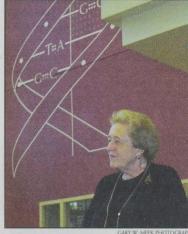
# ASINE S Main Events Series 101, Number 2, Winter 2003

**New Science Building Grand Opening** 



Julia T. Gary, dean of college emerita, stands in front of the mural of Agnes Scott's DNA in the Woolford B. Baker Atrium during a December reception in honor Gary's gift for summer research.

### Gary Gift For Summer Research

CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST TO BENEFIT FACULTY, STUDENTS

Firmly believing Agnes Scott's new Science Center should be in year-round use for research, Julia T. Gary, dean of the college and professor of chemistry emerita, established a \$500,000 charitable remainder annuity trust to fund summer research for faculty and students.

"We can't let a building like that stay idle for three months of the year," Gary said. "It would really be a shame. The summer is the ideal time for research. During the school year, you have interrupted time for research."

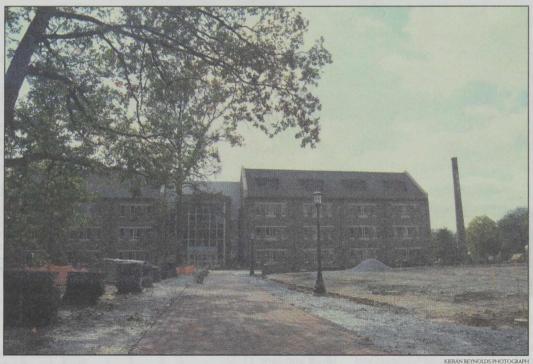
Campbell Hall did not have dedicated research space for students and faculty members, as the new building provides. During the school year, it was hard to conduct experiments because labs were needed for classes. "You lose when you have to stop and start the sciences," Gary said.

"Everyone has a dream or vision," she said. "I would like to see several small groups of students and faculty working in that building all summer, collaborating and sharing ideas. About 15 students and five faculty members working together, that's what I would like to see."

"Dean Gary's plan reflects her knowledge of how science truly works," said Lewis Thayne, vice president for institutional advancement. "Some types of experiments don't take the summer off.

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# Center Sends 'Strong Signal'



Filled with the latest technology for research, the new science building has designated research areas for students and faculty in addition to classroom laboratories for biology, chemistry, physics and psychology.

#### ENTIRE CAMPUS COMMUNITY ENCOURAGED TO USE NEW FACILITY

#### **EVENTS**

Joseph R. Gladden Jr. Public Lecture Series

"Cómo Vivimos: Hispanic Lives in Atlanta" by Martha W. Rees, associate professor of anthropology and chair of sociology and anthropology, with Claire Willeford '04.

• When: 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, Science Center, Teasley Lecture Hall (G-09).

• Free and open to the

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** 

• When: 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7.

• Dedication of the Woolford B. Baker Atrium.

#### **Opening Celebration**

• When: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 24, Presser Hall, Gaines Chapel.

• Reception: Woolford B. Baker Atrium.

 Speaker: Dr. Julie L.
 Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

#### By Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology

cience faculty members are frequently asked, "What will this new building do for the College?" We have a multi-part answer, and with it, we sincerely encourage colleagues and students from all departments to use

The new Science Center is important because it allows faculty and students to work safely and effectively in an environment that is specifically engineered for modern laboratory work. It provides facilities for four disciplines that use bench-top investigations to understand specific systems and processes—biology, chemistry, physics and psychology.

Undergraduate science teaching and research are technology-dependent enterprises. The new building provides the right environments for the operation and maintenance of modern instruments and for the control of variables during investigations.

For the first time at Agnes Scott, each science faculty member will have a dedicated research laboratory in which to work year-round with students. In Campbell Hall, we used space here and there in teaching labs that we had to vacate from time to time as enrollments changed.

In the future, long-term research projects can be maintained in safe and proper environments without competing with the teaching program. Students will work in these dedicated labs with faculty members and also have access to student-project labs where they can share bench space and work collaboratively or individually.

For science programs to be successful at Agnes Scott, there must be successful integration of research into the curriculum.

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#### ON THE WEB

To read the papers, visit the Campaign Web site: www.agnesscott.edu/campaign/p\_campaign.asp

# Campaign Focuses On Enhancing Excellence

WHITE PAPERS OUTLINE COSTS FOR SPECIFIC NEEDS, PROGRAMS

Recalling your college experience, ask yourself what lasts? A professor who translated years of research into amazing lectures? An art exhibit that showed things you'd only read about before? Or when an internship landed you a job with a company that otherwise would have dropped your résumé into a large file?

Things that make an education extraordinary differ widely for each individual. Agnes Scott seeks alumnae to help fund the intangibles of education that go beyond course work and exams

After five years of raising bricks and mortar, Agnes Scott is now concentrating on strengthening the wide-ranging, experiential liberal arts experience for which its small size and urban location make it ideal.

With a set of 11 carefully considered "white papers," to be used in grant proposals and Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College information packets, College leaders have specified costs of providing things that strengthen the basic curriculum. They include study abroad, a strong ethics program, leadership development, support of fine arts and in-depth career exploration.

Inspired academics trump aesthetics, said Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt, dean of the college.

"The people, the faculty—they're crucial," she said. "It doesn't matter how beautiful the building is; without excellent faculty it means nothing." One white paper underscores the need for enthusiastic faculty. To attract and keep strong professors, the College must provide research time and tools, opportunity to attend national and international symposia and sabbaticals.

Established endowments could make the difference between year-to-year budget juggling versus well thoughtout program development.

The College's low faculty-student ratio yields a high degree of student-

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#### **MEDIA CLIPS**

"It's the explosion of the Internet, what we call 'armchair recruitment.'"

-Stephanie Balmer, associate vice president for enrollment and dean of admission in *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* 

#### **ACCOLADES**

• Beth Walton Callaway '47 held a symposium for governors' wives and transportation executives to encourage the planting of wildflowers along highways. She has been active with the Lady Bird Johnson Wildlife Center in Texas.

 Helen Haynes Patton '56 received the first Helen Flanders Dunbar Award from the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education.

# Brady '04 Named a Pickering Fellow

shley Lorraine Brady '04, an international relations major, has been selected to pursue a career path with the U.S. Department of State as a Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellow.

"This represents a remarkable achievement for Ashley," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "Only 20 students in the nation are selected annually for this program. Ashley has demonstrated an outstanding record of achievement, and this accomplishment really expands that account."

The fellowship is named for

Ambassador Pickering, a career diplomat and former U.S. undersecretary of state who retired in January 2001. Students named to the fellowship are prepared academically and professionally to enter the Foreign Service with the State Department.

The fellowship provides tuition for the junior and senior years of undergraduate studies and for the first year of graduate school, a living stipend, mandatory fees related to studies, reimbursement for books, roundtrip travel between home and school once each year and significant training for a Foreign Service

career

Students attend graduate schools affiliated with the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, which administers the Pickering Fellowships. The graduate school provides financial assistance for the second year of studies.

"I received the call that I was a finalist during [spring] finals week and had to fly to Washington to do the interviews," Brady said. "That was tough to be away at such a critical time, but apparently, the interviews went well.

"When I received the message, all I heard was 'Congratulations,' and I hung

up the phone and started calling my family," Brady said. "But from the time I applied, I prayed about it a lot. Once I got the fellowship, I immediately realized it was a tremendous blessing."

As part of her career preparation, Brady will participate in annual orientations in Washington, D.C., complete two paid internships with the State Department and have a Foreign Service officer mentor during her studies. When she completes her graduate degree, Brady will enter the Foreign Service with a minimum commitment of four years.

—Lee Dancy



As a Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellow, Ashley Brady '04 is one of only 20 college juniors in the United States chosen for the special program.

In the News

### Luce Moore Award Honors President's China Work

President Mary Brown Bullock '66 received one of the first three Elisabeth Luce Moore Visionary Leadership Awards at an October event in New York benefiting the China Institute.

"I am pleased and honored to be invited to be among the first group of women to receive this award," said Bullock, who received the award for her leadership in U.S.-China relations. "Elisabeth Luce Moore's life always has been an inspiration to me."

Two other women, Lulu Wang, philanthropist and chair of Tupelo Capital Management, and Mimi Gardner Gates, director of the Seattle Art Museum, also accepted the award.

Established in 1926, the China Institute in America is a nonprofit, non-partisan educational and cultural institution promoting the understanding, appreciation and enjoyment of traditional and contemporary Chinese civilization, culture and heritage and providing the cultural and historical context for understanding contemporary China

The event celebrated the life of "Beth" Moore, known as "The First Lady of the China Institute" for her tireless work for that organization during her 59 years as a member, volunteer and trustee. Moore, who served as an editor at *Time* and *Fortune* magazines, died Feb. 9, at age 98.

—Lee Dancy

• Bullock was also appointed to the board of directors of Genuine Parts, an auto parts distributor and Fortune 500 company based in Atlanta.

• Agnes Scott remains the owner of the Victorian-era painting, The Reconciliation of the Montagues and the Capulets over the Dead Bodies of Romeo and Juliet by Frederic, Lord Leighton, following the conclusion of an auction at Christie's in London Nov. 27. The massive oil piece painted from



AROLINE JOE PHOTOGI

President Mary Brown Bullock '66' stresses a point to her students during her China Since Mao history class. Bullock taught a class during the fall semester.

1854 to 1855 was withdrawn from bidding for lack of a sufficient offer. Valued from 1 million to 2 million British pounds, the Leighton painting joined several others that evening that were not sold. As of December, the painting remained in London. The College will decide early this year if it will continue to offer Leighton's masterpiece for sale or put it on exhibition.

• Agnes Scott College received a \$172,000, three-year grant from the National Science Foundation to use data from the National Radio Astronomy Observatory to study regions of ionized gas that surround young, massive stars.

When completed, the project will have identified new morphological types and physical characteristics (temperature, density and gas motion) of nearly 100 regions where stars form in the spiral arms of our galaxy. The project, led by Chris De Pree, assistant professor of astronomy, will produce two- and three-dimensional computer models of the evolution of HII regions, clouds of hot gas surrounding young massive stars.

The grant also will fund the preparation of education and outreach materials to be disseminated by NRAO to explain the process of star formation and the evolution of the environments of young massive stars to teachers, students and

amateur astronomers.

• The College is joining the Sally Ride Science Club to kick off the Sally Ride Science Camp, an innovative, hands-on adventure for girls, this summer. Two one-week camps are scheduled for June 15-20 and June 22-27.

Amy Lovell, assistant professor of astronomy, is designing the academics aspect of the camp. "I'm in charge of the astronomy content. Many others will develop the games and activities, but I'm shepherding what the girls will learn about and do with astronomy during their week at camp."

In working with these camps, Agnes Scott is combining its commitment to science with the club's dedication to developing programs that inspire girls' interest in math, science and technology. For more information about the camps, visit www.sallyridecamps.com or call 800 561-5161.

• Amy Hawkins '03, a philosophy major, has had a paper accepted for presentation during the Pacific division meeting of the American Philosophical Association. Hawkins' paper, "H.L.A. Hart and Judicial Discretion," will be presented during the Society for Student Philosophers meeting, which is held in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association conference in March.

# Nearly a Century Old, Black Cat<sup>\*</sup> Keeps Evolving

Black Cat is an Agnes Scott tradition that is nearly a century old, and like many traditions, draws mixed reviews among students, faculty and alumnae.

In 1915, Mary Frances Sweet, College physician and professor of hygiene (1908-1937), proposed a day of student competitions between the sophomore and first-year classes to replace the unofficial hazing of first years by sophomores.

The College named this competition in honor of Sweet's black cat, and the winning class received a bronze black cat as its prize.

In 1950, Black Cat expanded to include all classes and faculty participation. During the late '50s, the event was a weekend of songs, skits, athletic events, a picnic and a dance, a tradition that continued for several years.

Now, Black Cat spans a week and includes class party days, a bonfire and competitions for decoration and costume. Traditionally, it occurs at the end of orientation and welcoming phase for first years.

"I like the creative aspects—the songs, the clever humor in Junior Production [when it is a good satire] and the field hockey—that was a large part when I was a student," said Gué Hudson '68, vice president for student life and community relations and dean of students. "I loved the dances and think they should be a part of the song competition. The things I don't like are the excesses: the competitiveness, meanness, hurtful skits and the importance that once was placed on pranks."

Crystal L. Steadham '97, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college, agreed about the cleverness of Junior Production. "[It] is a must-see. Sitting in the balcony with the very professors who are being impersonated on stage is always a hoot!"

"I think Black Cat is wonderful ... It creates the ASC environment!" said Elizabeth Simpson '04.

While some students cherish the relaxed campus atmosphere during Black Cat, others feel it is too competitive and class rivalries create tension that overshadows the intent. For 2002, Mortar Board-sponsored pranks were eliminated because of maliciousness in the past two years.

"I was happy to find out that pranks would not be official this year. The class of 2003 is notorious for pulling pranks that land me in Dean Hudson's office," said Yolanda Robinson '03, senior class president. "If I could wish for anything, I would wish for Black Cat events to be less competitive and more communal."

Faculty and staff, like students, are divided. Richard Parry, professor of philosophy, opposes Black Cat. "I have been here for 35 years, and I don't like Black Cat because students who are supposed to be young, mature women act like little girls. This is their introduction to college?"

Mac Pitts, residence life director, sees it differently. "I have no problem with Black Cat, as long as none of the students get hurt."

While debating the merits of Black Cat, faculty, staff and students all agree the tradition is a good one but the time and energy involved should be limited.

"I think the students should consider moving it to Fall Break, so those who do not want to participate can leave campus for that time," said Rafael Ocasio, associate professor

"A week is too long to be distracted from much-needed study time," Kelli Murgado '03 said.

"I think it's important to have traditions," said Linda Hubert '62, professor of English. "I'm just not enthusiastic about the so-called pranks and decorations that keep students up to all hours hanging crepe paper. The contests—athletic, musical, and the satiric skits themselves—have, over the years, been what I've valued most."

—Martha Gaston '04

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# Hutchinson '86 To Be Alumna in Residence



Alumna in Residence Amy Hutchinson '86 will be on campus Feb. 25-27 meeting with students.

my Hutchinson '86 will be the 2002-03 Ayse I. Carden Alumna in Residence. Hutchinson recently joined the faculty at Emory University as an associate professor of ophthalmology.

"My specialty is pediatric ophthalmology," Hutchinson said. "As such, I have three jobs ... to have a clinical practice, to teach and to do research. What that means is that I spend about two to two and a half days a week seeing patients, about one to two days doing eye surgery and about one day a week set aside for research, teaching or other administrative tasks.

Hutchinson, who left the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston in the fall after seven years, lectures some, but most of her teaching is day-to-day on-the-job training for residents and fellows.

Hutchinson credits her liberal arts background with making her more attuned to patients. "Patients often judge the quality of their physician not by their fund of knowledge or impressive CVs, but by whether or not the physician listens to their concerns and addresses them square-

Hutchinson, a psychology major, said her Agnes Scott professors paid individual attention and ensured she understood difficult concepts. 'This is a departure from the experience of some of my medical school classmates who took their classes in huge lecture halls and had direct contact with graduate assistants but not their pro-

While on campus Feb. 25-27, Hutch-

inson will give a campus-wide talk, teach several classes and meet with small groups of students.

The Alumna in Residence program brings to campus alumnae who majored in psychology or a related science and who have international experience to engage in teaching and learning experiences with students. Established by a gift from Carden '66 and her husband, John, the program celebrates alumnae achievements and provides students with examples of successful alumnae.

While working with ORBIS International as a volunteer physician, Hutchinson went to Vietnam twice in 2000 on teaching missions. On the first mission, she and her colleague discovered an epidemic of retinopathy of prematurity,

which is an eye disease affecting premature babies that can cause blindness if not treated.

We helped them set up a program to prevent childhood blindness with an emphasis on retinopathy," Hutchinson said. "Two of the doctors came to Charleston for two months to train with me. Upon our recommendation, ORBIS provided the Vietnamese physicians with a laser to enable them to treat retinopathy of prematurity.

Hutchinson is excited about returning to Atlanta and the new science building. I am thrilled about the College's renewed interest in directing young women into careers in medicine and science and am honored to have been asked to have a role -Wendy Cromwell

# AlumNet Helps With Creating Powerful Network

he AlumNet on-line directory and career networking services have arrived! I hope you have logged on at http://alumnet.agnesscott.edu updated your information and seen how easy it is to find friends or make new contacts.

The directory is only available to alumnae and is set up so you control the information you share by checking the display boxes in your personal profile. If you have misplaced your user ID that was mailed in October or forgotten your password, contact alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

As part of the system, we have listserv

A Word

from Marilyn

Hammond

capabilities, a handy communication tool that allows members to post suggestions or ask questions to a large number of people at the same time. When you submit a question or something that you want to share with the group, it is distributed to everyone on that list.

For example, if you are interested in good books to read,

sign up for the Readers' Connection listserv. You can share your latest find or ask for suggestions from other Agnes Scott book lovers. When you sign up, you choose how you receive messages from four options, ranging from an e-mail of each message when sent to a summary at the end of each day or access when you go to a Web site.

And if you would like to start a listserv group on a particular topic, contact me at mhammond@

agnesscott.edu. also hope you'll go to the Career Network section of the ASC AlumNet and sign up to be a Career Connections volunteer. By doing so, you will provide information about your career path and permission for other alumnae or Agnes Scott students to read about your accomplishments and contact you for insight. You will not be expected to provide job leads and can choose the frequency and form of contact you

Agnes Scott's AlumNet is our chance to create a powerful network of women we know and trust with whom we can share information and ideas. I hope you will use it and let us know how it we can make it even better.

Mailyn Johnson Harrivord



Fifth-year student Karen Jones '02 (left) and Ayana Payne '03 (right) turn rope for Kristin Johnson '03 during Little Girls Day in September. The event was held in September before Senior Investiture.

# Red Rover, Red Rover Little Girls All Over

eaving a legacy meant reviving an old tradition for the class of 2003. The Friday before Senior Investiture found class members playing kickball, jumping rope and playing childhood games for Little Girls Day once a traditional event at the College.

"We wanted to start traditions and revive old ones to leave our legacy," said Class President Yolanda Robinson '03.

Robinson said Jamey Fisher '03 and Sarah Gillooly '03 discovered the tradition while looking through old yearbooks for

a research project. 'They started asking questions. President [Mary Brown] Bullock ['66] and Dean [Gué] Hudson ['68] didn't do it when they were

Little Girls Day apparently ended with the 1958 class. It traditionally occurred the Friday before Senior Investiture because it "was the last official day for fun and games before seniors entered the adult world," Robinson said.

'It was a silly day," said Martha Meyer '58, who is glad the senior class is trying to revive the tradition. "We dressed up like children and misbehaved. We took over chapel and ran wild.

Meyer's classmate, Harriet Talmadge Mill,



Karen Jones'02 (left) and Ayana Payne '03 (right) turn rope for Kate Rivers '03, who was learning how to double-Dutch jump rope.

said it was a way to hassle the underclasswomen. We'd burst into their rooms and shoot them with water guns. It was our last fling at childhood before we entered the world of mortarboards. It was our day to act like fools.

The Little Girls Day research intrigued the class of 2003, Robinson said. We had so much fun. We're thinking about doing it again in the spring.

Dean Hudson played kickball with us," she said. That was comedy! She promised to come back out and play with us because we're her favorite class on campus.

Other activities for the 30 or so students included Red Rover, Candy Land, hopscotch and jump rope.

We all went home and took naps. I don't think we realized how exhausting playing games was," Robinson said. "We all concluded we were too old to be out there running around. Next time, we're playing card games."

The senior class plans to give the games it bought to the class of 2004 in hopes the junior class will continue the tradition.

You just do it," Robinson said. "It's up to the students to continue this. The College isn't going to step in. It's a student initiative.

-Wendy Cromwell

#### **Spring Cultural Events Series**

Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation "The Civil Rights Movement in Atlanta" Constance Curry '55 and Elizabeth

- 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 24, Presser Hall.
- Free admission.

#### Joseph R. Gladden Ir. **Public Lecture Series**

"Cómo Vivimos: Hispanic Lives in Atlanta" by Martha W. Rees, associate professor of anthropology and chair of sociology and anthropology, with Claire Willeford '04.
• 5 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 5, Science

Center, Teasley Lecture Hall (G-09).

Hush: Composing Blind Tom Wiggins (kickoff for production tour of Southeast). • 8 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Feb. 7-8, Presser Hall.

• General: \$15. Reduced: \$10.

#### 2003 James Ross McCain Faith and Learning Lecture

- Cheryl Kirk-Duggan. • 8 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 11, Presser Hall.
- Free but requires a ticket for entrance.

#### Founder's Day

• Janet Holmgren, president of Mills College, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, Rebekah Hall, Katharine Woltz Reception

#### The Whirling Dervishes

A Spiritual Journey—Sufi Music Concert and Sema Ceremony; The Contemporary Lovers of Mevlana.

• 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, Presser Hall.

• General: \$15. Reduced: \$10.

#### **Regina Carter Quintet**

- 8 p.m. Saturday, March 1, Presser Hall.
- General: \$20. Reduced: \$15.

#### **Women's History Month**

"Circuits of Violence: Sexual Assault and the State" Angela Davis

• 8 p.m. Friday, March 21, Presser Hall.

• Free but requires a ticket for entrance.

#### Writers' Festival

Julia Alvarez, Cary Bynum and Greg Williamson.

• Thursday-Friday March 27-28.

• Julia Alvarez, author, reading:

8 p.m. March 27, Presser Hall.

• Greg Williamson, poet, reading:

4 p.m. March 27, Winter Theatre.

Cary Bynum, playwright, reading: 10 a.m. March 28, Dana Fine Arts Building, Winter Theatre.

The Maids by Jean Genet

Genet's towering classic of the Theatre of the Absurd, concerning two sisters who engage in a dark, ritualistic re-enactment of their mistreatment at the hands of their mistress, and the tragic outcome of their twisted charade. Performed by the Blackfriars.

• 8 p.m., April 4, 5, 11 and 12, Dana Fine Arts Building, Winter Theatre.

• 2 p.m., April 6 and 13, Winter Theatre. • General public: \$6, Reduced: \$4, ASC students free.

· For more information about spring events, contact the Office of Special Events and Conferences at 404 471-6430 or www.agnesscott.edu.

2002 General Election

# Harris Leads Alum Charge In Elections

atherine Harris '79 became the first Agnes Scott alumna elected to a national political office when she won a U.S. House of Representatives seat from Florida in November.

"I'm surprised," Harris said. "There are so many accomplished women from Agnes Scott. Only, perhaps, this is because women have not participated in the political arena until recent years.

"We [Agnes Scott women] are well represented in the sciences, humanities and other areas," Harris said, noting she received an excellent education at the College while earning a bachelor's in history. "I was able to focus on my studies. I had social opportunities when I wanted them, but the professors really focused on us."

Harris, a Republican spotlighted as Florida's secretary of state during the 2000 presidential election, ran in the 13th District, representing Manatee, Sarasota, Hardee, Desoto and Charlotte counties. She resigned as secretary of state during her campaign for the U.S. House.

Harris won 54.8 percent of the vote against Jan Schneider, her Democrat opponent. She earned her master's in international trade and negotiations from Harvard University and served as a state senator in Florida before being elected secretary of state in 1998.

Elsewhere around the country:

• Kathy Ashe '68 won her re-election bid for the Georgia House of Representatives, District 42, Post 2. Ashe defeated Stan Matarazzo, a Republican, with 55.9 percent of the vote.

"Agnes Scott helps me when all the alums, who feel connected, call me and tell me what I ought to be doing," said Ashe, crediting alumnae for putting Ashe signs in their yards and contributing to her campaign. 'They're all over the place."

First elected in 1991, Ashe represents Fulton and DeKalb counties and serves as an Agnes Scott trustee. This will be her seventh two-year term. Ashe said she will work to increase tuition equalization grants for independent schools.

"Private schools like Agnes Scott deserve the support they get," Ashe said. "Every time a student goes to Agnes Scott, it saves the state money from having to educate her at a public school."

• Angelia Speirs '88, who earned a bachelor's in biology, won her tight race against Lauren "Bubba" McDonald to be the public service commissioner for District 4 in Georgia. Speirs, a Republican, won 47.6 percent of the vote to McDonald's 47 percent. A Libertarian candidate received 5.4 percent.

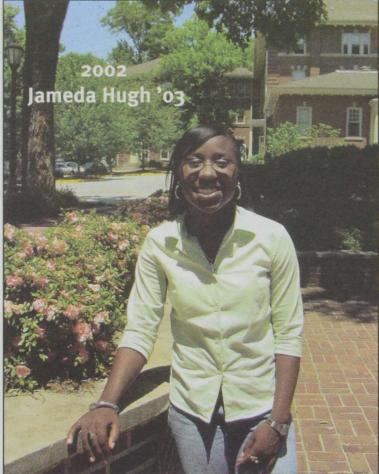
"The education I received at Agnes Scott has helped me throughout my career," said Speirs, adding she was honored to be the first woman elected to the Public Service Commission in Georgia. "The most indispensable skills that I acquired at ASC are tenacity, confidence and forti-

• Margaret Evans Porter '80 also ran for a seat in the New Hampshire House of Representatives. Porter, who earned a bachelor's in English and theatre, lost an eight-person race for four seats to represent District 18.

-Wendy Cromwell

• Editors note: Main Events may have missed other alumnae running for political office in the 2002 general election. If you know of an alumna who won or ran for a political office, please e-mail Wendy Cromwell at wcromwell@agnesscott.edu.

#### Suzanne Goodman Elson Award





# Award Helps Recipients With Projects

WINNERS HONORED TO BE RECOGNIZED BY PEERS FOR EFFORTS TO MAKE AGNES SCOTT A BETTER PLACE

ith the money from the Suzanne Goodman Elson '59 Award, Kathie White Harper '88 put a down payment on a car that she drove for the next 11 years. Ashley Zauderer '02 attended a physics conference, and this year's recipient was able to afford summer housing while doing an internship.

Harper was the first recipient of the award, given to "that Agnes Scott student who best reflects, in the judgment of her peers, those qualities of kindness, decency and integrity that, combined with an unusual intellectual curiosity on her part, would make the Agnes Scott experience more meaningful." The award was established in 1987 by Suzanne Goodman Elson's husband, Edward.

"I was honored to be selected by my peers, especially during my junior year," Harper said. "I truly had a great college experience, and it was wonderful to know I had touched so many people. It was the most meaningful award I received while at Agnes Scott."

Harper served as treasurer and president of the Student Government Association and was a member of Mortar Board and Circle K. A mathematics and economics double major, she was a Dana and Honor scholar.

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After graduation, Harper worked for SunTrust in programming and marketing. In 1998, she moved to Charlotte,

N.C., with First Union and later Quaero, a small consulting company. She and husband, Jim are parents to toddler Elizabeth and baby James. Harper is now a full-time mother.

She has served as reunion chair and class president, and she is a co-chair for the Charlotte Alumnae Chapter.

Ashley Zauderer '02 was the 15th recipient of the Elson

Award.

"It was a huge honor," she said. "I make it a goal to share God's love and smile at the people I meet, and it's really encouraging to know that that's happened." Zauderer, an astrophysics major, is a Dana Scholar and Presidential Scholar, athlete, dancer and pianist.

She used the prize money to attend a physics and astronomy conference last fall in Canada. The conference celebrated the 50th anniversary of the neutral hydrogen line from outer space. Zauderer presented research she started the year before while working as part of a 14-student team at the Very Large Array in Socorro, N.M.

"I had been invited but wasn't sure if I was going to get to go," she said. "So, the conference is something I couldn't have done if I hadn't had a little extra help."

Jameda Hugh '03, this year's recipient, agreed. "I am in the middle of my internship at the Atlanta History Center, and the prize money is helping me pay for summer housing." Hugh, a Gates Scholar and Honor Court president, sings in Joyful Noise and plays varsity softball.

"I really teared up when my name was called because it made me feel appreciated," Hugh said. "This College means so much to me. For my ambition, personality and character to be recognized by my peers means the world to me. I am truly grateful."

—Kristin Kallaher '04



Dudley Zopp '63 was one of 11 artists honored by Maine in September.

## Dudley Zopp '63 Receives One of Maine's Top Artistic Honors

unday afternoons were spent drawing on her own in Decatur. A French major, Dudley Zopp '63 credits her time at Agnes Scott with teaching her how to think.

"My experience at Agnes Scott honed my ability to think critically and gave me a deep sense of confidence in myself as a person, qualities which are invaluable to me now as an artist."

Those qualities played a role in Zopp receiving Maine's "highest artistic honor,"

one of 11 Individual Artist Fellowships

The fellowships are awarded every two years in visual arts, media arts and traditional arts. Zopp was one of 11 chosen by a multi-disciplinary jury from a field of 158 applicants, Zopp submitted slides and a statement about her work.

The 11 fellows were honored with a September exhibition and catalog at the University of Maine-Farmington.

"It was definitely gratifying to be recog-

nized as a painter in Maine, a state which has a long and important history of land-scape painting and where so many fine painters are at work today," Zopp said.

She was drawn to Maine because the Northern Coast reflected the imagined landscapes that she was trying to paint. Zopp kept returning to work on site and eventually moved there.

After obtaining two French degrees from the University of Kentucky, Zopp returned to school for studio classes in

painting and drawing at the University of Louisville. Her voice is an abstract one in many mediums, including wooden panels, oil paintings and monoprints.

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"All my work begins with real places and physical forms—for instance, rock formations, blueberry barrens, peat bogs," said Zopp. "But in the process of painting in the studio, those places become concepts filtered by memory and transmuted by my desire to distill archetypal forms from local particularities."

—Wendy Cromwell

## Boney Sheats Held College's First Callaway Professorship

ary Boney Sheats, professor emerita of Bible and religion, died Oct. 29 in Wilmington, N.C. Sheats joined the College's faculty in 1949 and served until 1983.

She was named Charles A. Dana Professor of Bible and Religion shortly after her appointment to the College and in 1980 was named Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Bible and Religionthe College's first Callaway pro-

"Her teaching was dynamic, with lots of lively discussion, and her classes seemed always to be full," said Marilyn Hammond '68, director of alumnae relations.

Sheats, a Phi Beta Kappa, graduated from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro with a bachelor's in education in 1938; received a master of arts in creative education from Emory University; and a doctorate in literature of religion from Columbia University. She also did doctoral

work at Union Theological Seminary in New York and at Oxford University in England.

"She is remembered fondly by many whose lives she touched Mary Brown Bullock



Wallace M. Alston brought Mary **Boney Sheats** to Agnes Scott.

Sheats worked with former Agnes Scott President Wallace M. Alston (1951-1973), under whose leadership she served as director of Christian education at both the First Presbyterian Church of Charleston in West Virginia and at Druid Hills Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. She was also the first woman elder at Decatur Presbyterian Church.

Julia T. Gary, dean of the college emerita, remembers Sheats fondly. In addition to her academic and religious pursuits, Sheats traveled including visits to England, Scandinavia and Austria.

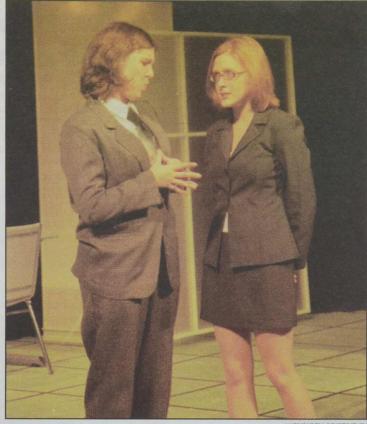
'She was a fine classroom teacher, a strong biblical scholar and intensely interested in students," Gary said.

After she retired from the College in 1983, Sheats continued to lead an active career in religious service. In 2000, she received the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Higher Education Award, and she was also the recipient of UNC Greensboro's Distinguished Alumni Award and St. Andrews Presbyterian College's Margaret Bowen Distinguished Services to Christian Education Prize. She wrote five books on religion and contributed a monthly Bible study column for Outlook magazine for several years during her retire-

Sheats is survived by her sister, two brothers and two step-daugh-

Memorials may be made to the Mary Boney Sheats Scholarship Fund through the College's Office of Development.

-Kristin Kallaher '04



BLACKFRIARS: Sara Guinn 'o6 (left) and Amber Gugino 'o3 discuss the progress of the newly instituted artificial language Ptydepe in *The Memorandum* by Vaclav Havel, which was staged in late October and early November as part of the 2002-03 Cultural Events Series. In April, the Blackfriars will stage *The Maids* by Jean Genet.

# Experience-Based Learning Reinforced

NEW OFFICE COORDINATES PROGRAMS TO ENHANCE ACADEMICS

xperiential learning is a growing part of the liberal arts experience at Agnes Scott. As such, the College has created a new office to coordinate several programs.

Subcommittee Experience-Based Learning established this form of pedagogy based on the belief that action, reflection and critical thinking intensify student learning and development.

"It's an impressive initiative," said Isa Williams, director of the Office of College's new Experiential Learning. "Students are able to integrate their curricular experiences with inquiry into off-campus experiences

Experience-based learning reinforces a student's knowledge related to her academic, career and personal interests while preparing her for professional and civic engagement as well as social responsibility.

The new office coordinates several experiential learning programs, including The Atlanta Semester, the Hubert Scholars Washington program, Leadership Education Network, study-abroad programs and forcredit internships

Claire Willeford '04 has worked with Hispanic immigrants in Atlanta since she was 14. After she heard about the Hubert Scholars program, which awards up to \$3,000 to selected students who design social service internships, she approached adviser Martha Rees, associate professor of anthropology, about devising a plan to continue her work while receiving program funding.

"Dr. Rees recommended that I try to work something out with her friend Ximena Avellaneda, who is the director of Casa de la Mujer, a community outreach center for the general community

(and especially women) in Oaxaca, Mexico," Willeford said.

"Ximena told me to go ahead with it and that there would almost surely be a place for me there this summer," Willeford, who will spend two or three months working in Oaxaca as a Hubert Scholar. "I think this is a wonderful opportunity for me because it will help me better serve Mexican immigrants in the United States by learning about the conditions they face at home and the background that they

Although programs such as the Hubert Scholars and the Washington Semester allow students to engage in experiential learning outside Atlanta, many programs operating under the new office take advantage of being in Atlanta. Williams, who is also the director of The Atlanta Semester program and assistant professor of women's studies, emphasizes the importance of the College's location to experiential

"We've always had internships with places like the Carter Center and the CDC [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention]. We are just so strategically positioned in Atlanta. Building and strengthening the relationships we have with these places are my job," she said.

Opportunities for student experiential learning lie in business, government, education, nonprofit and numerous other organizations and ventures. Most Agnes Scott students participate in at least one form of off-campus experiential learning, such as the Atlanta Semester, which examines women, leadership and social change, or a study abroad program, such as Global Awareness or Global Connections.

-Kristin Kallaher '04

#### **Faculty and Staff News**

• Martha Bishop, artist affiliate in cello, viola da gamba and composition, composed Suite No. 2 for two bass viola da gambas in North Carolina for the Fourth of July. Suite No. 2 is also being published by PRB Publications. She served on the facul ty of the Mountain Collegium from July 1 to 6 in Young Harris, Ga., and the Viola da Gamba Society of America Conclave from July 21 to 28 in Rindge, N.H. Bishop was also the music director for the Amherst Early Music Workshop from July 28 to Aug. 13 in Storrs, Conn.

• Marylin B. Darling, professor of dance, attended the International Council for Fine Arts Deans in Toronto, Canada Oct. 29-Nov. 1 Darling conducted a presentation on "Do Awards Make a Difference?

• Calvert Johnson, Charles A. Dana Professor of Music, had *England*: 1660-1730, Vol. 4, and Italy: 1550-1650, Vol. 6, in the series Historical Organ Techniques and Repertoire: An Historical Survey of Organ Performance Practices and Repertoire published in July by Wayne Leupold Editions (Greensboro, N.C.) • Tracey E.W. Laird, assistant profes-

sor of music, participated in the NEH Summer Institute's Regional Studies for Liberal Arts Learning: an Appalachian Exemplar in June. It was a monthlong seminar focused on Appalachian culture, literature, history and the place of regional studies within a liberal arts curriculum.

• Lyn Schenbeck, director of choral and orchestral activities, had "A Study of Student-Community Orchestras in the United States and Canada," published in the 2001 summer/fall issue of The Journal of the Conductors Guild, Vol. 22, Nos. 1&2. The article was cowritten with Rebecca Rose '00, her research scholar. Schenbeck also had two choral-music reviews, "Carol of the Brightest Star" by Winnagene Hatch and "She Walks in Beauty" by David N. Childs, published in the August issue of Choral Journal of the American Choral Directors Association.

· Sara Thompson, adjunct instructor in theatre, served as a reviewer for Acting: Onstage and Off and received an acknowledgement in the recent third edition. The popular text was written by Robert Barton, an award-winning teacher of acting and head of the University of Oregon acting program.

• Waqas Khwaja, assistant professor of English, had two articles, "Zulfikar Ghose" and "Mohsin Hamid", published in South Asia Novelists in English An A-to-Z Guide, Jaina C. Sanga, editor. (Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press 2002). The entries include a short biography, discussion of major works and themes, summary of critical reception and a list of primary and secondary sources. He also had a poem Riverflow published in the fall/winter 2002 issue of Atlanta Review. Khwaja was a featured speaker on The Middle East: A Region in Crisis' Oct. 8 at the Southern Center for International Studies and "Misconceptions about the Koran: Some Basic Issues" during an interfaith service commemorating the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon at First Baptist Church of Decatur. He also served as a panelist at a July 24 event organized by South Asians for Unity at Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. • Rafael Ocasio, associate professor of Spanish, published "La Novela de mi

vida" and "Reinaldo Arenas, aunque anochezca: Textos y documentos" in the July/August issue of Críticas

• Richard Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy, had his paper 'Platonic Virtue Ethics and the End of Virtue" published in July in the History of Philosophy, Vol. 19.

 Hong Qu, assistant professor of religious studies, presented a paper on "Impact of Islamic Family Law on Malaysian Muslim Women," at the "Globalizing Asia: Shifting Identities and Continuities" conference, sponsored by the Ford Foundation and the Asian Scholarship Foundation. The paper dealt with polygamy and divorce—issues closely related to Muslim women's status and legal rights in contemporary Malaysia.

 Laura Sugg, former Julia Thompson Smith Chaplain and assistant professor of religious studies, had a devotion/prayer regarding September 11 published in the new edition of Strength for Service to God and Country (Providence House Publishers). Sugg also gave a lecture and participated in a panel discussion about "Three Religions: One God" Oct. 23 and Nov. 6 at the Sidney Marcus Jewish Community Center. Her lecture was "An Introduction to Christianity."

#### SOCIAL SCIENCES

• William Henry Weber III, a former economics professor, died Nov. 15. Weber taught at Agnes Scott for 10 years and retired as the Barton chair of free enterprise at Lyon College in

• Eileen Cooley, associate professor of psychology, was one of three editors for Pathways to Prominence in Neuropsychology: Reflections of 20th Century pioneers, published in July by Psychology Press (New York).

• Betty Scott Noble, assistant profes-

sor of education, participated in the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges review for the Woodward

Academy Aug. 25-27.

• Cathy Scott, professor of political science, had a chapter, "White Mischief: U.S. Support for Apartheid, 1948-1961," published in Ethnic Identity Groups and U.S. Foreign Policy, edited by Thomas Ambrosio (Westport, Conn.: Praeger Publishers) Praeger Publishers)

• Isa Williams, director of experiential learning and assistant professor of women's studies, participated in the New Approaches and Issues in Teaching Sociology: Strengthening Sociology and Women's Studies through Experiential Education: A Panel Discussion of Academic Programs and Courses that Blend Teaching, Research and Learning' roundtable discussion Aug. 17 at the 97th annual meeting of the American Sociological Association Conference in Chicago. She also co-wrote "An Intersectional Model: Exploring Gender with Ethnic and Cultural Diversity" with Elizabeth Beck in the July issue of Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work, Vol. 10. Williams was also a contributing author for "Women's Leadership and Social Change in the Atlanta Semester Program" in *Teaching Feminist Activism* published by Routledge Press in New York and was a feature interview for "Women's Lives and Leadership" in On Campus with Women Vol. 31, No. 3, published by the Association of American Colleges and Universities. Williams was invited to write an essay, "Human Rights, Racism and Women's Leadership,

#### SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

for Women's News & Narratives/The Newsletter of Emory Women's Center, Vol. 11

 Amy Lovell, assistant professor of astronomy, attended the American Astronomical Society Division for Planetary Sciences Meeting Oct. 7-11 in Birmingham, Ala. Lovell presented two pieces: "Spectral Line Mapping Observations of 18-cm OH Lines in Comets" and "Variability of the Thermal Emission of Vesta at 870

• Robert A. Leslie, associate professor of mathematics, presented Travel Lab Component" and participated in the "Statistics as a Service Subject in First Level Courses" session International Conference on the Teaching of Statistics in Capetown, South Africa.

· Larry Riddle, professor of mathematics, supervised the grading of 200,000 Advanced Placement Calculus exams as the chief reader for the AP Calculus program June 3-16 at Colorado State University. He also presented the results of the 2002 AP Calculus exams at the first AP National Conference, a gathering of the AP teachers, administrators, college and university faculty and legislators.

• Tim Hussey, APR, director of interactive communications, was elected to the board of the Public Relations Society of America's Georgia Chapter. Hussey will serve for two years.

#### **New Science Building Grand Opening**

"Also, her grant enables women to consider being serious scientists earlier in their college careers. That's a marvelous contribution."

> LEWIS THAYNE, VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

## Gary: CRT Aids Donor, Recipients

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Scientific research can be funded in the way it works best at Agnes Scott, as a collaborative effort and with students and faculty members planning and working together over a period of time.

"Dean Gary's vision is shared by Agnes Scott faculty and students and it is reflected in the design of academic programs and facilities," said Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology and science building shepherd. "We already have research groups of faculty and students with projects that are ready to be moved into the new facilities and receive support for summer work.

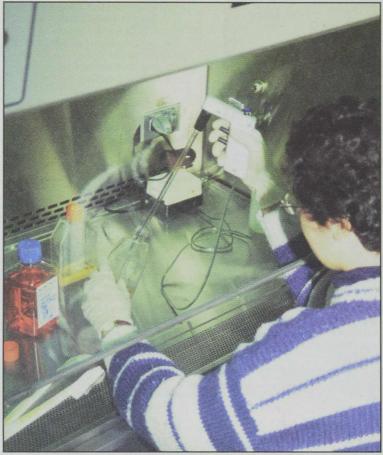
Thayne said Gary's gift will allow College scientists to embark on research that may need 12 to 18 months to complete. "Also, her grant enables women to consider being serious scientists earlier in their college careers. That's a marvelous contri-

The charitable remainder annuity trust, part of a \$1 million trust divided between Agnes Scott College and Randolph-Macon Woman's College, enabled Gary to give without losing her income.

"I hope the stock market goes up," Gary said, adding the trust was established with stocks she inherited from her father. The trust enables a trustee to convert the stocks into something that will pay better dividends without capital taxes. "This is irrevocable. I can't change my mind, but it is a nice insurance policy for me."

For example, if Gary maintained the stocks, valued at \$1 million, she would earn about 2 percent, about \$20,000. But with the charitable remainder annuity trust, which earns about 7 percent, she receives about \$70,000 in income.

The \$500,000 going to Woman's Randolph-Macon College will be used for faculty



Carina Fernandez Golarz '03, a biology major, works on splitting transformed T-cells and monitoring their growth rate. Golarz works with Tim Finco, assistant professor of biology. Julia T. Gary's gift for summer research will help fund more student-faculty research projects.



Rebecca Poole '04, a chemistry major, studies the acid/base chemistry of reverse micelle interfaces under the guidance of Ruth Riter, assistant professor of chemistry.

development. "I spent 27 years at Agnes Scott," said Gary, a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College. "This is something I can



Cindy Zheng '04, a biochemistry and molecular major, works with Tim Finco, assistant professor of biology, to find the trigger for T-cells during an immune response.

do for both of them as well as make a sane financial decision for

-Wendy Cromwell

## White: Papers Outline Program Needs, Costs

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collaboration and research. This can lead to presenting at events where field experts are also presenters, a thrilling and proofing experience for a junior or senior who will soon be defending a master's thesis—or addressing an employer's board of directors. Currently, Zumwalt says, travel for these trips is funded piecemeal until department discretionary funds run dry.

An endowment is sought for bringing a well-known author to campus to serve as a named distinguished visiting professor. The College also hopes to increase its relationships with Atlanta businesses and to create more combined

programs with nearby universities.

Agnes Scott's success with global studies means incoming students expect it will be part of their experience. Ghana, Cuba, Greece, China and Bulgaria have been among recent destinations. Reciprocally, 8.5 percent of the class of 2006 is made of international students, Zumwalt said. Merit and need-based scholarships could help more students study

The papers underline that the tools of modern education are costly and their shelf life short, said Lewis Thayne, vice president for institutional advancement.

"Our technology needs to represent the equivalent of having built another library and maintaining it,"

Thayne said. In other words, software ages quickly and computers are replaced often to prevent falling behind in a resource required for student research, communication and basics such as registration, syllabi and coursework.

"We want our alumnae to connect with Agnes Scott today," Thayne said. "With new faculty and new buildings and the increase in students, the College can do more than it's ever been able to do.'

The effort is also stewardship, Thayne said. "People want to know what they're giving to," he said. "It's a matter of transparency, and What will my gift do for Agnes Scott?' Our donors are interested in that, for all the right reasons."

—Lisa Ashmore

# Center: Campus Use Encouraged

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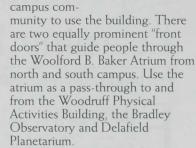
These facilities and the programs that operate within them will attract students and faculty who are interested in work in the sciences that includes opportunities for research in a liberal arts environ-

There are no highly rated liberal arts colleges without excellent science programs. The new building sends a strong signal that we are among that group of institutions.

New science buildings attract and retain students and faculty, increase college enrollments, raise SAT scores of admitted students and

spark vigorous intellectual activity in fields of knowledge that are critically important both to the well-being of individuals and of our nation.

Again, we sincerely invite the



Bowden

You are invited to visit the laboratory wings on either side of the atrium. Teaching and research laboratories have corridor windows so everyone can see work in progress.

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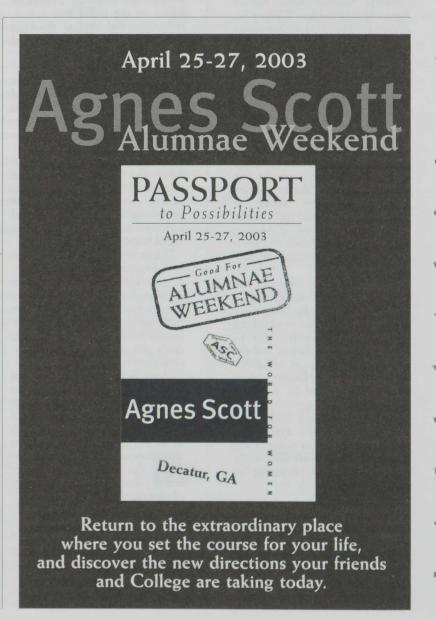
> SANDRA BOWDEN, **CHARLES A. DANA PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY**

Although many rooms are laboratories and support facilities outfitted for teaching and research in sub-fields of the sciences, many rooms are intended for general use by the College.

The Science Center provides media-rich classrooms for collegewide use, as well as computer facilities, two student collaborativelearning centers, places for conversation and informal learning and the three-story atrium with beautiful views of the campus.

Nine classrooms have flexible layouts and seating capacities that range from 12 to 64. With one exception, classrooms are furnished with tables and chairs that allow flexible arrangements.

Classrooms feature a rich array of instructional technologies, including wired and wireless Internet access and the capacity to project images from a document camera, CD, DVD, or VCR. The lectern in each room houses a computer, document camera, a place for a laptop and a Questron control panel to manage all the technology



# Keightley Compares Ancient Cultures

CHINESE HISTORY EXPERT HONORED FOR BOOK DONATION

The ancient Chinese revered ancestors and found ways to communicate with the dead while ancient Greeks established hero cultures that paid homage to

David N. Keightley, professor emeritus of Chinese history from the University of California-Berkeley, compared the two cultures in his mid-October lecture on campus, "Death and the Birth of Civilizations: Ancestors, Art and Culture in Early China and Early

The Chinese had little interest for accounting for evil," Keightley said, adding there was no individualism in Chinese traditions. 'There was no self-interest among the spirits.

"In whatever is represented, it is a mass activity, either in peace or war," he said. 'There is a bureaucratic effectiveness. A battle is the fate of armies. The conflicts are between

The Greeks, portrayed through Homer, were more individualistic. Achilles acts and thinks for himself," Keightley said, adding historians know the names of heroes and "Man's condition is poignant and tragic. Deeds must be their own reward.

Keightley's lecture was part of a campus visit honoring the professor for his gift of 855 English-language books on China to Agnes Scott, the alma mater of his wife, Vannie

Traylor Keightley '56. Keightley donated the collection after he retired and moved out of his campus office at Berkeley.

"I knew she [President Mary Brown Bullock '66] was hoping to develop the study of China at the College," Keightley said. "It sounded as if the books would be used if they went to Agnes Scott. I wanted them to find a good home.

Bullock, who returned to the classroom in August, testified to the collection's usefulness. "I know my students have been making use of them, and I encourage the campus community to do so.

Keightley has written several articles and reviews on China. His three books, include Sources of Shang History: The Oracle-Bone Inscriptions of Bronze Age China and The Ancestral Landscape: Time, Space, and Community In Late Shang China (ca. 1200-1045 B.C.). Keightley was named a fellow to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

-Wendy Cromwell



The 1921-22 Irregular class sits for a photo on the front steps of Agnes Scott Hall. Sidney Morton Montgomery '22 is in the third row on the far right next to the ivy. Montgomery served on the fire brigade for the building.

# 'Irregular' Celebrates 100 Years of Memories

lectricity was relatively new. The moon was still out of reach. In fact, the Wright brothers hadn't yet taken flight when Sidney Morton Montgomery '24 was born.

Since her birth in October 1902, Montgomery has lived through two world wars and suffered through the Great Depression.

When she enrolled at Agnes Scott College in 1921, students dined in Rebekah Hall. They were required to have four years of Latin. With only two years of Latin courses, Montgomery became an "Irregular."

The Irregulars were underclasswomen who did not plan to graduate from Agnes Scott. After two years in the cloistered environment of an "allgirls" college, Montgomery followed the irregular path and transferred to a state school to finish her education. She completed her English degree at the University of Alabama.

"It had been planned from the beginning," said son Jim Montgomery. "Two years at a women's college—usually in Virginia—and two years at a state university was a common route to a degree for many in Southern states, at least through my

While at Agnes Scott, Montgomery played on the Irregular basketball team and served as a second lieutenant of the fire brigade for Agnes Scott Hall. "She must have done a good job, since it's still there," her son said.

Without a doubt, Montgomery's favorite memo-

ry of Agnes Scott is sharing "The Tower Room" with two suitemates. They arranged the octagonal room into a living room and two bedrooms.

The Tower Room was so popular a classmate's mother once tried to coax them into switching. She never told us her name so we never had to hold it against the daughter," Montgomery said.

She did not take art and music at Agnes Scott because extra fees were assessed for such electives. "Just being there was expensive enough—I went to Alabama for two years for what one year at Agnes Scott cost," Montgomery said.

However, she did spend time talking to and watching the work of Paris-trained art professor Louise Lewis—never imagining that three years later she would marry Lewis' nephew, Hugh

The College had a strict policy on leaving campus that required parental permission to visit families that had to be specifically named. "Since her father was the president of the Southeastern Hardware Association, there were many professional friends on the approved list and she has fond memories of traveling by trolley as far as

College Park for a nickel," Jim Montgomery said. While at Agnes Scott, Montgomery was a member of the Propylean Literary Society and the circulation director for the Agnostic staff.

Montgomery has three children, nine grandchildren, two dozen great-grandchildren and a handful of great-great-grandchildren. She celebrated her 100th birthday Oct. 7. -Wendy Cromwell

# History a Common Theme in Houses

CIVIL WAR AND BING CROSBY HELP FILL VILLAGE'S EARLIER DAYS

he Civil War came calling. Hollywood paid its respects. Families called

Now, students live, study and gather in the Theme Houses.

"I'm glad they were redone and not torn down," said Mary Brooks Tanner, who grew up at 124 E. College Ave. "They're lovely, beautiful, but very different from when we lived there."

The houses, renovated by Agnes Scott, now serve as a residential village for students living in theme-study environments. This year, the themes are Spanish, international and music.

Tanner and her neighbor, the late Sam Olive Griffin McGinnis '40 who grew up at 132 E. College Ave., walked across the campus to Winnona Park Elementary School each morning. "It was a long walk to school," Tanner said.

One time, when I was 3 and Sam was 4, she decided to take me down to the store where someone had bought her an ice cream cone," Tanner said. "They found us walking down by Agnes Scott. We didn't know you needed money to buy ice cream."

The two friends often rollerskated and walked through campus. "We played tennis over there in the summer when no one was there," Tanner said. "Security never bothered us."

Though she, her sister and brother don't agree on where it was located, they all remember the Civil War battlement used by the Yankees to bombard the courthouse.

They never hit the courthouse,

but did put a hole in our roof," Tanner said, adding a book on the Civil War her brother found shows their grandmother's home as being part of the war. "Years later, we looked all over our back yard for the battlement, but it was gone. Someone may have taken the rocks or erosion took them down.

As for Bing Crosby visiting the College Avenue home, well it's true. Tanner met the famous crooner and movie star in 1943 after a roommate rode the train with him from Memphis to Washington, where Tanner lived.

"He was selling bonds for the war effort," she said. "He was very informal and easy to talk with." Tanner suggested Crosby call her family while he was in

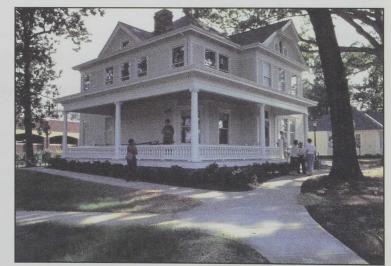
"I gave him my kid sister's number," Tanner said. "She didn't believe him when he called. He asked to speak with my mother. She didn't believe him so he asked to speak with my grandmother. She wouldn't talk to him.

"My sister suggested he call back the next day after I got home for vacation," Tanner said. "He did and invited us to dinner. We had a lovely dinner at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel."

Crosby rode back with the sisters in a cab and visited inside for a few minutes. "He wasn't there long, but he did pay his respects," Tanner said.

Fifteen years later when her aunt from New Jersey visited Decatur, the cab driver recalled dropping Bing Crosby off at the same house.

-Wendy Cromwell



Students check out the renovations at 124 E. College Ave. The house once played host to legendary crooner and movie star Bing Crosby.

### Cunningham '87 Receives Award for Leadership

s the first African-American openly gay person to be elected in the Southeast, there are times that it seems like there is still so much to be done," Kecia Cunningham '87 said.

For her work on the Decatur City Council, she received the Community Leadership Award from the Human Rights Campaign, one of the country's largest gay rights groups, in 2002.

"I am very excited to have received this award and also very humbled by the recognition of my peers, who feel that my contribution to the battle for equality is so important," said Cunningham, a commissioner since 1999.

Cunningham, a Wachovia Bank vice president in loan administration, helped convince the council to approve domestic partner benefits for city employees and ban discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

"Until we're all on an equal playing field, none of us are on an equal playing field," Cunningham said. "The economic reality when you're talking about a labor market is that you need to have policy."



Cunningham '87

to have policies that make people feel welcome and want to be there. It needs to be reflective of who you are as an organization, and Decatur has proven to be a diverse, accepting community."

She credits fellow commissioners, adding there was not a lot of fighting or political posturing when she raised the issues of expanding Decatur's EEOC statements to include sexual orientation and passing domestic partner benefits.

"I think our focus was that it was something that needed to happen," she said. "My colleagues on the commission made it very easy, because I think they thought of ending discrimination on sexual orientation and even sexual identity as a matter of fairness and equal access and opportunity."

Cunningham says Agnes Scott gave her the confidence to express herself and go against the grain. "Agnes Scott is the foundation, and the education I received from a liberal arts institution makes all the difference when it comes to problem solving, communicating and working well with others." She said, "Not only in my business life as a banker, but in my commission life, where we're tackling very difficult questions that don't have easy answers.

"Agnes Scott has been in my corner throughout my campaign," Cunningham said, who is up for re-election in 2004. She was a recipient of Agnes Scott's Outstanding Young Alumna award in 1999. She is a member of the Georgia Municipal Association, the Atlanta Women's Foundation and program chair for Leadership DeKalb's Board of Directors.

—Kristin Kallaher '04

#### September 11 Memorial

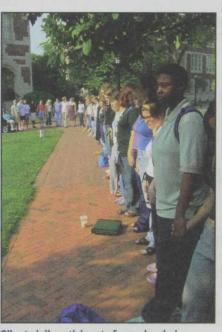


LEE DANCY PHOTOGRAPHS

A 14-minute silent observance on the Woodruff Quadrangle of Agnes Scott College provided focus for a series of events commemorating September 11.

## In Remembrance

aculty, staff and students participated in numerous events on the one-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania. The campus community observed a time of silence and prayer, shared feelings and memories on a banner posted in Alston Campus Center and participated in a panel discussion on September 11



Silent vigil participants formed a circle around the Woodruff Quadrangle.

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Parting Words

# Making Agnes Scott The Best for Women

These remarks were made Sept. 26 by Harriet King '64, chair of the Board of Trustees, at an Atlanta alumnae chapter luncheon.

I'm not sure that there's any way to "prepare" for the job of chair of

the Board of Trustees of Agnes Scott, and if there were, I'm not sure I could say what aspect of my life I think will turn out to have provided the best preparation.

