Sydney College, where he majored in religion and philosophy, Woody

taught history and religion in a private middle school for years before going into the business world. In 2012 he purchased a strength training studio called The Exercise Coach in Bannockburn, IL, where he made an impact on so many people. An avid swimmer all his life, Woody competed in numerous Ironman competitions, including the Hawaii Ironman Competitions in 1981 and 1982. In the summers you could find Woody rowing in his ocean kayak along the shores of the family cottage in Canada. He loved his church community and was a member of the United Methodist Church of Libertyville, IL, where he taught adult Sunday school for the past 21 years and played the drums for the contemporary worship service. He is survived by his wife, three sons, two grandchildren, and three brothers.



# CLASS NOTES

Dr. **PAUL DOUGLAS HARVEY '75** died on October 19, 2020. Paul will be remembered as a loving father, grandfather, and brother. After graduating from Hampden-Sydney, he earned his Doctorate of Dental Surgery from the Medical College of Virginia, graduating in 1979. He then opened Paul Harvey DDS in Midlothian and moved his practice to Appomattox in 2000. Paul traveled yearly to The Bland Ministry Center Dental Clinic to volunteer his services. Paul served 12 consecutive years as mayor of Appomattox and was currently serving on the Appomattox Town Council. He made serving others a priority in his life. Paul is survived by his wife, two daughters, a grandson, a stepdaughter, and two step-grandsons. He is also survived by two sisters and his brother-in-law, **Denny Throckmorton '74**.



**WILLIAM ROWLAND "BILL" HILL III '76** died peacefully on December 28, 2020, after a long illness. Bill, a Sigma Nu brother, graduated from H-SC and then returned to Richmond to take over the family business, William R. Hill and Company. What he cherished most of all were his children, Cara and Landon, and he reveled in all of their activities and successes. Nothing brought him more joy than being with his family. He also found great happiness in showing generosity to others, which he did openly and often. He was a self-taught pianist and would often play for family. Bill loved being near the water, fast cars, and his loyal and lifelong friends. He is survived by his wife, two children, two stepchildren, and five grandchildren. His father is the late **William Rowland Hill, Jr. '36**, former H-SC Trustee.



## 1990s

**SEAN KEITH CULLINAN '92** died peacefully on November 17, 2020, after a heroic battle with colon cancer. After double majoring in English and history at Hampden-Sydney College, he spent his professional career working for Markel Corporation and Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty. Sean loved good beer, great music, and having lots of fun. He is survived by his wife and his sons.



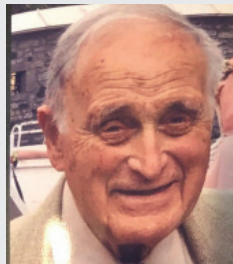
## 2010s



**THOMAS RYAN SALAMON '21** passed away in a car accident on January 30, 2021. A senior at Hampden-Sydney College, Thomas was majoring in mathematical economics and applied math and minoring in German. Thomas was a brother of Phi Gamma Delta, a founding member of the Maker's Collective, and a host for Tiger Radio. He enjoyed snowboarding, listening to music, spending time with friends, and learning all he could about technology, cars, and finance and investing. A bright soul, exceptionally intelligent, caring, and personable, Thomas had the unique ability to forge lasting bonds and friendships with people everywhere he went and always left a favorable impression. He was an extremely caring young man who dearly loved his family, friends, and his girlfriend. During a memorial service held at College Church on February 3, 2021, family and friends recalled Thomas' passion for learning, his mischievous sense of humor, and his generous spirit. His family notes, "Though he departed from this world in the spring of his life, we may find comfort in the fact that throughout his life, he was surrounded by the love and communion of the best of friends. Those of us who called him friend, brother, and son will never forget the light and joy he brought into our hearts. We can only be grateful for the time during which our lives were blessed by his company and in our hearts we will forever carry his soul, his memory, and the love that we will always have for him." He is survived by his mother, Carolyn, and his sister, Meaghan Salamon.