My years at Emory, both as a faculty member and as an administrator, have given me a deep appreciation of the central role faculty has in an academic institution. And, I've certainly learned some important things about boards in my almost 25 years as a trustee of Agnes Scott College. I've learned important things in all my roles in life, things that I hope will help me be the kind of leader Agnes Scott

needs at this point in her history. But I think what may turn out to help me most is my experience as an Agnes Scott student in the early 1960s, the beginning of a turbulent and exciting time for the College and for the country. That's when I felt the excitement of being among bright women challenging the received wisdom, searching for understanding of ourselves and our world and sharing the pain and exhilaration of intellectual development.

It was at Agnes Scott that I became a believer in the importance of *that* kind of intellectual space and experience.

And I believe that the Board has a critical leadership role at this moment in the life of our College.

The role is this: to define the goal for the College, and then to provide the resources to meet it. It's that simple, and that challenging

We have already set the goal for Agnes Scott: That goal is to make it the best liberal arts college for women. Full stop.

It's an ambitious goal. But I believe it is an achievable goal. And it is a worthwhile goal.

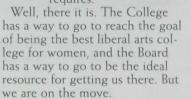
Providing the resources to be the best liberal arts college for women is a major responsibility of the Board of Trustees, and it's a big challenge. We have to have a Board that is up to that challenge.

So, you might ask, just what does the successful Board of the

best liberal arts college for women look like? Who are its members? While I cannot give you names, I can tell you something about them.

First, its members are on the Board because they are willing to

accept the challenge and want to achieve the goal. Second, each person on the Board puts Agnes Scott on the very short list of things that matter in his or her life. Finally, they bring to the Board the full range of skills that overseeing and advancing a complex place like a college requires.



We have outstanding leadership from Mary Bullock, and Mary and I are committed to doing everything we can to keep Agnes Scott on track toward its ambitious goal. But we need your help.

Atlanta is the core alumnae group for the College, and you are thus a critical part of the new leadership for this new era. We need your help to identify the best: the best student prospects, the best friends for the College and the best Board prospects.

We want the women with the best minds to put Agnes Scott on their short list of colleges to consider. If you know such women, or when you meet them, tell them about Agnes Scott. Tell us about them

And I'm sure that many of you ... know people who would be great friends of the College, either as additions to the Board of Trustees or in some other capacity: movers and shakers in the community, people with vision, people who don't take something on unless it's with total commitment. Tell them about Agnes Scott. Tell me about them. ... We need them on our team.

And most of all, we need you on our team, because you're a critical part of the new leadership for this new era. I'm looking forward to getting to know you better in the months and years to come, and to experiencing, together, the satisfaction of moving Agnes Scott College to being the best liberal arts college for women.

For all classes without a contact listed, please send your news to:

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DEATHS

• Leila Bell Rogers, Sept. 29.

29

• Mary Warren Read, date unknown.

30

 Annual Fund participation through October: 7%

DEATHS

 Katherine Leary Holland, May 26.

• Melvina Wells, Oct. 10.

31

• Annual Fund participation through October: **0%** 

SECRETARY Helen Friedman Blackshear 334 Felder Ave. Montgomery, AL 36104

DEATHS

 Marian Corine Lee Hind, Aug. 15.

32

• Annual Fund participation through October: **3%** 

DEATHS

 Mary Claire Oliver Cox, May 19.

• Virginia Petway Boulton, M.D., Aug. 12.

33

• Annual Fund participation through October: **6%** 

SECRETARY Letitia Rockmore Nash St. Anne's Terrace, No. 302 3100 Northside Parkway NW Atlanta, GA 30327

DEATHS

• Ora Craig Stuckey, date unknown.

34

• Annual Fund participation through October: **0%** 

SECRETARY Dorothy Potts Lavendol 47 Kathryn Way Marietta, GA 30062-5175 mardurden@earthlink.net

DEATHS

• Sarah Austin Zorn, Sept. 16.

35

 Annual Fund participation through October: 20%

SECRETARY
Betty Lou Houck Smith
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Atlanta, GA 30328

Rosalyn Crispin Robinson reported in June that she broke her hip.

Madeline Sims Moore vacationed a week in Italy last spring with daughter Lynn and son William.

Fidesah Edwards Alexander vacationed at Grove Park Inn in Asheville, N.C., with her daughter, Ina Ruth Peele, who lives with her.

DEATHS

• Elizabeth Alexander Higgins, Sept. 7.

• Frances Cassel Peppard, date unknown.

36

• Annual Fund participation through October: **24%** 

SECRETARY Mildred E. Clark Sargent 1019 Stillbrook Road Pensacola, FL 32514-1629

Ernelle Blair Fife watches high school sports from the deck of the house she shares with daughter, Ernelle Jr., a college professor in New Paiz, N.Y. After 59 years in her Avondale Estates, Ca., home, Ernelle gladly had son Alex Jr., his wife and son from California help pack the 38 boxes of quilts Ernelle had made, books and other "must takes." Ernelle is missed by friends, neighbors and members of the church where she taught Bible classes.

Shirley Christian Ledgerwood's powerful book, *Thy Brother's Blood*, is receiving rave reviews. The poetic, suspense-filled story, set in the '30s and early '40s, tells of the friendship from childhood of an African-American and a white man in a small town in Louisiana. Classmates may contact Shirley for more information. Shirley held a dinner for John's 90th birthday. Fifty friends and relatives attended.

Margaret Cooper Williams is pleased her granddaughter, husband, great-grandson and great-granddaughter have moved from St. Helena, Calif., to Asheville, N.C., and she'll be able to see them often. She enjoyed a trip with daughter Margaret. She is glad she can be active if "slowing down." Looking back, she recalls being in the Sunday school class with Sarah "Tay" Spencer Gramling taught by Tay's mother.

Frances James Donohue was invited to the Royal Thai Embassy special evening held by the Emory University president. Frances recalls her days as acting law librarian at Emory. At Montreat, N.C., she was impressed with the ability of Agnes Scott President Mary Brown Bullock '66. She saw Isabel McCain Brown '37, who reported Louise McCain Boyce '34 celebrated her 90th birthday. Frances son, Daniel, is a colonel in the U.S. Marines Reserves.

Lois Hart continues volunteer nursing at the Baptist Clinic in El Paso, Texas, where her bilingual skills are needed. She's also active in the Hispanic Church, New Jerusalem. She participated in a mission conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly near Black Mountain, N.C., and visited her younger sister and niece. She also enjoyed the mountain greenery. Lois and sister, Laura Hart Visselkoen '34, have shared an apartment in the year since Laura's husband died. Laura, 90, cooks, and Lois drives.

Rosa Miller Barnes' son, Fred, is executive editor of the Weekly Standard and cohost of The Beltway Boys on the Fox News Channel.

Mary Margaret Stowe Hunter moved out of her house that she lived in since 1941 into a retirement community, Covenant Village, in Gastonia, N.C. Many Belmont friends also live there. In Montreat, N.C., she saw Sarah "Tay" Spencer Gramling looking fine and walking a lot. One of Mary Margaret's sons runs the family insurance business. The other works for the N.C. Department of Agriculture in Raleigh. She sees Frances Miller Felts, who is in a nursing home.

Miriam Talmage Vann, legally blind, feels fortunate to have a villa apartment in a retirement village next door to the apartment of her sister, Mabel Talmage '34.

Rebecca Whitley Nunan is delighted her grandson moved into the other half of her house on Clifton Road in Atlanta, and she can stay where she and Carlton lived for years.

Mildred Clark Sargent's brother, Corbett, has published his World War II memoirs, From Hell to Surrender. Classmates can get copies by calling Mildred.

DEATHS

• Emily Gower Maynare, Feb. 9.

• Ori Sue Jones Jordan, Sept. 17.

37

 Annual Fund participation through October: 6%

SECRETARY Fannie B. Harris Jones 600 Miller St. Dalton, GA 30720-8164

Florence Lasseter Rambo is back in her apartment at Arbor Terrace in Decatur, Ga., and continues to regain mobility after the serious hip problems that kept her from the 65th reunion. As fund chair, she did a lot of good work before reunion time.

The secretary is working with the development office to play host to alums in Dalton, Ga., for a presentation about Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College.

The last Main Events carried the notice of the remarkable life of Lulu Smith Westcott '19, and Miss Ellen Douglass Leyburn and Miss Ellen Mae Laney would have both given it high marks! The secretary made sure her niece and her faithful companion of 43 years each had a copy. The latter learned a lot from Lulu, but is going to the Phoenix Education Center to get her GED now that she is only working five half-days. Heartwarming!

38

 Annual Fund participation through October: 11%

SECRETARY Jane Guthrie Rhodes 127 West Pharr Road Decatur, GA 30030-4936

Ellen Little Lesesne has had a dream of family reunion come true. In July, during a 12-day trip to France with her son and his wife, she spent a week in the family castle in the Loire valley with 70 members of the Lesesne family. The castle belonged to the Lesesnes during the 1600s and 1700s. Having a relative, Liz Lesesne, prepare gourmet meals each night under a full moon made the event even more perfect. After the reunion, Ellen spent three nights in Paris with her immediate family to wind up an unforgettable holiday. She also celebrated her 84th birthday there and felt "very blessed.

Elsie West Duval has had another year of busy traveling from Atlanta to the Highlands, Boston, Seattle and back to Atlanta for her grandson's marriage in November and for the christening of her first greatgrandchild in June. Also, this was the year for her cataract surgery on both eyes. Elsie has kept in touch

with her first roommate, Ruth Tate Boozer, who is living at home but with health problems. She is looking forward to the 65th reunion, noting Ellen attended the dedication of her brother's memorial to his death in World War II while in Paris.

Bertha "B" Merrill Holt reports her husband, Clary, is getting stronger every day. In October, he got the latest word with an endoscopy to check on his esophageal cancer. They planned to go to Tortola for the North Carolina Bar Association convention, chairing a section of the Bar Association on Juvenile and Justice for Children's Rights.

Elizabeth "Lib" Blackshear Flinn is grateful for another year with her husband, Bill, since his near fatal fall. He has had an almost miraculous recovery, she says. In addition to care giving, Lib finds time to work on a biography of John Tyler Mauldin, 90, who as a member of the "greatest generation" has had a remarkable career in medicine and the military. His deceased wife, Anne Scott Harmon, was a direct descendant of Agnes Scott. Lib gives credit to a fantastic live-in helper who spoils them, doing everything from cooking to handyman chores, giving her time for bridge, books and family.

Mildred Davis Harding writes her husband, Robert Frey, is "hanging on" after a partial recovery from a stroke in January. After repeated trips to hospitals, a failed catheterization and steady deterioration, they have changed doctors and systems and plan for triple by-pass surgery, which they hope will give both a new lease on life. Mildred says she appreciates reading Class News since she realizes she is not alone in "these late-life trials." She sends all her Agnes Scott sisters love and best wishes.

Elizabeth Warden Marshall has decided it is time to move after she and her family accumulated 65 years in the same house. She is seeking a retirement community for herself and her dog, hopefully in Decatur, the center of her life for a long time. Elizabeth comments that a move means getting rid of stuff. She is finding things from her childhood, things she doesn't know whose they were and things she never saw before. Her warning is "Do not keep stuff!" The rest of her time is spent in volunteer work for Decatur Presbyterian Church and the DeKalb Humane Society.

Anne Thompson Rose reminds all of the 65th reunion in April. She is lining up a committee with Elise West Duval and others, and details will be made known shortly. Bertha "B" Merrill Holt plans to come to Decatur to meet with Jane Guthrie Rhodes, class secretary, and Nell Allison Sheldon, class fund chair. Anyone with ideas is invited to send them in to Anne as soon as possible. In June, she and her family had a great reunion at Virginia Beach. There were 20 members, including four great-grandchildren present. The latter had fun playing together, she notes.

Joyce Roper McKey and John had another wonderful summer in Highlands, N.C. They had visits from Elsie West Duval and Ellen Little Lesesne. Joyce is fully recovered from broken ribs and hopes to see all at the 65th reunion in April.

Kennon Henderson Patton moved to Rhode Island to live with her daughter, Blair Green, in November.

Mary McCann Hudson Irby suffered a major stroke late last year. But her husband, the Rev. James A. Irby, writes that thanks to many prayers of loved ones and friends plus excellent physiotherapy, she is

improving.

Ursula Mayer von Tessin moved to her daughter's city, Stuttgardt, Germany. She sends greetings to her classmates and regrets not being able to attend the 65th reunion.

Jane Guthrie Rhodes chaired Decatur Presbyterian's 13th annual arts festival called this past year the Art Olympics. It offered 12 live venues by 32 artists in the church and community. Jane also plays the piano for the Ghanna Ewe congregation, which meets in the chapel after her church's regular worship is over.

Nell Allison Sheldon plans to visit her daughter in Oklahoma City. She talks with her old roommate, Jane Guthrie Rhodes, often

The class sends its sympathy to the families of Laura Frances Lee (July), Martha Foster King Few (Sept. 23) and Eleanor Burns Puster (Nov. 26, 2001).

· Annual Fund

participation through October: **7%** 

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SECRETARY Elinor Tyler Richardson 516 Azalea Lane Florence, SC 29501-5718

Thank goodness for news from two members of the class of 1939! Mamie Lee Ratliff Finger wrote in August that she and Ellis celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at Balsam Inn, near Lake Junaluska. All the children and grandchildren were there. What a great family reunion! They also went to Raleigh, N.C., for granddaughter Dana's wedding. This, too, was a family reunion at the Embassy Suites Hotel. And, as they left the court, each received a little white box and all opened them at the same time. Monarch butterflies flew away. That was exciting! They sent grandson Geoff off to Reed College.

In June, a letter came from Virginia "Jenny" Kyle Dean that had interesting news for the secretary about Columbia University. It was especially interesting to me as my granddaughter, Emily, is in her sophomore year there. Of course, Agnes Scott was my choice for her, but she wouldn't listen.

Jenny ran across a book of matches that read "The Lion's Den, Columbia University." That was a coffee shop at the university when Jenny and her sister, Betty, were attending Julliard for the summer. They lived near the campus and ate there.

Jenny said Mamie Lee Ratliff
Finger stayed at the same hotel for
women that they stayed in. Jenny
said she had always been glad that
she chose Agnes Scott. Those are
the secretary's sentiments, too.

Also, according to her letter, Jenny has renewed her interest in artwork. When she first moved to her present address more than 20 years ago, she took a couple of courses in pastel drawing. Jenny has begun this work again. Her special interest is human faces, especially old faces with lots of wrinkles and character. She shouldn't have a hard time finding plenty of subjects!

Classmates are encouraged to send some news. A few in the class have been very generous in the last six months, but the secretary needs more from the class.

#### DEATHS

• Wilbur Dekle Rountree, husband of Jeanne Redwine Rountree, Aug. 12.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 25%

CO-SECRETARY Mary Francis Ault 200 Tabernacle Road Apt. G203 Black Mountain, N.C. 38711 meault@aol.com

CO-SECRETARY Sophie Montgomery Crane P.O. Box 426 Black Mountain, N.C. 28711-0426

President Mary Brown Bullock '66 met with Agnes Scott alumnae at the annual tea party held in July at the Assembly Inn, Montreat, N.C. The meeting was well attended and included the following members of the class of '40: Henrietta "Henri" Thompson Wilkinson, Grace Ward Anderson, Ernestine Cass Dickerson and Sophie Montgomery Crane.

Nell Moss Roberts says that, having four years ago completed her quest to visit each of the 48 contiguous states, she thought her traveling days were over. However last summer, she added to her record by going to both Alaska and Hawaii. In June, she visited Alaska accompanied by family members including Ann Roberts Divine '67 And in July, she was part of a family group accompanying her 13-yearold granddaughter to Hawaii to participate in the Pacific Rim Children's Chorus Festival.

The class extends heartfelt sympathy to Mary Virginia Brown Cappleman on the death of her husband, Franklin, June 22. Mary Virginia says "Franklin and I had 57 wonderful years together, have four children and nine grandchildren, traveled to 38 countries and to all of the United States and the Canadian provinces. Memories

Ruth Eyles Lewis, in spite of two surgeries since she moved back to the Atlanta area in 1996, continues to lead a very active life. She has made trips to southern Ireland and Italy, goes to water exercises classes, is in a TOPS group and helps teach computers at the senior cen-

ter near her.

Last September when Katherine "Kat" Patton Carssow and Bill visited Lucy Hestir in Montreat, N.C., Lucy, a longtime friend of the Carssows, treated Kat's many friends and former classmates to a wonderful afternoon of catching up on life in the 80s. Class of '40 members and spouses there were Kat and Bill, Sophie Montgomery Crane and Paul, Henrietta "Henri" Thompson Wilkinson, Marjorie Boggs Lovelace and Charlie, Grace Anderson and Mary "Mef" Francis Ault. Other alumnae present were Dorothy Nabers Allen '42, Isabel McCain Brown '37, Mardia Hopper Brown '43 and Gay Currie Fox '42. All enjoyed identifying friends, faculty and staff in an all-inclusive photograph taken at the College in 1940, which Dorothy Allen had brought to the

Mary Francis Ault, who spent much of the summer recovering from hip replacement surgery, wonders how many other "hipsters" are in the class. We know of at least two—Sophie Montgomery Crane and Katherine "Kat" Patton

Rachel Kennedy Lowthian '37 wrote of the passing of her good friend, Emily Underwood Gault, on July 27. Rachel had known Emily since 1936, when Emily entered Agnes Scott as a first year: They were in glee club and the music department together. Their paths did not cross again until Rachel moved to Wilmington, Del. Emily exemplified all the wonderful

#### MOSELEY A FORCE IN PRESERVATION

66 Dure inspiration. Multi-dimensional woman." These are superlatives used to describe Julia Moseley '40 and her efforts to preserve her family home and what remains of a bit of old natural Florida near Tampa

"Julia is quite a Renaissance woman, said Gary Mormino, a history professor at the University of South Florida, who worked with Moseley in publishing her grandmother's letters. "She is a remarkable environmentalist

have made a difference. "She still lives in her grandparents' home in a region noted for its sprawl," said Mormino, who during a historical forum said Moseley best personified social

knows her. Her efforts



Julia Moseley '40 (left) and her friend Lee Stowe show pictures of Karl Moseley, an artist who worked with the WPA Art Project in Tampa during the Depression.

activism in Tampa. 'The Tampa area is a poster child for sprawl. Julia has some 15 acres of homestead and knows every facet of it. While others had dreamed of developing the property worth several million she chose to dedicate it as a historic site with unique natural surround-

Moseley secured a spot on the National Register of Historic Places for The Nest, her grandparents' home, and lobbied to strengthen local laws to protect it. The house dates from 1886 and was built after the pre-Civil War cabin, in which the family settled in 1882, burned

"Living here and preserving and protecting the house became a natural thing to do and led me to following land-use and zoning issues, Moseley said. "As changes occurred in the natural undeveloped land and development and infrastructure descended upon us, I became part of that process, particularly in historic preservation and the environ-

Moseley said Agnes Scott College strengthened her ability to gather information from many sources; confidence in her research allows her to collaborate with others and present well before the governing boards that regulate the issues.

People coming down our oak-canopied private road entrance from State Road 60, a six- and eight-lane busy highway are bemused by the time tunnel that takes them seemingly into the past," Moseley said.

The Nest was the winter home of Charles Scott Moseley, (Moseley's grandfather) an inventor and engineer who made important contributions to the American watch manufacturing and machine-tool industries in the 19th century and was part of the early settlement of

Her grandmother, Julia Daniels Moseley, designed the home in a Florida vernacular style, notable for its adaptation to the wilderness site. "It is designed to take full advantage of the outdoor climate, featuring a central porch open in four directions serving as a main living area," Moseley said. "Many original interior features and furniture, often built in, are in place as shown in 1898 photos."

The Nest is well documented through the letters of Moseley's grandmother, which added to its historical significance, Mormino said. In 1998 as co-editor of the Florida History and Cultural Series of the University Press of Florida, he encouraged Moseley and Betty P. Crislip '48 to publish Come to My Sunland: Letters of Julia Daniels Moseley

from the Florida Frontier, 1882-1886. "I took a break at sunset and, while sitting on the ground mending a water hose, saw a flight of six sandhill cranes winging their way to the family roost over the tree line of The Nest, "Moseley said of her home and preservations efforts. 'They were going from a nearby residential development with large saved ponds and wetlands to a huge retention pond built by our big mall in a prairie of low elevation. Yes,

these developments passed but with conditions. Without the com-

bined effort of citizens, planning commissions, environmental com-

missioners and others, there might not have been conditions. -Wendy Cromwell

characteristics of an Agnes Scott alumnae," wrote Rachel

#### **DEATHS**

- Irene Phillips Richardson, Feb. 18.
- · Harriet Fuller Baker, May 13. • Tom Fry, husband of Louise
- Sullivan Frye, July.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 5%

SECRETARY Dot Joyner 723 Park Lane Decatur, GA 30033-5453

Nancy Willstatter Gordon and her husband, Sam, enjoyed a Scandinavian cruise and a visit to St. Petersburg this past summer.

Hazel Scruggs Ouzts and Jack vacationed in Bar Harbor, Maine, with their family during the sum-

Sara Lee Mackay and her husband, Jim, were in Atlanta in September for a reception at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History, honoring Jim for his years of outstanding service to Fernbank.

Margaret Nix Ponder and Paul have moved to the Atlanta area to be near their four daughters. Their daughter, Paullin Ponder Judin '74, is the mother of Margaret Renn

#### **DEATHS**

- · Mary Stuart Arbuckle Osteen, June 14
- Frank H. Price, husband of Ida "Jane" Vaughan Price, June 12.
- Fred C. Korosy, husband of Sabine Brumby Korosy, July 6.
- · William W. Woolford III, husband of Elizabeth "Betsy" Kendrick Woolford, April 18.

participation through October: 13%

**SECRETARY** Frances Tucker Johnson 224 Carol Woods 750 Weaver Dairy Road Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514-1467 edandfranj@botmail.com

Dorothy Garland Johnson reports she spent most of October at Elderhostels in California. She studied at the Getty Museum, took a tour on an Amtrak train, visited San Simeon, etc., before visiting her daughter in Venice, Calif.

Olivia White Cave tried to escape the heat and drought of Kentucky by taking a trip on the River Cloud, cruising the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers of Europe. They visited museums all along the way and were also treated to beautiful musical offerings. Fortunately for them, the flood had receded, but they could see evidence of it along the banks of the rivers. A highlight of their trip was dinner in the Castle Nelahozeves with its prince, just outside Prague in the village of Antonin Dvorak's birth.

Neva Jackson Redfern's daughter, Nan, from San Francisco, visited her in late May for the graduation of second grandson, Neill Webb, from high school. Neill is excited about going to Emory University and hopes he'll be on the soccer team as was his dad. Neva did not say so, but the secretary bets she's excited about his being there, too!

Margery "Marge" Gray Wheeler has a new address. She has moved into a retirement apartment that she likes very much. Marge says it was not for health reasons and likes it and her new neighbors very much.

Frances Tucker Johnson and Ed enjoyed a cruise visiting the Scandinavian capitals and St Petersburg. They spent several days in London before boarding ship in Dover, passing through the Kiel Waterway (61 miles) linking the Baltic and North seas, and cruised to Tallinn, Estonia. Frances asks, "Remember early school days when the class recited Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania' in geography class?" She never thought she'd visit one of them! Frances and Ed then went to St. Petersburg for a couple of days. She recalls, "What a visual delight." They enjoyed the Hermitage, Catherine the Great's Winter Palace and Smolniy Cathedral before cruising on to Helsinki, Finland, Stockholm, Copenhagen and Oslo, returning to Dover and London for the flight home. What a terrific trip!

By the way, the class's 60th reunion was such a delight! Nineteen of us were there: Ila Belle Levy Bagwell, Doris Hasty Barron, Elise Nance Bridges, Olivia White Cave, Margaret Sheftall Chester, Martha Jane Buffalow Davis, Jane Stillwell Espy, Gay Currie Fox, Louise Pruitt Jones, Myree Wells Maas, Susan Dyer Oliver, Mary Robertson Perry, Neva Jackson Redfern, Edwina Burruss Rhodes, Jeanne Osborne Shaw, Helen Schukraft Sutherland, Frances Ellis Wayt, and Jane Coughlan Hays. Those who couldn't make it would be so pleased to see the wonderful changes that have been made. But there's still a lot that's familiar to us

 Annual Fund participation through October: 15%

SECRETARY Mardia Hopper Brown 221 Mount Vernon Drive Decatur, GA 30030-4539 gtbrownsr@aol.com

Word from Dorothy "Dot"

Holloran Addison: 'The 60th reunion is coming up. Big plans!" In late spring, she traveled to England with Professor Emertius of History Mike and Lee Brown and other Agnes Scott friends: Tina Ransom Louis '42, Catherine Sims Boman, Suzella "Sis" Burns Newsome '57 and Jim Newsome, Sue and Bob Title, Margaret Downie Brown, Louise Hill Reaves '54 and Marlin Day Cwach '61

Alice Clements Shinall is happy to announce the birth of her greatgrandson, Richard Walker McPhail, born March 28, in London. He is the son of her granddaughter, Wimberly, and her husband, Richard.

On April 17, Mary "Mardia" Hopper Brown attended the annual Awards Convocation at Agnes Scott College when Ebony Greene '04 became the first recipient of the Frances Radford Mauldin Student Leadership Award, which was established by the class. Ebony is from Americus, Ga.

Maryann Cochran Abbott and Forest have just returned from a National Geographic expedition to South Africa for two weeks. They had a great time. Starting from Cape Town, they caught the Rovos Rail northward and ended up at Victoria Falls.

Caroline Smith Hassell is an active member of the Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church and a member of the Pelican Ladies, a group of 12 who prepare the news bulletin for the church. The church has grown from 300 in 1955 to about 3,000. Caroline has five children and 11 grandchildren.

Patricia "Pat" Stokes Barnes's husband, Hank, had a pacemaker implanted Sept. 1 and is feeling like a new person.

Bryant Holsenbeck Moore and her husband of 63 years have had a very interesting life. They were stationed at Pearl Harbor in 1941 and experienced the Japanese air raid. She came home and graduated from Agnes Scott in 1943. They have a daughter who is a professor at the University of Pennsylvania and a son who is a medical doctor in New York City and experienced the September 11 tragedy.

Katherine "Kay" Wright Phillips was honored by the Decatur Presbyterian Church, which furnished the Kay Phillips Dining Room at the newly renovated home of the president at Columbia Theological Seminary. Kay was a gracious hostess during Davison's 12 years as president.

Ruth Smith Gilmer visited friends in Atlanta in July. They drove around the campus, and she hopes to come to the reunion.

SECRETARY Martha Ray Lasseter Storey 118 Starline Drive Spartanburg, SC 29307 wasmrl@msn.com

**DEATHS** 

Lucy Cobb Secor, Feb. 17

· Annual Fund participation through October: 12%

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October: 24%

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SECRETARY Margaret Virginia Norris 1670 Johnson Road NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Monorri@attglobal.net

Margaret "Molly Milam Inserni has heard from Wendy Whittle Hoge (who was in Maine with family in August) that Inge

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Probstein, Ph.D., had a stroke and is considering an assisted-living residence. Inge was featured in an article in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. After 18 years of teaching great literature to retirees at the Creutzburg Center for Adult Education, Inge was forced to give up what she loved doing because of the stroke.

Frances Brougher Garman writes the most fun event of summer (thanks to a birthday gift from daughter Linda) was a glorious night at the opera (*La Traviata*), a tour of the Indian Market and a rare treat of Maria Benitez's Flamenco Dance, all in a Santa Fe, N.M., weekend accompanied by her sister Betty Campbell Wiggins '43. They visited New York City in November. To her surprise, she has found some of her father's books to buy on the Internet. She sends love to all!

Elizabeth "Betty" Glenn Stow and Julia Slack Hunter attended classes in Oxford, England, in August. Betty's class was 400 Years of Book Collecting. Julia's was Shakespeare. Julia has a granddaughter working in Lyon, France, and one in Adelaide, Australia, for a Vanderbilt semester abroad. Her Danish children were to come for Christmas.

Lila Longley was honored at Epsilon Sigma Alpha International at its recent convention in Indianapolis for 55 years of service along with her mother, Lila B. Longley, and Joyce Robyn of Jasper, Ga.

Joyce "JooFroo" Freeman
Marting says her garden is on the
Internet: www.siris.si.edu. On the
"siris" page that comes up, anyone
interested should click "search"
underneath "Archives and
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"Cobblecote" in Akron, Ohio.

Leila B. Holmes reports summer months in her Highlands, N.C., home are always fun. Lots of houseguests add so much, each group bringing special sparkle. Martha Jane Mack Simons dropped in twice in 2002. The first time, she brought husband Henry, and the second time, four Agnes Scott "girls": Julia Slack Hunter, Elizabeth "Betty" Glenn Stow, Jean Hood Booth and Adele Dieckmann McKee '48, who were all visiting BG. After lunch and much conversation, they agreed not to let another 50-plus years go by without seeing one other. Leila Powell Jones '46 and Margaret "Bobbie" Powell Flowers '44 were glad to hear news of these friends when Leila returned to her

Thomasville home in September. Ethel Hartwell Rutledge writes that in January 2001 she learned that her youngest daughter, Andrea Sterling, had lung cancer (she never smoked). In spite of her illness, she was married April 14 to Brian Bills, a co-owner of The Blue Moon, a taurant on the Cumberland River. She was beautiful in a lovely dress and matching hat that covered her bald head. Virginia Lee Brown McKenzie '47, her godmother, was there. The cancer was in remission, but in June, it returned again in the lung. She died Sept. 9 at the age of 40. Ethel herself was in a terrible car accident, hit by a drunken driver. The car was demolished, and Ethel, cut out of her car by "jaws of life," was badly injured but is recovering. She says, "Not my time to go, but a wake up call

Frances Wooddall Talmadge (Mrs. Marion L.) has moved to Portland, Ore.

#### **CLASS NEWS GUIDELINES**

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Report weddings and other planned events (vacations, visits with alumnae and friends) only after the fact.

Agnes Scott has nearly 10,000 living alumnae. We want to keep in touch with all of you and keep you in touch with one other.
Contact your class secretary with your news today.

#### DEATHS

- Joan Stevenson Wing, date unknown.
- M. Powell Snipes, husband of Jeanne Newton McCord Snipes, Sept. 17.

46

 Annual Fund participation through October: 20%

SECRETARY Anne B. Register Jones 2031 Golf View Drive, NW Atlanta, GA 30309-1209 arjones@mymailstation.com

During the course of a year, Harriet Hargrove Hill and Harry show their Tennessee walking horses at six to eight shows in the Southeast. Harry rides regularly, but Harriet claims she couldn't get up or down. They enjoyed a cruise in May around the coasts of Ireland, Wales, England and France.

In September, Lawrence and Mary Duckworth Gellerstedt were honored by the Atlanta District Council of the Urban Land Institute, a Washington-based think tank that promotes responsible development. They received the Frank Carter Community Achievement Award for lifetimes of outstanding contributions to the community. There isn't room here to list all of the boards on which they have served, but class members, of course, are grateful for their service to the alma mater. Mary was president of the Alumnae Association and a trustee. Lawrence was a trustee for 23 years (10 years as chair). Lawrence was a longtime chair and CEO of Beers Construction Co.

Eleanor Reynolds Verdely accompanied some of her family to Europe last summer. Seeing places she knew well through the eyes of her great nieces and nephews on their first trip abroad made it special: "It was like going home when [they] visited the Swiss village where [she] had lived for several years."

About 15 years ago, the secretary had a chance encounter with Martha Baker Wilkins at a well-known women's wear outlet in Martha's hometown of Rutherfordton, N.C. Unbelievably and again unexpectedly, they met in September at the same place! Martha looked great and reported the birth of a new granddaughter.

Conradine "Connie" Fraser Riddle had her three daughters as her guests at the fall luncheon meeting of the Atlanta Alumnae Club. President Mary Brown Bullock '66 and new chair of the Board of Trustees, Harriet M. King '64, reported on the progress of the College.

Lura Johnston Watkins' son, Rick, and his family moved to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., from Marietta, Ga., last summer. In June, her oldest grandson, Michael, was married in Pinehurst, N.C., Lura and Bill have a condo there so it was a convenient site for them. The Watkins had a fascinating trip to Antarctica in January. "We have now been to all seven continents," wrote Lura.

The Celetta "Lella" Powell Jones and Harry T. Jones family had a reunion during last Labor Day weekend on the Georgia coast. Lella reported the group had a wonderful time.

47

 Annual Fund participation through October: 9%

SECRETARY Alice Beardsley-Garber 378 Quaker Road Chappaqua, NY 10514-2007 normkg@aol.com

Joanne Benton Shepherd was so busy in College getting the ASC News to the mailboxes every Wednesday afternoon that she hasn't sent any news since. But after many adventures, including a stay in England for a few years, she and Robert have settled back down in Charlottesville, Va., where they met. She offers a salient theme for many of us: she has time to do whatever she chooses to do.

Rosemary Jones Cox, the highly valued former class scribe, "doesn't know anything" except she and husband, Jimmy, are mostly sitting in matching La-Z-Boys, with right arms in slings: she from surgery, Jimmy from a fall or maybe from empathy.

Elizabeth "Betty" Andrews
Fitzsimons says "no great news,"
but she's back to her tennis game
after knee surgery. She delivers
Meals on Wheels and works at a
crisis help Interfaith Ministry.
At this time in classmates' lives,
"no great news" or "nothing's happened" is great news and a lot happening.

Jane Cooke Cross says she hasn't done much, "less all the time," but she volunteers at the children's hospital in Louisville, is on call for children and grandchildren, and our phone conversation came to an abrupt halt at the roar of a visiting motorcycle. When she has time, she likes reading and music—opera and folk.

Ruth Glindmeyer Minary says long-range planning is two hours. She has three grandchildren in the University of Virginia and one in law at Ole Miss. She visits England every year and can reel off a list of titles for mystery thriller fans. Ruth settled in Charlottesville after many years on 57th Street in the historical Osborne of New York City.

Kate Ellis Heckman's five children spread to Wisconsin, New Jersey, Arizona and Texas, which means a lot of visiting from St. Cloud, Minn. Kate says St. Cloud

is very good for bridge and for asthma.

Florence "Fluff" Paisley Williams claims she was sorry to miss the class at the reunion, but she was occupied in St. Augustine, Fla., on the beach, in the pool or on the tennis court. Then, in September, she visited San Diego with friends she knew in Korea in the '30s.

Elisabeth "Betty" Allen Young took the Agnes Scott China trip. "Truly memorable" is her evaluation. If classmates would like to see what Betty looks like along with her daughters, Ann and Beth, she can be found on page four of the fall issue of *Main Events*. She looks the same as on page 35 of the 1947 Silhouette.

Doris Kissling Hamilton entered four quilts and one wall hanging in the Pamlico River's Quilt Guild Show. She's made one quilt for each of eight grandchildren, not including baby quilts. She was honored with the Viewers' Choice ribbon at one of the Guild shows. Any other quilters among the

group?

Your '47 scribe has a spy in Emma "Jean" Williams Hand, who flew straight from the reunion to Provence. She writes she and Jim loved Provence and also sends word of Virginia Dickson Philips from the spring Westminster Magazine. Virginia's husband, Harry, retired from the pastorate 10 years ago, and they have stayed busy with exotic adventures and with children and grandchildren. Virginia says it's hard to keep up with them all, so for Christmas 2001 everybody got together to celebrate in Montreat, N.C. Visible in the magazine picture are at least 11, all wearing American flag T-shirts. Jean gets the magazine because her grandchildren, Trever and Erin Murphy, are students at Westminster and in the same class as the grandchildren of Caroline Squires Rankin and Doris Riddick Berry.

Another spy, this one from Marybeth Little Lobdell '48 shares news of Beth Walton Callaway, who has been active on the board of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas. Beth held a symposium for governors' wives and transportation executives to encourage the planting of wildflowers along the highways. Susan Aspinall Block '64, as well as Marybeth, is active in this lovely gift to the country. So many classmates remember Beth's generosity in inviting the class to Callaway Gardens after the reunion.

Margaret Kelly Wells lost a courageous and intensive 15-year battle with cancer on Sept. 14. The class was so fortunate to have her at the 50th reunion.

#### DEATHS

• The Rev. Ware G. King, husband of Betty Patterson King, June 26.

48

• Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

SECRETARY Marian L. Yancey Carroll 4477 Allgood Springs Drive Stone Mountain, GA 30083-4809

Elizabeth Blair Carter married Paul Gann in October 2001. They travel frequently to Florida and often see Ruth Blair Ravitz, who sold her home and settled into her condo.

The 55th reunion committee met for lunch at the home of Adele Dieckmann McKee. Those present were Jacqueline "Jackie" Stewart, Dabney Adams Hart, Rebecca Lacy Fleischman, Flora "Flo" Bryant Hackworth, Mary Elizabeth Jackson Etheridge and Marian Yancey Carroll. While plans now are for a muted reunion, compared to the glorious 50th, the upcoming one could be spectacular with good attendance. Everyone should plan to be present and make it so!

Dabney Adams Hart spent the last week in September in Westpark, N.Y., at a former Episcopal monastery, leading an Elderhostel study of C.S. Lewis.

Jane da Silva Montague traveled to Dallas and Boston and with her husband, Bob, to Florida and Baltimore this summer.

Rebecca Lacy Fleischman moved to her four-story condo near Emory University. She especially enjoys her private elevator for the unit. A visit to Paris and the Loire Valley highlighted her summer travels.

Dallas is the new home of Lida Walker Askew and her husband, Gene. He will be undergoing extensive therapy after recuperating from quadruple by-pass surgery.

49

 Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

SECRETARY Mary Price Coulling 160 Kendal Drive No. 1003 Lexington, VA 24450-1003 maryc@kalexres.kendal.org

Mary Aichel Samford and Chuck took a train trip around the United States and Canada in May using a North America rail pass. It was "a fantastic trip," she wrote, from Jacksonville to the West Coast and back, stopping at San Antonio, Phoenix, the Grand Canyon, California, Seattle, Vancouver and New York, and other interesting places.

Martha "Mott" Warlick Brame and Betty Jean "B.J." Ellison Candler had a fine trip together to

Provence in August

Henrietta "Henry" Johnson reports both her winter home in Columbia, S.C., and her summer place in Asheville, N.C., were too hot and dry to be comfortable this past summer. She enjoyed seeing lots of Agnes Scott friends, including Nancy Parks Donnan, at the annual ASC meeting in Montreat on July 21.

Your class secretary spoke briefly in September with Evelyn Foster Henderson in her new retirement home in Roanoke, Va. Evelyn and U.V. are safely situated in their apartment, though weary from "downsizing" and moving.

51

 Annual Fund participation through October: 10%

CO-SECRETARY Anna DaVault Haley 112 Woodland Way Greenville, S.C. 29601-3823

CO-SECRETARY Martha Ann Stegar 2296 Melinda Drive Atlanta, GA 30345-1913 masp@attbi.com

Louise "Twig" Hertwig Hayes and Henry took their entire family-14 in all-to London last summer. Several of the grandchildren and their daughter-in-law had never been to England, so it was a special treat for them. Twig reports they saw the Globe Theatre and thought of George P. Hayes and how he would have loved it. It reminded [her] of Jenelle Spear's and Gaby Menzel's balsa wood model of the Globe." Twig found Greenwich and the Observatory much more meaningful after reading Dava Sobel's Longitude. They stayed at a nice private hotel in

Belgravia near Buckingham Palace. Twig says several times they took a walk after dinner just to see what Queen Elizabeth II was up to. Unfortunately, all they knew was that she was in residence because her flag was flying.

Herbert and Noel Barnes Williams visited their son, Herb, and his wife, Jenny, for a week in late August, helping with school and soccer transportation for their three children while their sitter was away. Herb is an attorney, and Jenny is a veterinarian. They drove home to Pass Christian, Miss., in time to have their younger son. Eric, his wife, Aline, and their three children with them for the Labor Day weekend. They live in New Orleans, where Eric is in marine insurance and Aline is a full-time

Noel says the summer began with a wonderful week on the Star Clipper in the Windward Islands. They went on to a week at Yellowstone National Park and Shell, Wyo., where she has cousins, and then a week in Medford, Ore., with some of Herbert's cousins. Their daughter, Catherine, came up from her home in Oakland, Calif., for the weekend. While there, they drove to Crater Lake and Klamath Falls. They also enjoyed a night at the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland.

On Oct. 7, Jeanne Kline Brown and a friend flew from Charlotte, N.C., to Toronto to begin a 12-day tour of major Canadian cities, including Niagara Falls. This is a trip that Jeanne had been longing to take for many years.

Also gallivanting in October were Lawrence and Carolyn Galbreath Zehnder, who took an Elderhostel trip to Spain for three weeks.

Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay

and her extended family had a fabulous week at the Isle of Palms, S.C., in a beach house they rented for a week from Amy Jones McGreevy's son, Brian. The swimming pool was a big hit with the whole family. M.C. says Brian and Jane's bed and breakfast in Charleston would be great for a mini-reunion. M.C. and Louise "Lou" Hill Reaves '54 toured Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in September.

On July 2, Anna DaVault Haley moved into her new home in Greenville, S.C. She survived the ordeal of downsizing into a twobedroom house, but remains surrounded by boxes. Anna says she "gutted the house and is gradually sticking it back together.

Mary Hayes Barber Holmes and Ed spent a week visiting friends in Denmark last summer and then went on up to Norway. Mary Hayes is teaching Sunday school again. She says she has to spend more time preparing to teach preschoolers than adults, and she's exhausted on Sunday afternoons. She talks to Julie Cuthbertson Clarkson often. The Holmeses are enjoying their grandchildren, 2year-old Grace and 1-year-old Robert, who live nearby in Chapel Hill, N.C

Betty Ziegler Dunn reports Clyde's cancer is in remission, and they are enjoying a bit of travel, especially the time they spend with family and friends. In August, they served as host couple on a working farm in Rutland, Mass. Overlook Farm is an educational center associated with Heifer International, an organization working to alleviate world hunger. She says that after a month on the farm, she has a new appreciation of what it takes to be a farmer. During the rest of the year, they do some speaking and fund raising whenever possible. The fall issue of Georgia Institute of Technology's alumni newsletter,

Tech Topics, has a wonderful article about Betty's parents and brothers titled "Seven Degrees for Seven Brothers." The article describes the career of each brother (every one a Tech grad), and mentions Betty, the youngest child and only girl, graduated from Agnes Scott.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 4%

SECRETARY Winnie Strozier Hoover 462 Burlington Road NE Atlanta, GA 30307-1104 cewhoover@aol.com

#### **DEATHS**

• June Carpenter Sloan, June 20. Mary "Jennie" Brewer Murkett, Aug. 10.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

SECRETARY Barbara E. West Erwin 1720 Rockhampton Circle Hoover, AL 35226-2614 barbe 17@juno.com

 John Klettner, husband of Virginia Hays Klettner, Aug. 19.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 14%

**SECRETARY** Nancy M. Lee-Riffe 406 Jackson St. Berea, KY 40403-1746 retleeri@adelphia.net

How many of the class have four birth names? After Florence Hart Sibley Fleming Corley's were mentioned in a previous column, Kathleen Ann Cameron Stout Mainland mentioned her four. Her new and first granddaughter, Julia Ruth Mainland, born Sept. 19, is not making it a family tradition, however. In September, Kathleen Ann Cameron Stout Mainland celebrated having served as tour guide for 20 years at the Tullie Smith House at the Atlanta History

Chizuko Yoshimura Kojima, too, has a new and first granddaughter, Kiwi. III health has kept Chizuko from flying West—yet—but not only are Kiwi and family in California, but Chizuko's daughter, Katherine, has also moved there. Chizuko has set up a Web site for Kiwi so her pictures can be seen from afar.

Louise "Lou" Hill Reaves enjoyed a trip to England in May with other alums, as well as traveling in Nova Scotia with Mary Caroline "M. C." Lindsay '51 in the summer and her annual fall visit with Doris "Sully" Sullivan Tippens '49 and Jim Tippens in Florida. She lunched between travels with Harriet Lee Rosenbaum Draluck '54, a classmate and daystudent during the first year, and on various occasions with Judy Promnitz Marine

Judy has traveled too, to be honored in Kenya, a trip that had to be postponed after September 11. She has been supportive of Mt. Kenya School and taught there one summer. A portrait of Judy was unveiled for permanent display. She also does a lot of tutoring "back home." Old teachers never die; they just find many good services to perform!

Ted and Mitzi Kiser Law had a wonderful trip exploring her Huguenot roots last April. They even met some of her cousins and also saw a lot of Europe:

Amsterdam, Leiden, eastern France, Geneva, etc

Helen McGowen French says it puts a new perspective to do "baby sitting" for one's daughter when the "baby" is more than 6 feet tall!

Nancy Lee-Riffe thoroughly enjoyed a week's visit in September with her oldest son, Chris, his wife, Nancy, and Cara, 8, and Jake, 7 They had moved in December to Sugarland (suburban Houston, Texas) and are in a large planned community. Most of the time was spent watching dance and ice hockey practices, having lunch with firstand third-graders and a trip to Galveston, Texas, to see the gulf and a tropical rain forest for variety.

This news editor isn't sure all the news is here, all of it fit to print that was sent in. Classmates should forgive if they see omissions and resend to the new e-mail address. Computer problems, as well as world and family crises, have wreaked havoc among the secretary's papers and brain.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

**SECRETARY** Catherine L. Callaway 1135 Stillwood Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30306-3535 clcmace@mindspring.com

Sara T. Dudney participated in a huge fund-raiser for Parkinson's disease (son Ed was diagnosed at 39) in Tampa, Fla. Rasheed Ali (daughter of the great Muhammad Ali) spoke, and Mort Kondracke (pundit with Fox News), whose wife has Parkinson's, was the keynote speak-

Mary Love L'Heureux Hammond painted four rooms in her house and was beat. Her son, David, arrived soon after. (Good timing.)

Jane Henegar Loudermilk moved to a condo in Fernandina Beach in January and barely got settled when Larry had open-heart surgery—six by-passes. He's doing fine, and they spent July in North Carolina

Jane Gaines Johnson and Ralph had an unbelievably hot trip to Vietnam in May and June. She enjoyed the trip except for the visits to war museums full of propaganda and captured U.S. equipment. The people were friendly, the food excellent and the scenery absolutely lovely. Their second granddaughter, Caroline, was born in January.

Jeanne Heisley Adams' only daughter, Ginger, was married Oct. 26 to Anthony Simon. They are both 41 years old and have never been married. Ginger just started a doctoral program at the University of Pennsylvania in education and is working there as project director of an educational reform group.

No news here but thanks for keeping the following in touch: Harriet Stovall Kelley, Betty Reiney Henley and Pauline Waller

In September, Beverly Watson Howie and Vivian Hays Guthrie were dancing to the music of the Steel Drum Band at a street dance in Buck's Harbor, Maine

Elizabeth "Betty Ann" Jacks Miller is enjoying the perks of retirement: lunches and teas with girlfriends, more volunteer church work, time to read for fun, matinees with her husband and especially baby sitting her 1- and 4-year-old grandchildren.

Grace "Gracie" Greer Phillips and Barry have been traveling: Iceland, a cruise above the Arctic Circle, China and Tibet. Julia Beeman is making slow

progress with her computer-

working with the scanner and her photographs, but mostly acquiring experience in problem-solving! She asks, "Do you reckon that's keeping my brain from going totally soggy?" She has had more "company" this summer than in any other five years.

Betty Akerman Shackleford had her family for a week in June at St. George Island: her two Agnes Scott daughters—Elizabeth "Beth" Shackleford Kirch '82 and Celia Shackleford Booher '84, son Ben, spouses and six grandchildren. Shack and she went on a genealogical research and study tour of England in September. The lectures were great and the research slow.

Margaret "Peggy" McMillan White and Bill are enjoying their "new" (almost a year) home at Westbridge Lane. Peggy and Bill left Sept. 23 for a tour of eastern Canada and Nova Scotia.

Agnes "Mickey" Scott Willoch and Ray had most of their family at the beach Memorial Day week. In June, Mickey and Ray went to England to see Norfolk, the Broads, the Fens, Norwich, etc. In August, they traveled to western Canada, beginning in Vancouver, then Victoria, Lake Louise, Jasper, Banff and on to Calgary. Mickey had lunch with roommate Patricia "Pat" Tooley Fulwiler and shared memories of their youth.

Grace Olert Dailey's daughter, Mary Katherine, married Craig Block on July 6. Her daughter-inlaw, Mary Beth Dailey, was named Teacher of the Year in her Gwinnett County school

Mary Carol Huffaker Platzek has retired after teaching special education for 17 years. She went on her first Elderhostel trip and is enjoying her three grandchildren.

Tillie Galanti Tenebaum is involved with her synagogue, her 92-year-old mother and five grandchildren. She is happy not traveling, her unusual hobbies, gourmet cooking and a computer.

#### **DEATHS**

• Patty Hamilton Lee, Sept. 25.

 William Fulwiler, husband of Patricia "Pat" Tooley Fulwiler,

 Willie Choate Hampton, mother of Harriet Hampton Cuthbertson, May 26.

 Betsy Yon, daughter of Elizabeth McPheeters Yon, June 1

 Saul Feldman, husband of Renee Galanti Feldman, Oct. 1.

· Annual Fund participation through

**SECRETARY** Helen Haynes Patton 1329 Springdale Road NE Atlanta, GA 30306-2416 HHPatton@mindspring.com

Bobara "Louise" Rainey Ammons reports her participation in a mission team trip to Tallin, Estonia. Her United Methodist church in Kingsport has been involved since 1997 in a project to rebuild the church in Tallin in partnership with Methodists in others parts of the Southeastern United States and Estonia. The goal for the trip was to help finish four acoustically tiled ceilings and lighting, paint three rooms and install hardwood floors in two rooms. When the church building has been completed, it will become part of a Methodist seminary. Louise was excited to have the opportunity to work with the Estonian Christians who, she found, are very grateful and do so much with so little.

Classmates and other friends will be saddened to learn of the sudden death of Betty Claire "B.C." Regen Cathey on Oct. 3. B.C.'s husband, Abe, had died exactly six weeks earlier, following a long illness. Memorial gifts may be sent to the Historic Presbyterian Church on Main Street in Franklin, Tenn.

Jacqueline "Jackie" Plant Fincher must surely be the class expert on architecture. She has completed another 10-day course on architecture in Newport, R.I., with Richard Guy Wilson and guest lecturers. The focus for this course was on local architecture in Newport, with one day each spent in Providence and in Massachusetts. She reports a demanding and wonderful 10 days, each day including lectures and site visits. The owners of several of the mansions not only opened their homes to the class but also entertained the group.

Stella Biddle Fitzgerald and George enjoyed a 10-day Panama Canal cruise in February. They are "itching to get on the road camping or in the air touring another area of this great world." However, they will need to stay close to home until George completes a term as the interim pastor of a church in Rock Hill. Stella and George have discovered that retirement is great, and they are ready for it again.

Agnes Scott alumnae are invited to support the alma mater in a variety of ways, but few have the opportunity to bring as special a gift as Vannie Traylor Keightley brought to the campus in October. She accompanied her husband, David, to Agnes Scott, where he spoke on early Chinese history. Vannie was pleased to have a chance to see all the changes in the campus.

Helen Haynes Patton became the first recipient of the Helen Flanders Dunbar Award at the 2002 annual conference of the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education in Pittsburgh in May. The award was created "to honor individuals who have made contributions of historical significance to ACPE and/or the CPE movement.' It carries the name of Dunbar, an exceptional woman, who was an early leader in the clinical pastoral education movement at the time that the movement was dominated by white males. Happily, women and persons of color now play a significant role in education for pastoral care ministry and in the organization that oversees it. Helen had a wonderful time in Pittsburgh visiting with former ACPE colleagues from around the United States and beyond.

#### **DEATHS**

· Charles Gallaway Boland, brother of Juliet Boland Clack, Aug. 25. Abe Cathey, husband of Betty Claire Regen Cathey, Aug. 22.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 6% SECRETARY Jean Price Knapp 320 Court St. Portsmouth, Va. 23704-2502

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By the end of September, Virginia "V.A." Redhead Bethune hoped to become a certified music practitioner with the Music for Healing and Transition (Dying) Program. She writes this credential is helpful when she approaches medical facilities about playing harp at the bedside of patients, not as performance or entertainment, but utilizing the principles of music and the physics of sound in healing. She and Dick have burned a CD, Musaic, this year with keyboard, harp and vocal selections.

Suzella "Sis" Burns Newsome and Jim had a wonderful trip to England Lynn Blackwell Denton '63 (from

left), Hayne Palmour, Anne Diseker

Beebe '67 and tour guide, Estelle

Volkert gather in the studio of

Lynn Denton '63.

in May with a small group led by Professor Emeritus of History Mike and Lee Brown. It was not an official Agnes Scott trip, but there were several with connections to the College: Martha Sharp Smith '60, Dorothy (Dot) Holloran Addison 43, Louise "Lou" Hill Reaves '54 Margaret Downie Brown '43. Clementina "Tina" Ransom Louis '42, Catherine Sims Boman (former faculty member), Marlin Day Cwach '61, and Guy (a former member of the Board of Trustees) and Sue Tittle. Sis enjoys having lunch often with Margaret Minter Hyatt, and she stays in touch with Mollie Merrick. A wonderful surprise was the chance to have lunch with Lila McGeachy Ray '59.

Virginia "V.A." Redhead Bethune also sent updates on Len Geiger, son of Rebecca "Becky" Deal Geiger and Leonard, who received double lung transplants in May at the University of Virginia Hospital. He was recuperating nicely until he was involved in an accident later in the summer, and the ensuing treatment caused some serious problems Virginia was at the University of Virginia Hospital for a class in September and had a chance to see Becky, Leonard and Len and to have lunch with Becky. At last report, Len was doing well. V.A and Becky had a wonderful time catching up on the last 45 years, and credit the class e-mail network for making their reunion possible.

#### **DEATHS**

- Frank Leeper, husband of Jean Hodgens Leeper, June.
- Mrs. Henry M. Cox, mother of Mary Miot Cox Hale, date unknown

· Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

SECRETARY Anne Mc Whorter Butler 8417 Gannon Ave. St. Louis, MO 63132-4906 ambutler1@juno.com

In the spring Main Events, the secretary reported the death of Marion "Pinky" McCall Bass's sister in November 2001, and she is sad to report Pinky lost her mother on March 17. Mrs. McCall had surgery in December and never recovered. Pinky nursed her mother with the support of hospice, and she can't give enough praise to hospice after having its help with both her sister and mother. During the summer, Pinky visited her daughter-in-law and grandson in France, where they were staying with Cathy's parents while Cathy taught at Georgia Tech Lorraine for the summer. Cathy is the wife of Pinky's son who was killed in a tragic car accident several

Marilyn Tribble Wittner and Harvey welcomed their second grandchild into the world Feb. 16. She is named for Marilyn's mother, Marlee Jasmine. They are thrilled by their 4-year-old granddaughter's weekly spend-the-night visits. Their travels included Boston and Prague, Budapest and Vienna via a river barge on the Danube River. Mollie Merrick '57 and company visited Tampa, Fla., early this year, and Marilyn and her sister had them for

Harriet Talmadge Mill and Bill traveled to the Canadian Rockies in May, and Ramona Cartright had been on the same tour the week before and signed the visitors' book at the Columbia Ice Field Lodge. They traveled to Alaska in

Rebecca Fewell goes by Fewell and not McRight. Her e-mail address is Rrf37221@aol.com. Rebecca and Dan are happily mar-

#### PHILADELPHIA TRIP HITS HIGH NOTE

rare glimpse of one of the Acountry's best private collections of the French Impressionists and Post Impressionists was one stop in an October arts tour of Philadelphia by alumnae.

"It was a grand trip," said trip leader June Moseley '58, adding there was a wide range of ages. The people were so nice, and there were many highlights. Everyone seemed very happy wherever we went.

Those highlights included a citywide art studio tour, lunches

in several private clubs and a showing of the Barnes Collection, a famous impressionist collection that is "hard to get into," Moseley said. "An eccentric willed the collection to a foundation," said Moseley,

who is the travel/education chair on the Alumnae Board. "We had a two-hour session, and the group seemed enchanted by the magnificent collection. The collection of Renoirs is breath-taking. Martha Ille, assistant director of alumnae relations and trip co-leader,

said another highlight of the four-day excursion included an hour-long visit with Lyn Denton '63 in her studio. "Lyn is working with the city on a huge mural in an inner-city neighborhood. The group of 21 saw the U.S. Artist Show, a juried event held annu-

ally in Philadelphia. "We went in early before the public opening and saw the show with a docent," Moseley said. The trip was coordinated by the Office of Alumnae Relations travel program.

"The agency that helped plan the trip was excellent," Moseley said. "I think everyone liked the itinerary we had planned." — Wendy Cromwell

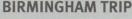
#### **BURGUNDY TRIP**

- When: May 23-June 2.Tour leaders: Donna Sadler, associate professor of art, and Richard Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy
- Program fees: \$2,590 (if 25 participants)

\$2,750 for 20. \$2,975 for 15. (Prices subject to change.)

• Deadline: Jan. 10, \$500 per person deposit.

• Final balance due: March 14.



- When: March 27-28.
- See: "Sacred Treasures: Early Italian Paintings from Southern Collections" and "Desire and Devotion: Art from India, Nepal and Tibet" in the John and Berthe Ford Collection.
- For registration packets for all trips, contact Martha Ille, assistant director of alumnae relations, at 404 471-6374 or mille@agnesscott.edu.

ried, but she didn't change her name. Rebecca and Nancy Holland Sibley were also guests of a mutual friend for lunch in Montreat in the summer

Nancy Alexander Johnson and Pierce had a busy summer, and the highlight was 10 days in the Sierra Mountains in California. They stayed at Sierra Club Lodge near Donner Lake and enjoyed wildflower hikes each day. She reported the sky was unbelievably blue and the air dry. Fortunately, neither of them had problems hiking in the 7,000- to 8,000-foot altitude. Nancy's twin brother and his wife joined them, and they spent the last three days driving through the Napa and Sonoma valleys and taking walks in several groves of coastal redwoods along the Avenue of the Giants.

Carlanna Lindamood Hendrick has become a seasoned traveler and this past summer spent two weeks in Cambridge taking a course. Then she went to the Netherlands and Germany for three weeks. The highlight was a lecture by Stephen Hawkins and lots of World War II "stuff." Carlanna retired in December from what has been the world's most perfect job

Langhorne "Lang" Sydnor Mauck took a wonderful trip with a Washington and Lee alumnae group in June. The trip began in Budapest and continued to Slovakia, Austria and Germany. She and a friend extended the trip for three days in Salzburg. History and political science professors kept them informed about the history and current status of the places they visited. While she was gone, a new granddaughter was born to her younger daughter, Louise, and husband Tim Rawls, who live on Camano Island, Wash. Lang went to meet this fifth granddaughter in July and then took Louise and her children back

for a family beach trip at Sunset Beach, N.C. Lang is working on Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College in the western part of Virginia with a great committee of alums, Elizabeth "Liz" Shumaker Goodman being one. Katherine "Kit" Sydnor Piephoff and Lang see each other often since one of Lang's daughters lives one block from Kit's son and near Mooresville, where Kit lives. Kit is doing well and has made a place for herself in her new community.

Anne McWhorter Butler has a new granddaughter born to her son and his wife, Mac and Elizabeth Butler, on July 22. Anne has been overjoyed with her son and his family's move to St. Louis in June, but he has learned from American Airlines he will be furloughed in this month so they may not get to stay in St. Louis. Anne and her sister took 100 at-risk children to camp this summer, and she started her seventh year as volunteer coordinator of the tutoring program for these young people.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

SECRETARY Sara Lu Persinger Snyder 415 Woodland Road Covington, VA 2446-6321 saralu@cfw.com

Sally Sanford Rugaber and Walter have moved to their "serious" house at Meadows of Dan, Va., 55 miles from Roanoke, Va., after a year at Hollins University, where Walter was interim president. The Hollins trustees gave him an honorary degree and Sally the Hollins Medal at the May 2002 commencement. The surprise occasion brought all of their children-Leslie (Seattle), Chris and Liz

(D.C.) and Mark (Cambridge) for a family reunion.

Mary Clayton Bryan DuBard and Jim were blessed with a second grandchild, Maire Claire DuBard, born Aug. 19, to David and Deirdre DuBard, who live in the Boston area. While visiting the new parents and baby, Mary Clayton and Jim also spent time with Suzanne Bailey Mann and Allan at their beautiful home on the Maine coast.

Caroline Pruitt Hayes spent much of 2002 traveling: Rome and the Amalfi Coast, Egypt, the Grand Canyon, Bryce and Zion canyons, plus special needlework exhibit tours in Denmark, England and the Netherlands. A visit with India Clark Benton at her new home in north Georgia and a reunion with "stitching friends" at Pawley's Island filled out her travel calendar. Caroline is working on an Agnes Scott sampler, the original of which was done in Scotland in 1810, and is researching the possibility of some connection to the classes' Agnes Scott.

Sidney "Sid" Howell Fleming, M.D., was appointed professor emerita of medicine at Emory University in September.

A name correction to previously reported news from Ann Rivers Payne Hutcheson about her new granddaughter should read: Tyler Rivers Hoel, born to Susan and John Hoel, Dec. 1, 2001.

A number of classmates have inquired about Donalyn Moore Elich. She reports a new treatment regimen that began in September and is both hopeful and realistic. Her e-mail address is donalynelich@aol.com.

The substitute secretary loves that her son Lee, an architect, lives in Atlanta. Frequent visits to the Agnes Scott campus have allowed her to see the many impressive construction and renovation projects over the past several years. The campus looks gorgeous. Another treat on a trip to the city was a tour of the completed new sanctuary addition to the Peachtree Road United Methodist Church for which Lee had major design responsibility. Her older son, Meade, and his wife have settled in the Covington, Va., area where he practices law with his father, Jim

#### **DEATHS**

- The Rev. DeWitt F. Helm, father of Blanche "Boogie" Helm Nichols,
- Nancy Ann Bowers Wood, Aug. 29

**SECRETARY** 

participation through October: 11% Suzanne Hoskins Brown

· Annual Fund

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Angelyn Alford Bagwell has a new email address: angelynbagwellcpa@earthlink.net.

Margaret Collins Alexander welcomed grandbaby number five, Emily Louise, born May 13 to daughter Deborah.

Lisa Ambrose Hudson welcomed number two grandbaby. William Austin Carrington Jones, born June 13 to daughter Sybil.

SECRETARY

· Annual Fund participation through October: 12%

Rosemary Kittrell 2056 Dellwood Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30309-1243

Renni Dillard Browne writes she lives on a mountain at the North

Carolina-Tennessee state line and spends most of her time writing. HarperCollins will soon bring out a 10th anniversary edition of her book Self-Editing for Fiction Writers. She does some editing, having founded The Editorial Department, a book-editing company, 22 years ago. Her son, Ross, now runs the company. Renni and Ross are planning a book on dialogue to be done together. Renni writes book reviews and articles for Appalachian Life magazine and does occasional public radio commentaries on writers and writing. She reports she is happy leading "a quiet life in a very beautiful part of the world," accompanied by her pet cats.

Virginia Philip once again ran the Peachtree Road Race in Atlanta on July 4, seeming to be in very good form to watchers at the halfway mark. Despite Atlanta's heat, she had surplus energy for a smile and wave to the secretary as she sped down Peachtree toward Piedmont Park and the finish line.

Mary "Jane" Henderson Yates reports having had a very enjoyable and busy summer, with a family reunion, a high school reunion, math tutoring, golfing, trips to her condo near the beach at St. Simons, and her first grandchild, Ella Dean Alford, born June 21 to son Blake and his wife Alicia.

"Get your mammos, everybody!" That's the advice from Nancy "Missy" Moore Kuykendall, who writes that the Monday after she returned from the last Agnes Scott reunion, her annual mammogram showed breast cancer. After surgery, chemotherapy and radiation, she reports she is "fine, even [has] curly hair for the first time in [her] life." Professionally, she does some mediation from time to time but enjoys "goofing off a lot with bridge and painting.

Proponents of the "gypsy life" are Anne Pollard Withers and Bob, who traveled this year to the "beautiful and interesting" countries of Slovenia, Croatia and Montenegro. Though living in Dayton, Ohio, they spend the winters on Pawleys Island, S.C. They love traveling, planning their trips, biking, hiking and taking courses. Anne completed the South Carolina master gardener program and volunteers at Brookgreen Gardens when in South Carolina. Anne's daughter married in 2000 and lives with her husband, Joe, in northern Virginia, where she started a company in knowledge management with a partner last year. Anne's son works for a high-tech start-up in the Boston area.

#### **DEATHS**

 Mildred S. Zimmermann, date unknown.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 7%

SECRETARY E. Milling Kinard 19 Hudson Road Lexington, MA 02421-7837 emkinard@rcn.com

Pauline "Polly" Page Moreau and Dave welcomed their first grandchild, Allison Grace Moreau, born June 24, to son David and his wife, Amy. Their daughter, Page, teaches marketing research in the business school at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Suzanne "Sue" Amidon Zoole pursues her new career in art by taking art lessons, painting and entering art shows. Her success organizing a large juried art show for the local art museum led to a lay position in her church in which she is responsible for visual arts and how they relate to worship and

spirituality. Sue finds her work exciting and proclaims, "Art is never boring.

Ellen Middlebrooks Granum and Jim had a fabulous trip to Alaska last August. They enjoyed hiking. fording icy streams and seeing bears and caribou in Denali National Park as well as cruising through the Southeast Passage

Clara "Cackie" Buchanan Rollins works part time in the accounting department of a large orthopaedic practice in Winston-Salem, N.C. She traveled to Atlanta in October to see her daughter, Katherine Rollins Schnell, receive her doctorate in clinical psychology.

Ann Sullivan Gravatt and Cary were in Chapel Hill for the arrival of their second grandson, Steven Sullivan Wilke, born July 25, to daughter Lee and her husband,

Elizabeth "Betsy" Jefferson Boyt and Pat moved to Austin, Texas, in June, and are happy being in the same city with their sons, two grandsons and other family. Betsy worked for the campaign of Tony Sanchez, the first Hispanic candidate for governor in Texas.

Margaret "Peggy" McGeachy Roberson and Bill traveled to Japan in August to visit their daughter, Sarah Frances, who teaches English in the Japanese Exchange and Teaching Programme for the Japanese government in Hamamatsu. During their stay, Sarah Frances and Arturo Carbajal Muratta, a native of Peru, were married in a civil ceremony in Tokyo. Peggy's son, Will, is an administrative assistant for the men's basketball team at Davidson College, his alma mater. Peggy is the teaching partner for a humanities course in the Master of Arts in Teaching program at Mary Baldwin College. She also serves on the advisory committee for International Partnerships for the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Sally Bergstrom Jackson attended the May 18 wedding of her son, Hunt, to Mary-Elizabeth Friend '96. Hunt and Mary-Elizabeth live in Atlanta with their two Labs.

Ruth Shepherd Vazquez enjoys practicing as a landscape designer and learning about the art and science of energy medicine. She attended one of Rosemary Clark Stiefel's art shows, reporting that "her paintings and scarves are so striking and beautiful.

Margaret "Peggy" Frederick Smith and Glen spent a week last August exploring Prince Edward Island with Vermont Bicycling Tours and several days driving around Nova Scotia. A bonus to the trip was a good visit with Milling Kinard in Lexington, Mass.

Mary Jacquelyn "Jackie" Day Joye held a mini-reunion with Mary Culclasure Stephens, Helen Hereford Shadrick and Peggy Frederick Smith in January 2002 After catching up with more than 35 years of life, they aren't going to wait another 35 to do it again!

Doris Sanders had a wonderful trip to Eastern Europe, visiting Salzburg, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow, Prague and Berlin. The trip was led by Jane Nabors Atchison and sponsored by the American Council for International Studies. Doris sees Margaret "Peggy" Frederick Smith and Patricia "Pat" Flythe Koonts frequently and enjoyed having dinner with Martha Campbell Williams, whom she hadn't seen since gradua-

After being retired for more than two years, Elizabeth "Liz" Withers Kennedy returned to work in June as technical director for 120 employees providing computer support to the Army at Redstone

Arsenal in Huntsville, Ala. Her job is essentially the same one from which she retired, making it easier to return to work. Liz collects antique dolls and enjoys getting together with "Doll Biddy" friends from all over the country. She and Jim are also passionate gardeners. Their two grown sons and two grandsons live on the West Coast.

Sherry Addington Lundberg and Milling Kinard were among Agnes Scott alumnae traveling to China last spring. They agree the trip was an amazing experience. **DEATHS** 

 Marian Corine Lee Hind '31, mother of Cynthia Hasen Hind '62,

• Mary Ruby Wright Stokes, Oct. 7.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 11%

**SECRETARY** Cornelia Anne Bryant 6214 Prospect St. Fredericksburg, VA 22407-8390

An article appeared in the September issue of Real Simple magazine, featuring the long-term friendship of Lydia Wammock Ramsey and Lucie Callaway Coffie, which began as first years at Agnes Scott. They are shown in a photo wearing ASC sweatshirts.

Karen Haralson Galvez traveled to Japan for one month in mid-May to participate in a study program sponsored by the University of Georgia on pottery and Japanese culture. She spent one week in Kyoto and three weeks in Shigaraki. Before returning home to Chile, she was in Atlanta for a few days to see Valerie McLanahan Goetz and Anne Miller Boyd and then traveled to her home in Tennessee

Sandra "Sandi" Creech Birdsong writes she and her family have enjoyed living in Washington, D.C., for almost 40 years. Daughter Lori Birdsong spoke to the American Psychiatric Association at the national convention in San Francisco. Son Bret is a professor of law at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas. Sandi graciously held the annual "student send-off" for first-year students from the Washington area at her home in early August. New students had the opportunity to meet one other and alumnae from the region. Sandi has been very active with the Washington and Baltimore area alumnae chapter.

In July, Nancy Thomas Hill '56, Kaye Stapleton Redford, and Cornelia A. Bryant met for a delightful lunch in Richmond to talk about Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College and exchange news of classmates. Kaye continues with her research work at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Nancy kindly gave Cornelia a tour of some of Richmond's lovely neighborhoods. Cornelia has found a new "career field"—needlework judge. For the second year, she judged needlework at the Orange County Fair in Orange, Va., in late July. The setting was absolutely glorious: James Madison's home at Montpelier. Cornelia is a member of the board of directors of the Fredericksburg Festival of the Arts.

Dudley Milward Zopp was awarded an Individual Artist Fellowship, the Maine Arts Commission's highest artistic honor. Dudley has exhibited in many shows including Davidson and Daughters, Portland, Maine in 2000, Galerie Hertz, Louisville, Ky., in 1999 and Past Present Future a group show celebrating 50 years of the Center for Maine Contemp-



Lydia Wammock Ramsey '63 (left) and Lucie Callaway Majoros Coffie '63 look through old Silhouettes while reminiscing about being roommates at Agnes Scott during an interview by Real Simple Magazine.

#### LONGTIME FRIENDSHIP SPOTLIGHTED

Their friendship has endured 43 years of life's ups and downs, including one exhausting day as magazine models. Perhaps that is why Real Simple chose Lydia Wammock Ramsey '63 and Lucie Callaway Majoros Coffie '63 to lead its story on girlfriends.

"I submitted the story of Lucie and me and how we had met as freshman roommates at Agnes Scott almost 44 years ago," Ramsey said, explaining how their friendship was one of five featured in the September issue. "Of course, the story had to do with how we have maintained and grown that friendship over the years through lots of 'thick' and 'thin.

The pair went through quite a selection process because of the great response to the story idea. "I think Lucie and I made the cut based on our long friendship," Ramsey said. "She (the writer) must have liked the way we looked because we also had to send photos before the final decision.'

Coffie agreed the interview process was fun. "It was actually quite impressive to have all that attention focused on us and our relation-

The relationship has nurtured the pair through weddings, children, funerals, marriage and divorce. "We have stayed in pretty close touch throughout the years, sometimes more than others, but always there's been that bond," Coffie said.

"I think that Lucie and I both have a great sense of humor," Ramsey said. "We laugh a lot and see the funny things in all we do. We also see the funny things that others miss.

That sense of humor proved essential after a long photo shoot for

the magazine. The two tried to find their old Rebekah Hall room, which is now a stairwell. "It took about a half-hour to convince everyone that there actually had been a room there," Ramsey said. "I think they thought we were having memory problems.

"It was a lot of fun because the campus is beautiful," Coffie said of the photo shoot. "I was sorry that we didn't have time to take some shots of more attractive areas of campus, and neither of us loved wearing the Agnes Scott sweatshirts. I don't think that particular design or color has changed in 40 years.' -Wendy Cromwell

orary Arts (formerly Maine Coast Artists), to name a few.

Classmates will please mark calendars for April, the milestone reunion year, the Big 40! All should try to have a big turnout of class-

· Annual Fund participation through October: 10%

**SECRETARY** Mary Miller Womack Cox 1500 N.E. 139th St. North Miami, FL 33161-3524 EpiscoRat@aol.com

#### **DEATHS**

· Joseph Powell, husband of Patricia Sights Powell, June 30.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 13%

**SECRETARY** Ann Durrance Snead 3718 Trotters Court Marietta, GA 30067 tom.snead@worldnet.att.net

#### **DEATHS**

• James Harold Eads, husband of Sally Abernethy Eads, Oct. 5.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 9%

SECRETARY Beverly Allen Morris 2297 SE Laurel Run Drive Ocala, FL 34471-8371 bmorris@atlantic.net

Karen Gearreald reports for nine

"unforgettable days in July" she had the "joy of living on the Agnes Scott campus again." The occasion that brought her to Walters Hall was a braille music seminar for blind college students sponsored by the Music and Arts Center for Humanity, Bridgeport, Conn. As a teacher of braille music, Karen worked in Presser Hall, strolled the campus, ate in the renovated dining hall and reveled in the fun of renewing her contacts with Mary Brown Bullock, Susan M. Thomas and Professor Emerita Margaret Pepperdene.

Julia Murray Pensinger spent February in Europe visiting friends in England, France and the Netherlands and touring northern Spain and southern France. In the spring, she and her husband, Jim, spent six weeks crewing aboard a 47-foot sail boat, taking it back to Clearwater, Fla., from Puerto Rico via the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas. She enjoyed wonderful diving, good fish and good fun. She ended the summer by taking her granddaughters camping in Wisconsin for a week.

Yvonne "Bonnie" Stack Steger has decided to get her master's degree in professional counseling. She began her course work at Georgia State University this past

In mid-September, Linda Lael went "on the road" for Agnes Scott. She traveled in the Florida Panhandle making high school visits and covering seven college fairs, as well as conducting individual interviews. As a new resident of Decatur, Linda reports it has been

wonderful to get to know the College from the inside out again. She is encouraged by the dedication of the faculty, the high caliber of the students and the remarkable facilities

Virginia "Ginny" Finney Bugg was the mother of the bride in June when her daughter, Elizabeth, was married. Classmates Alice Lindsey Blake and Joan Dupuis attended the wedding. Immediately following the wedding, three generations of Ginny's family headed for its annual beach week together and for some much-needed rest.

Nancy Bruce Truluck is a grandmother again, bringing her total to three grandchildren, two girls and a boy. Nancy and her husband, Richard, went on the Agnes Scott trip to China with Ayse Carden and Harry Wistrand in May and June. They found it a fantastic experience and credit Ayse and Harry with doing a wonderful job of educating them, exposing them to history, culture and art and generally "shepherding" the tour members around.

Class members Portia Morrison and Elizabeth "Betsy" Anderson Little had a "small world" episode this summer. They discovered, after the fact, that both of them, along with their respective families, were on the Colorado River rafting through Grand Canyon with the same outfitter at the same time. Betsy's motorized trip would have passed Portia's oar-and-paddle boats on the river sometime during the week, and they imagine that they probably waved at each other without knowing it. Portia's group hiked out of the canyon on Bright Angel Trail, and Betsy's continued on to Lake Powell.

Susan Ledford Rust is back in the classroom for the first time since 1997. She is teaching one math class per semester at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, S.C. Susan moved to Rock Hill to be nearer to Charlotte, her children, her doctor and her hairdresser. She is active in Overeaters Anonymous, which she highly endorses. In Rock Hill, she was "found" by Judy Barnes Crozier '67. Both she and Susan had "won" a grocery store giveaway, and Judy tracked Susan down after she read Susan's name as a winner. They found that they live in adjoining neighborhoods and have enjoyed renewing their acquaintance.

Joan Dupuis spent two weeks during the summer in Brussels visiting old friends. Still later in the summer, she took her son to college in Indiana, where he attends the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. Joan is "empty nesting" and trying to remember how to cook for one.

The class of 1966 is keeping a high profile in the Decatur Alumnae Chapter with Susan M. Thomas serving as president, Linda Lael as treasurer, and Vicky Campbell Partronis as vice president-hospitality.

#### **DEATHS**

 Virginia Vaughan Scoggins, mother of Suzanne Scoggins Barnhill, June 6.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 6%

SECRETARY Rebeca Pope Herbert Schenk 620 Hyland Park Drive Glenwood Springs, Colo. 81601

Susan Stevens Hitchcock writes she is back in Atlanta and happy to be nearer family and friends. Susan's new business e-mail is susanhitchcock@turknett.com. She also uses this address for personal

e-mails (even though it reminds her of Hilton Head). Susan would also like to make the class aware of research she is doing with Turknett regarding women leaders. The class can visit the Web site at www. turknett.com/surveyonwomen.

Retiring from Phillip Morris International in January after 26 years, Cindi Carter Bright is now with St. Joseph's Villa as the quality assurance director and assists in maintaining and monitoring its accreditation with the Council on Accreditation for Children and Family Services. Cindi is excited about this opportunity to "give something back" to her community in Virginia. Cindi and her husband will be frequent visitors to the Outer Banks of North Carolina, where their 21/2-year-old grandson, Tyler, daughter and son-in-law live.

Jane Davis Mahon and her husband, Pat, have an 18-month-old grandson, who is the joy of their lives. Their 17-year-old son, Michael, is a senior at Hoover High School in Hoover, Ala, and the kicker for a very good football team.

Avary Hack Doubleday and her husband, Gerry, highly recommend a visit to the "last great frontier," Alaska. In August, they took a glacier and whale-watching cruise and spent four nights inside the Denali National Park. Incredible wildlife sightings included grizzly bears, caribou, moose and Dall sheep.

Post-polio has slowed Marsha Lee Davenport Griffin down a great deal. Letters her parents wrote when she first got polio in 1948 are on the Internet on a post-polio Web site. Rob and Marsha bought a beautiful retirement lot on Lake Keowee about 30 minutes from Clemson, S.C. Their search for an architect with special expertise in accessible housing was rewarded while reading an Agnes Scott Alumnae Magazine article on Ila Burdette '81, Agnes Scott's first Rhodes Scholar and an architect whose firm builds supportive housing, etc.

Janice Weatherby Riley has been shuffling back and forth between Minneapolis home to both her two sons, and Woodstock, N.Y., where she and her husband, Tim, live. Janice gardens in both locations! Gardening has definitely developed as her driving interest. Her sons are in business together, and Tim will be joining them to provide "senior" guidance, since he is no longer working in the corporate world.

Suzanne "Suzie" Pharr Martin and her husband, Bob, have been overwhelmed with taking care of elderly parents. Although they can plan only for the spur of the moment, they enjoy their two sons and families who live in the Marietta area also.

Frustrated by a teaching load of six classes per semester in North Carolina's community colleges, Grace Winn Ellis opted for early retirement in December 2001. She is broke but more relaxed, piecing together little jobs as a tutor and journalist, as well as trying to keep up with the produce from her gardener husband. Her musician son, John, is touring the country with Charlie Hunter's band, and her artist son, David, just produced three pieces for Sesame Street on the number 9, the number 0 and the letter O

Gayle Doyle Viehman and Bill held a Hardeman Cottage gathering at their home during the reunion weekend this spring. Maria Artemis and her husband, Don Lewis, Mary Barnett Tennaro and Clem, Linda Cooper Shewey and Bill, Anne Diseker Beebe and Skip, Fontaine Harper Fulghum, Rebecca "Becca" Herbert Schenk, Mary Jervis Hayes and Craig, Caroline "Dudley" Lester Tye,

#### **CURRY ORGANIZES WOMEN ALONE**

Women Alone Together, a group organized by Carolyn Curry '66 is designed to serve the emotional, practical, financial and legal needs of women who live alone.

The idea for the group came from her many years of study pursuing her master's and doctorate degrees in history and her subsequent years of teaching.

"I based my dissertation on a diary kept for 41 years by Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas of Augusta, Ga.," Curry said. "By studying this woman and others, I began to realize how frequently death and other kinds of loss affected them, and started to

focus on how they responded to these occurrences.

"I dreamed of starting something that would help women focus on the issues distinctive to their lives," she said. "Certainly, death is a very real element in the lives of some women who live alone, but there are many women who live alone because of divorce or their

choice never to marry."

The first meeting of Women Alone Together, held in November at Agnes Scott College, featured remarks by Curry on "Lessons from Women's Lives"; Zoe Hicks, a tax lawyer on legal and financial issues in "Lessons from Practical Life"; and Ron Greer, a pastoral counselor on the emotional and relationship issues in "Lessons for Personal Growth."

"We don't want women to isolate themselves," Curry said.
"Women Alone Together is designed to empower women to mitigate their tendency to withdraw once they find themselves alone."

After earning her bachelor's degree in English at Agnes Scott, and master's and doctorate degrees in history at Georgia State University, Curry taught at the University of Kentucky in the Department of Women's Studies and the Department of Family Studies. She is married to Bill Curry, former head football coach at Georgia Institute of Technology, the University of Alabama and the University of Kentucky.

"Our goal in this one-day seminar was to inform women on the most important basic issues in their lives and to provide opportunities to share their experiences with others to discuss key issues," she said

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Agnes Scott College Office of Alumnae Relations at **404 471-6323**, or by e-mailing to **alumnae@agnesscott.edu.**—Lee Dance

Mary Stevenson Ryan and Elizabeth "Betty" Hutchison Cowden and Bill all made a valiant effort to talk fast enough to catch up with so many people who have been part of each other's lives for so

Elizabeth "Betty" Hutchison Cowden visited Jo Jeffers, who has moved from Charleston to Florence, S.C.

#### DEATHS

• Ellen Jervis, mother of Mary Jervis Hayes, May.

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 Annual Fund participation through October: 12%

SECRETARY Betty Derrick 15 Mount Paran Road NE Atlanta, GA 30342-2209 bderrick@agnesscott.edu

Betty Miller Layng enjoyed a week at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, N.C., as the guest of a good friend, who was celebrating a significant birthday. What a good friend! Thirty-one other friends were invited, too! Betty studied painting on silk and will no doubt be wearing one of her lovely scarf creations at the reunion.

Elizabeth Cooper has a new home in West Point, Miss., and is working for herself.

Marilyn Johnson Hammond and Dean enjoyed a unique trip to Provence with four other couples for 10 days. From a gorgeous house in La Beaucet near Carpentras, the group made excursions every day to discover Provence. They were guided by a stern but knowing member of the group who got them up and out early and was well acquainted with the area and the hidden secrets of the region. Marilyn and Dean have also welcomed their first grandson, Will Presson, son of their daughter, Lee, and her husband, William.

Betty Derrick has also been traveling. Betty has returned from England, where she spent a week at a watercolor workshop in Wiltshire, painting with Charles Reid, a well-known American watercolor painter and author of a number of books on watercolor. The workshop was in a small village in Wiltshire, and the other artists were almost all English. Afterwards, Betty stayed in Cotswolds and made day trips around the Midlands area, repeating her mantra," Drive to the left, look to the right."

Ann Teat Gallant and Philip are grandparents again with the birth of Logan McDonald Gallant, born Sept. 9. Ann and Philip's son, Jason, and his wife, Melissa, are the proud parents.

Classmates should make plans now to be at the 35th reunion! A wonderful time is being planned by a dedicated and enthusiastic committee, and everyone is counting on all to be here from the first piano key plunked at The Hub Sing on Thursday night, April 24, through all the exciting and fun events during the weekend of April 25-27. Being present will protect classmates from being talked about!

#### DEATHS

• Newton Joseph Bell III, father of A.J. Bell Churchman, Feb. 17.

• Wilma Pardue, mother of Gué Pardue Hudson, July 23.

• Charlotte Blee, mother of Kathy Blee Ashe, Aug. 27.



 Annual Fund participation through October: 6%

SECRETARY Lalla Mangin 1141 Davison Drive Greensboro, GA 30642 Imangin@mindspring.com

Sharon Dixon had lunch with Becky Saunders Holder and Patricia "Pat" Grant Gooding and reports all their news. Becky's daughter, Carol Lane Holder, married Gregory Ross Tresan in September, and Sharon did the flowers. Becky's son, David, and his wife, Gwen, live in Newnan, Ga., so Becky will spend even more time on the road. Pat's two daughters, Paige and Carter, are at the University of Georgia and in the same sorority.

Jan Cribbs is re-employed by the state of Georgia with the Vocational Rehabilitation Program. She says no one has done this job before, so she gets to make it up as she goes along, right down her creative alley. Jan continues to freelance as a storyteller, which keeps her busy creating and telling stories and presenting workshops. This fall she played host to an intern with Amnesty International from Great Britain through a local program called International Homeliving. The only hitch was that Jan had to fix a hot meal every night. She said the transition from single grazer to semi-mother figure that cooks has been interesting.

Carol Blessing Ray and Bill's daughter, Calli, graduated in May from Duke University. She was selected to give a paper for the English department at graduation and did so in front of the university's guest speaker, author Tom Wolfe. Calli is in a graduate writing program at the Johns Hopkins University.

Patricia "Patsy" May Touw and Kenneth report their daughter, Kate, graduated from Duke and attended Duke's M.A.T. program on a Wachovia fellowship. She is teaching chemistry in Durham, N.C. She is married to Craig DeAlmeida, a doctoral student in music composition at Duke. Helena Flickinger gave the bridesmaids' brunch as well as moral support to the mother of the bride. Patsy's son, Adam, is using the film, music and computer skills he developed at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago by working technical support for Zoom Culture, a firm in Chapel Hill that does video and television work. Anduin, Patsy's oldest daughter, works on satellites at Boeing and takes engineering graduate courses at the University of Maryland while her husband, Brian Jackson, is a part of Rand, a Washington, D.C., think

Carolyn Gray Phelan contributed an article on children's books about the brain to Cerebrum: The Dana Forum on Brain Science, a journal of the Dana Foundation, which funded the construction of the Dana Fine Arts Building at Agnes Scott College. She and her husband, Bob, stopped by to see Jane Morgan Henry and her husband, Chuck, at their Great Frame Up store in Cockeysville, Md.

Elizabeth "Betsy" Fuller Hill and Larry are looking forward to the graduation of their son, Timothy, from Ohio State University. He is completing his dissertation and looking for a job teaching political science. Their daughter, Kathleen, is married to a Canadian and living in Toronto. She teaches fifth grade. Betsy and Larry keep busy working, paddling kayaks, goofing off with the dogs and missing the kids.

Sandra Earley reports her son, Brad, spent the summer as a camp counselor and racing his sailboat. She still is telling New Jersey how to improve itself via editorials for Cablevision.

Mary Anne Murphy Hornbuckle and Jon got a special guided tour of New York City from son David, who is rapidly becoming a real New Yorker.

Here are new e-mail addresses for Mary Anne Murphy Hornbuckle (mahornbu@worldnet.att.net), Elizabeth "Betsy" Fuller Hill (hillfolk@comcast.net), correction to Sarah "Sally" Gillespie Richardson (jamestandsallyg@ hotmail.com); Rebekah Hall Robertson (knoxfamrbrtsn@ comcast.net), Mary Cappleman Zahl (mczahl@bham.rr.com) and Nan Johnson Tucker (tsnt@ mindspring.com).

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Jane McMullan Howe has been keeping busy as a personal and professional coach. "The job of the coach is to ask deeper and deeper questions as a way to get the clients to solve their own problems," said Jane. Coaching is a new profession. Business and personal coaching has become one of the hottest trends in management as reported in the Atlanta Woman magazine in which Jane was profiled.

Patricia Daunt Grogan is the mother of two middle-school girls. She says Agnes Scott remains a warm memory and as the high school counselor for the Austin Waldorf School in Austin, Texas, she speaks often of its strength.

In August, Jane McMullan Howe and Martha Cotter Oldham spent a fun-filled week seeing the sights in Chicago and in Madison, Wis. Their primary focus was to watch Jane's son, Jay, perform for three nights in the Drum Corps International end-of-season competitions in Madison. He is a member of Spirit, a corps formerly based in Atlanta but now making its home at Jacksonville State University in Alabama. Spirit qualified to perform on finals night and scored 10th overall in a thrilling field of international bands.

Lynne Garcia Harris continues to teach high school chemistry in Savannah, Ga. Husband Ben is with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Both are looking forward to retiring within a few years. Lynne's daughter, Dagny, is 27. She has degrees from Clemson University and Armstrong Atlantic State University, and lives in Athens, Ga., where she is a chemist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Lynne's son, Jason, 30, married Lilly Arroyo in Lakeland, Fla., in July. Jason is a ceramic engineer and a Clemson grad. Jason and Lilly, a Florida State University grad, live in Lakeland. Lynne's sister, Nancy Garcia '73, attended the wedding. Others attending were Susan "Sue' Snelling Defurio and Carol Watkins Fisher. Before the wedding, Sue and Carol had lunch in Orlando with Tracey Partin '95, daughter of the late Barbara Hobbs Partin Schoene from the class.

Helen Christine "Chris" McNamara Lovejoy writes she and her husband, Howard, spend most of their time keeping up with their 11-year-old son and his many activities.

Dr. Ann M. Hoefer spent some time visiting her eldest daughter at the University of Bourgogne in Dijon, in the program associated with her first semester at Colby College. Ann's younger daughter is in the eighth grade and into many musical activities, such as violin and girls' choir. Ann says she and her husband, Ben, wonder where all this musicality came from. Ben continues to work full time as an orthopaedic surgeon. His group has taken charge of orthopaedics for Yale's student health, which he finds interesting. He developed a

joint infection in one shoulder, and Ann was able to assist him with his IV therapy at home for a few weeks. Ann said although she is a pediatrician, she initially found all the steps and equipment a little intimidating.

Marilyn Merrell Hubbard reports her daughter, Merrell, graduated from University of Georgia in May. After working for U.S. Sen. Zell Miller as an intern, Merrell moved to San Diego, to work. Marilyn's son, Ben, graduated from Auburn University in May 2001, and after a year in Washington, D.C., has moved to Denver. Son Charlie is a computer programmer at ISS in Atlanta

Diane Wynne Hoey retired from Delta Airlines last December after 31 years of flying. Diane says it was an adjustment at first, but now she loves retirement and stays busy transporting her 15-year-old son. She reports Sharyn Smith retired from Delta at the same time and is enjoying a more leisurely life.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 11%

SECRETARY Jane Duttenhaver Hursey 1923 Cotton Lane Loganville, GA 30052 idbursey@mindsprind.com

Dea Taylor Walker sends both happy and sad news. Her daughter, Cassie, received her master's degree from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern in June. Cassie is working at Chicago Magazine. Sadly, Dea also reports the death of her mother, Mildred Beck Taylor, on April 2. The class sends its sympathy to Dea and to Judy Taylor Brownell '73.

Evelyn Brown Christensen attended the 90th birthday celebration for her aunt, Louise McCain Boyce '34, last June. She enjoyed seeing Marti McLemore Boyce and other Agnes Scott alum relatives. In July Ev's husband, Ralph, had professional meetings in Montreal, so the family took a family vacation there. Daughter Susan's fluent French made the five days they spent exploring the city easier. Susan is a senior at Swarthmore College, majoring in engineering and linguistics. Evelyn published five more math puzzle and activity books. Three use Venn diagrams, and the other two are for practicing basic math facts. Her 11th-grade son, Stephen, co-wrote the last one with her. All five are being published by Mindware. Congratulations, Ev!

· Annual Fund participation through October: 4%

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The next time classmates need a children's gift, look for The Cat Who Loves Mozart, by Pat Austin, associate professor of education at the University of New Orleans. Publishing her first book in 2001 and a recent appointment as editor of The Journal of Children's Literature have "crowned" not only Pat's lifelong dream to write but also the head of her perky feline who looks just like the cat in her book

A book author-in-progress is Louise Roska-Hardy, continuing as instructor of graduate philosophy in Germany, where husband Karl consults as a systems analyst. Son Daniel. 22. and daughter. Susanne. 16, are completing their education

in Germany. During a family stay in New York City, Louise enjoyed a global reunion with Jane Causey Mitcheson, visiting from Boston; Jennifer Clinard, linked by phone from San Francisco; and Sybil Peet Margaritis, en route from Shanghai to Bangkok, where husband Paul has been transferred

The 30th reunion dinner included a spirited choral direction by Virginia Uhl Tinsley for the singing of vintage Agnes Scott favorites. As executive director of Atlanta Urban Ministry for the past seven years, Virginia has forged many links for community service. Husband David moved his ministry to Mount Pisgah United Methodist Church. Daughter Christa attends the University of Georgia. Son Ben, 16, is a class leader and Beatles trivia expert, and Dan, 13, enjoys playing clarinet and Boy Scouts.

Californian Claire Hodges Burdett, who was awarded the "traveled farthest" reunion award, was spotted a few months ago by Kathryn Metts Murray as both browsed mountain crafts shops in Waynesville, N.C. Claire is an independent consultant/trainer for hi-tech companies. Husband Ed is at Merrill Lynch. Daughter Annie is college shopping, and son Ted is at Tulane University. A few weeks before this chance meeting, Kathryn's daughter, Amanda, while interning in Charleston, S.C., for Spoleto Festival USA, recognized the signature on a friend's newly bought artwork as that of Sherry Stuebing Browne. Amanda, a senior at the College of William and Mary, later made a special visit to Sherry's exhibition at the festival. With spies on the lookout, anyone could be spotted next. Meanwhile, please e-mail news!

 Annual Fund participation through October: 3% SECRETARY Jane Benbow Jackson P.O. Box 459 Summerfield, N.C. 27358-0459 ijackson 1@triad.rr.com

Lynn Lassiter Irvin writes her husband, Bob, ran for the U.S. Senate in Georgia (www.Boblrvin.com) in the Republican primary against Saxby Chambliss, who won the general election in November. Many Agnes Scott graduates worked in the campaign."When Bob spoke at a church in Cherokee County, an older gentleman started the conversation by saying that he had noticed on the Web site that Lynn went to ASC. He added that 'she must be pretty smart if [she] went there,' commenting that 'all the smart women in [his] family went to ASC.' "Lynn says, "his reaction to the College is typical." She continues to be proud to have it as part of who she is. Wendy Bridges has moved from

Portland, Ore., to Greensboro, N.C. Margaret MacLennan Barron wrote her daughter Catherine 27 married Mark Cooper Pope V June 8 in Newnan, Ga. (The Tams played at the reception, which was at their house.) "A grand time was had by all!" They met while Catherine was at Hollins College and he was at Hampden-Sydney. And what a small world! Mark's mother, Chilton, and Margaret were together at Ashley Hall many years ago. Catherine and Mark are living in Atlanta. Son Tom, 24, is also living in Atlanta and loving every minute of it. He works for Brannen Goddard in commercial real estate and enjoys a busy social life. "He and his four roommates sometimes have parties for 600 at their house!" Son John, 16, began

his third year at Woodberry Forest, where he has done very well. This past summer, he worked for an orthopedic group in Newnan in the operating room (cleaning up after surgery) and thinks he wants to go into medicine. Chip and Margaret are fine. They seem to stay just as busy as ever even though the children are away from home

Jane Benbow Jackson and Randy celebrated their 30th anniversary with Alice, 25, by visiting Randy Jr. in San Sebastian, Spain, where he is working in a medical clinic.

Cynthia "Cindy" Harvey Fletcher moved to Savannah, Ga., three years ago with husband Jim, and since then Cindy has taught English, Latin and math at a classical Christian school in the historic downtown area. (Erin Sherman Wright has a son, Nigel, who's a third grade student there.) Cindy's daughter, Abby, was married June 1 in the beautiful historic sanctuary of Independent Presbyterian Church. Son Sam is a senior at the U.S. Naval Academy and will graduate in May. Daughter Sarah teaches P.E. and coaches at Briarwood Christian Academy in Birmingham,

#### **DEATHS**

• Karen Eileen Richey, July 16.

· Annual Fund participation through
October: 10% **SECRETARY** Page Lane Hodson 1665 Kathwood Drive Columbia, S.C. 29206-4509 plhodson@aol.com

#### **DEATHS**

• Dr. Mary Norfleet Megson, date unknown.

· Rosemary Smathers, mother-inlaw of Susan Gamble Smathers, Sept. 16.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 5%

SECRETARY Patricia Pearson Whitner 2971 Greenbrook Way Atlanta, GA 30345 thewhitners@aol.com pwhitner@bgalegal.com

Alice Lightle Holcomb reports she's happy and well. She and her three children vacationed on the East Coast this past summer and spent two nights with Ann Baxley Carpenter, her husband, Richard, and her daughter, Liz (older daughter Katie was in Australia). They had a great time, but "there was just not enough time to catch up as [they] would like to." Kathryn Bireley Plouff visited her in Little Rock for a couple of nights on her way to visit her parents in Morristown, Tenn., and they had a great time, too.

Beth Barclay DeWall is back in the United States. Around the first of August, she accepted a position at The Bradford Group in new business development. She had been working for a trading company in Shenzhen, China, for the previous

four months.

Ginny McGuire Poole said she had no "earth-shattering" news to report—except that she loves reading about her classmates. She and her husband, Sam, live in Brentwood, Tenn., and she's been in pharmaceutical sales for Abbott Laboratories for the past 12 years. Sam's an independent consultant. Daughter Jennifer is a sophomore at the University of Tennessee. Jennifer pledged Delta Zeta and was invited to join both Phi Eta Sigma, a national honor society,

and The National Society of Collegiate Scholars. They're extremely proud of her. Thirteenyear-old Sammy is in the eighth grade and is busy playing on a travel soccer team. The family has a 2year-old pug and a 2-year-old Boston terrier, and they're "spoiled rotten

Vernita Bowden Lockhart emailed news of the Lockhart clan: daughter Allison is a freshman at Florida State University. Allison started last summer, "and now thinks that she knows everything there is about college life." Vernita's son, Al, is a freshman at St. Pius High School in Atlanta. He's playing soccer and hopes to make the varsity team this spring.

Patricia "Patty" Pearson Whitner met Jean Sheffield Buchanan. Renee Anderson Collins '77, Anne Alexander Patterson '77 and Kathy Schnittker White '78 at Jean's inlaws' home in Santa Rosa, Fla., for a "Hey, Hey Hopkins" reunion, and they're not sure the place will ever be the same. There was a lot of laughter and reminiscing, and all tried their first martinis at the restaurant 38A, where they dined like royalty. But they're not going to talk about the cabana boy.

Dr. Anne Walker Shelton is now the proud mom of three children (adopted from Russia).

Barbara Faris (who's back to Faris) retired from Chicago Title Company in Bellaire, Texas, after 23 years in the title insurance industry. Barb has established a graffiti abatement campaign in Houston. She works in conjunction with the Anti-Gang Task Force for the mayor's office and created The Graffiti Clean Team, a service mark of a not-for-profit corporation. Its goal is to educate business people and ordinary citizens about graffiti by explaining the presence of graffiti means a gang is present and active in that area. She then recruits people to assist in phone work locating property owners to obtain waivers and coordinates with utility companies, trash receptacle companies and the like. Her database of volunteers exceeds 300 and consists of realtors, bankers, accountants and teachers, among others. She says, The program began as a marketing idea but quickly spread to a scenario for a much higher purpose. Chicago Title Company in Houston, Texas, is being very supportive of the program. Atlanta, Ga., could use this program, too, [she'll] bet!" That's some "retire-

#### ment! **DEATHS**

• Harriett E. Graves-Beckley, Sept. 23.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 5%

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Shirley Chan Kwan and family are stateside and back in California. Shirley started work Aug. 1. Son Joshua is excited he will be staying put for the next three years and finishing high school. Ed is busy setting up house again, rediscovering where everything is and, first things first, got Shirley a car to drive to work. Welcome back!

Sarah Workman remains in Florida "living off of grant writing." She and her partners own a farm in Watkinsville, Ga., near Athens, and her goal for the future is to be

Marguerite Booth Gray has returned to the classroom, teaching second grade. Anyone with howto-be-a-mother-in-law tips please contact her.

Emma McLemore Salzer and family have moved from the Miami area back to Georgia.

The class representatives are at work planning a wonderful weekend for the 25th reunion. The class hopes everyone will be able to attend the memory-filled weekend, but those who can't, should please consider sending in a bit of news so that we will know you are alive and

> · Annual Fund participation through October: 6%

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Leslie Doyle Brenegar and husband Ed live in Hendersonville, N.C., with their three children Troop, 17, Stewart, 13, and Shelby, 10. Leslie continues to home school all three. This past summer, they traced part of Lewis and Clark's historic journey on a float trip along the headwaters of the Missouri River in a 1700s replica keelboat. They camped and hiked in spots mentioned in Lewis and Clark's iournals.

Catherine Crook Hagood lives in Greenville, S.C., and works at the Thornblade Country Club as member services director. She also has a sideline business making wedding

cakes.

Andrea Groover Nagelson and Scott live in San Francisco with their two young sons, Bryant and Ross. This past summer, Andrea and 22 other Bay Area friends laced up their walking shoes and participated in a three-day, 60-mile Breast Cancer Relay.

Marianne "Mopsy" Widener Mullins lives in San Anselmo, Calif., with her family. She has three children: Thayer and Marian are teen-agers, and George is in elementary school. In October, she started a job with Portal Publication Co. Mopsy and Andrea see each other regularly.

Katherine Harris continues her political career in Florida. This year, she is won a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. She also wrote a book, Center of the Storm, about her experiences during the 2000 presi-

dential election.

Angela Fleming Rogers reported she has run into several Scotties this past year. Lark Todd Sessions '76, Susan Hall Boone '77 and Angela all attended a Bible study this summer at the home of Julie Johnston Wiggins in Augusta, Ga. They all are members of the same church. Leslie Doyle Brenegar and Angela got together in Asheville, N.C., in September for lunch at the beautiful old Grove Park Inn. Also in September, Angela had dinner with Trish Elebash '80 during a weekend visit to Atlanta. While in the D.C. area this summer for another one of their son Parker's soccer tournaments, Jerry and Angela met Ginnie Risher Wilcox and her husband, Randy, for coffee at Starbucks. Ginnie and Randy have five children and live in Falls Church, Va. She helps out at the children's school, and Randy is an accountant. Randy has spent the year undergoing a miraculous recovery from a serious head injury sustained while hiking with his children. Ginnie and Randy are quick to give faith in Christ and the power of prayer credit for his incredible recovery

Virginia Rockwell lost her father, Frank Rockwell, on Sept. 16. The class's sympathies are with Virginia

at this time.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 3%

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Debbie Boelter Bonner enjoyed a successful spring tennis season, with her team earning a spot in the Louisiana State Championships, where they made it to the finals. This past summer, Debbie visited Kathy Zarkowsky Broderick in New York so she could meet Kathy's newest daughter (number four), Kayleigh, who was born

Army Maj. Dixie Lee Washington reports she opened her second Radio Shack store in June.

Emily Moore tells of a very busy past year. In November 2001, Emily shifted the focus of her law practice to the public sector when she accepted a position as staff counsel to the Florida Education Association. Emily finds the job satisfaction to be high, and she got to travel to Anchorage, Alaska, for a business conference in May. In July, Emily had Lasik eye enhancement surgery. She is "thrilled and thankful" for the great improvement of her vision. Finally this Thanksgiving, Emily got together again with Tracy Rowland Perrin, the Rev. Cheryl Walker Smith and Jennifer Williams Fagbemi. Emily also keeps in touch with Dacia Small Berry '79 and her Albany, Ga., family.

Kathleen "Kathy" Hollywood and her husband, Bruce Smith, took their three children (Maggie, 12, Trisha, 11, Steven, 7) on summer vacation to San Diego, the mountains outside Sacramento, Calif., and then on to Hawaii for a week. Their days were full of activities, but Kathy's most interesting comment was that she was, "stunned at how absolutely brilliant the stars are out here [in Hawaii]!" She has returned to town and reality, where she is a Girl Scout troop leader and vice president of the Shiloh Middle

School PTA. Keller Murphy Torry, Margaret "Peggy" Somers Shepard and Susie Ham Deiters got together for lunch last May, and all rejoined the workforce soon thereafter. Keller sold her business, Monograms Ltd. last September and is working part time for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta in the Foundation Office. She is part of the organization that works with volunteer groups on their fund-raising efforts, special events and service projects. Keller has spoken with Lynne Perry Sales. Lynne's son is attending the University of Arizona in Tucson. Peggy is working at the Trinity School helping in development and communications. She is the staff person who helps the volunteers with the school's big fund-raiser, an art auction. Peggy reports Susie is

Sally Harris and her companion spent the early part of the year updating and adding to their 70-plus-year-old-house. After the work was complete, Sally and Flo planned to get away to Antigua for some scuba diving and kayaking.

working to raise funds for a new

gym at St. Thomas More School in

Susan Durham Little admits her work as director of financial aid at University of Georgia is stressful but states "the sweetest grand-daughter in the world was born in March, so I have a strong interest outside of work. Makes it hard to focus on loans and HOPE Scholarships."

Patricia "Trish" Elebash started a new job April 22. She was offered a great position with Wells Real Estate Funds, where she is working as a manager in its client services area.

Jennifer "Jenny" Spencer Osorio says, "Life is good." Both sons are seniors: one in college, the other in high school. Jenny plans to sell her home in Cobb County and purchase a house in East Atlanta, Ga., where she will be able to reduce her commute distance to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. And she is enjoying playing the cello in a trio. The trio's Web site is: www.jubilatetrio.com.

Margaret Evans Porter and husband Chris spent part of 2001 overseas, with two trips to England and France. During 2002, Margaret's travels have been curtailed somewhat by her work on the search committee for the next bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire. She's also been busy researching a nonfiction book and meeting her deadlines for various articles and columns. In her "spare time," Margaret ran for the New Hampshire Legislature as a candidate in House District 18. Husband Chris helped out. Margaret said campaigning was fun and involved 'marching in lots of parades!' Margaret lost her election bid.

Sherri Brown was married (for the first time, she points out) on Oct. 26, to Michael Breunig, a consultant for Collins Project Management. Mary Anne Hill, Melinda Tanner White '79 and Susan Dodson Shewbridge attended the wedding in Atlanta. In other good news for Sherri, she has been promoted to director of community and public relations for City Schools of Decatur, Ga.

Sheryl Cook finished a year as president of her Rotary Club, as well as a two-year stint as president of Florida Jewelers of America. She has started a two-year term as chair of the board for Easter Seals of two counties. To make sure she stayed busy, Sheryl built a new house, for which she had a closing date of Halloween.

Christina "Tina" Robertson Bass sends a "Hello from Dallas." She has just sent her oldest son, Spencer, off to the University of Kansas and is working on getting the other two out of the house. Tina has gone back to school at the University of Texas at Arlington, where she is studying archaeology.

Wendy Brooks Crew and her husband, Richard, returned from eight days in Cuba. Hurricanes Isadore and Lili bracketed their visit, but Wendy declares the trip a great success. Although it was a professional convention for Wendy, she and Richard were able to take in much sightseeing. Wendy says, "Despite absolutely crushing deprivation, the Cubans remain upbeat, and there is music everywhere."

Patricia "Pat" Arnzen Brookshire is the new chair of the Libertarian Party of DeKalb County. Fortunately, her husband, David, has the great Libertarian mind and keeps up with government and media actions so she can focus on education and marketing the party.

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In addition to teaching a full load of regular and honors history courses, **Susan McGrath** also fulfills duties as the Clarkston honors coordinator, the manager of three GPC Scholarships and the liaison for the Executive Women International and The Coca-Cola Foundation Scholars Program scholarships.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 7%

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Tobi Martin writes from Auckland, New Zealand, where she has been teaching for the last 41/2 years. She teaches English as a sec ond language to adults at UNITEC a technical school. This month, UNITEC is sending her to Beijing, China, for six months. Tobi worked there in 1988-90 and is eager to return and see China after 13 years away. Before she returns to New Zealand in August 2003, Tobi plans to visit friends and family in Ireland and the United States. In her free time, Tobi is learning Irish folk harp and also enjoys dancing with a worship dance team and playing the hammered dulcimer in church. Tobi can be reached at tmartin@unitec.ac.nz throughout her travels.

Sonia Gordon Dettweiler sends news from Nigeria, West Africa, where she and her husband continue their work in Bible translation and literacy. Their sons, Joel and Micah, have begun fourth and second grades, respectively.

Joy Jun Rousso sends news of the birth of her second son. Alexander Paul Rousso, "Alex" was born Aug. 8. Although Joy titled her e-mail "baby brain" and couldn't remember whether she'd already e-mailed her news, she reports they are all doing great.

Elizabeth "Beth" Maisano Wilder also has a new baby. Elizabeth Rose Wilder was born July 26.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 4%

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Mary Jane Golding Hawthorne married Charles Ld. McMahan on Aug. 3. The McMahans reside with James, 15, Harrison, 9, and Mary Black Hawthorne, 9, at her same address in Nolensville, Tenn.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 10%

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Shannon Hatheway Younger writes she and husband Guy have had an unusually eventful year. Guy spent part of last year in Bosnia and returned home for the birth of their third child, Noah, on Feb. 5.
Shannon notes she had her 40th birthday shortly afterward but was too preoccupied with children to notice. The Youngers have moved from Kansas to New Mexico, where Shannon says they are learning to speak Spanish and to eat chiles in everything—including pecan brittle.

Allison Boyce Hudson has been busy holding 40th birthday luncheons for friends. She threw a dinner party for Meri Crawford Falciglia, Miriam Garrett Stacis and Helen "Virginia" Harrell Hatch in January. Lana J. Smith and Shawn Fletcher

Foley were also in attendance. In April, Allison gave a luncheon to celebrate Lana's 40th. Emily Glaze Bergstrom joined the group, in addition to Meri, Mim, Virginia and Shawn.

Caroline Cooper Wilhelm and her family have moved from Concord, Maine, to Charlottesville, Va., where husband Bill is a professor of finance in the McIntire School at University of Virginia. Caroline, Bill, daughter Anna, 11, and son Benjamin, 8, have bought the house that William Faulkner lived in during his time at the University of Virginia.

Michelle Pickar Jordan and Matt are the proud parents of a new daughter, Anna Marie, born Feb. 19. Michelle writes her C-section was originally scheduled for Feb. 18, the birthday of her older daughter, Katie, but the doctor changed the date to keep Katie from sharing her birthday.

Diane Rickett Sandifer has been elected to her second four-year term on the Harris County Board of Education. In addition, she accepted a three-year appointment on the board of directors for the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education. This organization combines business, government and educational leaders in an effort to improve public education in Georgia Diane has also been appointed as a community ambassador for Harris County for the American Cancer Society. She participated in the first national Relay for Life in Washington, D.C. where cancer survivors such as Diane told their stories to legisla-

Katy Esary Russell celebrated her 40th birthday with a family trip to London, England. Katy's husband, Dean, is in his 15th year as a patent attorney with Kilpatrick Stockton in Atlanta, and Katy is a stay-at-home mom to daughters Sarah, 11, and Laura, 6.

#### BIRTHS

• Charlotte Elizabeth Lewis, daughter, of Mary Ellen Huckabee and Steve, born July 30.

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• Annual Fund participation through October: **6%** 

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Sharon K. Core writes she is "still at Arlington Presbyterian as solo pastor. It is very different from the associate work in Brevard. Everything changed." Sharon went from "being an associate in a 750member church in a small town to solo in a 150-member church in a metropolitan are—very challenging, at times very tiring," but she loves it. The big news is her marriage to Nick Kuhn on Nov. 3, 2001. They met soon after she received the call to Arlington Presbyterian The wedding was the Arlington sanctuary. One member said to her after she announced the wedding, "We've never had a minister get married before. Sharon hopes all are well.

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 Annual Fund participation through October: 3%

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Mary Margaret Krauth married Bill Cooke on Aug. 10. Attending the wedding at the New Ritz Carlton Reynold's Plantation on Lake Oconee were Mary Margaret's new sisters-in-law, Nancy Carter Cooke and Catherine Cooke Polkinghorne '87 and families. Also attending were Joanna Durand from New York City, Ellen Weinberg Boney from Rome and, of course, Mary Margaret's mother, Margaret Hill Truesdale '57. It was a weekend affair, and fun was had by all. Mary Margaret and Bill have bought a house in Macon as Bill works for Frito-Lay in Perry.

Agnes Parker Wells was unable to attend Mary Margaret's wedding as she and her husband, Bob, were just coming back from China after adopting a baby girl. They left July 19 and arrived in Hong Kong on July 21. They did a little sightseeing and went to an orientation. On July 23, they took a train to Guangzhou, China. At this point, they were with six other families. Four couples were adopting their first child, and there were three couples who already had children They got Jane Agnes Wells on July 23 and officially adopted her on July 24. Unfortunately, she had bronchitis when they got her, and they went to the hospital seven times during their stay in Guangzhou, but she never stayed overnight. They went to the U.S. Consulate to get her visa on Aug. 1 Other than Jane's being sick, they had a wonderful time in China! They came home on Aug.4, and Agnes started working in Barrow County Schools on Aug. 5.

Valyn Roos Erickson accepted the position of director of product strategy with Newmarket International (www.newmarketinc.com), a company that develops software for the hospitality industry. She will help the company make decisions about product development and market position. It's a great job, and she is excited to have it. She relocated from Washington, D.C., to Portsmouth, N.H., about an hour north of Poeters.

Tricia Maguire was promoted to general manager, PGI Miami (formerly senior account executive, sales). She has been with PGI for six years and opened its Miami office in 1998 (one of 34 PGI global offices). Since then, the Miami team has grown from three to 13, necessitating a move into beautiful new office space in South Miami. (PGI is The Event and Communication Agency; they create, produce, and market events.)

Mary Carter Whitten has bought a house! It's a cute little three bedroom and one and a half bathroom brick ranch near the DeKalb Farmers Market in Decatur, Ga. Ah, the joys of home ownership.

Congratulations go to Christine Olde Kjos and Eric on the birth of their second child, son Stephen Andrew. He weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long. Stephen was also welcomed by Christine's older son, Michael. Christine is doing well and is enjoying being a stay-at-home mom.

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 Annual Fund participation through October: 2%

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Catherine Cooke Polkinghorne is finally close to finishing her two-

year house addition and renovation. Catherine was elected class secretary during the Alumnae Weekend in April. Class News should be emailed to the3diggers@msn.com.

Gretchen Pheiffer Foley has a new son. Shane Harris was born May 24, joining his older brother, Garrett, and sister Hannah. Gretchen is home schooling both Garrett and Hannah and loves it. Gretchen would like to extend her e-mail address dngfoley@ hotmail.com to any other homeschooler alums. Gretchen has a new position as worship leader in her church. She is busy transposing modern worship songs into guitar and piano chords and then introducing them to the congregation. "It is an awesome job for an awesome boss!" said Gretchen.

Kathleen "Katie" MacMillan Egan has returned from Ireland with her family and resides in Marietta, Ga., with her husband and three sons.