## FACULTY AND STAFF

**THOMAS EDWARD DEWOLFE II** died on November 13, 2020. He was a well-loved husband, father, friend, soldier, and absent-minded psychology professor. He was best known for his great sense of self-deprecating humor. His interests included economics, politics, and reading books of every genre. Tom traveled extensively in the army and with family throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, Mexico, the Middle East, North Africa, and Thailand. He published more than 30 works in journals and in books about moral reasoning, criminal psychology and the law, the history of psychology, and the impact of psychologists on modern life. Born on February 21, 1931, in Portland, ME, Tom grew up in Westbrook, ME, graduating in 1949 as valedictorian of Westbrook High School. After graduating from Harvard in 1953 with a bachelor's in government, he served as a medic in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955, Far Eastern Command in Japan. He then studied at Vanderbilt University receiving a master's in experimental psychology. With an internship in clinical psychology at the University of Texas Medical Branch, he received a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Houston. Dr. DeWolfe taught psychology at Hampden-Sydney College from 1966 until his retirement in 2003. He held numerous leadership roles as president of the Academy of Academic Psychologists, secretary of the Virginia Psychological Association, deacon and elder at College Presbyterian Church, Scoutmaster, and a member of the Prince Edward County Human Relations Council during the civil rights era. Tom most of all enjoyed meeting international lecturers in his roles as chair of the H-SC Lectures and Programs Committee and Woodrow Wilson Fellowship. He also served as a clinical psychologist and as an advocate for patient's rights at Piedmont State Hospital and as a consultant for the Virginia Departments of Vocational Rehabilitation and Disability Determination Services and regional school districts. After retirement, he loved reading the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* and writing letters to the editor. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Turner DeWolfe, three children, and five grandchildren.



Dr. **RONALD LYNTON HEINEMANN** died



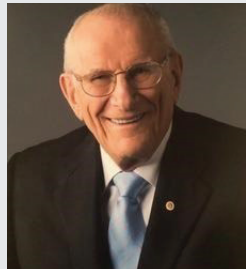
unexpectedly on November 18, 2020. Ron was a well-loved husband, father, grandfather, and professor of American history at Hampden-Sydney College for 52

years. He was an avid Detroit Tigers and Washington Redskins fan, golfer, world traveler, and teacher. Ron loved life and his family and will be remembered for his recognizable laugh and wry sense of humor. He was an honorable man of strong beliefs and convictions who delighted in vigorous political debate. His passion was teaching in the classroom and mentoring students to become "good men and good citizens" through a sound liberal arts education. Born in New York in 1939, Ron grew up in Arlington and was valedictorian at Wakefield H.S. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1961, where he received his Bachelor of Arts, was Phi Beta Kappa, and a member of Palaeopitus (student government), Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and the wrestling

team. Following graduation from Dartmouth, Ron entered the United States Navy and served for four years. Ron received his master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Virginia and began his teaching career at Hampden-Sydney in 1968. Over the years, Ron received numerous awards and recognition for excellence in teaching and research. Twice the graduating seniors from H-SC selected him Most Distinguished Professor, and he was later awarded the William Cabell Award for excellence in teaching. He was twice awarded the John Peter Mettauer Award for excellence in research. Ron received the David Wilson Prize in 1986, the Trustees' Prize in 1989, the J.B. Fuqua Award, and the Senior Class Award in 1993. In 1993 Ron was inducted into the national leadership honor society, Omicron Delta Kappa, and in 2007 he received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award. In 2019 he was honored with the James Madison Award by the Wilson Center. Ron authored and co-authored many books on historical figures and events on the history of Virginia, including Harry Byrd of Virginia. Ron returned to Dartmouth in 1982 to teach and currently was

involved in planning for the 60th reunion of his graduating class in June 2021. In addition to his teaching and research, Ron was a leader in faculty governance at Hampden-Sydney. He introduced Senior Fellowships, Freshman Seminars, the Alumni College, the summer term, the first tenure and promotion procedures and was an advocate for coeducation. Ron also had a strong presence in the local community. Over the years, Ron served in leadership positions with Farmville Area Community Emergency Services, Friends of the Appomattox River, Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, Moton Museum, and on the board of the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities. He was a co-founder of the Prince Edward Youth Soccer program, the first soccer team at the county high school and coached for three years. In 2010, Ron and his wife, Sandy, established the Ronald L. and Sandra W. Heinemann Scholarship at the College. The scholarship is awarded to students with stellar academic performance who also demonstrate financial need and show an interest in majoring in history. Ron is survived by his wife of 58 years, his two children, and his four grandchildren.