#### **BIRTHS**

• Shane Harris, son of Gretchen

Pheiffer Foley, May 24.
• Frank McClellan Deaver IV, son of Elizabeth "Jane" Castles Deaver and Clell, early September.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 3%

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CO-SECRETARY Annie Pate Konicek 24182 Okeechobee Lane Lake Forest, CA 92630-1915 anniepk@home.com

#### **BIRTHS**

• James Cunningham Harper IV, son of Katherine "Kathy" White Harper, Sept. 5.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 0%

SECRETARY Ginger Patton-Schmitt 1475 Chattabooche Run Drive Suwanee, GA 30024 gkpatton-schmitt@charter.net

Darline "Dolly" Rettie Purvis and her staff at The Champion celebrated in July at Jekyll Island, Ga., during the annual Georgia Press Association convention. At the convention, The Champion, the Decatur, Ga., newspaper of which Dolly is the editor, picked up five awards (including the most first place wins) in its category in the press association's annual Better Newspaper Contest: the Joe J. Parham Trophy for best humorous column (which Dolly won), first place in news photography (Dolly again); first place for lifestyle coverage, first place for sports photography and second place for community service (a series of articles, editorials and columns on predatory lending). Dolly joined Leadership DeKalb's class of 2003 this past fall and is completing the final chapters of her first novel, Lost Among Lesser Mortals (Unauthorized Memoirs of Georgia Politics). In her spare time, she sleeps.

Mini Abraham Panikar had a busy and exciting summer. Mini, her husband, Jacob, her son, Jonah, and her daughter, Meera, spent a week in San Francisco and enjoyed their time at the Golden Gate Bridge and the zoo. The highlight of their vacation was their time at the beach in Carmel and in Santa Cruz. Mini reports the mild California weather was much better than the dry, hot summer they had been experiencing in Baltimore.

Also, Mini's family was able to visit this summer with her parents, her brother, and his family, all of whom live in Arkansas. Jonah just started first grade, and Meera, now 21/2, is a "pistol," according to Mini. While Jonah and Meera could not do without each another, Meera's favorite phrase is "Jonah did it!"

Cherie Monique Arnette moved into a new house this summer, and she will send details regarding her

move later.

Mary Tyrena "Tina" Carr had a busy summer, too. Tina became a first-time aunt this summer when her younger sister had a son, Venture Christian Herndon. Tina is Venture's godmother, and she traveled to Georgia to visit him three times during his first seven weeks of life! During one of her visits, Tina had the opportunity to visit the College, and she was amazed by the new science building. Tina continues to work hard on house renovations, and she spent most of the summer painting and replacing bathroom fixtures. Also, Tina has begun running with a local group, the Reston Runners, and she ran her first 5K in July. Tina has been meeting Louisa Parker Mattozzi every Tuesday night for spinning classes at their gym. In July, Tina escaped from the D.C humidity and spent a week at Lake Chautauqua in western New York with her boyfriend and his family. In addition, she visited with Mila Davila and her family during Labor Day weekend, taking in the National Symphony Orchestra's annual Labor Day concert at Kennedy Center. Finally, Tina, Mila and Mitrina Mogelnicki are planning a trip to Raleigh, N.C., to visit Amanda "Mandy" Kay Roberts.

Kathryn Deane Chambless reports she and her husband, Larry, sold their home in July and moved to Dunwoody. She has been teaching scrapbooking classes at the Atlanta Scrapbook Connections and has been very busy consulting with Kodak on the Kodak Picture Maker. She has taped television segments demonstrating Picture Maker as it relates to scrapbooking for shows airing on DIY, HGTV and PBS networks. Kathryn encourages anyone with scrapbooking questions to e-mail her at

Ichambless@mindspring.com. Eleanor Jean Dill finished the Avon 3-Day Walk as a cancer survivor for the second year in a row, and she was joined by Catherine Martin Lindauer '88 and by Sarah

'Sally" Mairs Dugan '88 this year. Nelathi "Nela" Nanayakkara De Soysa reports her daughter, Naomi, seems to have found her calling at 2½. She began preschool this year, and she loves to sing and to perform. She also attended a church family camp this summer as the youngest attendee. She loved singing, making music with spoons and dancing in front of 100 people. Nela will be traveling to South Africa to complete another course of study for her M.B.A., and she is looking forward to completing her degree in September, Also, Nela may have an opportunity to visit the United States in January, and would love for her College friends to contact her at sheanath@slt.lk. Finally, Nela is encouraged by talks of a possible peace pact in Sri Lanka after almost 20 years of war. Nela asks for prayers for her coun-

Alexandria Kimberly Osias loves her job as a national correspondent with CNN. She has covered stories ranging from the September 1 anniversary event in New York City to Bush's speech at the United Nations. She has traveled for work to many cities, including Dallas, New York City and Los Angeles. For pleasure this summer, she biked

#### BEING A NEWS LEADER CHALLENGING

While running along the Hudson River, it hit home.

There were makeshift memorials," Kimberly Osias '89 said of her September morning run in New York City. 'There was a granite wall for fallen police officers with patches from different police departments. It's just incredible, the world

"There was a father and a little girl," Osias recalled. "The dad looked at the child, who looked up at him and said, They can't take the

American out of me.

Osias, the new Denver-based national correspondent for CNN Newsource, was in New York to cover the September 11 first anniversary. Although she had been to New York since the attacks, it was her first visit to Ground Zero. "It was incredibly moving. It had a profound effect on all of us. It has been the most compelling story for me.

CNN Newsource is a syndicated news service with more than 700 local affiliates throughout North America. It produces live reports and longer, more in-depth stories for member stations. Osias has appeared on CNN and Headline News.

Since her June arrival in Denver, Osias has reported on the drought in Colorado—the worst in 100 years, the Catholic bishops' conference in Dallas and the shootings at the Los Angeles airport.

The reality of working for a world news leader hit her in Dallas. "I don't mean to sound like a Pollyanna. ... but we had so many more resources. We had a Rome correspondent and an expert who had written a book on the Vatican.

From a global perspective, no one competes with CNN," she said. Osias credits her success to a team that includes a producer and technical engineer. It is a tremendous feeling "knowing you bring your fire to the mix as does every one else. We try to do our best every day because you're only as good as your last story. There is always a live

Osias majored in psychology and religious studies at Agnes Scott. She earned her master's in clinical psychology at The University of Georgia, where she also studied journalism. Since becoming a journalist, Osias has worked in Atlanta, Gainesville, Fla., and Birmingham, Ala. While in Gainesville, she won an Associated Press award for best feature reporting in 1998 for a story on a transvestite.

-Wendy Cromwell

through Burgundy, and she reports that she may have needed training wheels, based on her ability to han-

dle and maneuver her bicycle! Ginger Patton-Schmitt and her dear friend from law school, Kim Fletcher Bowden, expanded their law practice, Patton & Fletcher, and opened an office in Suwanee, Ga. Ginger gave birth to her third son, Samuel Andrew Patton on Sept. 10, and life is crazy at the Patton-Schmitt home. To celebrate her older sons' 3rd and 5th birthdays, Ginger and her husband, Michael, had a birthday carnival for Ren and Ellis (their older boys), complete with face painting, cotton candy machines and snow cones for 70 children! The party was a huge success, and Ginger was delighted to be joined at the event by Kate Baird Hammond, Angela "Amy" Gottsche Miele '88 and Kerry O'Rourke Tucker '87

Carolyn Weaver Field and her husband, Pete, traveled alone to the Cayman Islands for a week, and her mother, Nancy Deal Weaver '48, stayed with their daughter, Rebecca. Carolyn and Pete had a wonderful time catching up on sleep, reading books, eating, drinking, snorkeling and feeding stingrays. In July, Carolyn and her family traveled to Hilton Head, S.C., and enjoyed her mother-inwonderful cooking and tir on the beach. In August, Carolyn and Rebecca, along with Carolyn's mom, went to Alaska to visit Carolyn's sister, Ann Weaver Evans '84. During her stay, Carolyn and her family fished for salmon, picked blueberries and enjoyed fresh produce from her sister's huge garden. The weather was great, with temperatures staying primarily in the 70s. Carolyn's Alaskan adventure left her with a horrible case of poison ivy, and the only remedy she had to prepare her for the 10-hour plane ride home was some calamine lotion from the only store in her sister's small town. Carolyn survived, had a fabulous visit with her sister and reports that she actually

saw a moose, too.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 4%

**SECRETARY** Jean Wilson Tate 3681 Embry Circle Atlanta, GA 30341 jandjtate@earthlink.net

Holly Parker Wolfe is working on her master's in early childhood education and teaching 4 and 5 year olds two days a week. Holly and her family went to California for her husband's cousin's wedding. Holly's daughter, Rachel, was the flower girl. They visited Universal Studios, SeaWorld and the San Diego Zoo. Rachel has started kindergarten, and Holly's son, Mitchell, is in the third grade.

Erin Gaston is doing well after a soul-searching summer. In July, she visited with Louisa Parker Mattozzi '89 and Pamilla "Pam" Gulley Hardin in D.C. (and just missed seeing Evren Dagdelyn, who was out of town on business). She invites classmates to drop by if they're ever out West.

Amy J. Lovell, assistant professor of physics, and her family again spent the summer in the state of Pueblo in Mexico and had a lovely time there. They hope to go back again next summer, and if anyone wants to visit, Amy says it is a great place for kids. She returned to the States twice: once at the end of June for a family reunion in North Carolina and once in mid-July for a professional trip in California. She ended the summer by returning to Atlanta from Mexico via Berlin, where she attended the International Asteroids, Comets, and Meteors 2002 conference.

Kimberly "Kim" Lamkin Drew and her family went to Disney World for the first time. Kim's daughter, Anna Katherine, loved every minute of it, and got to go onstage to act the part of Cogsworth during Storytime with Belle. She met Belle, Cinderella and Ariel. Kim's son, Ryan, enjoyed meeting Tigger and Piglet.

Frances Scrivener Johnson and her family traveled to France to visit her mother and her husband who was finishing a book he was writing. Francis, her husband, Lewis, and their girls (Hannah, 7 and Mary Frances, 4) flew into Paris and were there with Francis' mother for one week. They also traveled to Lyons, Chamonix (in the French Alps) and Beaune, where they tasted lots of extraordinary wine. The rest of the summer was the same old stuff-swim team, soccer camp, PTA preparations. Francis is busy doing the mom stuff, PTA and Brownies. She also sells children's clothing, Rags Land.

Andri Akins Pilgrim was a fulltime summer mom, which was, according to her, a nice break from teaching. Her son, John Martin, enjoyed playing the Big Bad Wolf and was quite a sight shaking his wolf tail. He also got glasses like

Harry Potter's. Susan Haynes Mahoney reports

Caleb, who was born May 10, is doing great. His older brother, Isaac, has adjusted to sharing the family's attention. Susan and her family drove 19 hours down to Florida to spend two weeks with Susan's sister and her family and had a fabulous time eating seafood, shopping and swimming in her pool. They also had a family reunion on Beech Mountain in North Carolina.

#### **BIRTHS**

Shelby Louise, daughter of Claire West Jones and Chuck, date

· Alexander Richard Wills, son of Jill Barkholz Wills, Aug. 9.

#### **DEATHS**

• D.J. Pattillo, father of Dr. Kathryn "Katie" Pattillo Fisher, June 25.

· Annual Fund participation through October: 6%

**NEW SECRETARY** Daphne M. Norton 100 White Sands Court Suwanee, GA 30024 dnorton@gpc.peachnet.edu

Annmarie Anderson and her husband, Stan Chastain, have expanded their cattle operation from one to three farms. Annmarie spends her weekends building barbed wire fences, herding cattle and fighting kudzu.

Holly J. Henderson and her husband, Jeff Finger, bought a house in Dunwoody, Ga. The house has kept them busy with painting and yard work

Tammy Shirley and David Vashakidze have a new son, Nicholas Jordan Vashakidze, born Aug. 30. Nicholas weighed in at 8 pounds and 3 ounces and measured 20.5 inches long.

Suzanne Sturdivant completed her second triathlon during Labor Day weekend, which consisted of a 1K swim through a yucky lake, an 18-mile bike ride and a 4.5-mile run. She says it was exhausting but

Dr. Mary Mathewes Kassis and her husband, Mark, took their two daughters on a family vacation to Virginia and Washington, D.C. It was an American history-type trip with stops in Manassas, Monticello and Williamsburg. Mary reports they had a great time in Washington, D.C., but the city had a different feeling with the tight

Janet Kidd Grant had an article about monoamniotic twins published on the Web site, www. thepreemieplace.org. Janet continues her volunteer work to educate

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other mothers about monoamniotic

Michelle Roberts Mathews, her husband, Vince, and son Carter drove up to Columbia, S.C., to visit Betsy Johnson Burn and husband Chip and their son, Conner. They all traveled to Chip's family's mountain home in Brevard, N.C., for a few days of fun and relaxation. Betsy also enjoyed a visit from Holly J. Henderson and her husband, Jeff. Holly and Jeff came to Columbia, S.C., for the University of Georgia-University of South Carolina football game.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 2%

SECRETARY Kristin L. Lemmerman 25 Anita Place Mableton, GA 30126 kristinlem@yahoo.com

In October, Courtney Alison started her job as a field epidemiologist with the HIV/AIDS Program at the Louisiana Office of Public Health. As of this writing, she survived the one-two punch of Tropical Storm Isadore and Hurricane Lili, both of which affected the New Orleans area within a one-week time period. She also proudly announces the newest member of the family, a terrier mix named Bailey Madeleine. Bailey was adopted on July 27 from a group that rescues animals from a pound with a 100 percent kill policy. Courtney reports her pet is very smart: in addition to obedience commands, Bailey knows "shake, "high five," and "BANG!" in which she rolls over after she's been "shot."

Angela Miller Loiselle just missed the wrath of Isadore during a visit sans family to New Orleans, where she met up with Jutta Sieger '93, a German exchange student at Agnes Scott from 1989 to 1990. The tropical storm hit New Orleans just five days after Jutta's return to Germany. Back at home in Pensacola, Fla. Angela is working on her M.B.A. at the University of West Florida. She's also the president of the university's chapter of the Association for Information Technology

There have been births galore among classmates this year. Jessica Carey Graham is finding it quite a challenge to juggle her husband's and her own full-time jobs with the wants and needs of new daughter Jada Marina Graham born April 9. Jessica remains in Anchorage, Alaska, where she practices labor and employment law with Perkins Coie, a Seattle-based law firm. She says she'd love to play host to any classmates who want to visit Alaska

Enjoying their own new arrival are Lisa Rogers Wilson and husband James. Daughter Rebecca Elizabeth, born March 23, has already had separate play dates with Scottie friends Louisa Margaret Mattozzi, daughter of Louisa Parker Mattozzi Marcus Roussey, son of Tracy Peavy Roussey '93.

Kristin Lemmerman and husband Juan Miranda have been showing off son Dylan Jose Miranda, born May 21, to anyone who will look. Among those patiently tolerating this show of parental pride during visits are Barbara Stitt Allen, Elizabeth "Liz" Harrington, Daphne Norton '91 and Melissa Anne Elebash Creed '91. Liz has relieved sleep-deprived mom Kristin more than once, driving up to Atlanta and taking a break from Barnes & Noble and community theater duties in Macon, Ga.

In May, Catherine "Brooke" Price

During Labor Day weekend,

to join Cingular Wireless as its curriculum designer in learning services. Elizabeth "Beth" Bass Covalt's family is moving from Fort Irwin, Calif., to Orlando, Fla., as husband

left IBM, Global Learning Services,

David prepares to leave the Army to go to Reformed Theological Seminary. He plans to return to service in the Army as a chaplain. Beth's twins, John and Catharine, are 5 and in kindergarten, and Caleb is, she says, "21 months going on 5.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 4%

SECRETARY Helen Nash 3455-N. North Druid Hills Road Decatur, GA 30033 bnash@earthlink.net

Two Agnes Scott students from the class of 1993, Susan Adams Brennan (susan@brennan.net) and Kelli Barnett D.V.M. (dockelli@hotmail.com), have kept in close contact since leaving in 1991. Susan graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1993 with a bachelor of science in elementary education and from the University of Alabama-Birmingham in 1995 with a master of arts in education. She works with the Iowa Department of Education as a state consultant for children with deafblindness. She is also in the doctoral program of early childhood special education at Iowa State University. She married Lawrence Brennan in 1999 and lives in Ankeny, Iowa. Kelli graduated from the University of Louisville with a bachelor of arts in 1993 and from Mississippi State University as a doctor of veterinary medicine in 1997. After practicing small animal medicine in Los Angeles for four years, she is in the molecular pathology doctoral program at University of California-San Diego. She lives in sunny San Diego with her cat, Spot, and gecko, Geo.

Elena Adan Esquen, husband William, daughter Amanda, 8, and son Anthony, 11, have moved to Orlando, Fla. Elena and William also have been guardians to their niece, Michelle, 6, since she was 2 years old, and moved with them to Orlando. William took a new position with Site Technologies, the same company he's been working for since the class was at Agnes Scott, to open a new branch in Elena's hometown of Orlando. Elena is teaching at a beautiful school, Timber Creek High School, on the east side of the city. The head of her new department was her Spanish III teacher in high school

Renee Cox Ferriter (Renee. Ferriter@bankofamerica.com) married Todd Ferriter on April 26seven years to the day after they had met. Helyn Wallace Lilly was one of her bridesmaids and Renee's unofficial "matron of honor," as her sister lives out of town. Renee has worked in human resources for the years with the last five and a half for Bank of America. Renee received her professional certification in human resources in 2000. She accepted an "associate readiness" business support manager role for Dealer Financial Services, primarily working on employee reward and satisfaction programs.

Sara DiGiusto Sewell (sdsewell@secondharvest.org) sends news from Asheville, N.C. In February, she attended Elizabeth Dole's Senate campaign kickoff in Salisbury, N.C. Sara also has been named chair of public relations for 2002-2003 for the Junior League of Asheville. She has been selected by the league to attend the District III

conference in Fayetteville, N.C. where she will attend classes on media relations and nonprofits. In April, Sara chaired the public relations committee for the 2002 Lincoln Day dinner, an annual fund-raiser held by the Buncombe County Republican Party. Sara and husband, Rob, continue to volunteer with the Eblen Foundation, an organization that assists folks who are in medical crisis, and with the Association for Retarded Citizens of Buncombe County. Sara also participated in her first 5K race in May—a fund-raiser for the United Way of Asheville/Buncombe County called "The Human Race." Congratulations, Sara, on giving back so much to the community.

Teresa Terri" Grossi has been accepted to Boston College's school of nursing and is entering the nurse practitioner program. Terri will be staying at Harvard in a part-time position as a clinical research coordinator for cancer trials.

Kristin Louer and Helen Nash took a trip to Florida in June. Kristin had gone to Argentina in the spring, and Helen went on an Alaskan cruise in August.

Sunny McClendon and husband, Stephen Chapeau, welcomed daughter Maude Irene Chapeau into the world on Aug. 13. She was 8 pounds, 8 ounces and 22 inches

Deborah "Debbie" Miles has a job with the American Association of Equine Practitioners as a meeting planner. This follows eight years as the sales and marketing manager of Great Harvest Bread Co. in Lexington, Ky. In her new role, Debbie will be responsible for coordinating the annual conference for 6,000 members of the AAEP and coordinating board meetings

Dr. Susan R. Pittman and Ross Gosse had a daughter, Emma Lorraine Gosse, on Aug. 14. Emma was born almost a month early and had to spend nine days in the NICU. She is doing well. She was 5 pounds, 1 ounce and 17.5 inches

· Annual Fund participation through October: **5%** 

SECRETARY Beth Hunt Galloway 1754 Dixie Road Covington, GA 30014 bgallowa@arches.uga.edu

Christine Wade received the degree of Ph.D. in political science from the graduate school of arts and sciences at Boston University in June. Her dissertation, The Left and Neoliberalism: Postwar Politics in El Salvador, is under consideration for publication. She is also co-writing a book with former Agnes Scott Professor Tommie Sue Montgomery titled From Reform to Revolution: The Left in El Salvador.

 Annual Fund participation through October: 2%

SECRETARY Laura Hinte Cawthon 54 Summer East Williamsburg, VA 23188-1651 thecawthonfamily@home.com

Tina Gurley writes she "changed [her] name to Bisa Furaha Ajanaku in July 1999." The name means "greatly loved" and "a happy one." Bisa also completed her M.A. in history at Clark Atlanta University and is preparing to enter law school this fall.

Tamara Marie Bain married Sean Re Aug. 10. Agnes Scott alums who attended the ceremony are Annette Dumford, Judy Bowers Skelton

and Jennifer Mevers.

participation through October: 4%

**NEW SECRETARY** Rebecca Kayler Engebretson 3909 Pendleton Drive Keller, TX 76248 engebretson@1scom.net

In February, Sylvia Martinez was the keynote speaker at Agnes Scott's Achievement Weekend. The event honored students who were awarded scholarships of \$6,000 to \$12,000. Sylvia is also pursuing her national board certification in teaching and looks forward to more class of 1996 gatherings. Ansley Hammond is also in the process of becoming nationally certified as a teacher. Once completed, Sylvia and Ansley will be able to teach in any of the 50 states and to work on education reform bills.

Helen Citkina received her Ph.D in consumer economics from Cornell University. She moved to University of California-Berkeley and started her post-doctoral research.

Ashley Wright was promoted to assistant operations officer at First National Bank of the South in Milledgeville, Ga. She also spent 12 days in Italy, touring Rome, Florence, and Venice on an art history tour conducted by her mother, Amy Johnson Wright '70, who is an art history professor at Georgia State University.

Rebecca Kayler Engebretson relocated to Forth Worth, Texas, in the spring of last year. Rebecca is enjoying reconnecting with fellow classmate Karen Lotterhos Marcucci and Emily Dembeck Jett '95. If there are any other class mates in the Metroplex area, please give Rebecca a call.

Mary-Elizabeth Friend Jackson married Hunt Jackson on May 18 in Atlanta. Hunt is the son of Sally Bergstrom Jackson '63. Agnes Scott classmates who were in attendance include: Merisa Aranas Pasternak '95, Pam Peel Holliday '95, Angie Dorn '95, Daka Herman '95, Kelly Jennings Pouncey '95 and Amanda Powell. Mary-Elizabeth says they "had a wonderful honeymoon driving Highway One in California. We rented a convertible and drove from San Francisco to Muir Woods, Napa Valley, Half Moon Bay, Carmel/Montecito, Cambria/San Simeon and down to Los Angeles. It was amazing driving along the Pacific Coast Highway and seeing another part of this beautiful country." Hunt and Mary-Elizabeth live in Atlanta with two Labs, Langston and Skye.

**BIRTHS** 

• Sophie Rose, daughter of Carrie Mastromarino Hunstetter, June 28. Kirklen Simpre-Bonita Negron, daughter of Alvanita Hope Negron and Louis, July 9.

Annual Fund

participation through October: 4%

SECRETARY Angela Adrienne Walker 1341 Briarwood Drive, Apt. 2 Atlanta, GA 30306

Katherine Anderson works in the admissions office at the University of Georgia as a credit evaluator, and Saturday afternoons, she works at the Daily Groceries Co-op in

Sarah Beyer and Elanor Peterson traveled to the Dominican Republic last summer with Kenya Breland Hill '96 to visit Maria Melo '96 and Raquel Borjes '96. In downtown Santo Domingo, the five Scotties swapped stories while eating Sancocho.

Audra Brecher is organizing a juried architectural exhibition and competition in Savannah, Ga. Her exhibition opens Feb. 9 at Café Metropole.

Samantha Stavely Daniel boasts changing her baby's diaper on the steps of the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, N.C. Her husband filmed it.

Vicki Siefert Diesing and her husband are enrolled in the master's of religion program at Liberty University in Virginia. Vicki stays busy with community activities and enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.

Catherine Gurry works at the Greenville (S.C.) County Library as a library assistant. She also takes better pictures these days after completing photography training.

Teresa Harrison married Michael Schaeffer on Nov. 17, 2001, in Austin, Texas. Heather Harshman was the maid of honor. Sterling Elliot and Cecelia Heit were bridesmaids, and Jennie Albritton and Catherine Gurry assisted with other wedding events. Teresa is an assistant professor at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Amanda Lockhart teaches biology at Decatur High School. She loves hanging out with Olivia Roller and the other Scotties who work with her.

Vicky McGee assists with research on body/mind/spirit intervention with chronic heart-failure patients at Duke University. She loves her job and being "Grammy" to Eli Jackson (born Sept. 3).

Andrea Riba Miller married Ty Miller on April 6. Fariba Farhidvash was the maid of honor. The couple resides in Washington, D.C., where Andrea works as an analyst at the U.S. General Accounting Office.

Melinda Wilson Mitton married Sean Mitton on May 4, at the Chateau Lake Louise in Alberta, Canada. They are building a house in Durham, N.C., which is scheduled to be finished this month.

Susan Vincent Molinaro stays busy writing CD reviews for an online site (www.vangoghsear. com), traveling and knitting socks. On Sundays from 5 to 7 pm, classmates should catch the Susan the Red radio program of Celtic music on WRFG 89.3 FM.

Leigh Anne Russell is pursuing a M.B.A. at the University of Georgia

Hoa Mi Saint-Jacques works at Alliance Français in Atlanta and is enrolled at the Atlanta School of Massage, where she is working on a massage therapy certification.

Melissa Francis Schroer is now a Southern Californian.

Shane Wood works at Lucent Technologies in Norcross, Ga., and is enrolled in the master's of engineering distance learning program at N.C. State. She and Sara Alderfer '96 are scheduled to break ground on a house this year.

Muslimah "Salima" Major married Danny Zook on June 15 on the Emory University campus. They honeymooned in Spain and live in Decatur, Ga. Cathy Ridinger, Salima's Agnes Scott roommate, was the wedding coordinator.

Last summer, when she wasn't coordinating Salima's wedding, Cathy Ridinger was braiding hair. She braided in Atlanta, Ontario, Canada and Maryland. Now, she is back to work in Atlanta at INVESCO Institutional, International Equity division.

#### **BIRTHS**

 Morgan Sean Nathan, son of Melanie Somers Nathan, Feb.11.

· Reagan Elizabeth Diesing, daughter of Vicki Siefert Diesing, Feb. 15.

Calvin Elliot DeWitte, son of Rebecca Snipes DeWitte, April 24.
Helen Grace Daniel, daughter of Samantha Stavely Daniel, July 7.

ADVANCED DEGREES

- Jane Donofrio, M.A. in social work, University of Georgia, May 2000.
- Andrea Riba, M.A. in public and international affairs, University of Pittsburgh, May 2001.
- Hoa Mi Saint-Jacques, French translation certification, Georgia State University, January 2002.
- Jennifer Parker, M.A. in theatre, Florida State University, April.

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• Annual Fund participation through October: **2%** 

SECRETARY Laura Croft 613 Redgate Ave., Apt. 2 Norfolk, VA 23507

Rachel Braham, '98 M.A.T., writes she is "in [her] fifth year as the journalism teacher and student publications adviser at St. Pius X Catholic High School in Atlanta."

Won Ha completed her master's in library science from McGill University in Canada in June.

Sarah Thieling Bass married Eric Bass on April 27, in Rochester, Minn. Valerie Case Bayham and Karen Weyer '99 were bridesmaids. Alexa Wood Gaeta was a lecturer during the ceremony. Sarah started a new job as a biostatistical programmer at Boston Scientific SciMed in the Twin Cities in July. She and Eric bought a new house in Brooklyn Park, Minn.

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• Annual Fund participation through October: **4%** 

SECRETARY Kimberly A. McSwain 1103 Ocean Blvd., Apt. D St. Simons, GA 31522 kimberly\_mcswain@hotmail.com

Melissa Odom and Chris Magill were married on June 15 in Lilburn, Ga. Melissa's bridesmaids included her sisters, Jennifer Odom '98 and Catherine Odom Hooper '02. Melissa is in the middle of her fourth year of medical school at Emory University.

A baby shower was held to honor the arrival of Patricia Friedrich-Silverberg's baby girl, Austin-Marie, at Wafa Musa's house in Lawrenceville, Ga., on June 19. Austin-Marie was born July 23. The following Scotties were in attendance: Jennifer Stein '00, Sharon Elliott '00, Deborah Black, Paula Carter, Amy Cormier '00 and Jessica "Jessa" LaVictoire '01. In addition, Patricia graduated summa cum laude from the University of Phoenix with an M.B.A. in global management on July 24.

Jennifer Marcum graduated from Loyola University School of Law with a J.D. in May. On Oct.1, she passed the Louisiana bar exam.

Ruth Hartness received her M.A.T. from Agnes Scott in May and is teaching at Rockdale County High School in Conyers, Ga. She is pleased to be working with RCHS Principal Jason Doughty, former principal of Decatur High School, where, under the leadership of Cara Cassell '91, she did her student teaching. Ruth is teaching English and Latin. No one could be more amazed than she is that she is teaching Latin, except possibly Gail Cabisius, her Latin professor at Agnes Scott.

Nancy Lewis, in her fourth year of graduate work in clinical psychology at the Georgia School of Professional Psychology, was awarded the American
Psychological Association's Annual
Graduate Student Prize in Ethics
for her paper, "Balancing the
Dictates of Law and Ethical
Practice: Empowerment of Female
Survivors of Domestic Violence in
the Presence of Overlapping Child
Abuse." She also completed her
comprehensive competency exams,
passing with distinction.

Betsy Herrington married David Malkin on July 20 in Nashville, Tenn. Serving as bridesmaids were Amrita Dhamoon and Meredith Fields. Scotties in attendance were Kimmy McSwain, Sandy Miller, Tiffany Prather McAneny '98, Cassandra Castillo, Jessica Ulack Carothers, Sarah Catherine Thomas, Holly Scott '00, Jennifer Jacob, Melanie Minzes '00, Shane Wood '97, Sara Alderfer '96, Helene Sabel and Amy Starr. The Scotties danced the night away and wowed the crowd with a moving rendition of "Beer, Beer, Beer. Betsy and Dave honeymooned in Portugal and live in Dover, N.H.

Janet Rauscher was promoted to associate editor at the High Museum of Art.

Amrita Dhamoon finished her third year of teaching high school English in rural North Carolina with the Teach for America program and is working as the program director in her North Carolina region. Her job is to recruit, place and support new teachers within the Teach for America program and work with under-resourced schools to ensure the vision that one day all children in this nation will have the opportunity to obtain an excellent education.

Kate Ryan finished her master's thesis in architectural history at the University of Oregon, titled "Coming Home: A Cultural Case Study of Better Homes and Gardens Five Star Plans, 1946." She is looking for work in the field of historic preservation.

Sara Richey Lue and John Lue have welcomed a baby into the world. Catherine Elizabeth Lue was born June 16 in Atlanta.

Shaunda Blackwell accepted a management engineering position with Mountain States Health Alliance, Corporate in Johnson City, Tenn. Also, she has accepted an adjunct faculty position with East Tennessee State University's College of Business.

Karen Weyer completed her first marathon May 5, running 26.2 miles in the Cincinnati Flying Pig Marathon. She lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, and works for Kendle International as a statistical programmer.

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 Annual Fund participation through October: 3%

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Melanie Wright Strals writes she "graduated with a master of library and information science degree in May." In July, she began a job as the reference and government documents librarian at North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount.

Evelyn Coleman moved to Richmond, Va., to start grad school at Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education, where she'll be completing a MDiv./M.A.C.E. program (masters in Divinity and Christian Education).

Lisa "Tate" Jacobson is in Germany, working as an entrepreneur.

In an effort to impress her friends with legal jargon, Hillary Wiggins



Students surround Jenny Ellison '02 in her classroom at Youngdo English School. Being in South Korea has redefined being an American for Ellison.

#### CALL TO TEACH ANSWERED IN S. KOREA

On the morning she had to accept or decline four job offers, Jenny Ellison '02 landed her fifth and top choice—in Anyang City, South Korea. Like many of her classmates, Ellison answered the call to teach.

Ellison signed a one-year contract that includes a monthly salary, furnished housing, round-trip airfare and six weeks of paid vacation. The vacation time sealed the deal, she said.

"Most schools only offer five to 10 days of vacation time, which would significantly limit how much traveling I could do while in Korea," she said. "But so far I've been to Beijing and Chengde, China, and am going to Indonesia over Christmas.

"The main reason I came to Korea is because I love to travel, and I'd never been to Korea or Asia," Ellison said. "Although I really enjoyed my study abroad experience with ASC in London, [fall 2000], I wanted to actually live in a different country as opposed to just visiting there for a shorter period of time. This way I have the luxury of being able to immerse myself in the culture and feel like a part of it, instead of looking in from the outside."

Ellison teaches from 4 to 10 p.m. during the week at Youngdo English School, which is a hogwan—a private English school offering English as a Second Language to students. Her students attend

hogwan after finishing their regular school classes.

Ellison's students, ages 8 to 17, are grouped by ability. Even her most basic students have a decent grasp of English. "I don't usually have to resort to pantomime or charades in class to explain myself," she said.

"The best part of teaching here is the kids," Ellison said. "They're really amazing—there is a lot of pressure here to do well academically. Students go to regular school six days a week plus all their outside schooling, like English hogwans. But they are remarkably cheerful and well-adjusted, very smart and motivated.

"Sometimes it seems that studying is an obsession or national pastime for them, but they seem to handle the pressure well." Ellison says one explanation given for the pressure is that Korea is such a small country kids must compete with one another for good jobs.

She reports no downsides to her teaching position but said living in South Korea has meant rethinking her definition of being American. South Korea harbors anti-American sentiments because of the Korean War and the current Middle East situation, which many interpret as "typical" bullying on the part of the United States, she said.

"I can't say I disagree," Ellison said. "It makes me very aware of what being American means to me and to the people I live with, as well as what a very, very small planet it is."

Ellison majored in English and women's studies at Agnes Scott. "I think both my majors have contributed to what I'm doing and how much I'm enjoying it," she said.

English gives her a better understanding of what she teaches, while women's studies has become relevant through making connections between Western and Eastern feminisms and thinking critically about cultural differences and diversity among women.

"Just the adventurous spirit of my fellow Scotties and the 'go anywhere, do anything' attitude that prevails at Agnes Scott made me realize just how many possibilities were out there once I graduated, Ellison said. "I felt that I could go anywhere and do anything, and I guess that's a large part of how I wound up halfway around the world teaching English."

—Kristin Kallaber '04

began law school at Georgia State this past fall

Elizabeth "Betsy" Morley returned to the United States and is living in Asheville, N.C., after two years in France.

Laura Fidler was married twice to the same man (at the registry office in April and then in a church wedding in June) in Dublin. Sarah Gray was the maid of honor and had to wear a dress. Laura and Matt are living in Galway, Ireland, but are planning on moving to New York in the spring.

Dorothy "Lee" Hayes was promoted to associate editor at Thomson Advanced Therapeutics Communications, a medical education firm in Knoxville, Tenn.

Shari Gunnin is working on her M.B.A. at Kennesaw State University while in her second year as a flight attendant for AirTran Airways. She also is working on her pilot's license and lives in Kennesaw.

After crossing the country too

many times to count, Brook Ewing Minner has settled in Blue Hill, Maine, where she continues to pursue her culinary dreams at a French bread bakery. She plans to build a house with her boyfriend, Mark, in the spring and is looking forward to the quiet, dark winter ahead.

Holyn Ivy is living in Atlanta and working as an office manager for a physician in the Northside area. She graduated from the Atlanta School of Massage last March and is slowly building her massage therapy practice. She has an office in Vinings and loves every minute that she is working with clients.

After two years of teaching in DeKalb County, Ga., Kareisha Henry moved back to her hometown of Beaumont, Texas, last May, where she teaches third grade.

Deirdre Donohue joined the North American Retail Group with McKinsey & Co.

Jessica "Jessi' Heath works at the University of Texas-McCombs School of Business as the program coordinator for the LeaderShape program, which means she works with business students on leadership opportunities in the corporate community. She is also working on her master's of higher education administration and will be finished in May.

Carina Cara Carroll married Manny Payan on Nov. 30, at the Ocean Reef Club in Key Largo, Fla. They purchased their first home in Houston, Texas. Cara is working as an office manager for a veterinary hospital and contemplating returning to school.

Rayanne Lehr and Jason Williams were married on June 30, in Burlington, Vt.

Devon Savoy lives in Maryland and is working as an analytical chemist for Shire Laboratories Inc., a company within the Shire Pharmaceutical Group. She hopes to return to graduate school this year.

#### ADVANCED DEGREES

• Laura Fidler, master's in political theory, Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland, summer.

#### BIRTHS

• Alyson Audress Perrin, daughter of Courtney Massey Perrin, Aug. 16.

· Annual Fund

October: 2%

participation through

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Jessica Ruth LaVictoire married Brian Smith on Sept. 6.

Gwendolyn "Gwen" Cherry has relocated to a newly built home in Marietta, Ga.

DEATHS

 Remmarie "Marie" R. Musngi, Aug. 9.

• Annual Fund participation through October: 1%

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Allison Butt started veterinary school at the University of Georgia in August and absolutely loves it there! Her e-mail address is

abutt@uga.edu.
Tiffany Decker writes she misses
the class of 2002, adding, "Please
come visit up in NYC. Teaching
11th- and 12th-graders is fabulous!
I love Teach for America!"
Tiffany's e-mail address is
tiffanydecker@yahoo.com.

# Main Events Series 101, Number 3, Spring 2003

#### **Science Center Dedication**

#### **ACCOLADES**

- Louise Robinson Singleton '55 will take her revised pilot project for HIV prevention to eight countries in Africa in this year.
- · Patricia "Pat" Guynup Corbus '57 wrote her first book of poetry, Ashes, Jade, Mirrors. It was published by Volcanic Ash Books and is being distributed by Word Press.
- Kay Gilliland Stevenson '62, wrote a chapter on early responses to Milton's poetry in The Blackwell's Companion to Milton (2001). The book received an outstanding book of criticism award.
- Ruth Holmes **Everett White**head '69 published another book about the life of 18th-century South Carolina slave, Boston King.

#### **MEDIA CLIPS**

"If you can find an unbroken female line, then you can be almost certain that piece of DNA is the one at the beginning of the chain."

> Wistrand, professor of biology, in The New York Times

"It's a two-way street. We hope over time it [Emeritus College] will help [Emory] faculty who want to retire to know that they can transition to retirement. It doesn't have to be a cliff they fall

-Harriet M. King '64, chair of the **Board of Trustees** and senior vice provost for academic affairs at Emory University, in The Chronicle of **Higher Education** 



After the ribbon cutting, President Mary Brown Bullock '66 claps as balloons fall in the Woolford B. Baker Atrium during dedication ceremonies Feb. 7 for the Science Center.

# Fostering Excellence

#### ALUMNA CHARGES COLLEGE WITH CONTINUING TO PREPARE WOMEN FOR SCIENCES

raising the new Science Center as both beautiful and functional, Sue Jinks-Robertson '77 charged her alma mater with continuing to provide the best undergraduate research opportunities for the next generation of women

"It is essential that Agnes Scott, as a liberal arts women's college, continue to prepare young women for productive and competitive careers in science, as women have been and still are underrepresented in the sciences, especially in the fields of chemistry and physics, Jinks-Robertson said during the center's

dedication Feb. 7

"A fundamental understanding of science is particularly relevant today, as we are constantly confronted with sciencerelated issues—from the latest statistics on cancer risks, to concerns over genetically modified crops to debates over the potential use of stem-cell technology in the treatment of human disease," said Jinks-Robertson, a professor of biology at Emory University.

Recounting her days as an undergraduate student in Campbell Hall, Jinks-Robertson said finding space for research proved challenging because it had to be worked around teaching labs. "This new

building thus will foster excellence in undergraduate research as well as excellence in teaching.

"A significant undergraduate research experience is one of the best indicators for success in our [Emory] Ph.D. programs, and we typically do not admit students who do not have a strong research background," she said highlighting the center's designated research areas for faculty and students.

A genetics specialist, Jinks-Robertson serves as a member of the National Institutes of Health Genetics Study Section and as vice chair for the

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associate professor of anthropology, presents the first Gladden Lecture. PAGE 7

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#### **ANNE REGISTER JONES**

• GRADUATED: 1946. • SERVICE TO COLLEGE: Board of Trustees for 11 years, vice chair from 1992 to 1997; class secretary for 26 years; reunion chair for her 50th and Campaign leader.

• HONORS: 1991 Service to the College Award and elected trustee emerita by the Board for her



LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE RENAMED IN HER HONOR

he questions whether the College has selected the right Anne Jones. "You know there are a lot of Anne Joneseseither before or after they married—in my old directory.

However, President Mary Brown Bullock '66 insists the right Anne Jones was chosen in renamthe annual Alumnae Leadership Conference

Anne R. Jones Recognized for Efforts

'Anne believes in alumnae as volunteers for the institution and has been such a regular participant attending the meeting every year," Bullock said.

It will be called the Anne Register Jones Leadership Conference in recognition of Jones' tireless work for Agnes Scott. Rooms 205 and 206 in Alston Campus Center will be named the Anne R. Jones Conference Suite.

"I'm very gratified and flabbergasted," said Anne R. Jones '46, widow of Boisfeuillet Jones, president emeritus of the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation. "I'm apprehensive too. I don't like to be in the spotlight.

"I am not a leader," Jones said. Leadership is a team thing. What I have tried to do is build relation-

Those relationships include serving as a trustee for 11 years. —Please see JONES on Page 3

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#### Student-Leader Profile

#### MARY KATHLEEN "KATIE" VESSER '05

• Major: English

• Hometown: Knoxville, Tenn.

• What position(s) do you hold on campus? I am the editor of the Silhouette, Agnes Scott's year-

 What are your responsibilities in this position? My job is to oversee the production of each

book, make sure all deadlines are met, aid staff members, as well as create pages myself.

· What is most important to you as a leader? With a job like this one, the

most important thing is to have the respect of those you work with. Without that, it would be impossible to accomplish anything. I also think it's important that as a staff we work together instead of working under a dictatorship. No one person is any more important than anotherwe're all here to get a job done and that should remain our goal throughout the process.

 What are you learning from your leadership experience? Definitely, absolutely, without a doubt, this job takes so much more work than I thought it would. I think I spend an average of six to eight hours a day working on yearbook in addition to my classes, so at times it becomes quite overwhelming. I also have learned that compromise is extremely important when it comes to satisfying many different groups at oncestudents, parents, faculty, administration ... everyone!

#### In the News



2002-03 AYSE I. CARDEN ALUMNA IN RESIDENCE: Amy Hutchinson '86 (left) and Carden '66 enjoy a reception after Hutchinson's campuswide lecture Feb. 26.

## Bullock Chairs NAICU Again; ASC Shares Grant

WHO'S WHO

Amanda C. Balazs '03

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Megan G. Cornwell '03

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April J. Carter '03

Jodi M. Dixon '03

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Jamie L. Quinney '03

Aisha A. Williams '03

Erin E. Turner '03

Shayla M. Thomas '03

Barbara F. Garlington '03

Golarz'03

President Brown Mary Bullock '66 will serve a second consecutive year as chair of the National Association Independent Colleges Universities Board of Directors.

Bullock's second year as NAICU chair follows Vice Chair John F. Noonan's announcement that he is ic achievement, community leader-

leaving the presidency of Bloomfield College in June, which makes him ineligible to serve as NAICU chair for

Only presidents of member colleges and universities may on NAICU board, the national organization representing private nonprofit colleges and universities on public policy issues with the federal government.

–Lee Dancy Ford Foundation of New York has awarded a grant of \$92,125 to Salem Academy and College for a collaborative project with Agnes Scott Bennett College, College and

Converse College to identify and address issues involving internation-

Presidents Julianne Still Thrift of Salem, Johnnetta B. Cole of Bennett, Nancy O. Gray of Converse and Bullock will convene to examine urgent issues and seek solutions to problems involving the matriculation of international students. The presidents of these four women's colleges will share their findings with other colleges and universities and will provide advocacy on behalf of international women students

This one-year project, directed by Salem College, is in response to the pressing needs of international students who must overcome barriers of access to higher education. Global events in recent months are increasing these barriers and have prevented eligible international students from enrolling in colleges and universities in the United States.

-Lee Dancy At its February meeting, the Board of Trustees approved promotions for three faculty members, effective July 1. The faculty members are Rafael Ocasio, from associate professor of Spanish to professor; Tina Pippin, from associate professor of religious studies to professor; and Martha Rees, from associate professor of anthropology to professor.

• Twenty-five seniors were recognized in the 2003 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" for demonstrating outstanding academ-

> ship in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

• The 2003 Agnes Scott class ring, given by the class of 1996 gift fund, went to Rosemary Lokko '05. A biolomajor from Ghana, she applied for the ring "because it is the ultimate representation of my ultimate achievement at Agnes Scott.

Lokko chose Agnes Scott because of its honor system, and "I recognized the liberal arts education to be the best provide an enriched educational experience.'

Lokko is vice president of community service for the

National Society of Collegiate Scholars, a representative to Honor Court and a member of Joyful Noise and the International Students -Wendy Cromwell

· A radio program featuring four Southern authors was taped live at Agnes Scott on Feb. 9. "The Spoken Word" held in Evans Hall will be aired on WABE-FM (NPR) Tuesday,

An evening celebrating the short story collection, "Stories from the Blue Moon Café," featured William Gay, author of *The Long Home, The* Provinces of Night and I Hate to See That Evening Sun Go Down; Frank Turner Hollon, author of The God File and The Pains of April; Suzanne Hudson, author of The Fall of the Nixon Administration; and Sonny Brewer, author of Rembrandt the Rocker and A Yin for Change.

A second spoken word event is scheduled to be taped at Agnes Scott Thursday, March 27, during Julia Alvarez's reading for the Writers' Festival. A broadcast date has not been set. Both Spoken Word events taped at Agnes Scott may air in other Southeastern markets, and those broadcasts will be announced when confirmed. -Lee Dancy

A Word from the President

# New College Rankings Provide Benchmarks

here does Agnes Scott stand in college rankings, and does it matter? This question is often on my mind and that of every other college or university president. We complain about the media hype, the undue weight accorded the subjective category of "reputation" and the one-size-fits-all system. But none of us ignores the rankings. And, the truth is most categories in a ranking system, such as that used by U.S. News & World Report, are

Retention and graduation rates are important indicators. Students vote with their feet. Alumnae-giving rates are one way to measure the satisfaction level of graduates. Resources, class size, student-faculty ratio and alumnae giving are valid ways to measure an institution's effectiveness.

A new project, funded by Pew and Carnegie, is trying to measure something different: how engaged students are in activities that lead to learning. In its third year, the National Survey of Student Engagement was included for the first time in the September U.S. News & World Report's college rankings issue. The College participated for the first time last year, and Lynn Ganim, Agnes Scott's manager of institutional research, has provided a comparative analysis of its results. A few highlights:

In academic and intellectual experiences, Agnes Scott seniors scored higher than seniors at other national liberal arts colleges in 19 of 22 questions. The College's seniors also scored significantly higher than at other institutions in having had serious conversations with a different race or ethnicity than your own, and serious conversations with students who differ in religious beliefs, political opinions or per-

I am pleased a significant number of our seniors recognize the educational benefit of being a part of a diverse community. On the other hand, I am concerned that seniors report barely more than "often" the experience of giving oral presentations in class, even if that is higher than most other national liberal arts colleges.

In educational and personal growth, Agnes Scott seniors scored higher than seniors at other national liberal arts colleges in writing and speaking clearly and effectively, analyzing and quantitative problems and developing a personal code of values and ethics.

Overall, Agnes Scott seniors scored higher in four out of five basic categories: level of academic challenge, active and collaborative learning, enriching educational experiences and studentfaculty interactions. They scored somewhat lower in supportive campus environment.

In all categories except supportive campus environment, Agnes Scott seniors scored in the top 10 percent of all participating colleges and universities, and in the top 20 percent of national liberal arts colleges. In addition, Agnes Scott first-year students scored higher in all five categories than



#### OTHER RECOGNITIONS

• U.S. News & World Report: No. 53 out of 217 national liberal arts colleges in the country.

• U.S. News & World Report: No. 26 in "Great Schools at Great Prices."

· U.S. News & World Report: No. 10 among national liberal arts colleges for diversity.

• The Princeton Review: No. 7 for "Diverse Student Population" and No. 16 for "Best Quality of Life."

• The College Finder lists Agnes Scott among colleges: \* "For Students Interested in Building Leadership Skills."

\* "Where Values are Particularly Important." \* "That Prepare Students

To Think Internationally." · Barron's Best Buys: "Compared with its academic peers around the nation, it's a

winner." • The Fiske Guide to Colleges: "Agnes Scott continues to be the South's leading women's

institution." • Included in Colleges That Change Lives.

• The Official, Unbiased Insider's Guide to the 320 Most Interesting Colleges: "Science and math programs shine" and "great dorms, good food and plentiful parking."

· Member of the International 50, a group of 50 U.S. colleges and universities recognized for international programs and global awareness.

• A full listing may be found on Agnes Scott's Web page: www.agnesscott.edu.

at other national liberal arts col-

This survey provides Agnes Scott with important benchmarks to assess student learning and to mark progress in its educational program. The National Student Engagement Survey is receiving increasing attention and is likely to become a popular ranking tool Watch for it when you read about college rankings.

The College has not forgotten the more visible U.S. News & World Report annual list. Agnes Scott has been listed first in the second tier of national liberal arts colleges since this listing began. The second tier is alphabetical. The College has learned, however, that for the last two years it has, in fact, been number 1 in the second tier.

Continued increases in alumnae giving (thank you for last year's 45 percent!) will help the College make the first tier, as will improving retention and graduation

Mary Brown Bullock

#### ANNE REGISTER **JONES ALUMNAE LEADERSHIP** CONFERENCE

- When: June 6-7.
- Where: Agnes Scott.
- Invited: Class officers, reunion chairs or reunion committee members, class fund chairs, admission representatives, local chapter leaders or regional contacts, Campaign steering committee members or Alumnae Association Board members.
- Highlights: Learn about all aspects of the College and how your role helps the College succeed in its mission. Get information you need to make your jobs easy and fun. Stay overnight in Inman Hall. Enjoy discussions and social time with other College leaders.
- More information: Brochure with details and registration form will be mailed this month or register online at www.agnesscott .edu/alumnae/p\_leadership conference.asp.

#### Jones Honored By Agnes Scott

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class secretary for 26 years and reunion chair numerous times, as well as being active in three major campaigns. Jones received the Alumnae Association's 1991 Service to the College Award.

"Anne gets up every morning and asks What can I do for Agnes Scott today?' " said Susan Fitzgerald Carter, director of development. "She is a tireless advocate for the College-for admissions, for fund raising and for community visibility.

Marilyn Hammond '68 calls Jones a "results-oriented person" who has done just about everything possible to support the

"I like working with Anne because she has an unflinching realism about big goals and the effort it may take to accomplish

them," Hammond said. "At the same time, she is undaunted, with a can-do spirit that brings energy and self-confidence to the people she leads.

When pressed, Jones describes her trustee service as a highlight of her involvement.

"I loved every minute of it," Jones said of her Board tenure from 1986 to 1997, including being vice chair from 1992 to 1997. "It enabled me—gave me an excuse—to come out here every day. I would start out each morning, and my car would head straight over to Agnes Scott.'

Inspirational is how Jones describes the dedication and commitment of the trustees to the College's mission during a time that was "touch and go for a lot of women's institutions.

Lewis Thayne, vice president for institutional advancement. calls Jones a true believer in Agnes Scott. "She is absolutely convinced of her cause and of the value of this College in the

"Like any good leader, she has a very powerful sense of purpose and direction," Thayne said. "Anne knows that we all need to be leaders, by actively, relentlessly and fearlessly pursuing worthy goals'

-Wendy Cromwell

# Walker '24 'Personifies Core Values of Agnes Scott'

n December, I attended the 100th birthday celebration of Belle Walker, class of 1925. It was quite a happy affair with more than 200 family members and friends gathering to honor her life and accomplishments. Miss Walker was a civics teacher. And although I did not know her until recently, I was surprised to learn she taught so many people I do know, including several Agnes Scott

After graduating from Agnes Scott, Miss Walker received a degree from Purdue University. When asked about being a woman with an advanced education, she

said she was taught to "work hard, take your place in life and don't expect others to do it for you." She grew up in a loving household that encouraged learning and moral living. Modestly, she claimed not to be "as bright as others, but personality and persistence served me well.

Although she never married, former students span her 50-year career in public schools, and she considers them "her children." Those students, regardless of age and without exception, said "Miss Belle" was an outstanding teacher whose classes were engaging and challenging. One student told me "Miss Walker was one of

those teachers you never forget because they make such an impression on you.'

As I reflect on my visit with Miss Walker and her former students, what strikes me most profoundly is how well she personifies the core values of Agnes Scott. She loves learning and has conveyed that love to those she taught.

Living honorably is a lifelong commitment. She certainly has seen her share of war, economic turmoil—including the Depression—and social and political change and helped students think deeply and critically about those challenges.



A Word

from Sallie

Manning



The Lifelong Friends from the class of 1962 are (from left to right) Biba Conner Parker, Joanna Russell Hogan, Lebby Rogers Neal, Jan Whitfield Hughen, Emily Evans Robison, Rosemarie Traeger Sumerel, Carol Williams Sellers, Betty Gillespie Proctor, Lyn Horn George, Bebe Walker Reichert, Germaine Calhoun Culbertson, Libby Harshbarger Broadus and Ann McLeod LaBrie.

# Scholarship Started To Honor Friendship

LIFELONG FRIENDS

Lebby Rogers Neal '62,

Rosemarie Traeger

Lyn Horn George '62,

St. Augustine, Fla.

• Biba Conner Parker '62,

Houston and Jackson, Wy.

Ann McLeod LaBrie '62,

Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Germaine Calhoun

Tallahassee, Fla.

Atlanta.

Oklahoma City, Okla.

• Joanna Russell Hogan '62,

Culbertson '62, Winston-Salem, N.C. • Carol Williams Sellers '62,

Atlanta.
• Bebe Walker Reichert '62,

Macon, Ga.
• Betty Gillespie Proctor '62,

• Jan Whitfield Hughen '62,

• For more information about

The Lifelong Friends Award

Fund for International Study,

contact Betsy Bilbro '97 at

bbilbro@agnesscott.edu.

• Emily Evans Robison '62,

Sumerel '62, Greenville, S.C.

Atlanta.

Anniston, Ala.

hen Libby Harshbarger Broadus died in an automobile accident last winter, she was en route from an airport, perhaps one of her favorite places. An ever-ready traveler, she spent some of her best stays in the company of 12 other members of the class of 1962

To honor her and their remarkable 40-year circle of friendship, those women decided to create the

Lifelong Friends Award Fund for International Study, which will provide for international student travel once the endowment reaches \$25,000 and has been invested for a year. The fund is part of Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College and is open to all contributors.

The 13 were from all over the country when they arrived as first-year students. When they graduated, they dispersed again to raise families and run careers.

As upperclasswomen, they lived in two cottages on Candler Street not

far from The Hub, where they sang around the piano, played bridge and smoked a great deal. "Not one soul smokes now," said Jan Hughen, laughing. She is a C.P.A. living in

"Libby was an English major who loved Shakespeare," Hughen said. "And she had the best memory in

the world." Broadus was also one of the savviest travelers, so when they all turned 60, she made the arrangements for a grand stay in Paris—of course, on the Left Bank

Less than two months before Broadus died in December 2001, the group visited St. Augustine, Fla. Although some met two or three times a year and they planned for weeklong "big" trips, "it was never convenient for everybody," Hughen

said. But for the Florida trip, everyone made it.

"We've stayed in touch all those years," Hughen said. "All of us would show up at our children's weddings, and they'd say 'Who are all those old ladies?'

The wide spread of their homes across the country led to spouseless girls' trips as their children grew older. The friends' range was great—a rim-to-rim tour of the Grand Canyon, a barge trip in the Netherlands, and a cottage in Highlands, N.C., one summer. One of the few other trips that everyone made was to Broadus's home in Nantucket.

We remember Libby's zest for life," said classmate Bebe Reichert in a letter written for Broadus's memorial service. "She always did things first class. She had an adventurous spirit, eager to go to new places and explore different cultures and ideas. She lived life to the —Lisa Ashmore

## Desire to Help Leads Participants to Science

ALUMNAE WEEKEND PANEL FOCUSES ON WOMEN IN SCIENCE

uriosity, fascination and a desire to make life better for others led Weekend panelists to science.

"I've always enjoyed science," said Melissa Odom Magill '99, a fourthyear medical student at Emory University. "It's challenging and always engages all your senses and

Volunteer work with special-needs children at the Scottish Rite Hospital while at Agnes Scott was the groundwork for a career in pediatrics for Rebecca R.

"I was fascinated with their individual learning styles and coping skills," said Fewell, a retired professor of pediatrics and psychology at the University of Miami School of Medicine. "I knew it would be exciting to work with them and perhaps figure out some better ways to help them learn in spite of their problems.

Magill and Fewell will join Amy Hutchinson '86 and Sue Jinks-Robertson '77 as symposium panelists for "Women in Science: Making a Difference in the Quality of Life" Friday, April 25. Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology, will moderate.

A summa cum laude graduate, Magill has volunteered in Venezuelan medical clinics. "It was a true combination of service. It was the heart of what we are called to do. It is why I am going to be a doctor.

An Emory University biology professor, Jinks-Robertson works to prevent gene mutations and find what regulates the stability of the

During her volunteer work with ORBIS International in Vietnam, Hutchinson helped curb an epidemic of retinopathy of prematurity. An Emory associate professor of ophthalmology, Hutchinson called her experience a exchange.