**STANLEY FRANK PAULEY** died peacefully



on November 20, 2020. Stan was a character and commanded almost every room in which he was to be found. He was the center of gravity and focused attention

like no other person. Stan came to Richmond in September of 1954 to join what was then known as E.R. Carpenter Company as a plant manager, moving his young family from Windsor, Ontario, Canada, to Richmond later that fall. For the next 66 years, he was closely involved in every aspect of the company. After he became its chairman and CEO, he led Carpenter Co. to become the premier urethane foam manufacturer in the world. Throughout his career, he was devoted to ensuring Carpenter Co. would continue as an independent, privately held company, overseeing its growth and diversification and investing in the facilities and equipment that kept the company the industry leader. Stan remained engaged in the daily activities of Carpenter Co. until just a few weeks before his death. In his undergraduate studies, he

was a distinguished scholar of the University of Manitoba in Canada, graduating with a degree in electrical engineering. A true intellectual, he was a voracious reader, taught himself a number of foreign languages, and was active in a wide variety of civic and community organizations. He served on the boards of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Foundation, the University of Richmond, Sheltering Arms Hospital, Sheltering Arms Foundation, and Hampden-Sydney College. He was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society, and was awarded an honorary degree from the University of Richmond. He served as a founding director of the School of Engineering at Virginia Commonwealth University. The Pauley Family Foundation was established by Stanley and Dorothy Pauley, and it supports a broad range of charitable purposes in the Richmond region, with a focus on education, health, and human services. Because he was fascinated by the possibilities offered by advanced research on heart disease, he focused intently on the Pauley Heart Center in the VCU Medical Center. This organization is considered a national leader in heart health. Mindful of his roots, the Stanley Pauley Engineering Building at the University of Manitoba is a state-of-the-

art facility providing cutting-edge education and research in all aspects of engineering. In addition, new generations of students will benefit from his investment in the Pauley Science Center, currently under construction at Hampden-Sydney College. In 2013, Stan and his wife, Dorothy, were awarded the Architecture Medal for Virginia Service by the Virginia chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The award acknowledges the huge impact the Pauley Family Foundation had on construction and improving the physical environment of Virginia. Early in his career, Stan became certified as a pilot and traveled for business and pleasure. In one incident, he landed at the wrong airport, which happened to be a military base. Initially greeted by a Jeep full of soldiers with guns, it was recognized by all that a mistake had been made and the small plane was cleared for take-off. He was also a great animal lover, with many terriers passing through the home throughout his life. Stan and Dorothy also spent much time in their glass sunroom watching hummingbirds at the feeder just outside, as well as other animals in their yard situated along a creek. He is survived by his wife of 71 years, two daughters, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



# *A Look Back at the* **SPANISH FLU** *Epidemic at H-SC*

BY ANGELA WAY AND ALEXANDRA EVANS



A public health ad from a Commonwealth of Virginia publication.

While the College has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, this is not the first time our 245-year-old institution has weathered the challenges of a global health crisis.

Flipping through the 1918 and 1919 issues of *Kaleidoscope*, you'll see thorough documentation of uniformed students training to enlist in the military while continuing their studies, as Hampden-Sydney participated in the Student Army Training Corps (SATC) and provided training to help the Allied cause during World War I.

But a few pages also mention another world event that was having a profound impact on the College—the arrival of the Spanish Flu epidemic. The second of the four waves of Spanish Flu wreaked havoc on the western world, and Hampden-Sydney did not escape untouched.