"I learned as much from the Vietnamese doctors as they learned from me," she said. "They are incredibly resourceful and can do amazing things with what they

Fewell received a \$6.7 million grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to help change interaction patterns between mothers and at-risk children to help prevent mild retarda-

"Many children enter special education because the adults in their lives fail to provide them the kinds of nurturing and stimulation that enable them to arrive at school prepared to take advantage of the array of educational experiences

#### **ALUMNAE WEEKEND**

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 • 8 p.m.: Science Center Celebration with a lecture by

Julie L. Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Presser Hall, Gaines Chapel. A reception will follow in Woolford B. Baker Atrium.

• 9:30 p.m.: Hub Sing. FRIDAY, APRIL 25 • 10 a.m.: Alumnae

Symposium, "Women in Science: Making a Difference in the Quality of Life."

• Noon: Luncheon honoring Outstanding Alumnae Award winners.

• 2 p.m.: Return to the Classroom to Set Your Own Course.

• 4 p.m.: Reception honoring Patricia Pinka, professor of English.

• 5 p.m.: Frances Winship Walters Society Reception.

• 5:30 p.m.: Class pictures for Anna Young Club members.

• 6:30 p.m.: Anna Young Club dinner; Le Bon Temps Roule: casual dinner.
SATURDAY, APRIL 26

• 9:30 a.m.: Class meetings. • 11 a.m.: President's address

and Alumnae Association annual meeting.

• Noon: Mimosa brunch. • 1:30-2:30 p.m.: Class

pictures. • 2 p.m.: New Horizons

Festival: Campus tours, planetarium show, Alumnae Spotlight, old fashioned ice cream social and arts and crafts for children. SUNDAY, APRIL 27

• 10 a.m.: Worship service.

• 11 a.m.: Brunch.

that await them," Fewell said. Fewell's research discovered that responsive nurturing and education from mothers had a greater impact on the cognitive performance of low birthweight babies than an intense early intervention program.

Fewell and Hutchinson say women may approach science with more creativity. The insights, perspectives and

abilities women have brought to science have moved these fields in exciting new directions," Fewell

Because women tend to be nurturing and creative, Hutchinson said, they are a natural fit. "Creativity is vital to scientific advancement, which leads to the development of medical and other technology that improves our qual--Wendy Cromwell

**Outstanding Career Award:** Suzanne West Guy '64

# Drawing on Lessons Learned During College

gnes Scott is behind every note I play and every word I write," said Suzanne West Guy '64, recipient of the Outstanding Career Award. A double major in piano and Spanish, Guy has been successful in music education and in literature.

A piano teacher since 1966, Guy studied with performing artists Nelita True and Grace McFarlane. In 1984, she received her master teacher certification from the Music Teachers National Association. She also has been a professor at the Peabody Conservatory and George Mason University.

As a clinician and motivational speaker for keyboard programs, workshops and lectures, Guy has traveled to more than 40 states and abroad

Guy credits her Agnes Scott teachers with inspiring her. "I've been teaching piano for 36 years," she said. "I remember the professors at Agnes Scott who were so imaginative, even as I was left to my own interpretation of their lectures. Individual interpretation is a vital part of music.

She has co-written more than a dozen books, including two children's books, such as The Music Box: The Story of Cristofori about the invention of the piano

"I began writing after taking a children's literature course at a local university," she said. "Critical and expository thinking, that ability to relate every character and every theme to what goes before and what comes after, is one of many lessons I learned at Agnes

Guy has edited volumes of piano literature, including six books of Expressive Etudes, two volumes of From Mystery to Mastery and two volumes of Focus on Melody She also writes a regular column for Clavier magazine.

Know yourself and know your limitations, my piano teacher Irene Harris instilled in me," Guy said The carryover into writing led me into picture books. I'm not one of those who has a novel in me. So, I write children's books because they are short. Little did I know how long it takes to write a 32-page

Guy fell in love with Agnes Scott at age 10 when she saw A Man Called Peter, the life story of Peter Marshall, husband of the late Catherine Wood Marshall LeSourd '36.

"I've been such a late bloomer and had so many struggles in both careers," she said. "I'm thrilled beyond measure to have been chosen

"Agnes Scott is behind every note I play and every word I write."

-SUZANNE WEST GUY '64



Suzanne West Guy '64 has co-written two children's books, contributes a regular magazine column and edited volumes on piano literature since graduation.

Service to the College: Frances "Frannie" Bailey Graves '63



Frances "Frannie" Bailey Graves '63, with husband, Bill, is a former vice chair of the Board of Trustees and is national co-chair of Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. She has served as a trustee since 1992.

# Leading with 'Quiet Wisdom'

rances "Frannie" Bailey Graves' "quiet wisdom" and "gracious spirit" have helped bring Agnes Scott to its current level of standards and excellence, Nancy Thomas Hill '56 wrote in nominating Graves '63 for the Service to the College Award.

In her letter, Hill said Graves "has been one of its most devoted and active members during her term of service, giving unstintingly of her time and leadership ability to the work and life of the College.

Graves has served as an Agnes Scott trustee since 1992 and is national cochair of Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College.

Graves was vice chair of the Board of Trustees from 1997 until June and also

served as chair of the Committee on Trustees. She has served as co-chair of the College Committee on Faith and Learning and was on the search committee that brought President Mary Brown Bullock '66 to the College in

Although Graves has long been active in the Atlanta community through the Junior League of Atlanta, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Trinity Presbyterian Church and on the board of directors of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, she continues to make Agnes Scott a priority

"My service to the College has been modest in comparison to the value of the education that I received as a student at Agnes Scott," she said. "The

time for providing the best education for women has never been more critical. My roles as a trustee of the College and as national Campaign co-chair have given me the privilege of helping to plan for and to ensure the future of our alma mater.'

After graduating from Agnes Scott with a degree in history and later from Duke University with a master's in education, she taught high school social studies in Raleigh, N.C., for a year before returning to teach in Atlanta.

"I am honored to be recognized in this way and delighted to be sharing this honor with my national campaign co-chair, Joie Delafield '58," Graves

-Kristin Kallaher '04

"The time for providing the best education for women has never been more critical."

-FRANCES "FRANNIE" BAILEY GRAVES '63

Service to the Community: Harriet Cuthbertson '55

# 'Activist' & 'Visionary Thinker'

n a time when segregation was the norm and the arts were reserved for the upper classes, Harriet Cuthbertson said both were wrong.

"As I recall our college days, Harriet was an early activist and certainly a visionary thinker," Vivian H. Guthrie '55 said of her classmate, recipient of the 2003 Service to the Community Award. "After graduation she returned to her home city of Charlotte, North Carolina, where she quickly began to make a difference.

Named Charlotte's Woman of the Year in 1980, Cuthbertson died at age 61 on March 10, 1995. This is the first time the award has been given posthumously.

Cuthbertson double majored in history and political science and received her teacher's certificate shortly after graduation. During the late 1950s and early '60s when many teachers switched from public to private schools, Cuthbertson taught full time in the Charlotte school system.

"By then," Sarah Petty Dagenhart '55 said in her nomination letter, "Harriet, with four children, gave tremendous effort to making the public schools a better place for everyone in a newly integrated system.

Cuthbertson pioneered the way for arts and culture in Charlotte, where she served as the first female president of the Arts and Science Council, chair of the Charlotte Symphony Drive, and superintendent of the elementary department of First Methodist Church.

President of the board of directors of the Spirit Square Center for Arts and Education, she was also a member of the boards of Discovery Place and the Charlotte Nature Museum, a Girl Scout troop leader and a volunteer for the Bethlehem Center and the Mint Museum.

"It was Harriet's leadership, more than that of any other individual, that took a mid-size Southern city and moved its cultural focus to a status remarked on throughout the nation," wrote Rolfe Neill, former publisher of The Charlotte Observer. "She was the motivating force that made Charlotte No. 1 nationally in per capita arts giving. ... Essentially her method was that of an indefatigable advocate who never took 'no' as final.

-Kristin Kallaher '04



Harriet Cuthbertson '55, who died in 1995, helped create a thriving arts community in Charlotte, N.C., by never accepting "no.

"Essentially her method was that of an indefatigable advocate who never took 'no' as final."

-ROLFE NEILL, FORMER PUBLISHER OF THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER ON HARRIET CUTHBERTSON '55

Service to the College: JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield '58

# 'The College Will Always Have Me'

left Agnes Scott with a statement made by Wallace Alston," said JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield '58. "He said, 'When you leave Agnes Scott, we hope you make your contribution to society. We will have done our job if we've taught you to learn the rest of your life.' I've kept that in the back of my mind ever since.

Delafield, co-recipient of the Service to the College Award, said she and her husband chose education as their main nonprofit interest

When the College asked me to co-chair Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College, I asked my husband, Dennis, first, because we both knew how much time and energy it would take," she said. "He said he believed in what President Mary Brown Bullock '66 was doing and that he thought I ought to go down and support what she is doing for the College. My husband is just as dedicated to this College as I am.

Delafield was a member of the presidential search committee that brought Bullock back to Agnes Scott. "I knew when she walked in for an interview that she was the candidate," Delafield said. "Her vision for the College was what was needed to give women education for today's world. You couldn't help but be excited about what was going to happen for Agnes Scott.'

Delafield became a trustee in 1985, serving until 1996, and was re-elected in 2000. After graduating with a bachelor's in chemistry, she worked as a chemist for The Coca-Cola Export Corp. in Atlanta and New York.

As an active volunteer in the New York City community, Delafield is an honorary trustee of the YWCA of The City of New York, a trustee of The Adirondack Museum, a member of the board of managers of Havens Relief Fund Society and a school group guide for the Rose Center Planetarium

Although she declares she was not a scholar at Agnes Scott, Delafield did serve as sophomore class president and chair of the Judiciary Committee and also played varsity hockey, softball

"I will roll off the Board of Trustees in 2004," Delafield said, "but the College will always have me. There is no greater gift I can give back to the College for the wonderful education I received. -Kristin Kallaher '04



JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield and husband, Dennis, have made education their chief nonprofit interest, including sponsoring the Delafield Planetarium.

"There is no greater gift I can give back to the College for the wonderful education I received." -JOANN "JOIE" SAWYER DELAFIELD '58

Outstanding Young Alumna: Michelle Frost '97

# 'Teaching Is Definitely My Lifelong Career'

anuatu is an obscure archipelago that lies 186 miles northwest of New Zealand where Michelle Frost '97 spent two life-changing years as a teacher in the Peace Corps.

The only person Frost knew who was aware of its existence was Wallace Jones, a security monitor in Woodruff Physical Activities Building where she was a lifeguard. Jones had been stationed there during Vietnam.

After graduating from Agnes Scott with a major in political science and a minor in mathematics, Frost earned her teacher's certificate through the Year Five program. A year later, she joined the Peace Corps and assumed her post at Vanuatu on the island of Epi in Lamen Bay. For two years, Michelle taught math and social sciences to students, ages 12 to 18, at the local school.

The Peace Corps gave me a complete and total new world view," Frost said.



A Peace Corps volunteer, Michelle Frost '97 plays with children in Vanuatu, near New Zealand.

When I was at Agnes Scott, I went to Ghana on a Global Awareness trip. But to live in another culture for two years and teach has given me a new outlook on

She said the South Pacific has a better handle on education than the West, despite the disparity in resources and money. Frost now teaches sixth-grade math at Inman Middle School in Atlanta.

"Teaching is definitely my lifelong career," she said. "Agnes Scott is really where I got my foundation for teaching.

Last year, Frost enlisted Agnes Scott Circle K members to help her students struggling with math.

"I needed more help, and I'm not afraid to ask for it," she said. "I was heavily into volunteering at Agnes Scott, and I know how great Agnes Scott students are. Last year I had about 10 students from the College come after school and establish relationships with my students. They were like big sisters.'

Frost was surprised to learn she won the

We have such amazing women at Agnes Scott," she said. "Being close to the women in my class, I didn't really feel like I had done anything that special or outstanding to be nominated. I'm really humbled and inspired to live up to the honor." -Kristin Kallaher '04

"Agnes Scott is really where I got my foundation for teaching."

-MICHELLE FROST'97

Service to the Community: Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay '51

# 'We Were Taught To Give Back'

hen I asked permission to nominate her for the Service to the Community Award," wrote Marie Shannon Woods '51, "Mary Caroline ["M.C."] Lindsay '51 firmly refused. That award,' she said, 'is for people who do something big to save the world.

'I was stunned," Lindsay said. "I don't think I have done anything that 75 percent of Agnes Scott graduates don't do just as a matter of course. I'm sure there are many more people that are much more deserving of it than I am.

Lindsay was her class president and later served on the alumnae board.

Her community service spans more than 50 years, much of it with Central Presbyterian Church, where she is active in global peacemaking efforts and has been an elder several times. On the front page of this year's The Epistle, the church's newsletter, she was featured for her decades of work, including missions to Ireland and the Middle East.

A member of the Greater Atlanta Presbytery, she has been on the peacemaking committee since 1990, serving as chair for two years. She was honored in 2002 as Peacemaker of the Year and has served on the Global Mission Council of Central since 1984. Lindsay has been active in refugee resettlement, the hunger program, mission support and fund raising.

As a Night Shelter volunteer, she worked for eight years at the foot clinic, clipping toenails and buffing calluses of the homeless until her hands gave out. Lindsay taught in Atlanta City Schools for more

Teaching in the inner city was one of the most rewarding things I've ever done," she said. "I truly feel that people are never going to be able to pull themselves out of poverty unless they are educated.

A member of the League of Women Voters since the mid-50s, Lindsay has served on local boards in Atlanta and Miami.

'Community service was one of the things Agnes Scott expected from us," she said. "We were taught to -Kristin Kallaher '04 give back to the community."

"Community service was one of the things Agnes Scott expected from us."

-MARY CAROLINE "M.C." LINDSAY '51



The community service efforts of Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay '51 span more than 50 years. She has worked with the homeless and Presbyterian peacekeeping missions.

# Fostering

### **DEDICATION HIGHLIGHTS**

• President Mary Brown Bullock '66 announced Agnes Scott would hold the first Project Kaleidoscope Undergraduate Research Conference for the South in October.



Sally Bynum Gladden '65 called Woolford B. Baker a people person during the Science Center's dedication.

- Sally Gladden '65 called the Woolford B. Baker Atrium a special place. "There is a real intimacy in this space. He [Baker] would have loved it. He was quite a people person and would have been pleased."
- Amanda Balazs '03, a psychology major, predicted she would return as a faculty member. "The facilities here will allow both faculty and students to conduct more progressive and innovative research, and they will also provide us with the resources for teaching the most advanced scientific techniques."



Arthur Bowling, associate professor of physics (left), helps Alvia Cook '56 cut the ribbon to the Laser Spectroscopy Lab.

• The Laser Spectroscopy Lab, given by Alvia Cook '56, was dedicated. Cook made her gift in memory of her mother, Vivian Sheridan Cook.



Leon Venable, associate professor of chemistry, goes over features of the Introductory Chemistry Lab with Emy Evans Blair '52 (right).

• The Introductory Chemistry Lab, given by Emy Evans Blair '52 and her late brother, William McCurdy Evans, was also dedicated. Blair and her brother said the gift honored the memory of their mother, Sarah McCurdy Evans '21.



Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology and building shepherd, describes the Science Center's features during dedication ceremonies in the Wood

# **Dedication:** Atrium Named for Baker

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Mutagenesis Gordon Conference.

Also dedicated was the Woolford B. Baker Atrium, named in acknowledgement of a significant gift from Joseph R. Gladden Jr. and his wife, Sally, a 1965 graduate. The atrium is named for Gladden's grandfather, who

taught biology at the College in the 1920s.

"You get a sense of what Agnes Scott really is with this building. The unification of the arts and sciences is what he stood for," Gladden said of Baker. "The integration of science and life is profoundly important and that is why this building is important."

-Wendy Cromwell



Sue Jinks-Robertson '77, (left) professor of biology at Emory University, talks with her former teacher, Harry Wistrand, professor of biology.



Sandra Bowden (from left), Sally Bynum Gladden '65, Emy Evans Blair '52, Awia Brown Bullock '66, former Board Chair Joseph R. Gladden Jr., Board Chair Harriet '77, Jean H. Toal '65, Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky '73 and Harry Wistrand cut the ribbo

# Excellence



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Cook 56, Amanda Balazs '03, President Mary King '64, keynote speaker Sue Jinks-Robertson on, officially opening the Science Center.



"Our destiny is tied to immigrant workers," said Martha W. Rees, associate professor of anthropology and chair of the sociology and anthropology department, during her Feb. 5 lecture in Teasley Lecture Hall.

# Latinos Migration Focus Of First Gladden Lecture

Joseph R. Gladden Jr. (right) stands

with lecturer Martha W. Rees.

ry finding a builder, a restaurant, a landscape company or a chicken processing plant that doesn't use Latino labor, challenged Martha W. Rees, the first recipient of the Joseph R. Gladden Jr. Public Lecture Award.

Using anecdotes, statistics, public policies and humor, Rees detailed the stuggles of migrant workers and challenged ethnic stereotypes throughout the Feb. 5 lecture to a standing-room

only audience. Rees is an associate professor of anthropology and chair of the sociology and anthropology department.

"Migration is not just individuals maximizing their income, but a strategy that households use to diversify their sources of income and thus minimize risk," Rees said. "If one source of income, say, the craft market after 9/11 or the maize crop in a drought, fails then another source—migration—may pull through. The more sources of income,

the more likely a household can pull through." In 2000, migrants sent \$8 billion to families in Mexico, Rees said. This is money used for food, not investment, though Mexican President Vicente Fox "would like to get his hands on those funds to jump-start rural development," Rees said. "But he doesn't realize that people use them to eat."

Latinos migrate because of low wages and economic and political conditions at home, Rees said. Migrants also answer a call. They go where the jobs are.

"Here in Atlanta, Mexicans work—they work hard," Rees said. "Every employer I've ever interviewed says, 'Without Mexican workers, we couldn't make it.'

"Mexicans work for low wages, few benefits, lit-

tle job security," Rees said. "They work in the most hazardous jobs in the country—agriculture, construction and chickens. If you need someone to work with asbestos, hang a sign at the Mexican Consulate."

There is no evidence migrant workers lower wages, Rees said. She added they are no more likely to use social services than U.S. residents, maybe less.

"As for their dubious cultural practices,

Mexicans and Latinos represent a conservative force, especially in the Catholic Church," Rees said.

"We have a new working class in the new millennium, a working class of immigrants who are controlled by fear and lack of rights," Rees said. "We all benefit from the cheap services, houses, food and more. . . . Our destiny is tied to immigrant workers."

Rees' lecture also included presentations by two students, Claire Willeford '04 and Katy

Rosenbaum '05. Willeford, a Hubert Scholar, detailed the challenges of a migrant couple, who hope to return to Mexico with enough money for a better life. Rosenbaum discussed in Spanish a quote about New World Borders and hybrid cultures by Guillermo Gómez Peña, a Mexican performance artist.

The Board of Trustees established the Gladden Lecture in honor of his 10-year service as chair of the Board. He retired from the Board in June.

The award will be given each year to a faculty member whose scholarly activities, including research and artistic endeavors, are noteworthy. The recipient is asked to give a public lecture or performance to the College community on a topic related to his or her scholarly work.

-Wendy Cromwell

# Mural Donation One-of-a-Kind

ith her DNA and that of her great-great-great-great-great-grand-mother's painted on a Science Center wall, Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky '73 felt a little naked.

"It's like having someone ask, 'Can I paint your liver,' " she said, looking at the three-story mural in the Woolford B. Baker Atrium. "It's strange and beautiful. The double helix is such a pretty shape."

Lepovetsky is a descendent of Agnes Irvine Scott, the College's namesake and mother of one of its founders, Col. George Washington Scott. Lepovetsky donated the blood sample that was used for sequencing the mural's DNA at the request of Scott family members, Wallace Daniel, a College trustee, and Phil Noble Sr.

"I explained the scope of the project and asked for the sample," said Daniel, who also participated in the center's dedication.

"When they called me about the new science building and said they wanted a donation, I assumed they meant money," said Lepovetsky, who attended the College for two years before marrying and transferring to the University of Pittsburgh. "They told me about the mural idea and asked me, 'How do we get that DNA?'

"I said, 'Guess we have to dig her up,' " Lepovetsky said. 'Then they explained about the mitochondrial DNA, which is only passed from female to female. Nobody else can say that (the double helix) is hers."

Mitochondrial DNA is unmixed with a father's DNA and passed to female offspring. It remains essentially unchanged generation to generation if there is an unbroken female line, said Harry Wistrand, a professor of biology who spearheaded the project.

In addition to serving as adjunct faculty at the University of Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania State University, Lepovetsky also writes mysteries for dinner theatres.

"It's a fun gig," she said.
Lepovetsky earned her B.A. in creative writing from Pittsburgh and her M.F.A. in professional writing from Penn State.

—Wendy Cromwell



Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky '73 donated the blood samples used to sequence the DNA to create the three-story mural.

#### Faculty and Staff News

#### **ARTS**

- Martha Bishop, artist affiliate for cello and composition, had her work, "Drmes, a Croatian Dance," published in the February issue of *The American Recorder.* She also had her composition, "Suite No. 2" for two bass viols, published in January by PRB Publications of California.
- · Calvert Johnson, Charles A. Dana Professor of Music, played a dedicatory organ recital Nov. 17 at Holy Family Episcopal Church in Jasper, Ga. He also played in an organ and harpsichord recital featuring composers from Asia on Jan. 5 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Maui, Hawaii. On Jan. 14, Johnson presented a paper on Asian organ and harpsichord music at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He also presented a paper on Asian organ and harpsichord music at the Hawaiian International Conference on Arts and Humanities on Jan. 15 in Honolulu, sponsored by the University of Hawaii/West Oahu.
- Roger Rothman, assistant professor of art, presented a paper, "De Chirico and the Paramodern: Artifice, Deception and Display" on Nov. 16 at Giorgio De Chirico: An International Symposium, which accompanied the "Giorgio de Chirico and the Myth of Ariadne" exhibition from Nov. 3 to Jan. 5 at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.
- Nell Ruby, visiting assistant professor of art, exhibited in "Digitally Propelled Ideas" in November at the Kellogg University Gallery in Pomona, Calif., and the 29th Bradley National Print and Drawing Exhibition in January.
- Lyn Schenbeck, visiting associate professor of music and director of choral and orchestral activities has been elected to the board of directors of the Conductors Guild, an international organization that fosters sharing of ideas, techniques and music among professional conductors. She is the chair of the regional meetings committee. Schenbeck has been offered a contract by music publishers A-R Editions to publish her critical edition of the 1921 African-American musical, Shuffle Along, by Eubie Blake and Noble Sissle, and a book by Flournoy Miller and Aubrey Lyles, in Music of the United States of America, a series of the American Musicological Society.

#### HUMANITIES

- Violet M. Johnson, associate professor of history, was a panelist for "The Job Hunt" roundtable and served as a volunteer at an interview workshop for history graduate students at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association Jan. 2-5 in Chicago.
- · Rafael Ocasio, associate professor of Spanish, interviewed Latina writer Judith Ortiz Cofer for "Quisiera ser recordada como alguien cuyas palabras sirvieron de puentes culturales," by Vitalina Alfonso in Ellas Hablan de la Isla (Havana: Ediciones Unión, 2002). He also published four book reviews, "La Habana en mi corazón: 75 años de fotografía cubana: and "La Habana: El momento revolucionario" in the September/October issue of Crîticas, "A Queer Mother for the Nation: The State and Gabriela Mistral" and "C.L.R. James a Life" in the September issue of Choice.
- Tina Pippin, associate professor of religious studies, had an article, "The Never-Ending Apocalypse: Evil and Antichrists in a Postmodern World," published in *Reading Communities Reading Scripture: Essays in Honor of Daniel Patte*, edited by Gary A. Phillips and Nicole Wilkinson Duran (Trinity Press International, December 2002).
- Richard Parry, Fuller E. Callaway

- Professor of Philosophy, presented a paper, "Socrates as Hedonist" at the Nov. 9 meeting of the Georgia Philosophical Society at Emory
- Régine Reynolds-Cornell, professor emerita of French, published a book review, "Sagesse Divine et Folie Humaine: Etude sur les structures antithétiques dans l'Heptaméron de Marguerite de Navarre," in the December Sixteenth Century Journal. She also had an article, "The Premodern Teenager, Youth in Society 1150-1650," published in the December Extrait de la Bibliothéque d'humanisme et Renaissance.
- Willie Tolliver, associate professor of English, gave presentations at each of the three Teaching and Learning Conferences sponsored by The College Board. The presentations were "Utilizing Film in Literature Courses: From Literary Adaptation to Film as Art," "New Trends in Multicultural Literature: Postcolonial and Postintegrationist Voices," and "Critical Approaches and Literary Perspectives: Theory for Secondary Students." The conferences were in Leesburg, Va., on Nov. 4, Miami Beach, Fla., on Dec. 13, and Atlanta on Jan. 6.

#### SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

- Chris De Pree, assistant professor of astronomy, and two students, L.E. Davis '03 and A. Mercer '03, presented a poster, "Morphologies and Physical Parameters of a Large Sample UCHII Regions" at the 201st meeting of the American Astronomical Society Jan. 6-10 in Seattle
- Myrtle Lewin, professor of mathematics and department chair, and Thomas Rishel of Cornell University had a paper, "Support Systems on Beginning Calculus," published as a chapter in Readings in Innovative Ideas in Teaching Collegiate Mathematics, edited by Mohammad H. Ahmadi (University Press of America, 2002).

#### SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Eileen Cooley, associate professor of psychology, and D.M. Triemer published an article, "Classroom Behavior and the Ability to Decode Nonverbal Cues in Boys with Severe Emotional Disturbance," in the December The Journal of Social Psychology, Vol. 142.
- Jennifer Lund, director of international education and assistant professor of education, was a panelist on "Current Topics in International Student Recruitment and Enrollments at U.S. Colleges and Universities" during The College Board Forum 2002 held Oct. 31 to Nov. 2 in Atlanta. In December, she also served a second year on the Fulbright Review Committee at the Council for International Exchange of Scholars for the International Educator Administrator program in Washington, D.C.

#### STAFF

- Jim Boynton, director of campus planning and development, received his M.B.A. in management from Georgia State University in December.
- Catherine McGraw, associate dean of students, was selected as one of nine semifinalists for Outstanding First-Year Student Advocates in the annual recognition sponsored by Houghton Mifflin Co. and the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition at the University of South Carolina.
- Sharonne Thomas, assistant property manager in the Office of Facilities, received the Carter Values Award for Excellence at a meeting of Carter and Associates.



During a family visit, Challen Odabasioglu (left) tutors Jennifer Lund, director of international education, in Turkish customs and traditions. Odablasloglu is the daughter of one of Lund's Fulbright hosts, Gulesen Odabasioglu.

# Hospitality, Family Connections Leave Lasting Impressions

LUND TRAVELS TO TURKEY AS AN OVERSEAS EDUCATIONAL ADVISER

sign as big as her office that read, "Welcome Dr. Jennifer Lund, Agnes Scott College," greeted Lund when she arrived to give a lecture in Eskisehir, Turkey.

"It is amazing," said Lund, director of international education and assistant professor of education. "Six hundred people came to talk about studying in the United States at Karideniz Technical University in Trabzon. It was so vivid. There was this huge audience of students, deans, faculty members—all with the desire to study in the U.S., but generally without the means to do it."

As part of the U.S. Overseas Educational Advisers Professional Partnership Program, Lund spent three October weeks in Turkey. She conducted workshops for Fulbright Scholars, gave two lectures and learned about the Turkish culture and educational system.

Lund was one of 14 individuals chosen by the U.S. State Department's Educational Information and Resources Branch to share knowledge and expertise with colleagues at Fulbright Centers worldwide. Each U.S. higher education representative visits a different country.

Her workshops for Turkish Fulbright Scholars focused on U.S. higher education and funding resources. "It was an absolute blast," she said. "I think the students enjoyed it as much as I did."

In addition to working with her counterparts, Lund learned more about Turkey to better assist with the Global Awareness trip planned for May. In her application, Lund wrote she is a "much better director

and adviser when I have had direct experience of the country and cultures in which the school is engaged."

Lund also witnessed politics in the secular Muslim state, which serves as the bridge between Europe and Asia. "Being there during the time leading up to the election was fascinating and allowed me to listen to Turks discussing the state of their government and the threat or lack of threat to the separation of 'mosque and state' as practiced since 1923."

One of her lasting impressions of Turkey is how far her hosts went to ensure Lund felt welcome. "The extent of hospitality—individuals, centers, scholars, Fulbright Centers, schools and organizations—was amazing. I have experienced wonderful hospitality in many, many nations, but this...

"It was a different pace," Lund said.
"There was a sense of primary value
on you being welcome, comfortable, before we do whatever it is we
need to do.

"They kept asking me about other restaurants," she said. "I kept telling them that I only wanted more Turkish food. I love Turkish food. It was true, and I think this pleased my hosts."

The hospitality extended to Fulbright advisers' homes, family celebrations, a bridal shower and the ballet.

"I met three generations of my host families in every instance," Lund said. "They didn't all live in the same house, but the connection to family is really deep. Given the level of closeness to family and friends, I can see how difficult leaving must be to study abroad in the United States."

—Wendy Cromwell

### Smith Kept Focus On Students

Students were her focus, and Shuronda H. Smith, assistant dean of students, let them know it.

"She made every effort to be there for every student," said Marlene Collins, director of facilities and Smith's friend. "She made them aware that she was available to them. She showed that same level of commitment to everything, including her friends."

Smith died Jan. 16 after complications from childbirth. She was 31 years old. Smith's daughter, Maya Elena Smith, was born Jan. 4 and is at home with her father, W. Calvin Smith.

Smith came to the College as director of student activities in 1997 from Georgia State University, where she served as program director in the student activities office. She was promoted to assistant dean of students in 1999

"President Mary Brown Bullock

used vivac i o u s , " Collins said. "That is probably one of the best adjectives for her." Bullock

said, "Shuronda shouldered more of the bur-



Smith

She was a person of deep, abiding faith and human kindness. . . . few people pass our way such as Shuronda."

As assistant dean of students,

dens of our diverse community.

As assistant dean of students, Smith served as adviser to two programs, Showtime and Social Council, and worked closely with the multicultural affairs program.

"Shuronda made sure students got heard and included," said Karen Gilbert, director of human resources. "It was a really big deal for her. She loved her job."

At a Jan. 17 service for faculty and staff, Jameda Hugh '03 said Smith spread joy and caring. Another student, Woodruff Scholar Simone Bell '03, described Smith as being "so small, but her smile was so big and her energy so loving."

Smith earned a bachelor of arts in business and management from Georgia State in 1993. In 1996, she received a master's degree in education from The University of Georgia. She was in the 2003 Leadership DeKalb

Leadership DeKalb classmate Dolly Purvis '89 described a ropes course the class took in which some of the bigger guys didn't want to participate. "Shuronda led the way," Purvis said.

Survivors include Smith's husband; her daughter; her parents, Rhonda and Samuel F. Gardner II; a sister, Erika Gardner; and brother, Terrance Gardner.

The Agnes Scott Community has established the Maya Smith Scholarship Fund. For more information about it, contact Jennifer Lucas, assistant professor of psychology, at <code>jlucas@agnesscott.edu.</code> Memorials may be made to a trust fund for Maya Smith at First Union Bank on Cascade Road. —Wendy Cromwell



A welcome sign greets Jennifer Lund as she arrives to give a lecture in Eskisehir, Turkey. Lund also conducted workshops for Turkish Fulbright Scholars.

#### RINGING THE BELL

Each year members of the senior class are invited to the ring bell and sign their names in Agnes Scott Hall's bell tower when they are accepted into graduate school or receive their first job offer.

#### 2002 career placements:

- · DeKalb County Schools.
- · Washington, D.C., Public Schools.
- · State Farm Insurance Co.
- Teach for America (2).
- · Agnes Scott, Biology teaching assistant.
- · Fulbright Scholar, teaching in Austria.
- Teaching Assistant in France.
- Peace Corps Volunteer.
- · BioLab Inc.
- · Zep Manufacturers.
- Shepherd Spinal Center.
- · Follett Book Stores.
- · Jackson County Schools.
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car.
- Federal Reserve Bank -Washington, D.C.
- Walt Disney World.
- · Emory University.
- King & Spalding law firm.
- U.S. Army.
- Fulton County Schools. · DeKalb County Schools.
- Gwinnett County Schools.
- DG Publishing. · Griffin Spaulding Schools.
- Winship Cancer Center.
- The Walker School.
- Cobb County Public Schools.
- The Cottage School.
- · American Express. • DART Institute.
- John Adams Law firm.
- Newcomers' Network
- Birmingham Healthcare for the Homeless.
- · Girl Scouts of America.
- · Perry High School, Georgia. · Lindamood Bell, reading clinician.
- · Henry County High School.
- · Creative Community Services.

#### Graduate and professional schools:

- Morehouse School of Medicine.
- · Georgia State University College of Education.
- Cornell University.
- · Yale School of Nursing. • Medical College of Georgia (2).
- Emory University Medical School (3).
- Emerson College.
- University of Illinois law school.
- · University of Maryland.
- · SMU School of Law.
- University of Georgia School of Law. · Loyola School of Law.
- National College of Naturopathic Medicine.
- Baylor University.
- UGA College of Veterinary Medicine.
- GSU School of Law.
- Argosy University. · American University.
- The George Washington University.
- · Agnes Scott College, MAT.
- Simmons College Graduate School.
- University of Oklahoma Medical School. Fulbright ETA Internship
- in South Korea. • University of Tennessee.
- Argosy University.
- Logan College of Chiropractic, Washington, D.C.
- George Washington University.
- Florida State University.
- Georgia Institute of Technology.
- -Source: Office of Career Planning

#### CORRECTION

• In the fall issue, a story about the Office of Experiential Learning incorrectly included study-abroad programs among its services. Study-abroad programs are coordinated by the Office of International Education.



Jeanne Rountree '39 (from left), Catherine Redles '52 and Lilla Kate Parramore Hart '53 talk during the Valdosta celebration on Feb. 14.

# South Georgia Celebrations

Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College visited South Georgia Feb. 14

- IN VALDOSTA, 21 participants met at Lulu's, a restaurant owned by Mary Anna Smith '78
- IN THOMASVILLE, 19 participants met at Glen Arven Country Club as guests of Lella Jones '46.
- ON SEA ISLAND

about 30 participants gathered at the home of Jeanne Kaufmann Manning '72



President Mary Brown Bullock '66 (center) stands with the oldest alumna, Sara Freyer '33, and youngest, Krista Harris '02, to attend the Sea Island celebration on Feb. 15.



B.J. Candler '49, (from left), national Campaign co-chair Frances "Frannie" Bailey Graves '63, Janice Terry '89, Elizabeth Freyer '63 and Sissy Lingle '61 gather at the Sea Island celebration on Feb. 15.

# Paul McCain 'Gentleman Of The First Order'

hen Paul Moffatt McCain returned to Agnes Scott as vice president for development and public relations, he came back to a place he had loved since childhood

As a boy he played on the grounds while his father, James Ross McCain, was President of the

College.

McCain, 82, died Jan. 1 in Clinton, S.C. He became Agnes Scott's first vice president for development in 1969 after he retired as president of Arkansas College, now Lyon College, in Batesville. McCain was at Arkansas College from 1952 to 1969.

"When I think back on our time together, I was always struck by how much he loved Agnes Scott College," said Penny Wistrand, executive assistant to the vice president for development and public relations under McCain. "He often talked about playing on campus with the students when he was young and how students were always looking out for him and taking care of him.

Mary Alverta "Bertie" Bond '53, administrative assistant to the president emerita, called McCain "a gentleman of the first order.

"He had a desire to do what he could to strengthen the College,' Bond said, acknowledging Agnes Scott continues to realize the benefits of McCain's efforts. "He went about his duties without fanfare. He worked quietly and effectively.'

Born in Decatur, McCain was the son of James Ross McCain and Pauline Martin McCain. He earned a B.A. from Erskine College in 1940 and his master's degree and doctorate from Duke University. During World War II, McCain

served in the Army and later taught



Paul Moffatt McCain became Agnes Scott's first vice president for development and public relations in 1969.

military history at the U.S Military Academy at West Point. He taught history at Brenau College before going to Arkansas College.

McCain retired from Agnes Scott in 1983. "So often I would read letters that people would write to him after a visit and it was clear that his visit meant a lot to them personally and brought them closer to Agnes Scott," Wistrand said. "He was such an effective fund-raiser by sharing his love of the College with people who hadn't been back in many years and had forgotten what a wonderful place it is.

McCain's first wife, Eleanor Kerr Brown, died in 1979. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy McCain; a daughter, Grier Payne; a son, James Ross McCain; two stepdaughters, Evelyn Velvin and Sally Clark; three sisters, Louise McCain Boyce '34, Isabel McCain Brown '37 and Mildred McCain Persing '46; a sister-in-law, Vivienne McCain '37; three grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; one great-grandson and two stepgreat-grandsons.

Memorials may be made to Erskine College, Lyon College and Agnes Scott College.

-Wendy Cromwell

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# Jean Toal Helping To Open Up S.C. Courts

STATE CHIEF JUSTICE WORKING WITH FEDERAL JUDGE IN PUBLIC SAFETY CASE PROCEEDINGS

nsettled by secrecy surrounding court settlements that involve public safety, South Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice Jean H. Toal '65 and her colleagues are working to restore openness to the proceed-

"In the public courts system, sunshine is the best disinfectant," said Toal, who was featured on 60 Minutes II in January with Joe Anderson, the chief federal judge in South Carolina. The program focused on their work to revise court rules governing secret court

"Judge Anderson and I had deep concerns about the secret settle-Toal said of the Bridgestone-Firestone cases before the courts at the time. "It was clear to us that lives could have been saved. The courts were used in that situation to shield from public view the real issues.

The two judges began drafting court rules for their respective systems to limit the defense attorneys' sealing of settlements. In the state courts, Toal and her col-leagues established zones of privacy for family and juvenile court

matters "The burden of proof is on someone close public records, Toal said of the new rules, which also protect trade secrets They must demonstrate that the public

Toal '65

interest is not outweighed by privacy concerns. Courts should be open.

Response to the rule change from the Legislature and public has been overwhelmingly positive, said Toal, an Agnes Scott trustee. Even defense attorneys have been fairly positive. "They feel we hit a good balance between public and private.

As for response to her Dan Rather interview, "I must not have embarrassed anyone," said Toal, the first female chief justice in

South Carolina.

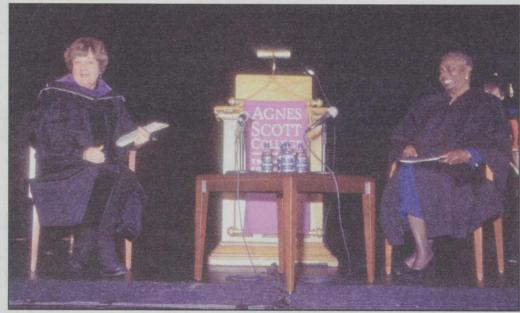
Rather adhered to parameters that she and Anderson placed on the interviews, Toal said. "We didn't want to criticize other judges, and he was very respectful of that.

Rather also accommodated her trial schedule by interviewing her for two hours one evening in Columbia, S.C., before returning to New York to resume his normal broadcast schedule.

"He was very intense and extremely well prepared." Toal said. "Rather is a very serious man who interviews in a well-prepared, focused way. He is the best of what the First Amendment is -Wendy Cromwell

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Civil rights activists Constance Curry '55 (left) and Elizabeth Wilson, mayor emerita of Decatur, compare childhood experiences during the Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation Jan. 20 in Presser Hall.

# 'A Different World'

IN CONVOCATION, CURRY '55 AND WILSON DETAIL CHILDHOODS IN SEGREGATED SOUTH

rom two separate but unequal backgrounds, they fought for civil rights and social justice. Forty years later, Elizabeth Wilson and Constance Curry '55 shared their experiences and inspirations during the 2003 Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation.

"Separate but equal was never true," said Wilson, mayor emerita of Decatur.

"There was hardly anything in the schools that went to," she said. "We had old books and no labs. Had I applied to Agnes Scott, I would have been denied. I didn't want that for my children.

"Growing up in rural Georgia, there were very few opportunities for African-Americans, Wilson said. "Georgia law prevented schools and public services from serving all of its citizens."

Wilson is also founder of the Oakhurst Community Health Center.

Curry, author, historian and activist, was drawn to the Civil Rights Movement because she knew segregation was immoral.

"It was a different world that we occupied," said Curry, a North Carolina native. "We were separated by law and practice. Everything was separated. My mother is Irish so I didn't have a typical Southern upbringing. I knew something was

Both worked with King, and each knew of the other, but they never really had a chance to talk until the week before the convocation.

"It is such a special honor to be in the company of Constance Curry," said Wilson, who was also

the first African-American to receive borrowing privileges at Decatur/DeKalb Public Library in 1962. "It was the first public center in the county to be integrated. I wanted access to the system.

That same year, Wilson also decided to chal-

lenge the public school system.

"It was a struggle," she said. "The first time, we were denied—but in 1965 when the school door opened, 20-plus African-Americans transferred. I wanted my son to have the best system offered—not having separate, but equal.

Three decades later in 1993, Wilson became the first African-American mayor in the 170-year history of Decatur.

Curry, a member of the U.S. National Student Association, said the injustice of segregation was driven home during an NSA meeting when white students went in one direction for lunch and African-American students went another.

"By law, we weren't allowed to eat together," said Curry, author and co-author of four books, including Silver Rights, which tells the story of the Carter family of Sunflower County, Miss. "My personal freedom was circumvented by segrega-

Both women said there was no epiphany that called them to fight for equality.

There wasn't a single moment. It sort of bubbled up in me," Curry said.

"Something needed to be done," Wilson said. "I was at the right place at the right time and had enough energy to act." -Wendy Cromwell

#### **Parting Words**

### Working, Learning, Questioning Together'

These remarks were made Dec. 6 by Julia T. Gary, dean of the college emerita, at a reception honoring her gift for summer research in the Science Center.

joined the Agnes Scott faculty almost 45 years ago, just completing my doctorate in chemistry. I assumed that research would be part of my life as it had been in graduate school. I quickly learned, however, that during the school term there was little time for research and during the summer there was no money. I taught for two summers at Emory [University].

Joe Frierson, then chair of the chemistry department, had a large research

grant from a chemical company. It paid a modest stipend for him and one or two students to work during the summers. After I had been at the College for several years, Joe and his wife wanted to go to Europe, and he asked me to direct the students while he was away.



This was for me an introduction on a very small scale and for a brief time to just the kind of programs that I hope can take place here. The students and I had a really fine time! We worked in a tiny lab, the only air-conditioned lab in the building, with a window unit paid for by the grant. It was an exciting time

I have been away from Agnes Scott now for almost 18 years, and I do not know most of you, but I have kept in close touch with the College. I know that this is a faculty challenged to meet the increased demands of the 21st century, a faculty with an updated vision of excellence, a faculty ready and able to provide students with the very best that higher education can offer.

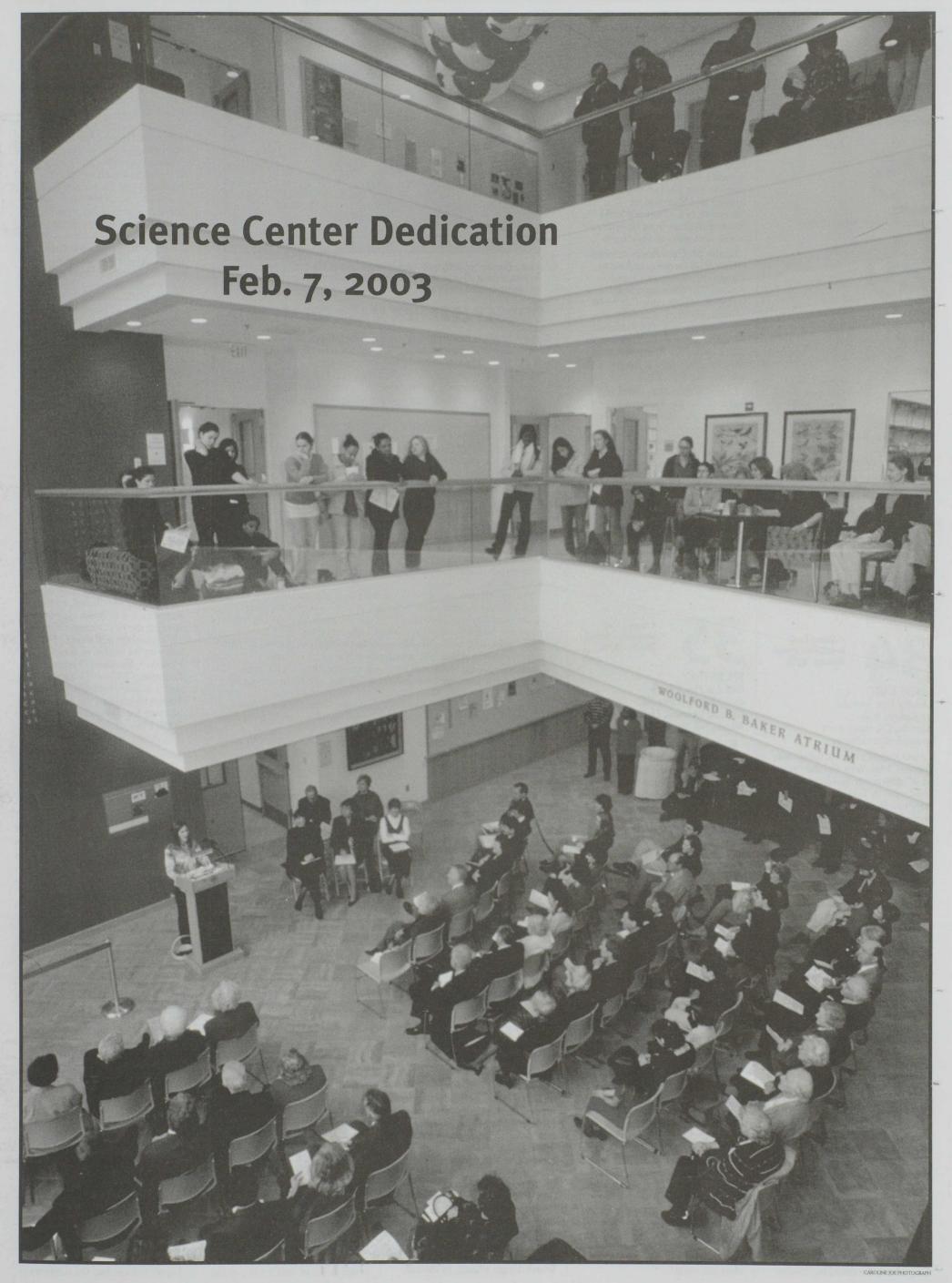
I'm excited by the facelift of the physical aspects of the campus, but I am even more excited by the changes in the curriculum, changes necessary in a changing world. Were I not so old, I would like to come back to be a part of all of this.

Now there is this magnificent new building with space designed for research, comfortable and safe and filled with potential. It is my hope that it can become an active and lively space during the summers with several groups of faculty and students working and learning and questioning together.

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• Julia F. Pope, May 1995.

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• Myrtle Novella Swindell

31

 Annual Fund participation through January: 9%

SECRETARY Helen Friedman Blackshear 334 Felder Ave. Montgomery, AL 36104

DEATHS

• Cornelia Taylor Stubbs, Nov. 4.

32

 Annual Fund participation through January: 10%

• Nell Star

• Nell Star Tate Gardner, date unknown.

34

 Annual Fund participation through January: 27%

SECRETARY Dorothy Potts Lavendol 47 Kathryn Way Marietta, GA 30062-5175 mardurden@earthlink.net

John Rumble reports his mother, Johnnie Mae York Rumble, lives at Winthrop, an assisted-living residence, in Tucker, Ga. She is happy in her apartment. She has several nice friends, and the staff is kind and caring. John and his wife live nearby.

Martha England Gunn had a fabulous birthday party (she is not saying which birthday) given by her sister, Gayle, with 38 guests. With many funny toasts and much laughter, all had a great time.

Mabel B. Talmadge reports that

after living in the Arlington area of Jacksonville, Fla., for many years, she and her sister, Miriam Talmadge Vann '36, moved into adjoining villas at the retirement center in the Lakewood area. They still enjoy gardening and friendly associations with neighbor residents. She retired in 1981 after teaching high school English, then was supervisor of English in the Jacksonville School Systems, which was followed by teaching at Jacksonville University. She is active as an elder, Sunday school teacher and Presbyterian women's historian at the Arlington Presbyterian Church. She is a board member of the Jacksonville Campus Ministry and serves on a committee of the Jacksonville and Duval County Retired Educators Association. Mabel and Miriam also visit relatives at Black Mountain, N.C.

Carolyn Russell Nelson moved to Magnolia Estates in Winder, Ga., where she could have more intensive care following a colon operation in September. She was able to attend her 101-year-old sister's funeral in South Georgia. Carolyn also went to a grand-child's wedding in Rabun Gap, Ga., and the celebration for the Russell Library in November.

Florence Preston Bockhorst lives in Kirkwood, Mo. She is in good health and feels fortunate to have her grandson, Adam, living with her. He is such good company and a big help. In August, she plans to visit her two sisters, Miriam and Shannon, at Montreat, N.C. Florence looks forward to news from classmates in the next issue of Main Events.

Louise McCain Boyce celebrated her 90th birthday in June at Central Presbyterian Church in Athens, Ga. Only her family members, which added up to 70 cousins, children, grandchildren, etc., were invited. They celebrated with cake and sharing pictures. The Council on Aging also entertained for her. Louise reports it all was a great deal of fun.

Dorothy Potts Lavendol says many of the day students were 90 this year, she among them. Her sister, Marjorie, had an open house at their home with a huge cake and punch. About 60 guests attended, and she received a dozen pink roses at her church and about 90 birthday cards. Dorothy and her sister made several trips during spring and summer. They went to New York City, sailed at Hilton Head on Marjorie's son's boat and visited Martha Van Schelven Hill in Kalamazoo, Mich.

35

 Annual Fund participation through January: 37%

SECRETARY Betty Lou Houck Smith 6391 Glenridge Drive NE Glenridge Commons, Unit 200 Atlanta, GA 30328

Rosalyn Crispin Robinson earned silver medals in the free verse and the essay-writing division during the Texas Senior Games held in Lubbock.

#### DEATHS

• Eva Poliakoff Goodman, Oct. 16

• Dorothy "Grace" Robinson Wynn Hanson, Dec. 12.

36

 Annual Fund participation through January: 44%

SECRETARY Mildred E. Clark Sargent 1019 Stillbrook Road Pensacola, FL 32514-1629

The secretary received a delightful card from Dean McKoin Bushong, who moved from a large house to a smaller apartment in a retirement center. After giving her three daughters most of the items she accumulated in her 46 years of married life, the hardest part was parting with her collection of books. Dean did the next best thing. She had four shelves made that were 8 feet tall and 48 inches wide and still had a number of boxes of books for which she had no place. Dean also wrote about her love for Agnes Scott College. Although she did not make the last reunion, Dean is looking forward to the next one. The secretary thanks Dean for keeping the class informed.



Laura Dorsey '35 (left) talks with Frances Stukes '24 during the Garden of Peace dedication in 1993 at Agnes Scott, which was the first college to have a Garden for Peace.

#### **DORSEY LEFT HER MARK ON ATLANTA**

Armed with creative power, community leader Laura Whitner Dorsey '35 left her mark on Atlanta through art and horticulture. Dorsey died Jan. 1 in Roswell, Ga., at age 89.

A founding trustee of the Atlanta Botanical Gardens and the Georgia Conservancy, Dorsey worked as a trustee of the Atlanta College of Art. She was instrumental in developing the Swan Woods Trail habitat.

With daughter Laura Dorsey '66, she developed Gardens for Peace and the Hugh M. Dorsey Jr. Educational Fund, named for her husband. Gardens for Peace promotes peace through a world network of gardens as places for meditation.

In 1993, Agnes Scott College became the first college with a Garden for Peace. In order for a garden to be included in the organization, it must offer a sense of enclosure, have public access and offer both visual and nonvisual stimuli. The College's Garden for Peace adjoins the Alumnae Garden and is marked with a bronze plaque.

"The stimulation of superior professors and outstanding visiting lecturers at Agnes Scott College gave me a feeling of strength to accomplish in whatever area I chose," Dorsey said in a 1986 Main Events article.

She was elected president of the Junior League and chair of the board for the Atlanta Speech School in 1947. Dorsey was named Woman of the Year in Arts in 1968 and received the Outstanding Alumnae Award for Service to the College in 1986.

She graduated with a double major in biology and chemistry, and later received a master's in science from Emory University. However, a large amount of her work concentrated on the arts. "You use the same creative abilities in art that you do in science," she once said.

Other survivors include another daughter, Adair D. Sisk; sons Hugh M. Dorsey III and Rufus T. Dorsey IV; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Gardens for Peace, P.O. Box 730,
Atlanta, Ga. 30367.
—Martha Gaston '04

37

 Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

SECRETARY Fannie B. Harris Jones 600 Miller St. Dalton, GA 30720-8164

DEATHS

• Catharine Jones Malone, Nov. 12.

38

 Annual Fund participation through January: 28%

SECRETARY Jane Guthrie Rhodes 127 West Pharr Road Decatur, GA 30030-4936

Ellen Little Lesesne had a wonderful weekend in Atlanta with Joyce Roper McKey, husband John, and Elsie West Duval attending the wedding of Elsie's grandson, John Elgar, to Julie Simmerson this past summer. They enjoyed delicious feasts at the rehearsal and reception dinners. Ellen, Joyce and Elsie are looking forward to the class reunion (the 65th) in April.

Bertha "B" Merrill Holt and Clary were able to attend Clary's philatelic meeting in Tortola, British Virgin Islands, in the fall.

Son Jefferson and daughter Harriet also accompanied them. B has been busy with politics as a consultant. She supported a candidate who won. Their 13th District congressman and an appeals court judge won too. Needless to say they were both Democrats. B has enjoyed many phone conversations with Mary Venetia Smith Bryan. She met with the Rev. Jane Guthrie Rhodes at Cafe Lily in Decatur, Ga., for lunch on an exploration trip for possible good, but easy-to-reach, restaurants for the 65th class reunion in April. Concerning the recent Republican victories, B admits ruefully, "The Democrats did take a beating.

Mary Belle Weir Norris writes her daughter, Mary Norris, was chosen president-elect of the National Association of Social Workers and Healthcare Workers. She is director of the clinical psychological sources at Orlando Regional Healthcare Services in Florida.

Martha "Bernice" Agee Hedges is sorry she will not be able to attend the 65th reunion because of health problems and the difficulty of traveling distances. She confides she is also in a wheel-chair and using a walker.

The Rev. Jane Guthrie Rhodes had two "visitors," both within two weeks. Burglars entered her home at 3 a.m., and 2 a.m., respec-

tively but did her no harm, only wanting money. Jane was able to get out of bed and help them find her purse. During the first breakin, the young man stole her cello and Agnes Scott ring as well as her Egyptian cartouche and scarab ring, purchased in Egypt, her husband's wedding ring and the keyboard she used in Vacation Bible School at Decatur Presbyterian. By the next Monday, Jane replaced the cello, but it, too, was about to be stolen when she protested and the burglar dropped it and ran. All of her family and friends are urging her to move, but she is staying put. Reasontoo much junk to move.

Elizabeth Warden Marshall finally decided to move this spring. Her new address will be forwarded. She chose Regency Retirement Center on Wynn Way in Decatur, Ga. Elizabeth also reports Mary M. Hudson Irby has recovered from cancer but because of intermittent memory loss, has moved to the same nursing center, where Mary's husband is but in a different wing.

Nell Allison Sheldon was in rehabilitation at DeKalb Medical Center in Decatur, Ga. She moved to Oklahoma City in January to be with her daughter, Allison. She has promised her apartment at Philips Towers to her ex-roommate, the Rev. Jane Guthrie Rhodes. Nell has been a great fund chair for the class.

The class mourns the death of Col. Frances Castleberry (date unknown) and Jane Virginia "Gina" Hightower Kennedy on Oct. 12.

Anne Thompson Rose is still calling and urging as many classmates as possible to attend the 65th reunion in April, especially since at the next reunion in 2008 class members will be 89 or 90 and may be unable to travel. However, Shannon Preston Cumming '30 is still making it and is as lively and wise as ever. So maybe some of the class will be there for the next reunion in 2008. How can the secretary tell? The Agnes Scott spirit never dies!

• Annual Fund participation through January: **34%** 

SECRETARY Elinor Tyler Richardson 516 Azalea Lane Florence, S.C. 29501-5718

DEATHS

• Helen Kirkpatrick Carmack, Oct. 14.

• Edward L. Scanling, husband of Dixie Woodford Scanling, date unknown.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 41%

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CO-SECRETARY Sophie Montgomery Crane P.O. Box 426 Black Mountain, NC 28711-0426

In August, Mary Elizabeth
Chalmers Orsborn and husband
Harry had a delightful luncheon
visit with Violet Jane "V.J."
Watkins in Nashville, Tenn. The
Orsborns' grandson and his wife,
who live in Nashville, have been
friends of V.J. for several years and
also were at the luncheon. V.J.,
happy to have had the summer's

tornadoes miss Nashville, stays in touch with Mary Mac Templeton Brown, who is active in church and other interests.

Julia Moseley continues to be busy preserving The Nest, her birthplace and the home of her grandparents, making it available to architectural students, environmental groups and the like for study. In cooperation with the University of South Florida and the Water Management program, Julia did a narrative of 10-Mile Lake, the lake on which her home is located. This work is on the Internet under "10-Mile Lake Narrative.

Ruth Eyles Lewis, class fund chair, encourages everyone to continue giving to the Annual Fund and to Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. She notes with pride that 67 percent of the class contributed to the Annual Fund for 2001-2002

Virginia "Ginny" Milner Carter and Mary Lang Gill Olson, the class' co-presidents, along with 11 other classmates and six spouses, met at Myrtle Beach for a minireunion. They had a wonderful time and expressed genuine gratitude for maintaining friendships since 1936. Classmates are proud of Carter's career in the financial world as described in the fall Agnes Scott Alumnae Magazine. Congratulations!