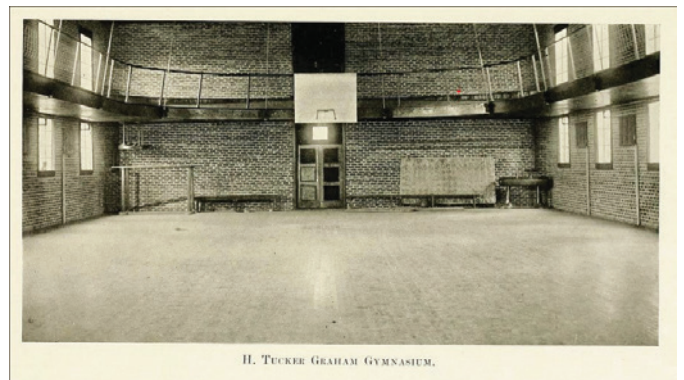
In a turn of fate, however, the College's status as a SATC site may have been her saving grace as Dr. **Paulus Irving**—class of 1876, secretary of the State Board of Health, and president of the Medical Society of Virginia—had assumed the position of College physician in the spring of 1918, serving as “designated surgeon for the Student Army Training Corps.”

Having been aware of an earlier influenza outbreak, Dr. Irving assembled appropriate medical facilities. The previous wave, however, did not have the high mortality rate that became associated with the second wave, which impacted campus in the fall of 1918.

Influenza hit the College so hard that by October of 1918, the beds assembled in the hospital located in the two upper floors of Westminster—now Atkinson—overflowed with sick students, and an auxiliary infirmary was established in the Graham gymnasium—now the Campus Store.

Despite the number of students taken ill, thanks to Dr. Irving's service, Hampden-Sydney lost just one son to the disease, when the expected death toll for the College's population was five. According to “Plagues, People, and Public Health,” a 2018 Esther Atkinson Museum exhibit curated by H-SC Associate Professor of History **James Frusetta** and **Shawn Gillikin '20**, “Dr. Irving was instrumental in helping the College deal with the influenza outbreak, caring for the sick, and publishing information on strategies he found effective to treat the disease.”