#### **DEATHS**

• Irene Phillips Richardson,

SECRETARY

participation through January: 25%

· Annual Fund

Dorothy Travis Joyner 723 Park Lane Decatur, GA 30033-5453

Lillian Schwencke Cook missed the 60th reunion because of critical injuries sustained in an accident. She says she feels fine now in spite of some lingering problems. She enjoyed a visit with

Florrie Guy Funk in June. Elizabeth "Betty" Waitt White-Hemmick's account of her long service as a volunteer was featured in the American Red Cross newsletter of the San Antonio area. Betty finished a Red Cross course as a nurse's aide in 1943. After her marriage to a young Army doctor, she served as a volunteer in many places, the last being Eisenhower General Hospital in Augusta, Ga. She says she can still fit into her uniform of the '60s and '70s and do more volunteer work—"after all I am only 18!"

The secretary had a note from Florence "Flonnie" Ellis Gifford. She is doing well and enjoys her grandchildren, two boys and two girls. She wishes they lived in Nashville near her.

Sara Lee MacKay and Jim have a new address. They have moved to a retirement home called Alexion Brothers Village in Signal Mountain, Tenn.

#### **DEATHS**

• Harriett Reid Harvey, July 6,

· Annual Fund participation through January: 33%

**SECRETARY** Frances Tucker Johnson 224 Carol Woods 750 Weaver Dairy Road Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514-1467 edandfranj@botmail.com

#### **DEATHS**

· Dorothy Cremin Read, Sept. 2.

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If you want an Agnes Scott tag with the "World for Women" logo or have a commemorative tag and want to continue, you must place an order with the Georgia Department of Motor Vehicle Safety by July 31 for delivery in 2004. For more information, contact www.dmvs.ga.gov and fill out the MV-9C application or contact the Office of Alumnae Relations at alumnae@agnesscott.edu or 404 471-6323.

 Annual Fund participation through January: **31%** 

Mardia Hopper Brown 221 Mount Vernon Drive Decatur, GA 30030-4539 atbrownsr@aol.com

Lillian Roberts Wyant writes she is looking forward to the April reunion. Her only news is she now has five great grandsons; all of them live in West Palm Beach,

Mamie "Sue" Barker Woolf and her husband, Warren, were devastated by the death of their youngest grandchild, Sarah, who was 17. She was the daughter of their son, Bill, and his wife Donna. Sarah was diagnosed with Ewing's Sarcoma in February 2001 and died in March 2002. She will be remembered by a memorial to be awarded annually to a Decatur High School graduating senior who demonstrates courage and hope in the face of adversity.

Mary "Mardia" Hopper Brown announces the arrival of two additional members of her family—a granddaughter, Jemma Xin Lin, adopted in China by son Bruce and his wife, Kathy; and the first great-grandson, Robert Mason, son of Amy and Rob Walker.

#### **DEATHS**

• George B. Hightower, husband of Emily Anderson Hightower,

· Annual Fund participation through January: 33%

SECRETARY Margaret Virginia Norris 1670 Johnson Road, NE Atlanta, GA 30306 Monorri@attglobal.net

#### **DEATHS**

 Robert F. Brown Jr., husband of Mary Munroe Brown, Sept. 26.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 43%

SECRETARY Anne B. Register Jones 2031 Golf View Drive, NW Atlanta, GA 30309-1209 arjones@mymailstation.com

#### **DEATHS**

- · Arthur M. Klugh III, son of Gloria Gaines Klugh, Oct. 19
- Elise Marshall Simkins, Nov. 9.
- Margaret Scott Haley Wade, daughter of Martha "Scottie" Johnson Haley, Sept. 21.
- · Barbara "Allison" LaLand, Nov. 30.

· Annual Fund participation through lanuary: 33%

**SECRETARY** Alice Beardsley-Garber 378 Quaker Road Chappaqua, NY 10514-2007 normkg@aol.com

The former honorable class president, Frances "Glassell" Beale Smalley, sent a brochure of the September-December art show in the Dalton Gallery at Agnes Scott College, in which her niece, Lisa Tuttle, was represented. Curator Jerry Cullum says of Lisa, "Her approach to combining social issues with personal and family history continues to be singularly instructive, as she moves into ever larger formats exploring increasingly expansive issues." Lisa has had several fellowships and showings in many foreign countries, the last in South Africa. As well as belonging to proud Aunt Glassell, Lisa is the daughter of Louisa Beale McGaughey '49.

Glassell held Thanksgiving for 26 people. "26?" "Oh, I've done it for 40 years, I'm used to it!"

Glassell writes.

It's good to report Marguerite Mattison Rice still answers to "Punky," which she says attracts favorable comments from the younger generation. Her husband, Blair, died last April, and she built a smaller house next door to their large one. Now she has a compact yard with lots of flowers. She especially enjoys the gift of a moon vine, which opens at night and part of the next morning. She revels in a group of seven widows whose purpose is the fun of being together. Some have second homes, which means lots of house parties. The youngest is the designated driver. Punky says when people are left alone, they just have to take advantage of the good about their time of living

Edith "Deedie" Merrin Simmons —yes, still Deedie—has collected lots of frequent flier miles as a professional volunteer for the Presbyterian Church (USA). She also jaunts in a mobile home. She loves to garden, is her own maintenance person and can be seen flying around her yard on a lawnmower.

Last time classmates saw Genet Heery Barron, she graced the cover of the 50th reunion book running with the Olympic Torch relay. She still seems to be running and gracing Newnan, Ga. She and husband Lindsey were instrumental in founding Wesley Woods Retirement Community, where they live. She attends a reading club, a potpourri club, theatre, plays bridge and is a volunteer buyer for the Wesley Woods boutique, all profits going to the beautification of the retirement community.

The secretary warned everyone in the last Main Events that Doris Kissling Hamilton was likely to be heard from soon because she

entered quilts in the Pamlico River's Quilt Guild Show, and she always wins. Well, she did it again, this time two third-prize winners. She tells us the judges discovered a few markings for her quilting and they don't like that. In the past, she has won the highly valued "Viewers' Choice," and this time she hit the newspaper with her picture.

Carroll Taylor Parker happily visits son Ed and family with a short sprint to Asheville, N.C. instead of the former long one to Vermont. Last summer's trip to Asheville also included a visit to Florence "Fluff" Paisley Williams in Black Mountain, N.C. They went to a tea in Montreat, N.C. where President Mary Brown Bullock '66 spoke. Carroll says she and Fluff mostly talkedmostly about all of us, she says, of course. There's a reliable rumor that Fluff walks seven miles a day.

Agnes Harnsberger Rogers says she is her choir's oldest soprano in her very neat church. Agnes gave a review of her personal romantic soap opera. She went to Columbia Nursing School, planning to serve in China. But Bill Rogers was in Union Seminary, and friends of both sent her a note saying she should meet him: "he has a beautiful voice, and we like him very much." It turned out everybody liked everybody very much. They have a country doctor son in Mena, Ark

Christina "Chris" Yates Parr, M.D., honorable class president, is working on a mysterious annual letter by all presidents to class members. In between writing these mysterious paragraphs, she is a professional book-shelver in her town's small neighborhood library. She says between church members and former patients, she knows everybody who visits the library. She claims all should wait with anticipation for this mysterious letter.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 42%

**SECRETARY** Marian L. Yancey Carroll 4477 Allgood Springs Drive Stone Mountain, GA 30083-4809

Dabney Adams Hart's annual letter netted quite a few lavender cards in the class secretary's mailbox. She thanks all for the contributions and requests they keep those cards coming!

Margie Thomson Koch announced, "The year 2002 has been a memorable one. The biggest news is marriage to Albert E. Koch on April 20, with the blessings of [their] five grown children." The couple has traveled to Las Vegas, the western Caribbean and to Illinois for a family reunion, and they "hope to do more in 2003."

Anne Henderson Love and Nash are enjoying their new home at Cypress Glen Retirement Community, in Greenville, N.C. where they have been warmly welcomed by residents and the staff. They also have a good many friends and family who are close by or plan to be. Nearby are the beach, fishing and Duke University, where the couple met and where they frequently enjoy alumni activities. It's grandchild number five for

Anne Elcan Mann, who will probably spend "grandmother time" in Ponte Vedra, Fla., enjoying William Pearson Mann, born Oct. 7. Anne reports she has "not traveled anywhere this year except to be with family. It's been

a good year at home." She sends her "best to all '48ers."

Friends and classmates since elementary school, Ruth Blair Ravitz, Jane da Silva Montague and Marian Yancey Carroll enjoyed a reunion luncheon held by Elizabeth Blair Carter. Ruth's activities since retirement from teaching include moving to Fort Myers, Fla., in 1996 to be near her two grandsons. There, she teaches Feldenkreis Awareness through Movement, is active in her local Unitarian Church and in Habitat for Humanity. She's especially excited about starting a Free Thinkers Group, in a very conservative area, she reminded the group.

Leighton and Marybeth Little Lobdell, Don and Nancy Geer Alexander enjoyed visiting one another in Ponte Vedra Beach and New Smyrna Beach in northeast Florida. Marybeth writes her daughter, Carol Weston, is a lecturer and writer whose ninth and 10th books were published by Knopf and Harper Collins in 2002. Classmates can check www.carolweston.com for pictures of Marybeth's granddaughters and family news.

Mary "Mac" Alice Compton Osgood reports on a Baltic cruise with her husband, two children and five grandchildren: "Everyone appreciated being together, and there was enough variety for all. The rebuilding of Peterhof and Catherine's Palace showed what marvelous craftsmen there are in Russia.

#### **DEATHS**

• John U. Simmons, husband of Judith "Anne" Woodward Simmons, July 19.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 42%

**SECRETARY** Mary Price Coulling 160 Kendal Drive, #1003 Lexington, VA 24450-1003 maryc@kalexres.kendal.org

In November, Leonora "Lee" Cousar Tubbs and Jim moved about 10 miles from their home in Raleigh, N.C., to a two-bedroom apartment at Glenaire, the Presbyterian Home in Cary, N.C. Lee writes that once they went through the trauma of "downsizing," they discovered the joys and challenges of living in less space, making new friends and finding the "security that comes with being part of a continuing care community.

Also moving in November were Edith "Edie" Stowe Barkley and Brock, who left their home in Lynchburg, Va., for a first-floor apartment at Lynchburg's Westminster-Canterbury Retirement Community.

A third classmate to make a move in 2002 was Dorothy "Dot" Mahon Morrison, who moved from Sanford to Deltona, Fla.

Rachael "Binky" Stubbs Farris writes she and Duncan are thoroughly "enjoying living on a boat again." In late summer, they cruised up the Chesapeake, then were in St. Simons for a few weeks and spent December and January in Florida. "We travel shorter distances now," she writes, "get up later and retire earlier than we did in 1987." Binky's mailing address is still St. Simons Island,

Joining Binky on her yacht for a short tour in October were Mary "Maic" Aichel Samford, Harriotte "Otte" Winchester Hurley and Betty Jean "B.J." Ellison Candler. Maic and Otte were visiting B.J. at her beach home in Sea Island, Ga. Word comes from Carmen Shaver Brown that she and Morris spent some time last summer in Virginia attending a grandson's graduation from high school, then took a wonderful two-week tour of Alaska, "fascinated by the beautiful scenery, glaciers and the only ecosystem still in place in a national park with grizzlies, caribou, moose, ptarmigans, majestic eagles, salmon, sea lions and harbor seals living happily on their

Also traveling in the summer were Betsy Deal Smith and Gil, who spent a week in San Miguel, Mexico, learning about Mexican history. After that, they took a tour/cruise to Alaska, with glimpses of lots of wilderness and wildlife

Miriam "Mim" Steele Jackson reports the arrival of a granddaughter, after six grandsons. Mim is teaching, as director at the Huntington Learning Center in Charlotte, N.C. She and her family continue to spend vacation time at Lake Rabun, Ga.

Sue Tidwell Dixon Paulson's big news is the wedding of her first grandchild in October at Sue's lakeshore home at Lake Burton, Ga. The "grounds and house were marvelously decorated with dozens of Sally Ellis Mitchell's beautiful hydrangeas," she writes.

Nancy Huey Kelly writes enthusiastically about her grandsons' achievements. Her husband, Thad, has slowed down a bit because of his Parkinson's, but she reiterates that all of them are "giving thanks for all blessings."

#### **DEATHS**

• Marjorie "Margie" Graves Thrasher, November.

· James P. Duncan, husband of Shirley Simmons Duncan,

· Annual Fund participation through January: 38%

SECRETARY Margaret Ward Moore 201 Carolina Ave. Lake City, S.C. 29560-2105 tootieward@aol.com

Betty Phillips Lindsay writes she and her husband, Landon, have moved to Fearrington Village, N.C., after living in New England for 50 years. Fearrington Village is between Chapel Hill and Pittsboro. They are on waiting list for a house in Carolina Meadows Retirement Center in Chapel Hill. In September, they were in Atlanta attending the 50th anniversary of Landon's theology class at Emory University.

Polly Anna Philips Harris and husband David had a wonderful Alaskan cruise with their entire family. Their three children and their spouses and all four grandchildren, who range in age from 7 to 20, made the trip memorable They visited Vancouver, Juneau, Skagway, and Ketchikan. Son Frank took everyone a Tennessee orange shirt. The Harris family is from Knoxville, Tenn.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 37%

CO-SECRETARY Anna Da Vault Haley 112 Woodland Way Greenville, S.C. 29601-3823

CO-SECRETARY Martha Ann Stegar 2296 Melinda Drive Atlanta, GA 30345-1913 masp@attbi.com or masp@atl.mediaone.net

Katherine Nelson Major's husband, Kendrick W. Major, died suddenly of suspected liver failure after a two-day illness, on Jan. 21, 2002. She and Kendrick were both from Palatka, Fla., and continued to live there after their marriage. Katherine has two boys. One is in the Air Force and has been stationed at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla., but is being transferred to Virginia. The younger boy, who married in March 2002, lives nearby in Dunedin, Fla. Although Katherine has macular degeneration and can no longer drive, she has a positive attitude. She says she's determined not to focus on what she can't do, but on what she can do. That's a great motto for all!

Martha Ann Stegar and her husband, Yalcin Peker, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary in November with an adventure trip to view the natural beauty and wildlife of Costa Rica.

Bob and Jean Longino Hiler celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a gala '50s party given by their children, Bobby, Debbie, Mike, Doug and Fred, plus their grandchildren, Shane, Wendy, Michael, Monica and Kristin. In mid-November, they took a "honeymoon" cruise through the Hawaiian Islands.

Also celebrating their 50th anniversary last fall were Willis and Winifred "Winnie" Horton Martin. Their children and grandchildren held a family dinner, then Winnie and Will flew to New York and took a cruise to Boston, Bar Harbor, Maine, Halifax, Nova Scotia; and Quebec.

Winnie wrote she enjoyed a wonderful fall get-together in Atlanta with Dorothy "Dot" Adams Knight and Gail Akers Thompson. They met for lunch with Dorothy's daughter, Elizabeth Knight '76, who showed them her beautifully landscaped garden at her home in Sandy Springs, Ga. Then they drove to the new home of another daughter, Jennifer Knight Boyd '80, in Marietta, Ga., where they had tea with Jennifer, Earl and little Eddie. Eddie took everyone on a grand tour of the new house.

Kelley and Betty McClain Ivy took a three-day "Christmas in Nashville" trip in early December. Their previous three-day tour brought them back by the new aquarium in Gatlinburg, Tenn., a lovely addition to an old resort town! Kelley has fixed up an art studio for Betty, and she has been enjoying painting. They were looking forward to having Winnie Martin and Will visit them in December in Norcross, Ga.

Jimmie Ann McGee Collings' youngest child, Sam, passed the bar exam for Maryland, making a high enough grade to receive a waiver to practice in the District of Columbia. When his clerkship is finished, Jimmie Ann says he may want to work in Washington.

DEATHS

• Betty Marie Libbey, March 9.

· Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

SECRETARY Winnie Strozier Hoover 462 Burlington Road NE Atlanta, GA 30307-1104 cewboover@aol.com

#### **DEATHS**

· William "Bill" M. Evans, brother of Sarah "Emy" Evans

#### **CLASS NEWS GUIDELINES**

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Agnes Scott has nearly 10,000 living alumnae. We want to keep in touch with all of you and keep you in touch with one other. Contact your class secretary with your news today.

Blair, Dec. 13.

· Annual Fund participation through January: 31%

**SECRETARY** Barbara E. West Erwin 1720 Rockhampton Circle Hoover, AL 35226-2614 barbe17@juno.com

Anne Dewitt George and Curtis live in Gainesville, Ga., and have been having a fine time traveling. Latest jaunt took them to Chile, Argentina and Brazil. She is enjoying the new alumnae directory online—have you turned in your address?

Margaret Cousar Tooke has a full and interesting life in Norcross, Ga., and works at Emory Healthcare Clinic as an ophthalmology triage nurse while running her home, which includes four married sons and six grandchildren.

Vivian Weaver Maitland and Evelyn Bassett Fuqua-Cook, Ph.D., attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Martha 'Carlene" Nickels Elrod in Huntsville, Ala., in September.

Evelyn Bassett Fuqua-Cook and Ed have been traveling this past year—Spain, England, Scotland, Canada, Panama and the Caribbean. Much of the United States has also been included.

#### **DEATHS**

• Ada "Joyce" Hatfield Coleman, Nov. 5

 Art Lynch, husband of Rene Dudney Lynch, Dec. 25.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 43%

SECRETARY Nancy M. Lee-Riffe 406 Jackson St. Berea, KY 40403-1746 retleeri@acs.eku.edu

Mary Pritchett Webb and Flip stayed with Judith "Judy" Promnitz Marine for the Georgia Institute of Technology homecoming game in October and saw Louise "Lou" Hill Reaves on the same trip. Mary occasionally sees Patricia "Patti" Boring Sellas and Marcia Rosefield Hughes, who live in the same area.

Carmie Thrasher Cochrane and Lou Hill Reaves see each other about once a month.

Once again, Caroline Reinero Kemmerer spent the fall semester in Switzerland, teaching and enjoying all the outdoor activities.

Hank and Genevieve Guardia Chenault did a tour of western parks in spring 2002, followed by two weeks in California. Sounds

Such happy news from Barbara

Yowell Schwind! In May, she married Ronald Soder, who was her first boyfriend long ago. Her name will remain Barbara Schwind. (So many more choices available now than "back then" in the olden days, girls!) For their honeymoon, they took a cruise to Nova Scotia and down the St. Lawrence River to Montreal and have settled in Leesburg, Fla., where she lived.

Carol Jones Hay says "I am finally getting around to doing what I really wanted to do when I grew up." She's in an artists' co-op with a Web site so everyone can see her work:

www.artistscoop.netfirms.com. She kept alive her interest in art (her minor to her music major at Agnes Scott College) by taking courses that were available in the area while teaching and being active in many church and cultural organizations. Her watercolors have been exhibited frequently. Recently, she has shifted to oils and a more abstract style that gives her more freedom in expressing herself. Her e-mail address is cjhay@charter.net.

Chizuko Yoshimura Kojima's first grandchild, born Aug. 19, may be seen on the Web at <a href="http://homepage.mac.com/fight-">http://homepage.mac.com/fight-</a> ingfish/Kimi/PhotoAlbum60.html >. Her name is Kimi Siena Kojima. Kimi's doting grandmother spent the holidays starting Nov. 9 in California where her daughter and Kimi's parents live.

Somewhat more experienced, with a 4-year-old grandson already, Kathleen Stout Mainland is still delighted with her first granddaughter, Julia Ruth Mainland, born Sept. 29. During the fall, Kate took a trip with the Atlanta History Center to St. Augustine, "a delightfully fascinating place." With the palm trees, palmettos and Spanish architecture, she says she felt as though she had been abroad.

Jack and Caroline Lester Haynes have had fun traveling in 2002, she says: Spain in May, Peru in September. She enjoyed a gettogether of 10 to 12 classmates for dinner in October and looks forward to the next alumnae forum, which will be on Islam. (As always, the secretary is envious of all the opportunities the Atlanta alums have to stay in touch with one other and with Agnes Scott.)

Florence "Florrie" Fleming Corley and Jim enjoyed their first Elderhostel experience, a week on Amelia Island (Fernandina) and Cumberland Island.

Adeline "Addie" Steans Morrison says, "Life, personally, has never been better." She "turned 70 and feels blessed to have the good health to be as active as always." The "entire family celebrated with me in France. Shortly after that my two

youngest daughters had their first babies two weeks apart—what a

In June, Jackie Josey Hahne

enjoyed vacationing with her daughter and her three boys on St. Simons Island. Sid and Bo Hancock Abernathy took their fourth set of grandchil-

dren to Disney World in September. The girls, ages 7 and 2, loved eating with "the other princesses" in the castle. A really

For Thanksgiving, Nancy Lee-

Riffe rented an oceanfront house on Emerald Isle, N.C., for a week. All her kids (four children, four spouses, three grandchildren) gathered though they were never all in the same room at the same time. The grandchildren even went into the sea on an unseasonably warm day! Afterwards, Nancy went home for unseasonable ice and snow in Kentucky.

 Margaret North Burnet, mother of Valeria "Vallie" Burnet Orr, Oct. 1, at age 93.

 Robert "Bob" Strong, husband of Selma Paul Strong, Oct. 24. • Caroline Lester, mother of Caroline Lester Haynes, October.

> · Annual Fund participation through January: 44%

SECRETARY Catherine L. Callaway 1135 Stillwood Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30306-3535 clcmace@mindspring.com

Jane Gaines Johnson and Ralph went to Fiji, New Zealand, Australia and Tahiti in October for five weeks or more.

With her revised pilot project for HIV prevention, Louise Robinson Singleton will take it to eight other countries in Africa in this year. She plans to be in Zambia in March and probably Kenya in November. Louise's mother fell just before Thanksgiving and broke her hip. Louise planned to spend a week in Charlotte with her.

Julia Beeman attended two seminars at Agnes Scott College, one on "Spirituality and Art" and Women Alone Together." Julia is freelancing (writing and photographing) for a new local magazine. She attended Betty Reiney Henley's organ dedication in Jasper, Ga.

In October, Betty Reiney Henley went to Los Angeles for a three-day dance competition and won many first places. On Nov. 17 at the Church of the Holy Family in Jasper, Ga., an Austin pipe organ was dedicated to the memory of Jim Henley. Calvert Johnson, Betty's good friend and Agnes Scott's Charles A. Dana Professor of Music, played the recital. For more information, see http://www.henleys.net.

Sara McIntvre Bahner and Max have returned from a lovely trip to Vienna. Music seems to come from every street corner, and the tortes were delicious!

Dorothy "Dottie" Holcomb Buchanan has moved to Sylacauga, Ala. Bertha "Tunsey" Kwilecki

Ausband is still teaching and working at an after-school program. She had a good visit with Grace Olert Dailey, Marianne McPherson O'Shields and Joan Pruitt McIntyre and John at Grace's daughter's wedding this past summer.

Retired, Patricia "Pat" Paden Matsen visited her niece in Berlin, and they went to Potsdam and Leipzig, where Pat's mother was

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born. Later, she had a minireunion with Mary Prichard Curry and Leonard and Helen "Ann" Allred Jackson and Kent in Otter, Va. On Labor Day weekend, she attended the Hawkins Family reunion with her brother and found that it was managed by Dorothy "Dot" Sands Hawkins

Dorothy "Dot" Sands Hawkins. Sarah Legg Schoon and her family went on a moonlight ramble in St. Louis, about a 17-mile midnight bicycle ride through the streets. It was a little scary at times.

Joan Pruitt McIntyre, as an apartment dweller, is enjoying the carefree life. Marjorie Fordham Trask visited her in August. Joan has 10 grandchildren, and they

are wonderful!

Jeanne Levie Berry and Carroll's daughter, Marie, married Brian Oravetz on Oct. 25 at the Northside Methodist Church with the reception at the Cherokee Town Club. Joan Pruitt McIntyre, Patricia "Pat" Tooley Fulwiler and Marianne McPherson O'Shields attended the wedding. Jeanne's son, Ben, married Christy Kelley, a Georgia Institute of Technology graduate, on Dec. 28.

Margaret Williamson Smalzel had summer visits from her family. She is planning to publish a paper on mythical and literal spiders. Anyone who has had experiences with this subject should please get

in touch with her.

Pauline Waller Hock has her hands full with nine grandchildren and taking care of her mother and brother. She went to Europe in September 2001. She and Walter do get away to St. John's Island occasionally.

Catherine "Cathy" Lewis
Callaway and Erline Lide
Vaughan had a fun lunch together
in Camden, S.C. Erline has not

changed a bit.
The class mini-reunion luncheon

on Nov. 4 was a small but lively group: Betty Akerman Shackleford, Sara "Anne" Atkinson Wilburn, Constance "Connie "Curry, Jeanne Levie Berry, Catherine "Cathy" Lewis Callaway, Genevieve "Genny" Lucchese Stephens, Marianne McPherson O'Shields, Georgia Syribeys, Clif Trussell and Sue Walker Goddard. The next luncheon will be May 5, and Carolyn Crawford Thorsen and Jeanne Levie Berry are the hostesses. They want everyone to attend as it will be the start of planning for the 50th reunion in two years.

#### **DEATHS**

Letty Grafton Jernigan, Nov. 1.
Katherine "Kitty" McElreath McKoy, mother of Jamie McKoy Jones, Oct. 24.

Saul Feldman, husband of Renee Galanti Feldman, Sept. 30.
Athelene Tooley, mother of

Patricia "Pat" Tooley Fulwiler, Nov. 1.
• Nat K. Reiney, father of Betty

• Nat K. Reiney, father of Betty Reiney Henley, Nov. 10.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 27%

SECRETARY Jean Price Knapp 320 Court St. Portsmouth, VA 23704-2502 r.rwkjpk@verizon.net

Cynthia Bailey Pyle retired from teaching, and she and Richard have moved to her hometown of Ocala, Fla. She is working with Stephen Ministry in her county, in a program for incarcerated youth. They drove to Connecticut in the fall to help their daughter who

was expecting twins and is also a professor of molecular physics and biochemistry at Yale. They have three grandsons, two of them in Venezuela. She is having great fun with gardening in Florida.

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Patricia "Pat" Guynup Corbus
wrote her first book of poetry,
Ashes, Jade, Mirrors. It was published by Volcanic Ash Books and
is being distributed by Word
Press. They had returned from a
month at the family cottage on
Big Lake in Michigan and planned
to leave for their beloved New
Mexico.

A 17-day trip to Thailand is the most recent adventure for Margaret "Margie" Hill Truesdale. It included a visit to Angkor Wat in Cambodia and strolls into Burma and Laos. She returned from the trip feeling very grateful for her comfortable life and her many opportunities to travel. Her Agnes Scott daughter, Mary Margaret Krauth Cooke '86, was married in August and lives in Macon, Ga.

Carolyn Barker Scott Lonas and Jack have completed two years of work with the church-planting team of World Harvest Mission. They work in a South Asian section of London with Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs, sharing the good news of grace, love and freedom in Christ Jesus. They have a flat there and planned to return in January after a trip to India.

**DEATHS** 

• Nancy Snipes Johnson, July 5.

58

• Annual Fund participation through January: **42%** 

SECRETARY Anne McWhorter Butler 8417 Gannon Ave. St. Louis, MO 63132-4906 ambutler1@juno.com

#### **DEATHS**

 Joanna Inger Byrd, mother to Mary Byrd Davis, Nov. 8.

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• Annual Fund participation through January: 44%

SECRETARY
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Mary Ann Henderson Johnson and Dan are fully retired, in good health and enjoy staying active outdoors. They have four grandchildren with another on the way. In the fall, they went on a one-week mission trip with 20 other members of First Presbyterian Church, Concord, N.C., to the Border Ministry of Puentes de Cristo in Renose, Mexico. Dan did pediatrics while Mary Ann poured concrete.

Helen Smith Rogers led a group of 12 on a fantastic 17-day study tour of central and western Turkey. They explored history, politics and culture of the country, as well as history of the early church in that part of the world. Helen enjoys teaching in her local church and participating in community service activities. Her main joy continues to be family: three children, their spouses and eight grandchildren.

Elizabeth "Betty" Edmunds Grinnan lives in Boca Raton, Fla., and continues to be a school librarian/media specialist in Pompano Beach. Tucker and she are blessed to have nine grandchildren.



Lynn Denton '63 (second from right on first row) sits with participants in her *Garden for a Recovering World* project in north Philadelphia. The project, emphazing recovery from drug addictions, included a mosaic mural and sculpture garden.

#### ART PROJECT POSITIVE EXPERIENCE

The project took nearly two years and many hands to complete. From 2001 through last November, a team of children, volunteers and recovering drug addicts created the *Garden for a Recovering World* in north Philadelphia.

The project began when Lynn Denton '63 received a fellowship from the Independence Foundation. Inspiration came from her knowledge of the New Jerusalem Now community, a residential drug recovery area that began in an abandoned house, founded by a nun.

"I like to transform spaces," said Denton, who received her master's in fine arts from the University of Tennessee in 1968.

The structures rest on a core of 260 cement blocks in two lots. During the first year, 12 residents of New Jerusalem completed a 750 square-foot wall mural.

"The participants designed mosaic panels related to their recovery and personal experiences through handmade tiles fired in my studio" she said

In 2002, Denton and Susan Teegan-Case, director of the Arts and Spirituality Center at Tabernacle United Church, recruited children and other volunteers to join the workshops. They resulted in a sculpture garden in a lot adjacent to the mural.

"The adults made a cosmic-themed seating area [named 'Cosmic Couch'] from handmade tiles of stars, moons, flowers and other shapes along with commercial mosaics," she said. "The children created a spiral picnic table with a food theme, by creating the tiles and helping to install them, too."

Other support came from the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation, which awarded the Artist as Catalyst residency to Denton in 2002 and videographer Sloan Seale, who created a documentary of the project.

"Our scaffolding was stolen three times, so this attention sparked interest in the documentary project," said Denton. "After the third time, we had to put the scaffolding up and take it down every day we worked"

Denton has completed two other similar mural projects with children in the north Philadelphia area. "In a bombed-out area, it's an oasis of color," she said.

"I learned a lot about how difficult overcoming addiction is," Denton said. "People are in and out of the program frequently. The people who stuck it out were completely transformed and took great pride in their work. It was nice to hear some of them say that one day they want to bring their kids to see it." —Martha Gaston '04

For nine years, Carolyn Wright McGarity has lived in Colorado where she teaches Spanish and is coordinator of language instruction at the Community College of Denver. Her son, John, his wife and two children live in Boulder; and her other son, Charlie, his wife and two children live near Taos, N.M. Carolyn and Dale Dick Halston enjoy visits from time to time when Dale comes to see her daughter, Megan, in Boulder.

Dick and Lila McGeachy Ray live in Bristol, Tenn., which is home base for many business and family trips. They have seven grandchildren, including Henry McGeachy Bishop, born Aug. 4, 2001, and Richard Ashe Ray, born Dec. 5, 2001. Daughter English and her family live in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., and son Rod and daughter Alison both live with their families in Spartanburg, S.C.

Gertrude "Trudy" Florrid van Luyn, Sally Sanford Rugaber and

the secretary were among 70 Agnes Scott alumnae and guests from western Virginia who attended a lovely event focusing on Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. Held in Roanoke in October, the event was planned by Langhorne "Lang" Sydnor Mauck '57 and other committee members, including Mary Hart Richardson Britt '60 and Sally Sanford Rugaber. The group was honored to welcome President Mary Brown Bullock '66, Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees Christopher Little, his wife, Elizabeth "Betsy" Anderson Little '66 and JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield '58, national Campaign co-chair.

Classmates will please note the secretary's e-mail address has changed to saralu@ntelos.net.

#### DEATHS

- Charlene Bass Riley, Oct. 1.
- Gerald E. Huff, husband of Emma Roan Huff, date unknown.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 33%

SECRETARY Suzanne Hoskins Brown 117 Westchester Drive Smyrna, GA 30082 suzanne@sfl.org

The secretary would suspect that when classmates opened this issue of *Main Events*, they went first to this section—Class News. And they are probably as disappointed as the secretary that the column for the class of '60 is empty. The secretary has a great job and doesn't want to get fired. So she asks all to get busy, ladies, and send news about their experiences, activities, accomplishments, family additions, etc. The class of '60 can put out a bumper crop of news in the next issue.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 39%

SECRETARY Rosemary Kittrell 2056 Dellwood Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30309-1243

The Friday before Thanksgiving found Renni Dillard Browne leaving behind the foul weather on the East Coast and flying to Arizona for a glorious, "short-sleeve" week with her son.

Judith "Judy" Albergotti Hines enjoyed a "great mini-reunion at Anne Modlin Burkhardt's Sourwood Inn near Asheville, N.C., in January." In September, Judy and her husband visited Portugal and Spain, making part of the trip with Paul's mini-reunion group from Harvard University's business school. Judy and Martha Lambeth Harris are planning a spring get-together in Mobile, Ala.

Martha "Alice" Boykin Robertson is delighted with her new grandson, Andrew Michael Threadgill, born Aug. 29 to Alice's daughter Miriam (Mim) and husband Terry. The little fellow was premature, and there were complications, resulting in Alice's stepping in to "keep and keep up with" her 8-year-old granddaughter, Meg, for two months. Alice reports she lost 5 pounds from leading such an active life of 'cheerleading, piano lessons, kids' club, homework, off to school, home again." Many grandmothers among the class can no doubt empathize. Prior to the birth. Alice and her husband, Tom, 'cruised from Sorrento to Barcelona with many interesting

Nancy Boothe Higgins is enthusiastic about her retirement, which keeps her "even busier than when [she] was working." She's become an officer for the Volunteers of the Chester County Historical ociety and guides tours through their exhibits. For their docents, Nancy led a tour of the historic houses in Fairmont Park, Philadelphia, in October. In the fall, she took a Geographic Information System course, which was an advanced computer class, to enhance her skills for her civic duties. She describes herself as 'the token woman on [the] Township's Planning Commission" and serves on "the task force to redo our comprehensive plan." For the final exam in the course, Nancy created a "many-layered map of my voting precinct. I can show zoning, streets, ortho-views from planes and even people's property lines as well as where the

voters live." Nancy also finds time to ponder a book she wants to write, read "history books and their revisions," play tennis, enjoy her five grandchildren and sing in the church choir. She concludes "retirement is just another beginning, and I kind of like it."

#### DEATHS

 Joanna Inger Byrd, mother of Mary Byrd Davis and Joan Falconer Byrd '58, Nov. 8

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

SECRETARY
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Mary "Cissie" Harris Anderson is the agency standards consultant in the compliance department for New York Life Insurance in Charlotte, N.C. She describes the job as "terrific-with never a dull moment!" Her husband, John (who is the identical twin of Wyatt, husband of Margaret Shugart Anderson, Ph.D.) is vice president for administration and budgets at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. They have five adult children. Cissie enjoys gardening, reading and listening to books on tape while she

Jo Claridy Sawtelle and Don joined about 30 of his West Point classmates and their wives for a reunion in New Orleans at the Tulane University-Army game. During a whirlwind four days, Jo enjoyed visiting antique stores, shopping and attending a Cajun cooking class where she learned about cooking skills, recipes and a colorful history of the area. Jo enjoys her part-time job as receptionist for Perimeter Church. She "knows a few ASC grads there, but would be interested in having any others track me down at my

Katherine Davis Savage is faculty development coordinator in the Office of Educational Development at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine. She and her husband, Toby, completed construction of their vacation cottage in Montreat, N.C., just in time to celebrate Thanksgiving there with their extended family, including

five grandsons. Kay Gilliland Stevenson, Ph.D., wrote the chapter on early responses to Milton's poetry in The Blackwell's Companion to Milton. At the annual meeting of the Milton Society of America, the book received an award as an outstanding book of criticism published in 2001. Kay's son, Jed, has begun a doctorate program in anthropology at Emory University, studying current problems in the relationship between developed and undeveloped countries. He had previously studied archaeology, classics and art at University College London and worked on archaeological sites in Greece, Turkey and Kuwait.

Lyn Horn George and Wayne celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sept. 27.

Elizabeth "Betsy" Jefferson Boyt and Pat enjoyed a visit from Margaret "Peggy" Frederick Smith and Glen in October. The famous Austin urban bat colony was in residence and flew for them right on schedule. Betsy finds life near family in the Texas hill country to be a continuing source of joy.

New grandchildren are in the

news. Margaret "Peggy"
Frederick Smith and husband
Glen celebrated the birth of their
second grandson, Richard
Clayton Rosselot, born Nov. 3 to
daughter Meg and her husband,
Alan, in Atlanta. Margaret Holley
Milam and Harry welcomed a
new granddaughter, Anna
Elizabeth Milam, born Oct. 5,
2001. Margaret writes Anna
Elizabeth is a wonderful addition
to their three grandsons.

Betty Kneale Zlatchin and Carl are happy to report their son, David, and his wife, Tiana, presented them with a granddaughter, Ava, perhaps a member of the class of 2022. After David joined her catering company, Betty thought she would slow down, but instead found that they're busier than ever. She and Carl are regular visitors to Paris for Christmas holidays and to the South of France for summer vacations. Betty stays active playing tennis, doing Pilates and being involved in liberal causes. She speaks Spanish every day-'kitchen Spanish!' Hooray for Miss Cilley

Carol Williams Sellers has a new grandson, William Seth McDaniel Jr., born in August, to daughter Temple and her husband, Seth. Big sister Sellers is 3 years old. Carol's other daughter, Kate, works for the Turner empire (CNN, Turner Classic Movies). Both daughters live in Atlanta.

In April, Carol Williams Sellers joined Lebby Rogers Neal, Jan Whitfield Hughen, Beverly Kenton Mason Askren, Bebe Walker Reichert, Rosemarie Traeger Sumerel, Joanna Russell Hogan, Lynda "Lyn" Horn George, Emily Evans Robison, Ann McLeod LaBrie, Vivian "Biba" Connor Parker and Rebecca "Becky" Evans Callahan '60 for a barge trip in Holland to see all the beautiful flowers. A grand time was had by all. Carol says the barge trip was just like being in The Hub, with lots of singing and card playing.

DEATHS

 Mary Ruby Wright Stokes, mother of Angelyn Stokes McMillan, Oct. 7.

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• Annual Fund participation through January: **31%** 

SECRETARY Mary Miller Womack Cox 1500 N.E. 139th St. North Miami, FL 33161-3524 EpiscoRat@aol.com

First, and most important, in case anyone has missed this: Congratulations to Harriet King, who became chair of Agnes Scott's Board of Trustees in July!

Jean Alden McCurdy Meade became a grandmother for the first time, with the birth of grandson Meade Jacobsen to daughter Rosalind Meade Jacobsen and her husband, Scott. Jean's e-mail address is jeanalden@ earthlink.net.

Class President Catherine "Katie" Shearer Schane says, "This presidency business is fun!" She gets to catch up with lots of folks. When she's not keeping classmates connected, she's been visiting family and friends around the country and spent two weeks in Ireland in 2001.

Margaret Moses, who is on the faculty of Loyola University-Chicago School of Law, took a team of students to Vienna last summer to compete in an international moot arbitration competition. It was the third year she has

taken a team. Her e-mail address is mmoses1@luc.edu.

An e-mail message from Charlotte "Charlie" Dankworth Eddy, who transferred to George Washington University after sophomore year, brings everyone up to date on her life since then: After graduation she married Mike Eddy, a Naval officer, "and we have moved all over the country for the past 37 years." Her e-mail address is

rmcdeddy@whidbey.net. Dale Davenport Fowler received her divorce in December 2001. She works from her home as a distributor of healing products that have been "more than amazing" for her rheumatoid disease. Son Clay is COO of Doctors' Hospital in Dallas; he and his wife, Paula, gave Dale her first grandchild, Natalie, on Oct. 21, 2001. Daughter Lauren, a manager with Bally's Total Fitness, was transferred in fall 2002 from Atlanta to the Washington, D.C. area. Dale says she has "grown phenomenally in her faith" during the many difficulties of the divorce and is giving thanks for dramatic improvement in her health, including her left

Virginia "Mae" Hall Boys works part time as a learning disabilities reading specialist in the Guilford Day School in Greensboro, N.C. The other part of her time, she enjoys golf in the summer and skiing with her daughter and grand-daughter in Colorado in the winter—and learning to tap dance, "with eight other 'tappin' grannies."

The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Craft, an English professor at Longwood University in Virginia, is also associate rector of three Episcopal churches. Recent travels included trips to India, Nepal, Japan, Ghana, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, England and Wales. One trip to England, sponsored by her parishioners, included tea at Lambeth Palace with the archbishop of Canterbury! Her e-mail address is ccraft@longwood.edu.

In May, Karen "Kay" Gerald Pope and husband Tom spent a month in Italy and France "with two backpacks and a railpass." The best news of the year, though, says Kay, was the birth of granddaughter Kathryn Elizabeth Pope on July 21, to her son. Andrew, and his wife, Connie.

Mildred "Scottie" Roberts
Wiest celebrated her milestone
birthday with a Soiree on Being
Sixty—a show of her pottery in
the library at Davis and Elkins
College, Elkins, W.Va., on Oct.
18. The event also included a
poetry reading and music.

Garnett E. Foster's 60th birthday gift was a trip to Greece with a friend. "To my disappointment," she says, "the oracle at Delphi did not offer even ambiguous words of wisdom." Other travels included a "Celtic journey" to Scotland, with four days on long which she found to be truly one of the places "where God is present in unique ways." Back at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, she has been working "to develop supportive programming for pastors during their first five years of ministry," and in the fall helped to conduct a "teach-in" on the issue of war with Iraq.

The class sends its condolences to Gail Stadler Weber, whose husband died Nov. 15. William "Bill" Henry Weber III taught economics at Agnes Scott College for a number of years and retired as the Barton professor of free enterprise at Lyon College in Arkansas. A College neighbor, Bill and Gail

lived on Avery Street. Survivors include his wife, two sons and nine grandchildren.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 36%

SECRETARY
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This past summer Nancy Hammerstrom Leggett had an incredible experience cycling through Italy with three girlfriends. They biked 250 miles from Venice to Florence, traveling 35 miles each day. On the last day, they rode six miles straight up the Apennines Mountains. This trip had a rather humorous beginning. Nancy and her husband were at a charity auction, and Nancy raised her hand to bid on what she thought was wine; and it turned out to be a bike tour for four ladies!

Charlotte Webb Kendall has been enjoying traveling with her husband, Jerry, who retired from Sensormatic Electronics in May 2001. They spent the rest of 2001 visiting friends and relatives and driving from Florida to Los Angeles. They have bought a home in Big Canoe in the North Georgia mountains, where they spent six months of 2002. They still love their home and friends in St. Petersburg, Fla., and hope eventually to split their time 50/50 between Florida and Georgia.

In May, Elaine Nelson Bonner and Tom traveled to China with the Agnes Scott alumnae group. She wrote it was great fun to travel with the professors and other alumnae on such an interesting and well-planned trip.

Also traveling to China in 2002 were Sandra "Sandy" Barnwell Christmann and Tom. They are teaching English for six months at the Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications. They are having a fascinating time sightseeing, sampling new foods and absorbing the culture. Sandy writes about adjusting to the lack of heat in the classrooms and describes her teaching attire as a blue parka with the hood up and long johns!

#### DEATHS

• Mary Lowndes Smith, mother of Mary Lowndes Smith Bryan, Nov. 2.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

SECRETARY Rebeca Pope Herbert Schenk 620 Hyland Park Drive Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Mary V. Atkinson McAteer writes to her dear friends that she is "off to a new adventure in the Annapolis, Md., area. My primary purpose is to be Aunt Mary to my sister's two teen-age girls. I will seek service-oriented work during school hours, but primarily plan to be 'little' Martha's mother's helper! I'll be leaving Virginia Baptist Children's Home Developmental Disabilities Ministry Group Home in Richmond for a group home of another kind!" Mary asks all "to please send Scottie news!"

#### DEATHS

 Cornelia Taylor Stubbs '31, mother of Katherine C. Stubbs, Nov. 4.

• Nell Star Tate Gardner,

mother of Sallie Tate Hodges, date unknown.

Annual Fund
participation through
January: 31%

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Ann Teat Gallant, Katherine 'Kathy" Harlan, Betty Derrick and Susan Bea Philips Engle started down the reunion road early and got together on the eastern shore of Maryland in September. They attended a wonderful alumnae luncheon and seminar at Sarah "Sally" Bainbridge Akridge's beautiful farm, Harleigh. Many classes and generations were represented as Lara Webb Carrigan '94, author and editor with a New York publishing company, led the group in an intriguing writing and memoir exercise.

Susan McCann Butler plans to attend the reunion in April (her first since the fifth!) This time she won't be held up grading term papers and final exams. Susan took an early retirement incentive and left her job teaching English at Thomas Nelson Community College in Hampton, Va., this past June. She has more time to travel, not just to Decatur in April, but especially to see her daughter, a junior at Duke University, and her parents in Blacksburg, Va.

Elizabeth Cooper has also altered her life and writes: "Hooray for getting older! After 20-something years in corporate America, in May I was in a position to change my life focus, move back to my home state of Mississippi and walk a new path.' She has "moved from urban living required by my career into a quiet, bucolic setting in a small town in northeast Mississippi. Metro sounds of honking horns and whizzing cars have been replaced by the sweet night music of nature's own orchestra. Business trips to Europe with stolen days to experience its rich history have been superseded by gentle, restful trips like the one this fall to Chartres and Florence, where the mysteries of the pilgrims and their artists stirred my soul. Committees and task forces have given way to business classes at Mississippi University for Women, where I now teach Generation X the realities of the legacy my generation has left in business." Elizabeth "looks forward to the class reunions now that I am captain of my own schedule!"

Gabrielle "Gaby" Guyton-Harrelson is also looking forward to the reunion in April and retirement from BellSouth in June 2003 after 30 years. Son Mitch Johnson is a junior in the School of Engineering, University of Colorado-Boulder, and on the dean's list. She and Ron enjoy visiting him as often as possible.

Unfortunately, the Rev. Elizabeth "Paige" Maxwell McRight will miss the reunion because of a previous commitment to a regional church event. Paige graduated in May from Columbia Theological Seminary with a D.Min. Her research was on "What Nurtures Faith During the College Years," a topic begun while she was chaplain at Agnes Scott. There have been other graduations in Paige's family. Older son Bill graduated from Winthrop University with a B.F.A. and is "discovering how to market

Megson '75

his talents." Younger son Robert completed a year working for Habitat for Humanity in Long Beach, Calif., and is at Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta, Ga., learning the theory behind construction.

Christie Theriot Woodfin's son, Warren, gave a lecture in his field of Byzantine art to the art history class at Agnes Scott. Ferdinand Warren would be proud of his accomplished and handsome namesake! Warren is teaching at Duke University this year and earned his doctorate from the University of Illinois.

Susan Foy Spratling is working on home repair and renovation while son Benjamin, 20, is in his junior year at Auburn University.

Gail Livingston Pringle writes daughter Catherine was married on Sept. 1 to Orion Sylvester (a.k.a. "Starman"). Son Todd is dating a girl from Atlanta, but they both live and work in San Francisco.

The secretary wants to see all at the reunion in April. Classmates should come early and stay late!

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

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Letitia "Tish" Lowe, Ph.D., retired in January from the World Bank/International Bank Corp. and moved to Florence, Italy, to study painting and do some environmental consulting.

Lee McIntire Cooper is a new grandmother to Graham Matthews.

Margaret "Peggy" Johnston Nesbit enjoys being a new grandmother. Peggy's husband, Vance, officiated at the wedding of Shelia Wilkins Harkelroad's daughter, Susan L. Harkelroad '96, held at the old courthouse on the Decatur, Ga., square.

Christine "Chris" Engelhard Meade has taken up growing orchids and reports success with keeping them green, but not blooming. Her husband, Bob, is building a steel hulled sailboat in their back yard. When he's finished, they hope to sail into the sunset. Their daughter, Claire, and her husband, Brian, moved back to Leesburg, Fla., where he's in charge of the office of Brown and Brown Insurance, and Claire is teaching reading to elementary students.

Christine's daughter Elizabeth Meade Johnson '02 and her husband, Ken, are in Nashville, Tenn., where she is in a doctorate program in immunology and he's a CPA. Chris' son, Ben is a senior at Furman and is applying to the Peace Corps after graduation.

Ruth Holmes Everett
Whitehead published another
book about the life of 18th-century South Carolina slave, Boston
King. She has plans to move back
to South Carolina to research a
book on slavery in the 18th century in the state. She says after that,
maybe she'll write something frivolous like novels.

#### **DEATHS**

• Charles H. Sewell, husband of Margaret Gillespie Sewell, June 30.

#### **MEGSON IS 'THE VITAMIN A DOCTOR'**

By Leisa Hammett-Goad

**S**olving the mystery of autism drives the research of Mary Norfleet Megson '75, a physician who has

presented on the subject before Congress. Nicknamed "the Vitamin A Doctor," for using cod liver oil to unblock brain pathways, Megson has been lauded internationally by researchers, physicians and families who travel to her Richmond practice. The media has also paid attention, resulting in coverage on ABC News.

Autism is a severe neurobiological condition significantly affecting how a person interacts with the world—hindering his or her ability to communicate, behave appropriately, process stimuli and relate socially. Children are generally diagnosed with the disorder by age 5.

"I started seeing younger and more impaired children than before," said Megson, who was part of a multi-disciplinary team at Richmond Children's Hospital for 10 years. She also witnessed autism "skyrocket" from one in 10,000 people to its current rate of one in 250. "It was exploding. I wanted to know why this was happening."

In 1998, she founded a private practice to conduct research and treat children with attention deficit disorder, dyslexia, cerebral palsy and autism. Megson was frustrated with routinely prescribing Ritalin and/or recommending speech therapy.

"I began to ponder what the perception of these children must be and if the pathways in their brain could be blocked," she said.

Instead of focusing first on the brain, she studied digestive issues, questioning families about symptoms related to vitamin deficiencies. She theorizes receptors in the middle of the brain, between the language and visual parts, are often blocked in children with autism. "I started seeing children get better when I began treating them with nutrition," Megson explains.

Consuming the recommended daily allowances of natural vitamin A, via cod liver oil, along with other multiple individualized nutritional treatments, some children in her care quickly improved eye contact. Others developed language. Some showed significant cognitive improvements and all became healthier. Two double-blind studies in her practice verified children with autism show some improvement of symptoms with natural vitamin A.

Megson presented her findings at a congressional hearing on autism in 2000. She is a frequent conference speaker and a part of an international 40-member team of physicians and scientists studying biological autism treatments.

Megson sought a liberal arts education at Agnes Scott, the alma mater of her mother, Mary Winston Crockett Norfleet '40. Here, the doctor learned to write well and to study, knowing she was bound for medical-school. She also took many science classes before transferring to Hollins College to complete her undergraduate degree in three years.

After attending University of Virginia's medical school, Megson completed a pediatric residency at Boston Floating Hospital at Tufts New England Medical Center. She also started her family. The oldest two were toddlers while she completed a full fellowship at Boston Children's Hospital. She worked part time in primary care for six years when her four children were young. In her mid-30s, she studied the treatment of disabilities for two years at Medical College of Virginia and became a developmental pediatrician.

Watching her patients improve brings great joy, Megson said. She believes the future is hopeful as research on the cause of autism evolves.

Leisa Hammett-Goad is a Nashville-based freelance writer and mother of an 8-year-old girl named Grace, who has autism.

• Annual Fund participation through January: **23%** 

SECRETARY Camille Holland Carruth 1117 Shamrock Drive Dublin, GA 31021-3022 carruth@nlamerica.com

Cynthia "Cindy" Padgett Henry is in her fourth year as principal of Codington Elementary School in Wilmington, N.C. Her school has been recognized as a School of Excellence and a Master Reading Renaissance School. After many years in secondary education, she says she enjoys working with students in grades K-5. She is also president of the New Hanover County Principals Association. Her husband, Frank, is a utilities contractor, and son, Frank, is a senior at New Hanover High School. Her local alumnae enjoyed a luncheon with President Mary Brown Bullock '66 in celebration of Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College held by Elizabeth "Betty" Henderson

Cameron '43 and Rebecca "Becky" Bruce Jones '63. Cindy enjoyed a visit last summer from Lily Comer Keyes and Cathy Chandler Rossberg at Wrightsville Beach.

The Rev. Mollie Douglas is "still having fun" as associate rector of Bruton Parish Church, a 1,600-member Episcopal parish in the middle of Colonial Williamsburg, Va. She officiated at her daughter, Mary's, wedding to Benjamin Price near Atlanta in November 2000. Susan Head Marler and her husband, Tom, (Mary's godparents) visited Mollie in Williamsburg in June. Mollie says they were smart enough to leave the day the workmen came to begin renovating her kitchen

Kathryn "Cathy" Whitman Richardson's daughter, Kate, graduated form Ecole Classique High School in May and is a freshman at Lynn University in Boca Raton, Fla. Cathy finds being a hospice nurse "very, very rewarding." She shares a home with her birth mother, Joyce Busher.

Hilda "Patricia" Daunt-Grogan sees Deborah Ann Claiborne occasionally. Deborah Ann is the godmother of Patricia's daughter, Aisling, and lives in Dallas, with husband, Alan Slavsky.

On Jan. 12, Catherine "Cathy"
B. Oliver held the annual Winter
Reception for the Houston area
alumnae, current students and
prospective students and their parents. Despite the cold and rainy
weather, 18 alumnae, three students and five prospective students attended the tea. It was a
busy Agnes Scott weekend for
members of the Houston chapter.

#### **DEATHS**

• Harlen M. Whitman, father of Kathryn "Cathy" Whitman Richardson, Nov. 1, 2000.

• Charlotte A. Griese, mother of Barbara Griese Jehan, July.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 27%

SECRETARY Jane Duttenhaver Hursey 1923 Cotton Lane Loganville, GA 30052 jdhursey@mindspring.com

Lyn Corder writes her daughter, Maureen, graduated from Baldwin-Wallace College in December. Lyn and Maureen made a trip to Japan and Guam after graduation. Son Ry works in Reading, Pa., and Cory lives in a co-op and works for a home health care union in Chicago. Lyn also sends the sad news that her dear mother died unexpectedly April 19. In February 2002, Lyn visited Grace "G.G." Syndor Hill and Frances "Bunny" Folk Zygmont in Maryland. She then spent Easter weekend with Swanna Cameron Saltiel and her family in Ann Arbor, Mich. During the summer, Linda Lee Soltis '84, Bernie Todd Smith and Lyn organized a western New York-Scott reunion. About onethird of upstate and WNY Scotties came. It was so fun, they did it again in October. G.G. and Bunny came to visit from Maryland, and Carol Ann McKenzie Fuller's '70 sister McKenzie Keenan (Rochester), Janet Pfohl Brooks and Linda Lee Soltis '84 joined Lyn at the Women's Rights National Park in Senaca Falls

Harriet Gatewood Parker and Thorny moved full time to Jekyll Island. Thorny still commutes to Dallas and flies for American Airlines.

Marsha Springs retired after 31 years of service as a social worker for Georgia. She planned to relocate to Asheville, N.C., and maybe start a second career!

Nancy Lee Hutchin held a big family Christmas celebration (15 folks!) in her new vacation home, outside Berkeley Springs, W.Va., at the base of Sleepy Creek Mountain. In honor of the great Christmas cookies of her mother, Iyllis Lee Hutchin '43x, Nancy's parents, sister, brother and all their children came to the Rawhide Ranch to decorate cookies and celebrate the season. Nancy's daughter, Petra Lee Guiland, and son Kai Guiland were there, along with grandson Zavier Guiland. Everyone delighted in the mild weather, gathered and cut wood for the stove, decorated 12 dozen cookies and hiked to find an owl tree in the lovely woods. Sleepy Creek, which runs through Nancy Lee's place, was beautiful. The sweetest moment was on the front porch with the whole family singing Christmas carols in the glowing moonlight. Times like that just can't be cherished enough!

Edith Jennings Black has moved to Kerrville, Texas, to be near her family. Husband Gene is fully disabled after a serious stroke in May 2001 and lives in Albany, Ga., with his mother. Daughter Rebecca, 28, is a Wallace Stegner poet-in-residence at Stanford University and lives in San Francisco. Son Paul graduated with honors from Princeton University in June and works at a large law firm in Atlanta. Edith lives about an hour from the San Antonio airport, loves being a Texan again and has enjoyed showing the Texas Hill Country to classmates Bunny Folk Zygmont, Charlene Kruizenga Buford and Bernie Todd Smith.

#### **DEATHS**

• Frances "Fran" A. Fulton, date unknown.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 24%

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Suzanne Griffin, M.D., (sjgriffin md@comcast.net) is a psychiatrist practicing in the Washington, D.C., suburb of Chevy Chase, Md. Recently, she was listed in "Top 100 Doctors" in *The Washingtonian*. Noel is 16 and Nathaniel is 14.

Kathleen "Kay" Campbell Spencer (jimbospencer@mind spring.com) is "just a housewife." Her nest is empty with daughter Meg, a junior at Agnes Scott, and son, Jimmy, a freshman at The University of Georgia. "When time permits, I sort through years of memories from the children's early years and mountains of 'stuff' from my parents who have both passed on. I am enjoying more sleep and slowly learning what to do with a computer. Hello to my old friends and thanks for the memories!" writes Kay

Annual Fund
 participation through
 January: 20%

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In the January issue of Main Events, the death of Mary Norfleet Megson, M.D., was reported erroneously. Megson is a leading researcher and expert into the cause and treatment of autism and practices medicine in Richmond, Va.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 21%

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Harriet Ellis Graves died in October after a five-year battle with breast cancer. Survivors include a son, Graves, and daughter, Betts, as well as a brother and both her parents. She will be sorely missed.

#### DEATHS

• Samuel O. Poole, husband of Virginia "Ginny" Maguire Poole, Dec. 3.

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• Annual Fund participation through January: **17%** 

SECRETARY Donna Winters Samford 5001 Fairhaven Way Roswell, GA 30075-6113 donnasamford@mindspring.com

Your secretary was glad to hear Nancy Sisk Cleaveland and family are alive and well after 25 years. Nancy is a full-time Laura Ingalls Wilder researcher and scholar. She was the oldest female snowboarder at the Montana Snowbowl (with no broken bones this year). She also is a mittenknitter, organic farmer and fruit tree grower. Nancy, husband John, children, Pearce and Ginny, and Alaskan malamute Georgia reside in Missoula, Mont.

Ellen Fort Grissett and Juliette "Jet" Harper found themselves attending the same fund-raising seminar in Greensboro, N.C. Ellen attended on behalf of SAFEchild, of which she is the director of development, and Jet attended on behalf of Columbia Theological Seminary. Ellen's son, Jonathan, works in England and plans to attend the University of London in the fall to study English and creative writing. Daughter Megan is a sophomore at Chatham Hall School in Virginia.

Bonnie Stoffel survived the winter ice storms in Charlotte, N.C., where she is the assistant to the provost at Queens University. She had lunch at Queens with Sue Edwards Freeman '78.

Buford (Gwinnett County), Ga., is home to Frances Browder Holt-Underwood and family. Frances is in her second year of teaching at both Georgia Perimeter College at the new Gwinnett University Center and at Gwinnett Technical College. She is also enrolled in an English Ph.D. program at Georgia State University.

Susan "Susi" Pedrick McWilliams and husband Robert are keeping up their "breakneck pace" with their sons. Rob is a freshman at Georgia Institute of Technology. Larry is a junior in high school, and John is in the eighth grade and soon to taste the reality of high school.

Barbara Byrd Gaines has accepted the nomination for alumnae board president for 2004-2006. Barbara has enjoyed several roles on the board and writes that through it, she has worked with some of the best women in the world. She is counting on the class to support her in this fantastic opportunity—congratulations Barbara!

Wedding bells rang on Aug. 10 for Caroline Swink Thompson and Larry. Caroline and new family, Trey, 23, Amber, 21, and Sean, 20, call Snellville, Ga., home. Caroline reports she is adjusting well to married life and the longer commute to work everyday. Best wishes Caroline and Larry!

Carol Piatnek-McCoy and family reside in Gainesville, Fla., and Carol is the proud parent of Sean, a freshman at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. She would love to hear from other alums who have any experience with military life. Daughter K.T. is a high school sophomore and enjoys music and math. Youngest son Kevin is a sportsman, who keeps busy playing on two local baseball teams. Carol is a bit overextended—she is assistant director of music at First Presbyterian Church and is an apprentice in

piano restoration and tuning. She also maintains a full-time voice, piano and theory studio. She is a full-time graduate assistant at the University of Florida, where she is working on her Ph.D. in music education. In her spare time, she is learning to play the Carillon (bell tower).

Patricia "Pat" McWaters
Lehman and husband Fritz moved
into a new home in Orlando, Fla.
The commute is much easier for
Pat traveling to the Orlando airport and for Fritz's new business
venture, the Hard Rock Academy.
She and classmates Dana deWitt
Truitt and Eleanor McCain,
M.D., enjoyed a weekend at
Sandestin

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 13%

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Emma McLemore Salzer and family moved to Vidalia, Ga., Emma's hometown. She'll see classmates at the reunion!

Lynne Oswald continues to practice family law in Milton, Fla. Her son is in the first grade, and her husband is deputy chief of investigations for the local prosecutor's office. Lynne serves on the school advisory council, the Judicial Nominating Commission and the board of the local Indigence Services Association.

Margaret "Marty" Knight Kennedy, in Cartersville, Ga., sends a short "hi" to the class and will see everyone at the reunion!

Sue Fisher Wentworth and family moved to Annapolis, Md., where husband, Rand, is president of the Land Trust Alliance. Sue is teaching part time, and sons Avery, 10, and Thomas, 6, are thriving. They love Annapolis!

Emily "Mimi" Holmes and husband, Ed Stern, are in Minneapolis. Mimi celebrated her bat mitzvah this past year! She teaches an art class at the University of Minnesota and, as always, is the most prolific of our class' art majors.

The class received a forwarded e-mail from Hope Lamade Horkavy about phenyl-propanolamine so we know she's alive and well somewhere.

The class also heard from Susan Barker Johnson, who lives in Valdosta, Ga., in Doc Holliday's boyhood home. Susan is an assistant professor at Abraham Baldwin College in Tifton, Ga. Her husband, David, is a professor at Valdosta State University. Daughter, Emily, is a sophomore at the College of Charleston. (Emily met President Mary Brown Bullock '66—in the Gap dressing room at Lenox Mall!)

Theresa Elizabeth Crane took early retirement after 15 years with Busch Gardens, and is at Progress Energy, a southern Florida utility. Her son, Jimmy, is 15 and into everything computer and mechanically related. Theresa reports Sarah Marshall Benson, husband Mark, and their two sons are living in Latin America and love it—a far cry from the woods in Tennessee! Theresa and Stephanie Zipperer Schwader will be up for the reunion and look forward to seeing everyone!

Shirley Chan Kwan and family have had a busy year traveling in 2002! They began the year in Australia, enjoying a January summer. The next month took them to Malaysia to catch up on home-

#### KRILL FOLLOWS INSTINCTS TO FASHION

Katherine "Kay" Krill '77 did not aspire to the world of fashion when she graduated.

"I was an avid tennis player," said Krill, president of Ann Taylor Loft, the fashionable, more affordable division of its namesake. "I was going to teach tennis. I fell into fashion literally by accident."

After completing her psychology degree at Agnes Scott, Krill enrolled in Macy's executive training program. "I excelled," she said. "It's not something I dreamed about. Instinct, common sense and communication skills can set you



As president of Anne Taylor Loft, Katherine "Kay" Krill '77 juggles several seasons at once.

up if you have the right instincts for the fashion world."
On any given day, Krill juggles several seasons at once. "This morning, I am working on the spring '04 collection, what's going to be in the store tomorrow, next fall and how should we market holi-

day '03," she said.

As president, Krill directs design, merchandising, planning, marketing and strategic brand development for the 4-year-old company with 250 stores. "This brand really speaks to me and my style. It is an updated classic style that is appealing to many women of all ages."

Krill was featured in Delta's December Sky Magazine article on travel fashions. She called merchandising and marketing her favorite responsibilities. "I love marketing—getting a customer through our door and finding out what it is about Ann Taylor Loft that draws

As a busy executive and mother of 3-year-old twins, Krill recommends sticking to black and white with splashes of color for wardrobes. "You can't go wrong. Black and white always look crisp. My splash of color is now a camel top. Neutrals always look sophisticated and polished."

Krill, a trustee from 1994 to 2001, credits Agnes Scott with her success. "Attending a women's college really helped me to be a leader. It gave me tremendous confidence and focus.

"I would not be in my position today without Agnes Scott," said Krill, who has worked for Macy's, Talbots and Ann Taylor.

"Women's colleges provide more opportunities for women to become strong leaders. Most women would not have that stage at a larger co-ed school."

—Wendy Cromwell

town happenings. Shirley was in London for spring break and was there to witness the proceedings and funeral for the Queen Mum. In July, the family moved from Hong Kong to Los Altos, Calif. Son Josh is a sophomore in high school, and is as "jaw-droppingly handsome" as Mom says!

Martha "Martie" Lovvorn Moore is scrambling around trying to organize two student art shows that will fall within a week and a half of each other. She loves teaching elementary art and is happy to have slipped in under the wire as part of the last group of Georgia public school teachers to acquire tenure!

Heartfelt condolences go to Susan Kidd, who lost her mother, Mary Will Kidd, on Dec. 28, and to any one else who has lost someone precious this year.

someone precious this year.

Susan has been working hard, spearheading the committee planning our class reunion. We hope you will be able to make it for the weekend! If you can get the time off from responsibilities, consider taking an extra day off and plan to get together with classmates who can do the same. This time will only come once... next time we do this, half of us will be using walkers! E-mail me if you are planning to attend and we have not heard from you: martie@moorestudios.com!

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 17%

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Laurel Kramer's father died in June. Laurel saw Cathy Hope '78 last year. Cathy lives in north Florida, near the Georgia border and is doing well. She continues with her art and horses and raising kids. Laurel hopes to make it to our 2004 reunion.

Debby Daniel-Bryant continues to work as preschool supervisor for Griffin-Spaulding/Pike County Schools. She is working to coordinate services for special education preschoolers. After a year of planning, a pilot project that Deb and a Head Start colleague had dreamed about came to fruition with the aid of the Georgia Department of Education. The project involves an inclusion classroom for handicapped and typically developing 3-year-olds. There have been numerous problems and challenges involved, but Deb is pleased about its overall success. Deb also conducts a children's handbell choir at church, teaches first grade Sunday school and works with 11-year-old daughter Leah's Girl Scout troop. Deb is involved in the PTSO for 15-year-old daughter Rachel's high school, and is an officer for Rachel's tennis team booster club. Rachel and Leah are involved with numerous activities, and 19-yearold daughter Sarah is a sophomore at Presbyterian College in South Carolina studying music and a pre-med curriculum. Deb's husband Bill was named the most valuable employee in his department at Georgia Power this past year and works with the local planning and zoning board in

Ginny Lee McMurray and her family enjoyed a trip to New Orleans during the holidays and spent New Year's Eve with Eleanor Graham, her husband, Jay Ginsberg, and Eleanor's children, Caroline and Ben Carbo. The adults enjoyed a wonderful dinner at a downtown restaurant, while

the kids ate pizza and played cards at Eleanor's!

In November, many classmates were saddened to learn of the death of Bill Weber, a former Agnes Scott economics professor. The class extends its sympathy to his wife, Gail, and their sons, Bill and Tim. A memorial service was held Dec. 14 at the chapel at Emory University.

It's hard to believe, but the 25th reunion is only a year away! Start making plans to attend, and don't forget to write or e-mail your secretary with news!

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 14%

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Lisa Beswick McLeod and husband Cliff are enjoying their two senior-high age sons and one middle-school age daughter. Lisa is working toward her masters in psychology: clinical counseling at The Citadel (Charleston, S.C.). The family lives in Hanahan, S.C., where Cliff has been the minister of Yeamans Park Presbyterian Church for the past five years.

Sally Brown Smith is a broker with Coldwell Banker Spectrum Properties in Atlantic Beach, N.C., doing full-time resort and residential property sales. She was appointed to the board of trustees at Carteret Community College in Morehead City, N.C. Sally's daughter Andrea is a junior and is on the varsity tennis team and plays French horn in the band.

Kimberly Clark Douglas and husband Kim went to Costa Rica for a week in December to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. As of January, Kimberly is president of the Atlanta Chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management. There are more than 170,000 members worldwide, and the Atlanta chapter has more than 2,500, making it the fourth largest chapter in the

nation. Class President Cindy Dantzler Shearer wrote her eldest son, Phillip, is a freshman at Georgia Institute of Technology this year. Second son, Brent, is a junior in high school, where he is a football and basketball star. Youngest son, Scott, is home-schooled and in seventh grade and plays basketball and baseball. Cindy also teaches aerobics two or three times a week, as well as doing personal training and working on a certification in nutrition. Cindy states, "It is my job to get the whole world in shape." Cindy reports our adopted classmate Glennda Cleland (the one voted "most changed" at our reunion) lives in Albany, Ga., and is doing well. She is the president of the homeschool group so she keeps quite busy with phone calls and meet-

Maile Frank Lewis lives in Farmville, Va., where her husband, Scott, was appointed assistant pastor of their church. They have been blessed with eight children, three girls and five boys. Their youngest son, Ezekiel, was born prematurely Oct. 4, but was healthy and gaining in strength so they were able bring him home Dec. 4. Maile has been able to use her Spanish the last few years in Bible study with local Mexicans. She enjoys home-schooling, reading missionary books and raising dairy goats. Maile has spoken with Krista Wolter Skelton, who

lives about an hour away and hopes to be able to get together with her at some time.

Sally Harris, always the sports fan, reports she and Flo took a trip to Baltimore this past fall to see the Red Sox play the Orioles at beautiful Camden Yards. After the game, they were given a night tour of Washington, D.C., which was impressive with all the monuments illuminated. Sally is the proud human "parent" of a miniature schnauzer, Chapin, that she eagerly awaited when she wrote last fall

Kathy Hollywood spent the holiday season tied to her home, which is undergoing a major renovation. Kathy and husband Bruce Smith were able to escape for a long weekend in the Bahamas in mid-December courtesy of Bruce's employer (compensation for long hours away from home) and Kathy's sister, Terri, who came up from Florida to watch the kids.

Andrea Julian Lee enjoys selling advertising for programs in local schools. Daughters Miriam, 21, and Rachel, 19, and Rebekah, 15, are pursuing variety of interests including veterinary medicine, dance and theatre.

Jennifer Knight-Boyd and family moved to a new home in northeast Marietta, Ga. Last summer, Jennifer did a major part of the landscape design for cost effectiveness and personal satisfaction. The fall brought her departure from Oracle's e-Business Solutions Center group. Subsequently, Jennifer started a women's information technology professional networking group from her home which has proven quite successful Other new ventures include preparing a few short stories and miscellaneous writings for eventual publication.

Emily Moore continues to get satisfaction from her work as staff counsel for the Florida Education Association. She feels her new ministry and mission is "to save our democratic society through saving public education." In November, Emily traveled to Albuquerque, N.M., for a National Education Association Retirement and Benefits Forum. After the conference, Emily was able to take in some of the New Mexico history and culture. She went to Alaska for vacation within the last year.

Krista Skelton displayed and sold her Father Christmas artwork at the "Holiday in Smoke Rise" 21st Annual Craft Show in December. Krista says, "I find Father Christmas' beautiful and happy visage in the natural shapes and curves of the most striking pieces of wood and bring him to life!"

Dawn Sparks Shields had a busy fall travel season. She spent time in Los Angeles, with Catharina Bostman Glanzmann who, as a rotary student from Finland. attended Agnes Scott our senior year. Following that trip, Dawn spent a long weekend in New York with her mother taking in Broadway plays. Other than these two trips, Dawn was busy with work, kid's activities and organizing her 25th high school reunion in Macon, Ga., held in September. Sons Steven and Scott are in high and middle school, respectively, and both are active in sports.

Maria "Mary" Tiniacos lives in Florida, where she works as an X-ray/CT technologist in Melbourne. Mary would like to contact Sheng-Mei Chiu from our class. Can classmates help Mary? Don't forget to update your class secretary as well!

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 26%

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Diane Shaw spent the last couple of weeks in December birdwatching in Oaxaca, Mexico, and enjoying the colorful festivals in that old colonial city. She loved the place and wants to go back soon (and the balmy 75-degree weather made a great change from wintry Washington).

#### **DEATHS**

• John Klettner, father of Laura Klettner Bynum, Aug. 19.

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• Annual Fund participation through January: **18%** 

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Wedding bells have been ringing for two classmates. Susan Hutcheson was married on June 15 to Andy Koose. Lu Ann Ferguson, Ashley Jeffries, Christina "Cristy" Clark, Ann 'Lauchi" Wooley and Joanie Mackey Thomas were in attendance. On Sept. 29, Sharon Johnson married Barry Burt at Peachtree Christian Church in Atlanta. The reception was held at the Pavillion in Buckhead. With 250 guests, it was a grand affair, and a good time was had by all. Scotties in attendance were Ann "Lauchi "Wooley, Ashley Jeffries, Lu Ann Ferguson, Joanie Mackey Thomas, Susan Hutcheson Koose, Christina "Christy" Clark and Nancy "Duggan" Childers Lansing '83 and Diane K. Rickett Sandifer '84. Sharon met Barry through their involvement with University of North Carolina, where Sharon earned her M.A. in 1989. Barry also attended UNC, but not at the same time as Sharon. He earned a juris doctorate and M.B.A. from The University of Georgia. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

In response to the letter of class President Joanie Mackie Thomas, both Alice Harra Matesanz and Susan Smith Blease wrote with news. Alice hails from the Windy City of Chicago, where she moved this past fall. She writes it is a big change after 15 years in Miami Beach; but good schools, a great city and four seasons were a good trade-off. If Alice can't find her senior-year slides, she plans to blame it on the movers! Long, lost Susan Smith Blease writes she is working as the assistant to the head of school at a private school. She has two kids: Donna, 14, in ninth grade and Kevin, 13, in eighth grade. She also has one

dog and four birds.

Kathleen "Kathy" Fulton Banta
has been in Connecticut for about
two years and really loves it there.
Her husband, Jim, commutes to
New York City and enjoys his job
with JPM Chase. Her three kids—
Molly, 8, Daisy, 6, and Jimmy,
5,—love soccer, the beach and
snow. Kathy enjoys taking advantage of New York City! Kathy

says she's sorry she didn't make the reunion, but promises to be there for the 25th!

From Nigeria, West Africa, Sonia Gordon Dettweiler writes she and her family have resettled into their quiet village, where she and husband Steve have been doing Bible translation for the past 12 years. They spent July to September in the big metropolis of Jos in central Nigeria. She would like to thank everyone for making her feel so welcome and included at the reunion. Making the trip from Nigeria to Atlanta would have been difficult, but it just happened that they were visiting Sonia's parents in Florida; and Steve surprised her with tickets to Atlanta for the reunion weekend.

Marjory Sivewright Morford was appointed senior associate on the marketing team of MarketFitz Inc.'s Portland, Ore., office. As a senior associate, Marjory will provide her marketing expertise to MarketFitz's expanding client base in the high-tech, healthcare, professional services, not-for-profit, financial services, manufacturing and utilities industries. Marjory was the marketing manager at the Arthur Andersen LLP Portland office.

Jeanie Inglis sends greetings from Piedmont College in northeast Georgia where she is a faculty librarian. Jeannie left Agnes Scott College after the first year. She can be reached at jinglis@hemc.net.

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• Annual Fund participation through January: 19%

SECRETARY
Margaret Kelly Parry
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Carie M. Cato enjoyed a reunion with Bonnie Lin Armstrong-Warren at her brother's wedding in September. She also visited with Carla Eidson Pierce '84 at Karla Sefcik's engagement party. Carie takes credit for introducing Karla to her fiancé, Jay. Carie is selling life and health insurance, playing football and coaching her son's soccer team.

Susan Whitten Padgett has a new career as the home-school teacher of her second-grade and kindergarten-level daughters. She also keeps up with a 3-year-old son as well. She and husband Roy feel this is a positive change for the family.

Dana Wooldridge Brignac has lived in Lafayette, La., for 18 years. Her husband, Stacey, is a stockbroker and started his own firm. Dana has three children: Christian, 17, Caroline, 15, and Grace, 9. Dana is the director of the United Way of Acadiana Volunteer Center and has her hands full providing disaster management to the community because of Hurricane Lili. She eagerly awaits the 20th reunion of the Boy Scouts!

Margaret "Nagget" Kelly Parry encourages all members of the class of '83 to send in news! She reports drought conditions as far as news is concerned. While Nag waits for everyone's news she spends her time working part time at Lekotek of Georgia, a nonprofit organization that assists children with disabilities. She also volunteers as the "outdoors mom" for her Girl Scouts. When looking for a way to get away from it all, Nag takes off for a hike or a weekend of backpacking in the Smoky Mountains.

Amy Potts is teaching art as well as computer skills and physical education. She teaches kindergarten through eighth-grade. Her sister, Sally, got married in September 2001.

Martha "Scottie" Echols Fowler works part time for Young Life and full time as the volunteer chair of her church's communications committee. The job entails lots of writing and coordination. Scottie has two children. Rick, 12, and Rainey, 6.

The Rev. Elisabeth Ruth Smith moved to Pepperell, Mass., in July and serves as a pastor of the Lawrence Memorial United Methodist Church in Pepperell and the Townsend United Methodist Church. She and her four dogs have made adjustments to her new home in a new part of the country.

Summer Smisson Neel reports she is busy with school activities for her four children, ages 3 to 11 Her husband started his own company, the Sanford Co., in October. Summer looks forward to seeing everyone at the reunion in April.

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 Annual Fund participation through January: 29%

SECRETARY Katy Esary Russell 4300 North Elizabeth Lane Atlanta, GA 30339 russelldw@aol.com

Anne Spencer Page Strehaiano e-mailed she "consulted the ASC Web site for the first time when I needed to request a copy of my diploma. Boy, did it bring back a lot of wonderful memories! I'm really looking forward to receiving Class News now and would love to hear from all directly, too (astrehaiano@free.fr). I remarried six years ago and had two girls with my wonderful husband, which makes three (children not husbands) altogether: Lucie, 13,

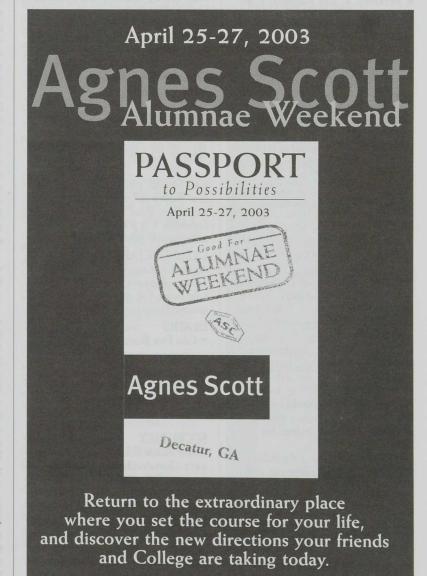
Claire, 4, and Laure, 2. I live in a small village an hour out of Paris, France, and I work in the marketing/communications department of a large French group (EADS). However, after 12 years I'm ready to move on and am currently looking into the possibilities of becoming an English teacher."

Margaret E. "Betsy" Shaw Brown, husband Keith, and daughters Ashley, 11, and Katherine, 6, live in Greenville, S.C. Keith works for Hitachi, and Betsy has been busy writing a weekly home review column for the *Greenville Journal*. She gave up her job this fall to be the PTA president at her daughter's elementary school.

A group of Agnes Scott friends gathered at the King and Prince on St. Simons Island in February 2002 to celebrate Julianna "Julie" Custer Altman's 40th birthday. Those attending were Pamela "Pam" Waters Boushell, Alicia Gomez Sevier, Suzi Wessinger Crowson '85 and Tracy Dreyfus-Cedeno '86.

Sarah McCullough reports she left her job with the Athens-Clarke Heritage Foundation in Georgia to work in a preservation study program in Croatia with one of her professors this past summer. Sarah has an assistantship with the same professor and is working on her thesis.

Marta "Alicia" Paredes Laramy is celebrating 18 years with Wachovia Bank and is senior vice president and retail banking director for the East Atlanta region, overseeing about 60 Wachovia/First Union branches. She received her M.B.A. in finance from Georgia State University in August 2001. She, husband Scott, and daughter Emily, 7, live in Roswell, Ga. Alicia spent her 40th birthday in Paris with a group of girlfriends from the bank. She says her first trip to Europe inspired her to take up dancing again after a 20-year hiatus. She also reports her grandmother, Margaret Brand Haynie



'36, celebrated her 90th birthday in September in Jacksonville, Fla., with all of her family present.

Linda Newland Soltis has been appointed to the position of director of marketing and public relations at Kaleida Health in Buffalo,

Laura Blundell Jones has a new addition to her family. Laura, husband Scott, big brothers William, 11, and Owen, 7, welcomed Edward Ziji. Edward Ziji was born on Aug. 23, 2000, in the People's Republic of China and was adopted by the Joneses on Nov.11. The godparents are Edna Gray Farrar and husband Jimmy.

· Annual Fund participation through January: 12%

SECRETARY Catherine Cooke Pokinghorne 99 Lockwood Road Riverside, CT 06878 The3diggers@msn.com

Jeanine Dwinell Henry traveled to Atlanta to see her play, The Emperor's New Clothes produced at the Theatre in the Square. Joining Jeanine for the show were Jeanie Norton Carr '88, Dudley Sanders, associate professor of theatre at Agnes Scott, and Rebecca "Becky" Willard Sanders '97. Jeanine says she is busy parenting her two children: Alexander, 5, and Carolyn, 3, as well as directing a production of Babes in Toyland at her local community theatre.

Lisa Gugino Gunn and her husband, Linwood, have purchased a new home on 2.5 acres west of the Marietta Square. Lisa says this will give their 4-year-old daughter, Rebecca, and their border collie, Henry, "plenty of room to roam." Lisa is working part time as a real estate closing attorney and has become "of counsel" to Talley and Darden, P.C. Lisa reports her health continues to be good, as she just celebrated her four-year anniversary post-breast cancer.

Barbara Breuer Scott writes husband Matthew and sons Edward, 6, Berkeley, 4, and Michael, 1, are well.

Ana Quintana reports she is "doing great!" She has a 3-year-old daughter, Claire, who is named after a great friend from Agnes Scott: Martha "Claire" Armistead-Kinyon.

Shannon Adair Lowery writes she "finally has a future Scottiel" Brigid Ansley-Colleen Lowery was born on May 22. Brigid is Shannon's third child, and the two older boys, Seth, 7, and Colum, 2, are thrilled with her: "Colum was not as jealous as we thought he might be; his 'terrible twos' are usually aimed at his big brother."

Adlen Walker Robinson writes she has been home for the past 12 years. She and husband Paul have four children: Mason, 11, Sydney, 10, Chandler, 8, and Walker, 5. If that is not enough for Adlen, she is writing for two newspapers on a free-lance basis. She is writing primarily about food, the presentation, history and some feature stories. Adlen reports she will be starting a food Web site, foodislove.net, which should be up soon. Hopefully, Adlen will include some easy recipes for her classmates.

Claudette Cohen is the editor for the geology department at the University of Wyoming. Claudette spent a two-week residency at Ucross Foundation in May working on her second novel.

Classmates please note the secretary's new address The3diggers @msn.com. News for the class of



Cuban school children dance during a visit. Agnes Scott alumnae will have a chance to visit a Cuban school and doctor's office and discuss church-state relations with experts during their trip in October.

#### ALUMNAE PLAN TO DISCOVER CUBA

Discover Cuba, a country rich in history, culture, music and architecture on an eight-day tour beginning Oct. 24 that will enable you to interact with Cubans and immerse yourself in the culture. You will have the opportunity to visit with a family doctor in her clinic and students and teachers in a primary school and discuss U.S.-Cuba and church-state relations with Cuban experts. The group will stay in modest, Cuban-owned hotels and take meals in church-run guesthouses, local restaurants and paladars, privateenterprise restaurants—all planned to let you experience the country as Cubans do and to see the country from their perspective. For more information, contact Martha Ille, assistant director of alumnae relations, at mille@agnesscott.edu or 404 471-6374 or visit www.agnesscott.edu/alumnae/p\_travelcuba.asp for details.

#### **DISCOVER CUBA: AGNES SCOTT ALUMNAE TRIP**

• When: Oct. 24-Nov. 2.

• Total number of participants: 22.

Program fees:

\$1,625 per person if 20 participants

in double occupancy rooms

\$1,895 for 15.

(Prices subject to change.)

• Deadline: July 31, \$200 per person deposit.

· Because of the limited number of participants, the Center for Global Education at Ausburg College will accept applications on a first-come, first-served hasis

1987 should be sent to this address.

#### **BIRTHS**

• Emma Thai Quillen, daughter of Amy Bailey Quillen and husband David, Oct. 4.

 Atha Grace Claudette Cohen Michel, daughter of Claudette Cohen, Oct. 21

· Carson Edward Glass, son of Donna Martin Glass and husband John, Oct. 24

 Annual Fund participation through January: 11%

CO-SECRETARY Lisa Slappey Whitton 3135 Berry Road Loganville, GA 30052 monalisainc@yahoo.com CO-SECRETARY Annie Pate Konicek

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#### **DEATHS**

Glo Eva Ross-Bellard, January.

· Annual Fund participation through lanuary: 9%

SECRETARY Ginger Patton-Schmitt 1475 Chattabooche Run Drive Suwanee, GA 30024 gkpatton-schmitt@charter.net

Ebie Blizard Camelo had a wonderful holiday season and loves to hear updates from her College chums, who are in Atlanta. She misses everyone and hopes to travel to Atlanta soon for a visit.

Tina Carr was in Georgia for a week during the holidays to spend time with her family. She loves being an aunt for the first time. Her nephew, Venture, was born in late July. Because of him, she has traveled home five times in the past five months. During her last trip home, she spent one night at the home of Mitrina Mogelnicki, turning her kitchen into a cookie factory, baking goodies for their families. In the fall, Tina joined Mitrina and Mila Davila at the home of Mandy Roberts in North Carolina to meet Mandy's fiancé and celebrate her upcoming nuptials. Laura Allen Vail '88 joined them one day for wedding dress shopping. Tina has also enjoyed several play dates with Louisa Margaret Mattozzi, Louisa Parker Mattozzi's daughter, who lives near Tina in Virginia. In addition, Tina visited with Thao N. Tu while on business trip to Detroit in August. Tina's luggage was detained, so she had to "shop" in Thao's closet for a few things while waiting on her luggage. Finally, Tina reports 2002 was the first year in which she kept her New Year's resolutions. In 2002, she resolved to run a 5K race. In fact, she ran two 5K races and exceeded her expectations by also running an 8K race and a 10K race. Tina feels great, having returned to the level of fitness she had at graduation.

Mini Abraham Panikar had a wonderful Christmas holiday. She and her family drove from Baltimore to Georgia and visited family and friends. In addition, they also traveled from Georgia to Orlando, Fla., with her elder brother and his family to visit Disney World and Universal

Studios. Mini's son, Jonah, loved meeting Spiderman, and her daughter, Meera, ran and hugged Snow White when she saw her. Mini says they had a "blast" in

Jennifer Rozelle Coleman had a very difficult pregnancy with hospitalization and bed rest included, but gave birth to a wonderful healthy baby girl, named Ashlynn Paige, on Aug. 16, a month early. Jennifer reports after many scares, doctor appointments and tests, her baby girl seems to be quite healthy and is meeting all appropriate milestones. She says her family has been truly blessed! Jennifer says although the pregnancy and the baby have consumed her life as of late, she remains active with the College's alumnae board and the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter. In addition, she is teaching aerobics, volunteering with the Junior League, and is practicing anesthesia at an outpatient surgery center. Finally, she completed the Peachtree Road Race for the first time in 2002, and she was eight months pregnant. She walked the course but completed it just the same!

Thao N. Tu acquired her international executive M.B.A. from Duke University. The two-year program had her jetting around the world for classes in Frankfurt, Germany, Prague, Czech Republic, Beijing, Hong Kong, as well as in South America. While working on her M.B.A., Thao continued to work full time, had a baby and turned her basement into an in-law suite.

Eleanor Dill began a new job as a salesperson and distributor of fine Italian wines in the Atlanta area.

Ginger Patton-Schmitt and Angela "Amy" Gottsche Miele '88 had a wonderful time preparing for the Christmas season this year. They spent one weekend baking, and they made a record 28 pumpkin cheesecakes, eight recipes of fudge and 10 dozen oatmeal chocolate bars. Their friends and neighbors were thrilled!

 Annual Fund participation through January: 15%

**SECRETARY** Jean Wilson Tate 3681 Embry Circle Atlanta, GA 30341 jandjtate@earthlink.net

Kathryn "Katie" Pattillo Fisher, Ed.D. e-mailed "after a long summer directing Catawba Science Center's summer camp program and struggling with the death of my dad, I changed careers to become an assistant professor at Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory, N.C. Working in the School of Education, I focus most of my time on math and science methods courses although I also teach educational foundations and education psychology. I have been named the interim director of teacher education and licensure for the remainder of the year. This may some day become a permanent thing, but that remains to be seen. Lenoir-Rhyne is a small liberal arts college with a strong Lutheran history. Incidentally, my husband, Jeremy, is a graduate of L-R, as well as his brother, father and grandfather. It seems to be a great match and a perfect way to get back into higher education."

Teresa Ramirez Dore and her husband, Greg, celebrated their 11th anniversary with a trip to San Francisco and California's wine country.

Shannon Williamson Siegel, her

husband, John, and daughter Katie Ann are adjusting to having a baby in the house. John has started his own business, and Shannon is trying to get used to chasing two little ones around the house.

Nancy Wall-Huber has taken time off from her job at Fryer, Harris, Ingram and Barrett to spend time with her son, Julian, who was born Aug. 29. She and her husband are looking forward to completing renovations to their Decatur home.

Kathryn "Pat" Garrison is working as a biologist at an analytical lab in Greenville, S.C.

#### BIRTHS

· Jacob Henry Poser Moreau, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, 21 inches, son of Nicola "Nica" Poser and husband Tom, Oct. 11

· Ivey Elizabeth "Ivey Beth," daughter of Shannon Williamson Siegel and husband John, May 1.

• Shelby Louise Jones, daughter of Claire West Jones and husband David, 7 pounds, 15 ounces and 20 inches, June 18.

> Annual Fund participation through January: 18%

**NEW SECRETARY** Daphne M. Norton 100 White Sands Court Suwanee, GA 30024 dnorton@gpc.peachnet.edu

Susan Cowan, Sarah Tarpley, Lauren Miller Tison and Stephanie Wallace enjoyed a long weekend at Fripp Island, S.C., in late October. They spent much time relaxing, eating, napping and catching up. Sarah enjoyed taking pictures of wildlife on the island. Susan lives in New Hampshire and is beginning to think that she is there to stay! After seven years, it is not "temporary" anymore. Susan struggles with her love for New England and her desire to see family and friends in the South. She is dreaming of a lucky lottery ticket to finance her personal plane for weekend trips to Georgia and North Carolina.

Stephanie Bardis Turney was the matron of honor in her sister's wedding on Nov. 3 at the gazebo on the Square in Decatur, Ga. Christine "Christy" Bardis '99 married Davis Petterson of Decatur. It was a lovely occasion for the family, including the mother of the bride, Victoria 'Vicki" Hutcheson Bardis '69.

After three long months of strict bed rest, Vivian Saker Lennon gave birth to a healthy baby boy, Cale Christopher, on June 18. Vivian and her husband are living in New Orleans, where both are employed at Tulane University.

Chris Tibbetts and her husband, Rick, celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary in December. Chris continues to enjoy her job at the community college in Asheville, N.C. She teaches various literature and composition courses, and her students are of all ages and walks of life. In her free time, she performs with a local dance company and takes care of her many adopted cats.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 6%

SECRETARY Helen Nash 3455-N North Druid Hills Road Decatur, GA 30033 bnash@earthlink.net

Laura Maricque Barlament

(lbarlament@juno.com) accepted the job of director of publications at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn. She was looking forward to moving back to the South, where she will be closer to her parents and friends in Atlanta. Laura will be editor of the university magazine and will work on other marketing publications.

Teresa "Teri" Grossi has been accepted at Boston College's Connell School of Nursing in family nurse practitioner training. Teri continues to work at Harvard University medical school, but in a different department. She is a clinical trial coordinator for bone marrow transplants with adults

Wendy Jones is in her second year as athletic director in one of Raleigh, N.C.'s most successful charter high schools. In October, Wendy wrapped up her second volleyball season as head coach with a record of 6-10. (The year before the team had been 0-10.) Also in October, Wendy and her partner, Jennifer, took a mini-vacation to Boston. The rest of Wendy's free time is spent working on house projects. Wendy visited Sarah Carruthers and Helen Nash in Decatur, Ga., in November

Mary Frances Kerr serves as deputy CEO of the Pike's Peak Chapter of the American Red Cross, overseeing its community services. This includes directing the 260-bed homeless shelter. During the past year, she served on the Commission on Homelessness in Southern Colorado, chaired by the mayor of Colorado Springs.

**BIRTHS** 

· Mary Elizabeth "Libby", daughter of Catherine "Cathy" Alexander DeFoor and husband Bob, March 6.

• Claire Margaret, daughter of Amber Martin Deitz and husband David, 8 pounds, 10 ounces and 20 inches, Nov. 7

 Annual Fund participation through January: 6%

**SECRETARY** Angela Adrienne Walker 1341 Briarwood Drive Apt. 2 Atlanta, GA 30306

Holly Dyer Davis and her husband, Shawn Davis, reside in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Julie Dickerson Edwards married Jonathan Edwards on March 31, 2001. The couple lives in Charlotte, N.C., where Julie is teaching sixth grade and working on her national board certification

Michelle Frost married K.C. Boyce on Oct. 12 in Highlands, N.C. The couple honeymooned in Vanuatu (where Michelle served in the Peace Corps) and New Zealand. Michelle and K.C. have bought a purple house in the Oakhurst community (a community within the Decatur, Ga., city limits) and are enjoying married

Brandy Gossage has a new job as senior administrative assistant to customer care, customer support and development at Liberty FiTECH Systems. Liberty FiTECH Systems is a firm providing financial software to credit unions. Brandy's varied duties include planning customer confer-

Chelsy Parks Hooper teaches computer at Overbrook School (K. through eighth grade) in Nashville, Tenn., and coaches the high school swim team at St.



Cara Cassell '91 is the teacher of the year for the Decatur school system. She is pursuing her doctorate in English at Georgia State University.

#### CASSELL DECATUR TEACHER OF YEAR

Cara Cassell's favorite class is always the one she's teaching at the moment.

"I'm an English teacher—I get to read and write and help people write great stuff all day," said Cassell, a 1991 graduate of Agnes Scott. "What a great job!"

This enthusiasm earned Cassell the 2002 Teacher of the Year award for the Decatur school system. The award was announced in

Cassell teaches English, creative writing, language and composition and literature for Decatur High School.

Outstanding teachers for each Decatur school are asked to write five of the seven essays required to compete for state teacher of the year. A committee of the previous year's outstanding teachers reviews the anonymously submitted essays and chooses the winner.

"It means I need to work hard to live up to the honor!" said Cassell, who is pursuing her doctorate in English at Georgia State University. "I am surrounded by truly excellent teachers, and they inspire me every day to be better. I hope that somehow I show the credit that they deserve.

As for juggling her teaching load with her course load, Cassell

said Agnes Scott prepared her well.

The professors made sure that I had a good work ethic," she said. "And in the classes, I was expected to think deeply and globally. It was a wonderful, nurturing, challenging environment that reinforced my love of school—of teaching school and of attending

Cassell credits lists, Post-it notes, index cards and moral support with helping her manage the workload.

"I don't see how she can keep it all together and remain sane," said Louise Bailey, head of the high school's English department, in a December Atlanta Journal-Constitution story. "She is an excellent teacher who really cares about her students; she makes sure they all 'get it' by pushing, soothing, challenging them to do their best.' -Wendy Cromwell

Cecilia Academy (also in Nashville). Chelsy and her husband, Tim Hooper, bought their first home in Brentwood, Tenn. She also boasts playing cornerback and detensive end for the Nashville Dream, a team in the National Women's Football League. Her team defeated the Atlanta team (the Atlanta Leopards) twice and made it to the first round of the playoffs!

In other sports news, Amanda Lockhart coaches girls' junior varsity soccer at Decatur High School in Georgia. Classmates should check out her and her team in action!

Susan Vincent Molinaro reports her year of living lazily has come to an end. She has a job as faculty secretary to the art, dance, music and theatre departments on the

campus of Agnes Scott College. She touts one lovely thing about this job is that it's a 10-month position. She will have mid-June thru mid-August to do as she pleases (travel, travel, travel)!

Jennie Albritton Rimes married Christopher David Rimes (no relation to Lee Ann Rimes, the country singer) on July 20. The ceremony took place at the Pigeon Forge Wedding Chapel in Tennessee. Melanie Somers Nathan was the matron of honor. Sterling Elliott and Cecelia Heit read during the service, and Catherine Gurry took pictures.

Muslimah "Salimah" Major Zook has a new job at Georgia Institute of Technology with the Georgia Centers for Advanced Telecommunications Technology, Office of Technology Policy and

Programs. Salimah is a program coordinator for the Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Mobile Wireless Technologies for Persons with Disabilities. She reports she is excited to be a part of a team that promotes universal access to mobile wireless technologies and explores innovative applications for addressing the needs of people with disabilities.

#### **ADVANCED DEGREES**

• Julie Dickerson Edwards, master's in education, Meredith College, December 2001.

• Peter Stephen Davis, son of Holly Dyer Davis, born Feb. 25.

· Annual Fund participation through January: 7%

**SECRETARY** Laura Croft 613 Redgate Ave. Apt. 2 Norfolk, VA 23507

Joanna Brook (jbrook@zingermans.com) is the new legal name of the former Brook J. Partnersounds like the perfect name for an author!

Thania Cabrera-Cruz (dastlr@yahoo.com) married Gabriel Cruz Sept. 1 in Atlanta. Linda Vu '98 was a bridesmaid.

Leah Fowler (leahschoice@hotmail.com) is the interim chaplain at The Lovett School. She leads weekly chapel services, teaches Old Testament in the Upper School and coordinates servicelearning opportunities for students. Leah lives in Little Five Points with fellow Wonder Woman Alice Limehouse and her daughter, Phoebe. Alice (aliceandphoebe@peoplepc.com) is attending Georgia State University College of Law. Phoebe, is 4 years

Alexa Wood Gaeta (agaeta@agnesscott.edu) married Joe Gaeta, April 6, in a small ceremony in Atlanta. Jennifer Odom was maid of honor while Ami Rop, Marisa Scalera, Valerie Case Bayham and Sarah Thieling Bass all read at the ceremony. Alexa and Joe live in Vinings, Ga. Joe is a project manager at IBM, and Alexa is back at Agnes Scott in the Office of Admission as an assistant admission director (Do we have the next Stephanie Balmer among the '98s?). Alexa reminds all of her former classmates that "Wonder Women rock!"

Marcianne "Marcie" McHugh (MarcieMchugh@yahoo.com) is working on her M.Ed. in foreign language education at The University of Georgia. She also a graduate assistant in the Germanic and Slavic languages department and teaches introductory German to undergraduate students. Marcie can't believe it has been almost five years since graduation and looks forward to seeing everyone at the reunion in April!

Jessica McKenzie (jessejewel@yahoo.com) is working as a project manager for Spunlogic, a Web development company in Atlanta. She bought a home in Alpharetta, Ga.

Jennifer "Jennie" Moorfield (previously Hatfield; Jennieandshelly@earthlink.net) graduated from Emory University's Physician's Assistant Program and has been working as a PA at a family practice group in McDonough, Ga. She and her partner, Shelly, had a commitment ceremony Oct. 5 in Atlanta. Many Agnes Scott alumnae attended,

and Jessica "Jess" Owens Sanfilippo and Jennifer King were in the ceremony. Jennie and Shelly combined their names to be Moorfield. They are both physician's assistants and own a home in Clarkston, Ga.

Amanda Swafford has relocated from California to Flowery Branch, Ga. Welcome home, "Swaff!"

#### **ADVANCED DEGREES**

• Laura Croft, M.S. in art therapy, Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, Va., May.

· Leah Fowler, master's in divinity, Candler School of Theology, Atlanta, May.

 Annual Fund participation through January: 4%

SECRETARY Erin Desmarais 3220 Renaissance Way, NE Atlanta, GA 30308 erindes@hotmail.com

Karen Rosner Bain married Matthew Bain, a Georgia Institute of Technology graduate, on Dec. 29 in Atlanta. They live in Vinings, Ga. Matt works for the Georgia Tech Alumni Association and Karen is a first grade teacher at Garden Hills Elementary, an Atlanta Public School in Buckhead.

 Annual Fund participation through January: **7%** 

**SECRETARY** Joy Carter 1614 Dodson Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30311 joyletitia@netscape.net

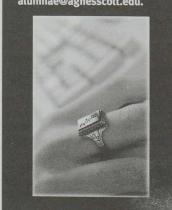
Michelle N. Patrick married Carl Hall on Oct. 26, in Swainsboro, Ga. They live in Stockbridge, Ga., with their three cats. Michelle is working at Corporate Insights and Development and volunteering at the Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center. Carl is finishing his degree at Georgia Institute of Technology and acting as chief technology and operations officer at Duniya Technologies

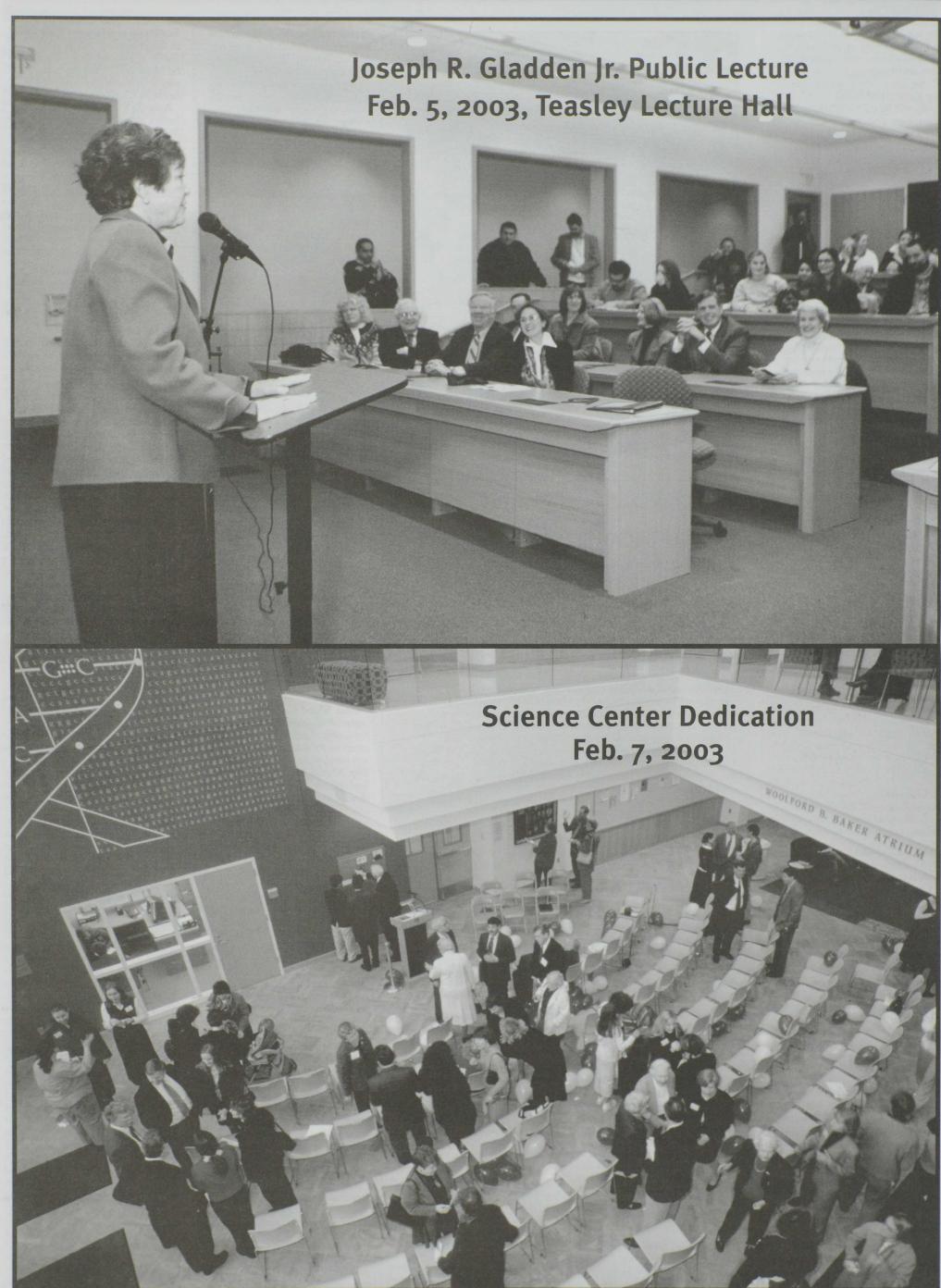
Aimee Ahmed and husband, Saeed, welcomed their daughter, Zahra Yasmeen, on Nov. 20. She is thankful to have so many Agnes Scott aunts.

#### **AlumNet Online** Directory

If you want to contact class-mates before your reunion in April, search for fellow alumnae in your city or just want to find an old college friend, the Agnes Scott AlumNet online directory is a great place to start. To log on, go to alumnae.agnesscott.edu.

If you are logging on for the first time, you'll need the ID number that you received in October. If you've lost your ID, contact the Office of Alumnae Relations at alumnae@agnesscott.edu.





# Main Events Series 101, Number 4, Summer 2003



"Those of us who can give should give back," says Elizabeth "Libby" Rhett Jones '73, pictured with husband Gary T. Jones (left). "The larger gifts are not necessarily the best. You can give of necessarily the sand talents. your time and talents, too.'

## \$1 Million Gift Marks Alumna's Reunion

LIBBY JONES '73 HOPES TO HELP WITH ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Agnes Scott took a chance on Elizabeth "Libby" Rhett Jones '73, an Army brat who hadn't seen the States in four years when she arrived on

Thirty years later she and her husband, Gary T. Jones, gave \$1 million to Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College to help ensure the school continues to offer the same kind of support that she received-academically and emotionally—to other students.

'I was a fish out of water," Jones said. The school was very supportive and never gave up on me. It was a family to me, and I've always appreciated it."

Jones and President Mary Brown Bullock '66 are deciding how the gift, which was announced during Alumnae Weekend, will be used.

"My main concern is that it is utilized in the most useful way possible to maintain the high standards Agnes Scott has always had," said Jones, a sociology major who earned a master's in psycho-educational disabilities at New York University in

Calling Agnes Scott and Georgia Institute of Technology fortunate, Bold Aspirations steering committee member and Trustee Mildred L Petty '61 said Jones and her husband now have time to give back to their alma maters.

"It is an exciting time for us," said Petty, assistant dean of the college when Jones was a student. "Libby has been an interested alum and been

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**Alumnae Weekend 2003** 

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Classmates Becky Barlow '58 (from left), Harriet Talmadge Mill '58, JoAnn Hathway McLaughlin '58 and Sheila Ragsdale '58 (back row) share a "Ramona Lives" button with the Robert Frost statue in April.

#### CLASSMATES KEEP UP WITH MYSTERIOUS '58 ALUMNA

Ithough her class had a lot to say about what Ramona Cartwright '58 has been up to since graduation, Cartwright herself was unavailable. Rumors have surfaced through the years about Cartwright's identity, some suggesting she was not a student at Agnes Scott or even real. But the class of '58 maintains otherwise.

'Always something of an enigma," fellow classmate Harriet Mill said, "she has popped in and out of the lives of a lot of us since graduation. Ramona is someone whose presence we all felt at one time or another and whose absence at our reunion this spring we lament-

Mill contacted classmates Nancy Edwards, Sheila Ragsdale, Becky Barlow, Patricia Stewart, Hazel Ellis, Delores Ann Yancey, Caro McDonald, Mary Ann Padgett and Carolyn Magruder to find out what they had heard about Cartwright in the past four

Reportedly, Cartwright was unable to attend this year's Alumnae Weekend reunion because she is a double agent for the CIA," one member of the class of '58 said.

"She was scheduled to testify that weekend at a secret Senate Committee hearing on her role

in developing North Korea's long-range mis-

Cartwright was mentioned in many issues of The Profile from the late 1950s in a regular column reporting students' outings and their romantic developments. In a column appearing Oct. 24, 1956, Jean Hodgens Leeper '57 wrote, "Flash...word has just been received that Ramona Cartwright is returning to Agnes Scott after her extensive European tour. While abroad, Ramona attended Princess Grace's wedding and was then caught up in the mad social whirl of continental parties. Ramona plans to continue her studies in knitting and advanced bridge.

In another column, she was listed as the chaperone for a group of students going to Pine Lake for the first picnic of spring quarter.

In the late 1950s, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution printed a wedding announcen for Cartwright and George P. Burdell, Georgia Institute of Technology. The Student Handbook states the AJC "was red-faced" after the announcement ran. Someone told the paper Cartwright and Burdell were, as the handbook states, "fictitious students,"

Yet Cartwright's existence has been well doc-

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• 70th and 75th reunions celebrated

#### **CAMPAIGN GIVING** BY DONOR GROUPS Corporations \$479,074 \$324,529 1 percent .5 percent Alumnae \$35,328,920 57 percent

# Goizueta Foundation Grants ASC \$1.5 Million

GIFT TO FUND CENTER FOR WOMEN PROGRAMMING, SCHOLARSHIPS

A \$1.5 million grant from The Goizueta Foundation will fund the directorship and programming for Agnes Scott College's new Science Center for Women and provide additional student scholarships, giving strong preference to qualified Latina

We opened the new Science Center in January, and this gift allows us to pursue our dream of a program designed to encourage women to study the sciences, such as biology, chemistry, physics and psychology," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66.

"This grant will provide \$500,000 to fund not only the directorship of the center for the next three years, but visiting adjunct faculty, program materials and high school outreach short courses, faculty development and stipends for collaborative research," said Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college.

"It also will provide money for science conferences, programs at the College's Bradley Observatory and a fund for speakers," Zumwalt said.

The remaining \$1 million will expand funding for The Goizueta Foundation Scholars Fund at Agnes Scott. In 2000, the foundation made its first grant to Agnes Scott to fund full scholarships for two students.

The latest grant will allow Agnes —Please see GOIZUETA on Page 7

#### **MEDIA CLIPS**

"Our generation was so saccharin-sweet. If you got caught smoking on campus, you were expelled. And whenever we went out in public, we wore white gloves and hats." -Elsie West Meehan Duval '38 in a story about her class's 65th reunion in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

#### **ACCOLADES**

· Rosalind "Roz" Johnson McGee '59, running as a Democrat, was elected to the Utah House of Representatives in November. She beat a Republican who had held the seat for 18 years.

• Catherine "Cathy" DuVall Vogel '70 was named a Hometown Hero by the City of Decatur for her work with the Friends of Decatur Cemetery.

# College Preparing for SACS Review

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reaffirms the accreditation of its 800 member institutions through a review process conducted every 10 years. Agnes Scott College will undergo this review in 2004.

SACS has changed the process for the review, and Agnes Scott is one of the first institutions to experience the new review process. The first step is a compliance audit, due

'Agnes Scott must show we fulfill about 70 SACS requirements," said Lerita Coleman Brown, associate dean of the college and SACS liaison. "One of the larger challenges is to measure institutional effectiveness, or demonstrate how well Agnes Scott is achieving its mis-

Once the audit is submitted, an off-site team of colleagues from other institutions will review the audit "to determine if Agnes Scott is in compliance with the requirements and provide information to the visiting committee," said Lea Ann Hudson '76, director of the president's office and SACS steering committee member.

The second step is the development of a Quality Enhancement Plan, or QEP, that must focus on improving student learning. Currently, the College is concentrating on developing the Quality Enhancement Plan, due Jan. 15.

'I call it the 'educational mission' of the College," said Richard D. Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy and QEP committee co-chair. "We have broken our QEP into two areas of focus-intellectual climate on campus and the fouryear experience.

Intellectual climate reflects how students engage with others of different backgrounds and learning inside and outside the classroom. This affects our pedagogy, because we will teach in a certain way when students are more engaged in the

process of learning," Parry said.
The College QEP committee is exploring ways to tie significant educational experiences to class years, such as First-Year Seminars linked to academic advising and study abroad or experiential learning in the third year, to ensure that students have an integrated fouryear academic plan.

The third step is a campus visit in March by the on-site review team. This committee of eight-10 people will spend three days at Agnes Scott interviewing staff, faculty and students and evaluating our Quality Enhancement Plan," Brown said. The College will be able to recommend two "experts" to join the visiting team as consultants on its QEP.

After this on-site review, SACS will issue a list of recommendations the College must address and suggestions for enhancements. SACS will then vote on the College's reaffirmation at its annual meeting in December 2004.

-Martha Gaston '04

#### CORRECTION

• In the winter issue, a photo with the Laura Dorsey '35 story in Class News missidentified Bertha "B" Merrill Holt '38.

#### In the News



The tennis team, (first row from left) Nia Ha 'o6, Kelley Quann 'o5, Rayna Nash 'o4, Michelle Mathieson 'o5, Kim Kouch 'o4, (second row, from left) Assistant Coach Kristina Lott, Susan Simpson 'o6, Megan Cornwell 'o3, Patricia Brooks 'o4 and Coach Michel Turner, won the Great South Athletic Conference Championships, held April 25-27 on the new Byers Tennis Courts.

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#### **Tennis Team Finishes** First in Conference

The Agnes Scott tennis team finished first in the Great South Athletic Conference Championships held on April 25-27. The team finished the season with a 5-0 conference, 9-7 overall record. Head Tennis Coach Michel Turner was also named GSAC's Women's Tennis Coach of the Year.

#### **Scottie Swimmers Break 12 Records**

Twelve school records fell during the three-day Atlantic States Swim Championships in which Agnes Scott earned a third-place finish for the second straight year. The team finished with a 7-2 overall record.

Lesley Conrad '04 set three school records. She won the 100butterfly with a record of 1 minute, 1.04 seconds, and set the 50-fly record (28.44 seconds) during this race. Conrad also set a record in the 100-freestyle (55.91 seconds) to finish fourth.

Dana Notestine '06 also set three records in the 500-free (5:40.31), the 1,650-free (19:36.25) and the 1,000-free (11:52.27 in the 1,650) Kate Thompson '05 won gold in the 200-breaststroke and set records in the 50-backstroke (31.06 seconds) and 200-freestyle

These women, along with Amy Zvonar '04 and Asha el-Shair '06, set school records in four events.

#### Bullock, Alperin In **History Center Exhibit**

President Mary Brown Bullock '66 and Ann Alperin '58 were chosen by the Atlanta History Center as two of Atlanta's "Defining Women." These outstanding women leaders represent Atlanta's spirit of enterprise, leadership and accomplishment. Bullock and Alperin were recognized because of their outstanding accomplishments and leadership in education.