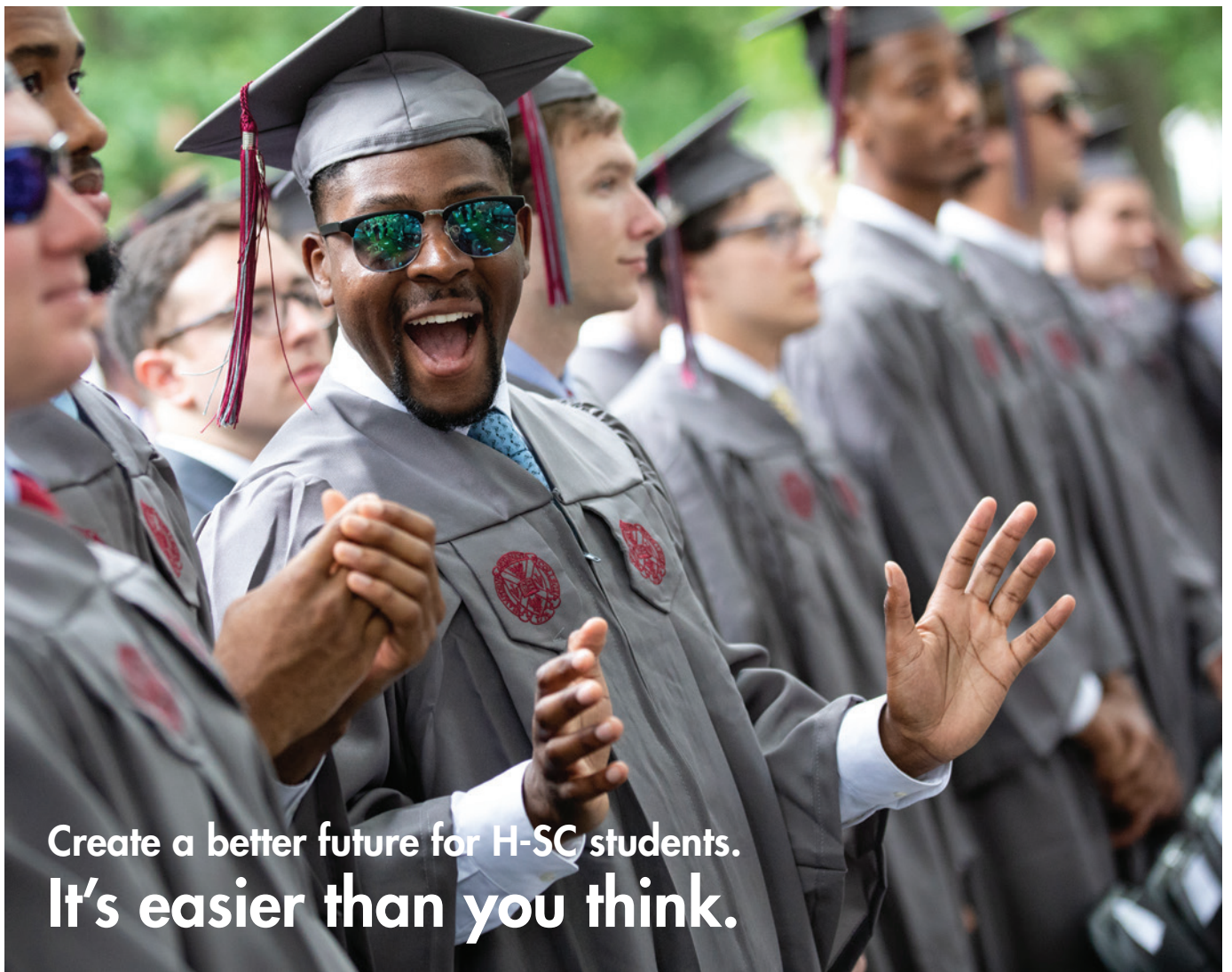
More than a century later, the College is using similar methods to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Mask wearing and social distancing are once again in vogue, and College buildings like Venable Hall have been repurposed to house quarantined students. And just as the community was indebted to Dr. Irving in 1919, we are grateful that because of the expedient and thorough work of H-SC faculty and staff, Hampden-Sydney has been able to stay the course once more and keep the College gates open.



Graham Gymnasium, which was added to the back of the former President's house in 1916. Fresh air from the windows was credited with helping students recover from the flu.

Photos provided by James Frusetta

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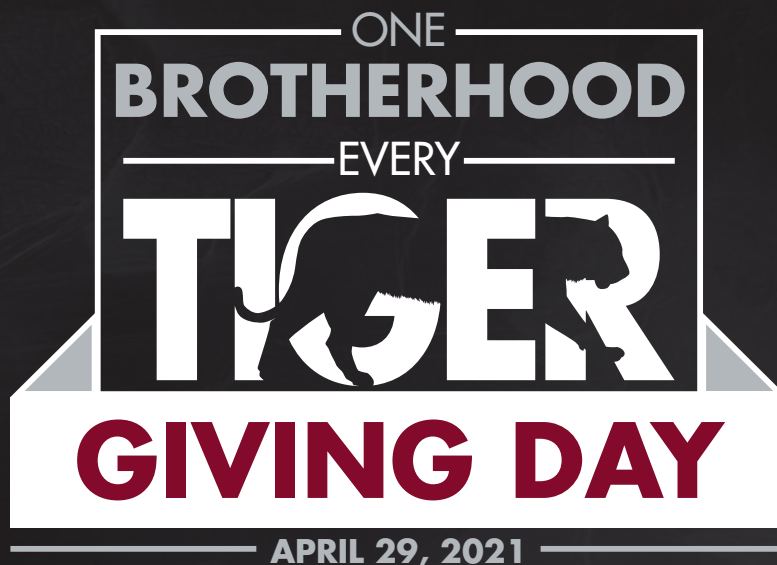
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