The Center is planning a series of exhibitions about women and women's issues, which will run from July through April under the title "Defining Women."

#### **Construction Alters** Parking & Accessibility

Dana Fine Arts Building, Presser Hall and Buttrick Hall are undergoing roof replacements. Because of these projects, Presser Quadrangle and parking lot will be closed through October. Rebekah parking lot will be partially closed through October. Dana's roof is expected to be completed in September, and Buttrick and Presser roofs are scheduled to be completed in October. Visitors parking is available on Milton Candler Drive or the Main Loop and the West Parking facility.

#### **Trustees Approve Faculty Promotions**

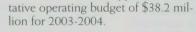
The Board of Trustees granted tenure and promoted to associate

> professor three faculty members at its May meet-Those promot-

ed were Chris De Pree (astronomy), Yvonne Newsome (sociology) and Michael Schlig (Spanish)

Patricia Pinka was named professor emerita of English by the Board for her many years of contributions to the College.

Other actions taken at the meeting included a vote to defer approval of the architectural design for the Julia Thompson Smith Chapel for one year to allow for the development of a comprehensive fund-raising plan. The Trustees also approved a ten-



#### Agnes Scott Listed In **Best Colleges Book**

Agnes Scott College is one of four Georgia schools included in a new book, Harvard Schmarvard: Getting Beyond the Ivy League to the College that is Best for You, by Washington Post education reporter Jay Mathews.

Agnes Scott, ranked 73, is one of the smallest colleges and one of the few women's colleges on the list of the most under-appreciated colleges in the nation.

"The undergraduates gravitate toward a tradition of liberal arts in a Southern atmosphere with a strong connection between faculty and students," Mathews said of the College in an Associated Press story. "It also has one of the largest portions [23 percent] of African-American students of any non-historically Black school on the list.'

Spelman College, Berry College and Savannah College of Art and Design are also listed in the book, which aims to correct the popular idea that one can only receive a good education at a "brand-name" school.

-Martha Gaston '04

A Word from the President

# Revised Mission Statement Reaffirms Strong Heritage

ast summer the Board of Trustees adopted a reaffirmation of Agnes Scott College's mission to educate women in a Presbyterian-affiliated liberal arts college of the highest

This culminated two years of review and reflection with all campus constituencies, a review process required by our regional accrediting organization, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

As we explored our past, we discovered Agnes Scott has had at least 10 mission statements—10 interpretations of its charter. We also discovered Agnes Scott's seal and motto from II Peter 1.5 never were adopted by the trustees though they have been in use since

Our mission statement now includes the seal and motto, a state ment of foundations, a shorter educational mission statement and a statement of values.

Previous mission statements included historical narratives, but we felt an expanded explanation of our Presbyterian heritage, the strength and nature of the academic program and achievements of alumnae was needed. We also wanted to affirm Agnes Scott as a women's college and Presbyterianaffiliated college with pride

In the first paragraph, the founding of Agnes Scott is linked to a nationwide Presbyterian educational movement that began with Princeton University. In the third paragraph, we clarify the academic as well as the spiritual significance of our Reformed tradition and affirm the College motto from II Peter: "Now add to your faith virtue, and to virtue knowledge.

To reflect the reality of Agnes Scott's religious diversity as well as the generous ecumenical Reformed tradition of which it is a part, we affirm: "The College's charter commitment 'to provide auspices distinctly favorable to the maintenance of the faith and practice of the Christian religion' has broadened into a commitment to ensure students, faculty and staff of many faiths and secular persuasions are full participants in the life of the College.

This statement leads to a better understanding of and engagement with Agnes Scott's heritage as a Presbyterian-affiliated liberal arts college. Previously, many had no knowledge of the rich Presbyterian educational traditions and felt excluded if they were Baptist,



#### MISSION STATEMENT

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Episcopalian, Catholic or of another religious faith. Agnes Scott respects and engages all of its community in the deepest and most profound questions about faith and

We also wanted to be clear about our commitment to educating women. Consider the statement of values written and endorsed by the faculty in 1995 and affirmed by the trustees last summer. The first point reads: "Agnes Scott values a commitment to women: to a holistic approach to education for women, acknowledging the primacy of intellectual development, with integrating opportunities for physical, social, cultural and spiritual development" and "to perspectives within the liberal arts tradition that are particularly significant for women.

Previous statements said too little

about our students or our graduates The last paragraph of the foundations section begins: "widening the vision of its founders while remaining grounded in its original mission, Agnes Scott College continues to provide women with an edge for achievement. Alumnae distinguish themselves in medicine, science, education, ministry, the arts, law, politics, business and community service.... The engagement of the Agnes Scott community in the intellectual, cultural and social issues of its times represents both the proud history and the bright future of the College.

We combine all this in a one-sentence mission statement that has already taken hold: "Agnes Scott College educates women to think deeply, live honorably and engage the intellectual and social challenges of their times. Mary Brown Bullock

#### Main Events

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2003 Commencement

# Compton Urges Life of Action



During graduation in May, Ann Compton, ABC News White House correspondent, encourages the class of 2003 to get involved and not stand on the sidelines of life.

#### 184 SENIORS AND 10 MAT STUDENTS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS DURING 114TH COMMENCEMENT

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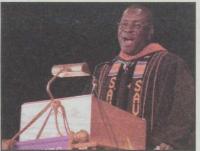
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tating her utter confidence in the class of 2003, Ann Compton urged its members to be involved in life "I ask this of you this

morning: Don't let our nation retreat, give up, doubt itself, become blind to need or complacent," said Compton at Agnes Scott's commencement May 17. "Life is not a spectator sport, and judging from the reputation of this class, none of you intend to sit out the action on the sidelines

For more than a quarter of a century as ABC News' White House correspondent, Compton has watched history from the front row covering six presidents, the end of the Cold War, the Internet revolution, medical advancements and the surge of women leaders "just about everywhere—except the Oval Office.

The world is in need of some serious change," Compton told graduates, their friends and families. "You know from your own spirited debates on this campus that human rights remain a work in progress. Our pop culture has taken some dreadful turns for the worse. Too many in the news headlines we report each day live in distress and fear.



The Rev. Melvin G. Lowry, pastor of Belle Terrace Presbyterian Church in Augusta, Ga., speaks during the baccalaureate service for the class of his daughter, Melva NaLotta Lowry '03.

A Hollins College [now university] graduate and the first woman named a White House correspondent with a network, Compton urged graduates to remember to help the next generation move up as others have

'And I give tremendous credit to the women who walk before us, at the Supreme Court, the Centers for Disease Control [and Prevention]," Compton said. "So often they reach their hands back to help the new generation move up. In turn, as you set about making history, remember to reach down and lift those eager to sail in your wake.

During the College's 114th commencement, 184 received bachelor's degrees, and 10 were awarded master's in teaching secondary English.

The class of 2003 came from 27 states and the Virgin Islands, Europe, Africa, Asia and South America.

"You graduate at a critical time in world history, well prepared to make a difference in the worlds you encounter," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "You are graduating from Agnes Scott, the world for women, to become women for the

Two faculty members were honored during the ceremony. Larry Riddle, professor of mathematics, accepted the Vulcan Materials Co. Award for Excellence in Teaching, which recognizes faculty members who make a significant difference in the classroom and campus commu-

Willie Tolliver, associate professor of English, received the Joseph R. Gladden Jr. Public Lecture Award, which honors Gladden's 10-year service as chair of the Board of Trustees and acknowledges Agnes Scott faculty whose scholarly activities, including research and artistic endeavors, are especially noteworthy.

#### **GRADUATION HONORS SUMMA CUM LAUDE**

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# Fund to Aid International Students Needing Assistance

Without study-abroad programs and a wide representation of international students, Anges Scott could not create the "World for Women."

In light of its multinational student body, the College has established the International Student Fund to aid foreign students who face severe financial hardships, which may threaten continuing their education. National disasters, political tensions or economic recessions can create hardships.

Alumnae, friends, faculty and staff may contribute to the fund.

To be considered for aid, a student must have F-1 legal status for one full year. This means she attends the school used to get her visa, maintains good academic status, enrolls full time, works on campus and has private financial support.

"International students aren't eligible for many scholarships and other

kinds of funding that are available to American students," said Christine Cozzens, associate professor of English. "This fund recognizes such circumstances and will enable international students who face difficulties like these to continue their education at Agnes Scott.

"I am glad to be a part of establishing this fund because it will help the College to support our wonderful, diverse group of international students, who add so much to the life of the community," she said.

Jennifer Lund, director of international education, and Terry McGehee, professor of art, also helped initiate and publicize the

"Receiving assistance when there appears to be no hope provides a powerful, permanent and positive outcome for the individual, the institution, the donors and all those

who that individual will touch," Lund said.

Lund hopes fund recipients will be inspired to retain ties to the College after graduation, creating a worldwide support network.

Donations to the International Student Fund may be made through Susan Carter, director of develop-

-Martha Gaston '04

# Smith Insisted on High Standards of Excellence

FORMER CHAIR ENDOWED CHAPLAINCY, CHAIR & CHAPEL

al L. Smith insisted on high standards of excellence for I the Agnes Scott Board of

"He truly cared about Agnes Scott," said Gué P. Hudson '68, vice president for student affairs and community relations and dean of students. "He loved it."

Born Oct. 29, 1904, Smith died March 9 in Naples, Fla., at age 98. Smith served as a trustee for 25 years and was chair from 1956 to

"Hal Smith dedicated 17 years of his life as chair of our Board," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "His contributions to our students

through the chaplaincy and free-enterprise chair are immeasurable. He was a true Southern gentle-

"He set high standards for the College during a time that wasn't the richest of years," said Mary Alverta "Bertie" Bond '53, administrative assistant to the president emerita. "He was

good at encouraging others' interest in serving on the Board. He was able to attract leading citizens of Atlanta to serve.

Smith showed his devotion to the College by endowing the chaplaincy and a free-enterprise chair in economics. He and his son, John E. Smith II, gave \$2 million for the



new chapel, which will be named for Julia Thompson Smith '31.

"He understood the College needed a pastor on this campus," said Hudson. Thompson Smith Chaplaincy was endowed by Smith in his wife's honor. "In times of joy and tragedy, the chaplain

really strengthens this community." John Smith, a trustee from 1982 to 1994, said his father was deeply devoted to Agnes Scott and endowed the Hal and Julia T. Smith Professor of Free Enterprise because "young women should be economically literate.

"He believed young women

should be exposed to the free enterprise system and understand how it drives the U.S. economy," John Smith said. "He wanted women to be well-versed in economic ways.'

President emerita Ruth Schmidt, who was instrumental in coordinating the chaplaincy endowment, said Smith was loyal to his wife's alma mater. "I'm sure she influenced him."

"He really loved his wife," Hudson said. "He took great pleasure in honoring her with the chaplaincy and chapel. He had a strong Christian faith and wanted to be sure there was a space on this campus where worship could be held. He understood the College's need for sacred space."

Davison Philips, trustee emeritus who served with Smith, confirmed the importance of the chapel to Smith. "He was committed to Agnes Scott traditions and had a very high estimate of its students, faculty and presidents."

A 1926 graduate of Georgia School of Technology, later Georgia Institute of Technology, Smith headed the John Smith Co. which was founded by his grandfather, and later became a Chevrolet dealer. He received the Joseph Mayer Petit Alumni Distinguished Service Award in 1987 for his tireless work on Tech's behalf.

He was a devout Presbyterian and a founding trustee of Westminster Schools. As a Rotarian, Smith received the Armin Maier Award for outstanding contributions to his community. -Wendy Cromwell

# Board Elects Six At May Meeting

The Agnes Scott College Board of Trustees elected six new members at its spring meeting May 2

"With three accomplished alumnae and three leaders of Atlanta's business community, we are particularly excited about the contributions these men and women can make to the Board of Trustees," President Mary Brown Bullock '66 said. "These new trustees offer widely diverse talents, life experiences and profes-

New trustees are:
• AUDREY L. GRANT '77, M.D. Grant is a Fairfax, Va., resident. As regional medical director for Team Health Inc., she serves as liaison between the company, emergency physicians and its hospitals in South Carolina and Virginia. A 1981 graduate of the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, Grant also is an independent emergency medicine contractor for Southeastern Emergency Physicians, a regional affiliate of Team Health

 NANCY MOORE KUYKENDALL'61: Kuykendall lives in Davidson, N.C., where she manages a private counseling practice. She has served as a director on many boards, including Presbyterian Community Ministries in Auburn, Ala., from 1975-1984, the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte from 1988-present and the Pines Retirement Center in Davidson from 1985-2003. Kuykendall volunteers as a mediator for the Conflict Resolution Center in Charlotte. She is married to John Wells Kuykendall and they have

• ALLEN L. LEVERETT: The executive vice president and chief financial officer of Georgia Power, everett joined Southern Co. Services as a transmission engineer in 1988. He earned a bachelor's degree in engineering and mathematics from Vanderbilt University, a master's degree in electrical engineering from Stanford University, and a master's degree in business administration from Auburn University. He serves the community as vice president and resource director of the Piedmont Park Conservancy in Atlanta and as director of the Georgia Council of Education. He lives in Decatur, Ga., with his wife, Laura, and two daughters

• MARSHA NORMAN '69: Norman won a 1983 Pulitzer Prize for her play 'Night, Mother.' Norman also

earned a 1991 Tony Award and a Drama Desk Award for the Broadway musical The Secret Garden. She completed her B.A. and earned an M.A. at the University of Louisville. During the past 10 years, she has been co-chair of the playwriting department of the Julliard School. She is a member of the Fellowship of Southern Writers and former member of the Sewanee Writers Conference and speaks frequently at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. She lives with her two children in East Hampton, N.Y., and New York

• JAMES D. PHILIPS JR.: One of the founding principals of Hatfield Philips Inc., Philips established the company with John Hatfield in 1988 as a specialized financial services provider. Through the years Hatfield Philips has grown to become a full-service real estate financial services provider. Philips earned his bachelor's degree in business administration at The University of Georgia and served as an Agnes Scott trustee from 1991 to 1999. He has served as chair of the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce, president of the DeKalb Council of the Arts, chair of the Downtown Decatur Development Authority and president of Decatur Rotary. Philips and his wife, Donna Cowley Philips, live in Decatur and have three adult children.

• J. SCOTT WILFONG: President and CEO of SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, Wilfong is a 30-year veteran of the banking industry. A Baltimore native, Wilfong earned a bachelor's degree in economics at Mount Saint Mary's College and a master's degree in business administration from Lovola College. Wilfong's community contributions include serving on the boards of the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta, Central Atlanta Progress and the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. Wilfong and his wife, Susan, live in Atlanta and have three adult children.

Four trustees are leaving the board, including J. Wallace Daniel, CEO of JWD Industrial in Decatur, Ga.; Sara E. Vagliano '63 of Norfolk, Conn.; Dan C. West, vice president for alumni, development and public relations at Swarthmore College; and Clair M. Muller '67, an Atlanta city councilwoman.

With the new members, the Board of Trustees grows to 28.

-Lee Dancy



Lawrence "Larry" Gellerstedt Jr., with wife, Mary Duckworth Gellerstedt '46 in 1995, served as an trustee from 1969 to 1992 and as chair from 1979 to 1989. Gellerstedt Track and Field was named for their tireless work for the College.

# Gellerstedt Jr. Called 'Proponent of Women'

arry Gellerstedt loved Agnes Scott and was clear about its mission and history, which he characterized in his typically succinct way: academic excellence, liberal arts and Presbyterian heritage," said Gué P. Hudson, vice president for student affairs and community relations and dean of students. "He delighted in talking about the generations of women he knew who had gone to the College—his sister, Ann Gellerstedt '42; his daughter, Gayle Gellerstedt '71; and his wife, Mary ['46]."

Lawrence Gellerstedt Jr., who served as a trustee from 1969 to 1992 and as chair from 1979 to 1989, died April 12. About 800 people attended the memorial service in Presser Hall.

'If I take one memory away with me of Daddy,' daughter Gayle said, "it was always his being a proponent of women being all they could be-whether a mom, a corporate CEO, a teacher, or whatever it was. Daddy's love of the College was a great influence in my decision to go there and to be involved in the College after graduation.

Lawrence L. Gellerstedt Jr. and Mary Duckworth Gellerstedt Track and Field was named in honor of both Gellerstedt and his wife's tireless work for the

A prolific builder, Gellerstedt constructed much of downtown Atlanta—the BellSouth Center, The Four Seasons Hotel, 191 Peachtree Building, Bank of America Tower, Georgia Dome, Headquarters and High Museum of Art.

But his work and interests extended far higher than even his tallest building.

"Larry and Mary practiced civic leadership very skill-

fully and worked at it with considerable success," said Lewis Thayne, vice president for institutional advancement. 'They knew everyone in Atlanta, and they knew the history of the city. They knew that Atlanta's future and Agnes Scott's were intertwined."

Gellerstedt chaired a number of civic organizations, such as United Way, Metropolitan Atlanta Community Foundation, Woodruff Arts Center, Central Atlanta Progress and the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. He was also on the boards of the Salvation Army and Columbia Theological Seminary.

"He believed in paying his civic rent," said Mary Alverta "Bertie" Bond '53, administrative assistant to the president emerita, adding Gellerstedt got so much done because he didn't waste time. "A phone call with him rarely lasted more than two minutes."

Gellerstedt graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology and then served in the Navy. He began working for Beers Construction Co. in 1946. In 1960, he became its president and bought the company in

Daughter Gayle said the family thought Agnes Scott was a natural place to hold her father's memorial serv-

"It seemed so logical to bring everyone together to the campus that embodied what Daddy stood for," she said. "Agnes Scott stands for equality, for people of all backgrounds and culture and for the Presbyterian background, which was always a part of his life. We realized that if we were going to celebrate who Daddy was that we should bring all the forces of people who knew and loved him to Agnes Scott."

—Kristin Kallaher '04



Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, holds the first Leading Science lecture during the public celebration of the new Science Center.

# College, Liberal Arts Praised By Gerberding

DIRECTOR ENDORSES MIXING LIBERAL ARTS WITH SCIENCES

Breakthroughs in science don't necessarily occur in a sterile environment, said Julie D. Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

At the public celebration of the new Science Center, she praised Agnes Scott for using the Science Center as a "portal to the campus."

"We need to take science out of the laboratory and move it into the community," said Gerberding on April 23 during the inaugural lecture of the yearlong Leading Science speakers series.

She endorsed the College's deliberate efforts to "embrace the liberal arts by inviting other disciplines to use" the Science Center.

"I am a strong believer in integrated education across disciplines," Gerberding said. "The more we can create, the more we will be successful."

In "First Ladies in Public Health," Gerberding examined how the work of women, including Hattie Elizabeth Alexander, Sara Josephine Baker and Lillian Wald, helped create the foundation for the work the CDC does.

"The passing of the baton is a universal phenomena that we don't always think about," Gerberding said. "The CDC takes science to the frontline—the community—where it is needed. We put good science into action."

With the growth in obesity and juvenile diabetes, the director said the United States is progressively evolving into an overweight society, especially among children, whose weight creates risk for cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

"There are many things you can do—get kids up and moving," she said. "At the CDC, we are getting people to take the stairs. If you shut off three of the four elevators in a building you are very likely to get people to take the stairs."

The SARS epidemic, Gerberding said, drives home the global village concept and has enabled the World Health Organization and the CDC to combine resources and use the new emergency operations facility built in response to homeland security issues

"Within two weeks, we had a likely cause, the coronavirus, which normally causes the common cold," Gerberding said. "When we come together and work together that's the best response."

-Wendy Cromwell and Lee Dancy

# 75 Years & Counting



Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay '51 accepts her Service to the Community award duing the annual luncheon honoring Outstanding Alumnae.



Outstanding Alumnae Suzanne West Guy '64, (from left) Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay '51, daughters Carol Hamrick and Ellen Archer for Harriet Cuthbertson '55, Michelle Frost '97, JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield '58 and Frances "Frannie" Bailey Graves '63 hold their awards .



Visiting the campus for the first time in 70 years, Mary Lillias Garretson '33 (right) enjoys the Frances Winship Walters Society reception with her friend Gladys Mynatt.



Audrey Grant '77 enjoys the Alumnae Weekend luncheon with her niece. Grant is a one of six new trustees.



CAROLINE JOE PHOTOGRAP

Panelist Melissa Odom Magill '99 (top row from left) and Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology, stand with Amy Hutchinson '86 (from left), Sue Jinks-Robertson '77 and Rebecca R. Fewell '58 after the Women in Science: Making a Difference in the Quality of Life Symposium.

Ramona

Lives!

hen Mary Lillias Garretson '33 graduated, Buttrick Hall was the state-ofthe-art building.

Buttrick was only 3 years old. Presser Hall, Evans Hall, Campbell Hall, McCain Library and Bradley Observatory did not exist.

Seventy years later, Agnes Scott is celebrating its newest state-of-the-art building, the Science Center, one of three structures built during a \$125 million building program.

"I'm just amazed. I had no idea there were so many buildings," said Garretson, looking over Woodruff Quadrangle from the steps of Alston Campus Center. "There were just three buildings on the quad—Main, Rebekah and

Buttrick—when I was here."

Garretson and Patricia H. Collins Butler '28 attended their 70th and 75th class reunions respectively during Alumnae Weekend 2003.



Butler

It was Garretson's first campus visit since graduation.

"Impressive isn't it?" asked Butler of the Science Center. "To think all the sciences are going to be gathered together under that one roof is wonderful, wonderful. It's an outstanding building."

Butler earned a law degree from Emory University—the third woman to do so. She retired from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Legal Counsel. Butler remains impressed with the College.

"In the days when Agnes Scott was a ladies' college, very few thought of girls going into the sciences," Butler said. "That was for somebody else, but I think we have hung on all this time and Agnes Scott is still the leader in that respect."

A day student during the Depression, Garretson recalled the campus as a beautiful place that has "grown for the better." She was the youngest of four sisters, all of whom attended Agnes Scott.

"My parents purposely lived in Decatur so we could walk to school," Garretson said. She graduated a year behind schedule because her French professor did not "like my high school French preparations."

After graduation, Garretson put her English degree to work with a community production group. She later worked in Washington for many years as a federal employee.

-Wendy Cromwell

### Elusive: Cartwright Globetrots as Classmates Keep Tabs on Her

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umented. After marriage she kept her maiden name, which one classmate says she has seen signed in registers at visitors' centers in both Juneau and Prague.

Sarah Stokes Cumming Mitchell '63 (from left) stands with her family, Anne

Shannon Preston Cumming '30, Anne Shannon Cumming McCormick '60,

Miriam Wiley St. Clair '63 and Miriam Wiley Preston St. Clair '27.

"She produced many children who were all above normal and as successful in life as she," a classmate said. "She was not abandoned for a trophy wife but played a major role in her husband's financial success, indeed perhaps becoming the power behind the throne."

Some classmates maintain Cartwright was secretly married while at Agnes Scott.

In addition to Juneau and Prague, Cartwright often travels to the Middle East and North Korea. She participated in a bike trip to France with another classmate sometime in 2000, when she told her classmate she was a Republican.

But another '58er said Cartwright was neither

Democrat nor Republican.
"Ramona is fiercely independent
and unaffiliated with any organized political party."

"The last time I talked to her she was establishing a NOW chapter in Saudi Arabia," one classmate said.

"I thought she was still on campus trying to pass organic chemistry," Hazel Ellis '58 said. She is purported to be a real power in her church, where Mary Ann Padget '58 said the "ministers, stewards, even the janitors, are terrified of her!"

One weekend in early March, someone thought she spotted Cartwright leading her three book clubs in a naked walk around the block for peace, but another classmate said Cartwright was too much of a lady to do such a thing.

Main Events' staff was unable to locate a picture of Cartwright, but a '58 classmate says Cartwright "has maintained her figure and her teeth and a peachy smooth complexion." She added Cartwright plays almost tournament level golf and tennis.

Cartwright's involvement with Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College is unclear. Padget said, "Ramona's contribution was both enormous and anonymous."

"If I remember Ramona's personality back in the '50s correctly," Patricia Stewart '58 said, "she was never challenged by anything—always a winner, an early Martha Stewart. She was everywhere where something major was occurring. She was an intellectual (and female, of course) Forrest Gump. She was our best, a golden child who never had or would have any troubles."

—Kristin Kallaher '04

# Dual-Degree Program With Tech Increases Marketability

3-2 PROGRAM ALLOWS STUDENTS TO EARN BACHELORS AT BOTH SCHOOLS

The ties binding Agnes Scott and Georgia Institute of Technology have evolved from marriage vows to dual degrees in engineering.

Students in the Agnes Scott/Georgia Tech 3-2 dual-degree program for engineering earn their bachelor of arts in three years and bachelor of science in two years.

Three students have completed the program since 1997

"Statistics show today's college-age women may change jobs an average of seven times in their lives and careers three or more times," said Stephanie Balmer, dean of admission and associate vice president for enrollment. "The dual degree is an appealing way to increase their marketability—to obtain a B.A. in the liberal arts and a B.S. in engineering.

"The program has actually been in place since the late '70s," said Leon Venable, associate professor of chemistry and former 3-2 adviser. "But the long-term student participation average has been about one student every three years. It's quite a challenging curriculum, and only a very small number qualify due to strict acceptance

Those choosing the 3-2 program say the liberal arts are an asset.

"Georgia Tech provided me with the skills to make a living, and Agnes Scott the skills to make a life," said Anita Pressley '90. "I have a wide variety of interests; both schools had good reputations, and I felt I would be prepared for whatever I might

To transfer to Georgia Tech after their third year, students must decide in their first year to do so because of lengthy prerequisites and the preferred 3.5 GPA

"Because of the confidence and solid educational foundation that Agnes Scott provided, I was much more prepared for the traditionally male-dominated engineering education than most other women at Georgia Tech," said Shane Wood '99.

"I was not intimidated, not afraid to raise my hand, not afraid to ask questions and not afraid to participate in discussions. Agnes Scott and the student-professor partnership so prevalent there showed me my education would be and could be whatever I made of it," Wood said.

A project coordinator for Southern Co., Pressley helps optimize Southern's wholesale portfolio of assets and positions, ensuring they remain consistent with the company's risk profile. Pressley, who received a B.A. from Agnes Scott and a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Tech, also assists in determing a long-term resource plan for the company's unregulated arm, Southern Power.

Wood, who received a B.A. from Agnes Scott and a B.S. in chemical engineering from Tech, is a process engineer at OFS Optics in Norcross and is responsible for the first step in manufacturing single-

mode optical fiber.

"My Georgia Tech education provided a solid foundation for engineering," said Wood, who is working on a master's through N.C. State University's distancelearning program. "And while my ASC background helped me learn how to communicate effectively with my team and others, it also broadened my understand-

"Because of the liberal arts, I know a problem's best answer might not necessarily be found in a printed table," Wood said. "By thinking outside of the box, even searching other industrial applications, the possibilities for success are endless.

-Frances Maguire Paist '75

Faculty Profile: Pat Pinka



Patricia Pinka, professor of English (left), is hugged by John Donne aka David Thompson, associate professor of theatre, during a reception in Pinka's honor. She retired after 33 years.

# Dedication Begets Writing Reputation

fter 33 years of teaching Milton and Donne in Buttrick Hall, Patricia Pinka has decided to tackle a new subjectadult literacy.

"I want to teach people to read," said Pinka, professor emerita of English who retired in May. "It is one of the most important skills a person can learn."

Her cleaning lady, who learned to read as an adult, inspired her to get involved. "I want to do for others as someone did for her. I know it's going to be hard, but teach-

Her love of 17th-century literature inspired Pinka to become a teacher after

"I covered city council meetings, and I could have just changed the names in each story because I had written it all before, Pinka said. "I decided I could be spending my life reading Shakespeare.

After earning her doctorate at University of Pittsburgh, she chose Agnes Scott because it enabled her to teach the areas that she liked the best-Milton and the 17th century. "It sounded marvelous to

Though Milton and Donne rank highly

with Pinka, she won't pick one above all others. "When I am teaching a class, it is my favorite. It is a joy to me to teach some of these writers. It is lovely to go back and read Chaucer and Shakespeare.

"I love watching them with difficult literature," Pinka said of her students. "They come to love it and that makes me happier than I can tell you.'

Pinka's dedication is why Agnes Scott has developed a reputation for strong writers, said Peggy Thompson, Ellen Douglass Leyburn Professor of English.

Your expectations were high and when I rose to meet them, I was a better person," wrote Deana Trott '73 in a letter for Pinka's scrapbook. "To this day, when there's writing to be done, my colleagues call on me.

Citing Pinka's tireless energy, Thompson noted even in Pinka's last year, she chaired a faculty committee, developed a new course and gave a paper on Renaissance

"Although Pat is an excellent and serious scholar, she has always put her responsibilities as a teacher first," Thompson said. 'She has set the bar high for us all.'

-Wendy Cromwell

## MAT Program Celebrates 10 Years

Celebrating its 10th anniversary, Agnes Scott's only master's degree program—the Master of Arts in Teaching Secondary English—has produced more than 130 outstanding educators.

We have been very conscious of the 10-year mark and are very proud of everything the program has accomplished," said Linda Hubert '62, professor of English and M.A.T. director.

A driving force behind the creation of the program, Hubert said its focus and goals have not changed.

The 14-month program celebrated the anniversary in late January with Ellen Greenblatt, an English teacher in San Francisco, as keynote speaker at a dinner honoring students, faculty and graduates.

"The classes of students we have had in the past decade have been absolutely wonderful," Hubert said. "What we're still looking for are excellent classroom teachers. We want to inspire people to be policy changers and people who will have the best kind of influence on American education.'

Greenblatt teaches at University High School in San Francisco and has been an educator for more than 30 years. She interviews authors for San Francisco's City Arts and Lectures, a program aired on National Public Radio. She also has been a member of the Advanced Placement test development com-



Linda Hubert '62 (far right) shows a book to Laura (from left) and Francis Morris during 10th M.A.T. anniversary celebration held in April.

mittee and chair of the SAT II literature test development committee.

Her remarks were so energizing and powerful," Hubert said. "She affirmed the importance of teaching in her very being. She still generates enthusiasm after 30 years of teaching.

While most teachers accredited through the M.A.T. program have stayed in the Atlanta area, some have gone to such places as North Carolina, Alabama, Illinois and Texas. Hubert said they form a nice network of teachers and most graduates are still teaching.

Other teaching curricular opportunities at Agnes Scott include state-approved programs in early childhood education and secondary certificates in English (M.A.T. only), history, music and mathematics. —Kristin Kallaher '04

#### Faculty and Staff News

#### HUMANITIES

- Tina Pippin, professor of religious studies, was elected vice president-elect of the Southeast at the American Academy of Religion Southeast Regional Meeting March 14-16.
- · Christine Cozzens, associate professor of English and director of the Center for Writing and Speaking, received the 2003 Southeastern Writing Center Association Achievement Award at the SWCA Conference held Feb. 13-15 in Charlotte, N.C. She was presented a commemorative plaque and a cash reward. Cozzens is a past president, a board member and editor of the Southern Discourse, the official SWCA publi-
- · Julia Knowlton De Pree, associate professor of French, read two papers during the month of February. The first, "Longing," was delivered Feb. 14 at the Fifth Annual Comparative Literature Conference at the University of South Carolina. The conference title was "The Desire of the Analysts: Psychoanalysis and Cultural Criticism in the 21st Century." The second, "Que dire?" was delivered Feb. 28 at the 29th annual meeting of the Southeast American Society for 18th-Century Studies at the University of
- Richard D. Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy, published an article, "The Souls in Laws X and Disorderly Motion in Timaeus" in Ancient Philosophy, Vol.
- · Patricia G. Pinka, professor emerita of English, delivered a paper on the sonnets of Lady Mary Wroth, "Pamphilia, Ariadne and Theseus," on April 5 at the West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Conference. The paper traces Wroth's use of Ovid's version of the Ariadne-Theseus myth in her sonnet sequence, "Pamphilia to Amaranthus."

#### MUSIC

• Calvert Johnson, Charles A. Dana Professor of Music, performed an organ recital of African-American composers at First Presbyterian Church in Marietta on April 1 and a harpsichord recital of Japanese composers at the international conference "Japanese Music Today" at the University of Maryland/ Baltimore County on April 4

· Martha Bishop, artist affiliate in music, was a cello soloist in New Trinity Baroque's "Concerto Grosso" concert and performed with Knoxville Early Music Project in North Carolina, the Emory Baroque Artists in the new Schwartz Center and with the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra.

#### **SOCIAL SCIENCE**

• Bob Kachelski, assistant professor of psychology, gave a poster presentation at the 49th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association on March 27 in New Orleans. The poster, "Does Stereotype Threat Affect Women's Memory for Object Locations?" was cowritten by Amber Raley '02, Leigh Buttram '02, Otise Reed '02 and Sorayya Tate '02.

• Catherine Scott, professor of political science, presented a paper, "Who Will Save the Children? The Figure of the Child, Masculinity and U.S. Foreign Policy, 1990-2002," at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting in Portland,

#### SCIENCE

• Timothy S. Finco, assistant professor of biology, was awarded a grant of \$382,673 for three years from the National Science Foundation. The funds will support a research project titled "Elucidating the Mechanisms Coverning Differentia Expression of the lat gene.

· Bill Washburn, a member of the College faculty in the 1980s and longtime friend of the astronomy and physics department, died after a long battle with cancer April 19. Memorials may be made to: The Bill Washburn Fund for Astronomy, Office of Development, 141 E. College Ave., Decatur,

#### STAFF NEWS

• Tim Hussey, director of interactive communications, received Troy State University's Outstanding Young Alumni Award in Public Relations for 2003.

· Lisa Alembik, Dalton Gallery coordinator, exhibited a sculptural installation, "Anthropomorphelia," Georgia Perimeter College's Fourth Biennial Exhibition of Outdoor Sculpture called Green.

# Honoring Excellence



Kristin L. Miller '05 explains her pyschology presentation, which she worked on with Laura Tuttle '06 and Eileen Cooley, associate professor of pyschology, to Lerita Coleman Brown, associate dean of the college, during the Spring Annual Research Conference April 23 in the Science Center. One hundred thirty-five students participated in the conference, which highlights student-faculty research.

# Student Gets NIH Fellowship

KATEENA JOHNSON '04 WORKING ON RESEARCH IN HIV/AIDS LABORATORY DURING SUMMER

aving already done hands-on AIDS research in Africa, Kateena Johnson '04 will continue her studies in one of the nation's leading laboratories.

Johnson, of Brunswick, Ga., has been awarded a 2003 National Institutes of Health Summer Research Fellowship at the University of Massachusetts Medical

There, she is researching HIV/AIDS and protease inhibiters, continuing the work she did as a 2002 Hubert Scholar in Tanzania, where she helped with door-to-door HIV/AIDS education.

"The fellowship will be in the area of microbiology/immunology," said Johnson, the new Student Government Association president. "In Tanzania, I taught HIV/AIDS prevention and education. I am very fortunate in that I have been given the opportunity to examine this disease from a social



Johnson '04

and molecular aspect."

The fellowships are competitive—less than one in four of the more than 4,000 who apply receive a position. Johnson started working with HIV/AIDS education in high school.

A biology major, Johnson plans to take a year off after graduation to do more HIV/AIDS research.

"During the year I take off, I will apply to medical school to pursue a M.D./Ph.D.," Johnson said. "My Ph.D.

will be in the field of microbiology/immunology, and my M.D. will be in obstetrics and gynecology.

"I want to return [to Africa] to work with women," she said of her desire to pursue a M.D./Ph.D. "In Africa, the resources are so scarce. It is so important to be able to diagnose them on the spot, then treat them and provide HIV/AIDS education.

-Wendy Cromwell

#### ifty-nine students were honored at Awards Convocation April 23.

 Maude Jackson Padgett Travel Grant: Susanne Bennett '05, Rose Conklin '04 and Faith Darnofall '05

• Al Thomas Hays and Virginia Pearson Hays Award: Tara Bech '06

• Sara Wilson "Sally" Glendinning Journalism Award: Whitney Glenn

• The Suzanne Goodman Elson Prize: Kimberly Fober '04

 Miriam Drucker Award (Woodruff Scholars): Beverly

• Margaret Shirley Spirit Award (Woodruff Scholars): Deborah Dooley '04

 Mauldin Student Leadership Award: Carina Fernandez-Golarz '03

 John Randall Hudson Special Education Award: Lauren Farrell '03

• Dalton Art Award: Christine Shaner '03 and Jennifer Young '03

• S. Leonard Doerpinghaus Award for Summer Study in Biology Ellen Watters '04, Sarah Neal '04 and Virginia Bain '04

 CRC Press Chemistry Achievement Award: Maame Frempong '06 and Mollie Barnes '06

• American Chemical Society's Division of Analytical Chemistry Award: Sara DiBenedetto '04

• Elizabeth Gould Zenn Classics Award: Carrie Cooper '05 and Heather Barton '05

• Lillian Dale Thomas Award in Classical Languages: Emily Henderson '03

• Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award: Bogdana D. Georgieva '03

• Certificate of Excellence in the Study of Principles of Accounting: Natalie E. Marshall '03

• Robert Frost Prize in Creative Writing: Ele Paynter '03

 Louise McKinney Literary Award: Ele Paynter '03

 Academy of American Poets Prize: Twan Farmer '04; Honorable mention: Amber Prentiss '03

• Janef Newman Preston Prize for Fiction: Tonysha Johnson '03 and Joy Todaro '03

• Hutchens First-Year Essay Award: Jennifer Pennington '06

• Beatty W. Stoffel Award for Poetry and Creative Writing: Alexandra Pajak '04

• Chloe Steel Award: Anna Griffin '05, Faith Darnofall '05 and Amanda Compton '05

• Mary Virginia Allen Award: Maris McEdward '05

• French Scholars Award: Daniela Piovesan '05

• Margaret T. Phythian Award: Elizabeth Logsdon '05

 Michael J. Brown History Prize: Amie LaPorte '03

• Mathematical Association of America Membership Award: Audrey Powers '04 and Anju Bhandari '05

Nora Belle Daniels Memorial

Fund: Emily Rose '06

• Merle Grubbs Walker Philosophy Prize: Amy Hawkins '03

• William A. Calder Award in Physics and Astronomy: Lauren E. Davis '03

 The Cronan Award for Excellence in the Study of Politics: Ermis Zayas '03

 Ayse Carden Psychology Award: Amanda Balazs '03 • Paul Garber Award for

Excellence in Religious Studies: Ellen Coleman '03 • Departmental Award for

Excellence in the Study of Religious Studies: Jamey Fisher '03 and Wendy Guiles-Trombetta '06 Religious Studies Departmental

Award for Leadership and Commitment: Phyllis Tuggle '05

• Marylu Tippett Villavieja Award: Angela Morar '06 and LaTisha

• Jack T. Brooking Award: Christina Dresser '03 and Ann Willard '03

 Meroney Prize in the Humanities: Michelle L. Beer '05 and Simone E. Irwin '04

• Student Leadership Award: Jenny Wiese '05

• Karen Green Human Relations Award: Erica Jayne Dahlquist '04

• Colonnade Award: Elizabeth Lambert '03 Marjo Dobbs Arseneau '89

Librarianship Award: Catherine Ponder '03

• Hubert Scholars: Erica Jayne Dahlquist '04, Helen Ali-Sairany '04 and Claire Willeford '04 • Elizabeth R. Griffin Research

Foundation Internship: Alexandra Pajak '04

# Jones: Couple 'Fortunate' to Give Back Goizueta: Grant to Aid Scholarships

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long ready to be involved where she can be of

Gary T. Jones graduated from Georgia Tech in 1971 and earned his M.B.A. at the Darden School at the University of Virginia in 1974.

After 30 years on Wall Street, most of it at Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette, he retired from Credit Suisse First Boston. He serves on two boards at Tech and one at Virginia.

"We are very fortunate to be in this position," Jones said. 'Those of us who can give should give back. The larger gifts are not necessarily the best. You can give of your time and talents, too.

After a "midlife crisis" in which she earned her law degree from Seton Hall School of Law

in 1995, Jones works for Legal Services in New Jersey

Three days a week, she helps people with mental competency hearings, landlord/tenant disputes, divorce, child custody and support—a little bit of everything.

'Again, in this particular situation, I am giving of my time, which is more relevant than any of my other gifts," Jones said of her pro bono work. "I love it. I get back so much more than I give.

The Joneses have two children. Daughter Taylor graduated from Dartmouth College, worked on Wall Street and starts her M.B.A. at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in August. Son Grier is a senior at Amherst College, playing football and majoring in history

-Wendy Cromwell

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Scott to grant scholarships to students in each of its four classes beginning in the 2003-2004 academic year, said Gué P. Hudson, vice president for student life and community relations and dean of students.

"Agnes Scott's 2002-2003 student body included 3 percent Latinas," Hudson said. We look forward to increasing that percentage in the coming academic year.

Roberto C. Goizueta was chairman, a member of the board of directors, and chief executive officer of The Coca-Cola Co. until his death in October 1997. A native of Cuba, he graduated from Yale Foundation in 1992 to provide financial assistance to educational and charitable institutions. The foundation is a private, general-purpose, grant-making organiza-Goizueta felt deeply that the nation's

He established The

future and the future of the nation's youth depended on the strength of the American family. In creating The Goizueta Foundation, he sought to acknowledge his indebtedness to the United States and to continue the commitment to philanthropic endeavors that has symbolized the leadership of The Coca-Cola Co. for more than a century.

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#### LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR

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# Lelia Ross Wilburn Joins State Hall of Fame

PIONEERING ARCHITECT INDUCTED INTO WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT

Leila Ross Wilburn was inducted into the Georgia Women of Achievement hall of fame in March for pioneering work in architecture during the early 20th centu-

"She was unique as a woman architect," said Mary K. Roarabaugh, executive director of Georgia Women of Achievement Inc. "There were few practicing in the U.S., let alone in Georgia."

The Web-based hall, located at www.gawomen.org, honors Georgia women who made an impact on the state and left a legacy for others. Nominations are considered a decade after their death.

Born in Macon in 1885, Wilburn attended Agnes Scott Institute from 1902 to 1904 and left a legacy of "wonderful houses in Atlanta and Macon and economical housing for Georgians," Roarabaugh said. Wilburn died in 1967.

Wilburn joined the Atlanta firm of Benjamin R. Padgett and Son as a trainee. Her first commission was the three-story building that became a YMCA gym at Georgia Military Academy. Later, she started her own firm.

Her signature style was Craftsman homes, which projected her "vision of family values, hearth and home, " and many still can be found in Decatur and Atlanta. Among her trademarks were built-in cupboards and folding ironing

Wilburn was the only woman of the era known to publish pattern books, thereby making her designs more accessible and economical for families.

Letitia Pate Evans, a trustee from 1949 to 1953, and Anna Colquitt Hunter '14 are also members of the hall. Evans was inducted in 1998 and Hunter in 1995.

Georgia Women of Achievement was formed in 1990 after former first lady Rosalynn Carter saw the Ohio hall and questioned why Georgia didn't have one. Forty-five women have been inducted.

-Wendy Cromwell



President Mary Brown Bullock '66 accepts a check from the class of 2003 for its Senior GIFT Campaign from April J. Carter (center) and Emily Henderson, campaign co-chairs. The class raised a total of \$2,391 after the Alumnae Association picnic held for seniors.

# Seniors Set Participation Record with 56 Percent

he class of 2003 set records for the Senior GIFT Campaign with the most participants and the highest amount raised. A total of \$2,391 was raised with 56 percent of the

We were all about participation," said April J. Carter, co-chair of the class campaign, because colleges are measured by alumnae giving. "We wanted to hit 50 percent. We wanted our degrees to be worth more and so we decided to do something about it besides complain that no one knew about Agnes Scott.

Co-Chair Emily J. Henderson concurred, saying the participation rate showed "how much our class cared about this school.

Annual Fund associate Rachel Balog '01, who helped with the senior campaign, said the class broke records because "it is the first campaign in history to raise this amount of money and attain this participation level through the outright gift model." In 2001, the College switched from a five-year pledge model to the outright model in

which a single, one-time gift is received. Carter and Henderson tackled the campaign by helping to choose classmates for the team who were "very proactive and supportive of the College. They were very thankful for what Agnes Scott has given them and were able to communicate that," Carter said.

"We are a close class period," Carter said of setting the records. "I think that had something to do with it.

The campaign team emphasized donors could choose where their gifts went—toward a program, department or in memory of Shuronda Smith, former assistant dean of students, who died ear-

"I think a lot of people feel you must give a large amount of money for it to mean anything," Henderson said. "We were able to convince them the participation rate speaks louder and once we got that across classmates really pitched

Carter said the committee asked everyone to give \$20.03, but accepted gifts of any size, because participation was para--Wendy Cromwell mount.

**Parting Words** 

# Internship Helps Define Career Path

Alexandra Pajak '04 is a two-time recipient of the Elizabeth R. Griffin Foundation internship. This spring, she was asked to describe her experiential learning opportunity.

During the past year, I have had the exciting experience of interning with the Elizabeth R. Griffin Research Foundation, which promotes laboratory safety and awareness of B Virus, a disease common in macaques that when transmitted to humans can be devastat-

ERG was formed in memory of Beth Griffin '97, who died from exposure to the B Virus. The foundation offers an internship to an Agnes Scott upperclasswoman to work at the National B Virus Resource Foundation in Atlanta, under the supervision of the lab's director, Julia Hilliard, Ph.D.

From professors to technicians to graduate students, everyone in Hilliard's lab contributes to the research and diagnosis of B Virus. My major project was enhancing the lab's Web site to make it more user-friendly and informative for scientists and animal handlers.



Pajak '04

I also communicated with Georgia State University journalists to promote the lab's work, helped graduate students edit research papers and worked with high school students shadowing Hilliard in career observation programs.

ERG also encourages interns to network with professionals. To this end, I traveled to San Antonio, Texas, for a week of research conferences, including the Association of Primate Veterinarians and the American Association for Lab Animal Science.

Their presentations showed me the creativity and hard work behind scientific discoveries. Mingling with scientists revealed the humans behind the research. The tremendous exposure to the scientific world as well as the day-to-day realities of the lab certainly helped direct my career path. I now know my greatest interests lie in the promotional and writing aspects of science.

The most significant moment during the internship, however, occurred in December at a board meeting in Tennessee. Hilliard, Beth Griffin's parents and several family friends discussed with enthusiasm the future of ERG.

During the past five years, they have successfully kept Beth's memory alive among themselves, at Agnes Scott and in the scientific community. Their optimism and personal strength in such hardship puts into action perhaps the greatest value Agnes Scott instills in students: working together to make a dif-

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#### DEATHS

 Sidney Morton Montgomery, March 12.

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Mary "Belle" Walker celebrated her 100th birthday on Dec. 29 at the Brandon Wilde Assisted Living Facility where she lives The staff, residents and friends helped her observe it the day before. Belle is a retired educator who taught citizenship at Tubman Junior High School in Augusta, Ga., for 45 years and has met several of her former pupils in the halls of Brandon Wilde as fellow residents. Belle is pleased with the way her life has turned out. She says, "As long as you've got good family and friends, you've got the

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#### DEATHS

• Rosalie Wootten Deck, March 2002.

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#### DEATHS

• Lelia Joiner Cooper, Jan. 23.

• Frances Freeborn Pauley, Feb. 16.

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The class is grieved by the loss of Anna Mae McCollum Fleming of Camilla, Ga., who died Oct. 19. Anna wrote *The History of Mitchell County from 1932 to 1975*. She also taught for 28 years at both Mitchell County High School and Mitchell-Baker High School. She will be missed.

#### **DEATHS**

• Ermine DuPont Malone Owenby, Jan. 26.

**DEATHS** 

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The class is grieved by the loss

of Cornelia Taylor Stubbs, who

Alice Jernigan Dowling

• Mary P. Trammell, Dec. 17.

• Elizabeth Branch Johnson,

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The class will miss Helen Ridley Harley, who died Jan. 1. Helen was among the first dozen staff members at Florida Atlantic University and is credited with the institution's landmark slogan, "FAU gives a hoot," playing off its owl mascot.

#### **DEATHS**

• Sara Frances Anderson Ramsay,



Mary Walker Fox '36, instructor emerita in chemistry, edited the College catalog for many years in the 1970s.

#### **'MAMA FOX' TAUGHT CHEMISTRY**

M ary Walker Fox '36, instructor emerita in chemistry, lived her life with the same order as the science that she chose as a career.

"Mama Fox (as we called her) was one of the finest women I have known," said Lea Ann Hudson '76, director of the President's office and secretary of the Board of Trustees. "She ran no nonsense first-year chemistry labs with precision, but her fun-loving spirit and wonderful sense of humor were endearing—and she never had a hair out of place!"

Fox died April 16. She directed the introductory chemistry labs at the College from 1937 to 1944 and 1952 to 1979. She also edited the College catalog during the late '70s.

"Mary was very meticulous and very clear in her instruction. I taught many of her students in advanced chemistry and found them well prepared," Julia T. Gary, professor of chemistry and dean of the college emerita, said in a recent Atlanta Journal-Constitution article.

Fox also taught Sunday school for many years at the First

United Methodist Church in Decatur.

Survivors include a son, William C. Fox Jr., a daughter, Elizabeth M. Fox, a brother, Lloyd Walker Jr., and a sister, Lida Walker Askew '48.

—Martha Gaston '04

#### MARY BOYD JONES '33 DIES JAN. 13

Mary McAfee Boyd Jones '33 died Jan. 13 at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond, Va. She was 91 years old. Born Jan. 17 in Louisville, Ky., Jones attended Agnes Scott College before graduating from The Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond. She was the daughter of the late Belle Herndon and Robert Sherman Boyd.

Jones was the widow of James A. Jones, pastor of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, N.C., from 1939 to 1954 and president of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond from 1954 to 1966. Jones was named Richmond's Christmas Mother in 1958.

Active in The Red Cross and the Richmond Symphony Council, she was a member of the Board of Collegiate Schools in Richmond and the Friends of Davidson College in North Carolina. Jones served as president of the Women's Council of Sheltering Arms Hospital in Richmond, The Woman's Club, The Junior League and the Boxwood Club.

Survivors include her sister, AnnaBelle Boyd Sugg of Greenville, N.C.; five children, Mary Jones Helm '57 of Richmond, James Archibald Jones III of Orange, Va., Robert Boyd Jones and his wife, Agnes Scott Trustee Rebecca B. Jones '63, of Wilmington, N.C., columnist and writer Ina Jones Hughs '63 of Louisville, Tenn., and Anne Jones Logan and her husband, Mark, of Charlottesville, Va.; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

-Wendy Cromwell

#### FRANCES PAULEY '27 CHAMPIONED CIVIL RIGHTS

Frances Freeborn Pauley '27, an activist who devoted most of her 97 years to championing civil rights and social justice, died Feb. 16 in Lancaster, Pa.

"She was an amazing woman and a model for women doing authentic social change in the world," said Tina Pippin, professor of religious studies.

A white woman who grew up in the segregated South, Pauley was a skilled community and political organizer. During her career, she developed a friendship with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King

During the Civil Rights Movement, she met with former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt and several Georgia governors. A president of Georgia's League of Women Voters, Pauley was involved heavily in efforts to educate politicians and the public about the origins and nature of poverty.

Kathryn L. Nasstrom, a professor of history at the University of San Francisco, wrote a book about Pauley's life titled Everybody's Grandmother and Nobody's Fool: Frances Freeborn Pauley and the Struggle for Social Justice (2000). In a recent Atlanta Journal-Constitution article, Nasstrom said Pauley's activism began in the 1930s during the Depression and continued into the early 1990s, when she worked for the homeless, gay rights, AIDS and social justice.

"Pauley's experiences serve as a window on the lives of all those women and men who, town by town and state by state, made momentous change not only possible but also inescapable," according to the Amazon.com description of Everybody's Grandmother....

In 1954, Pauley fought to keep Georgia's public schools open after the historic U.S. Supreme Court Ruling in Brown v. Topeka Board of Education. She set up a program that provided school lunches for poor children before a federal program was devised. She also helped people pay heating bills by initiating the H.E.A.T. program with Atlanta Gas Light Co., something for which she was nominated for a national award.

Pauley had a gift for presenting the profound in plain language.

"People are born into a certain way of living," she said in a passage from Nasstrom's book. "It takes a jolt to get out of it. It doesn't really mean that they're all that mean and bad, but it takes a jolt to make them see that maybe they could make a change."

—Kristin Kallaber '04

in declining health. She was the widow of James A. Jones (affectionately known as Jas A.), who was an outstanding and well-known Presbyterian minister. She is survived by her two daughters Mary Jones Helm '57 and Ina J. Hughs '63.

• Annual Fund participation through April: 48%

SECRETARY
Betty Lou Houck Smith
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The secretary has only had one communication from the class: Carolyn Gregory writes she celebrated another birthday in July, but did not divulge the number. She says, "Now that I'm reaching advanced middle age, perhaps I'd best start exercising to prepare for the onset of old age." Her son, Bruce, continues to be most attentive and caring.

Betty Lou Houck Smith "keeps on keeping on." She celebrated her 89th birthday in April 2002. Betty Lou's second daughter, Jo Allison Smith Brown '62, is living with her until Jo Allison settles in Atlanta, after having taught in Wyoming for six years. Betty Lou or "Lou," as she is called by her children and grandchildren, is actively involved in the Devereux Center in Georgia, a rehabilitation center for at risk teenagers.

The class secretary finds it difficult to report class news when there is such an abysmal dearth of same. So, how about the class taking a few minutes and giving the secretary a run-down on "their life and times?" May the year 2003 be very good to all!

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 51%

SECRETARY Mildred E. Clark Sargent 1019 Stillbrook Road Pensacola, Fla. 32514-1629

Shirley Christian Ledgerwood regrets turning down invitations to talk about her novel, *Thy Brother's Blood*, because of continuing pain with post-herpetic neuralgia. The best way to buy this powerful, poetic, suspense-filled story is to call the publisher, 1st Books, at 888 280-7715. Shirley and 90-year-old John keep enjoying their Palo Alto home of 50+

Margaret Cooper Williams says time is taken up with what she calls "maintenance work:" tests, MRIs, X-rays, etc. She is grateful "nothing alarming has been uncovered or discovered."

Sara Cureton Prowell's son, David, wrote small strokes have left Sara deaf, unable to speak and unaware of her surroundings. Unfortunately, Sara's doctors have given her no hope of recovering.

Lita Goss Conrad has recovered enough from hip surgery to walk without a cane inside but uses a walker outside for security. Her and Bill's grandchildren continue to uphold the family scholastic records by making all As and A+s on their report cards.

Helen Handte Morse, well enough to attend a granddaughter's wedding in Alaska, celebrated two Christmases with son, veterinarian Peter Morse and family in Napa, Calif., and with daughter Joan and family in Palisades Park, Calif. Her granddaughters and

Heyman Germain, of Charleston, S.C., whose daughter writes, "Mama passed away May 8, 2002. She still lived in her own home with help. She would have been 92 on July 4."

Chopin Hudson Hankins is an inspiration. A newsy letter from her at Christmas states she is playing tennis, sailing her yacht and visiting her children and grandchildren.

A card from Sara L. Bullock says she lives in a pleasant home as an independent, where there are three younger Agnes Scott alumnae, and that her health is "pretty good."

It was great to hear from Kitty Reid Carson, of Wilton, Conn., who is legally blind and uses a walker to get about, but lives in a lovely place not too far from her two sons and their families.

The secretary, Helen Friedman

Blackshear, hopes other classmates will write. She is active, writing poetry and playing lots of bridge. She visited a friend in lovely Barrie, Ontario, last summer and went to San Francisco to the National Penwomen Convention. She traveled to Baltimore for an Elderhostel in March.

#### DEATHS

• Clara "Knoxi" Nunnally Williamson, Dec. 2.

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SECRETARY Letitia Rockmore Nash St. Anne's Terrace No. 302 3100 Northside Parkway NW

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The class mourns the loss of Mary Boyd Jones, who had been

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their husbands are "in computers." After one granddaughter and husband moved from Helen's long-time home in Menlo Park, Calif., Helen rented it to the real estate agent who wanted it himself and promised to take good care of it. Helen likes the retirement community at Aegis of Napa and takes part in many activities.

Frances James Donohue is glad she is able to live alone in her home and to drive her lively 14year-old grandson to school each morning. She reads a lot and especially enjoys the telephone.

Miriam Talmage Vann's stroke on Jan. 3 sent her to the hospital by ambulance, with rehabilitation until Feb. 5. Walker, wheelchair and assistance from her daughter and her sister, Mabel B. Talmage '34, have kept her going. Macular degeneration damaged her eyesight, but she still writes good letters

Susan "Rebecca" Whitley Nunan's third great-grandchild, a boy, was born in February. Rebecca is happy living with her son, David, and daughter-in-law in Marietta, Ga., even though she misses the tall trees around their half a century home on Clifton Road, Atlanta.

Mildred Clark Sargent was inspired by books sent to her by Winifred Kellersberger Vass: Dr. Not Unafraid, a biography of her father, E. R. Kellersberger, M.D., written by Winifred; Thirty-One Banana Leaves, vignettes of Africa, by Winifred; The African Heritage of American English, by Winifred and Joseph E. Holloway; and The Lapsley Saga, a thrilling true account, by Winifred and her husband, Lachlan C. Vass III.

#### **DEATHS**

• Mary Walker Fox, April 16.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: 47%

SECRETARY Fannie B. Harris Jones 600 Miller St. Dalton, Ga. 30720-8164

Rachel Kennedy Lowthian is one of several classmates who would like more news from classmates, but the secretary is dependent on members to write. Rachel has missed the golf course for the last year, but hopes her femur is healed and strong enough to allow her to resume the game she likes so much.

Lucile Barnett Mirman and Jere have left Akron, Ohio, for warmer weather in Longboat Key, Fla., permanently, and hope friends will find their phone listing and come

Mary Erneste Perry Houston agreed at the 65th reunion to serve as our vice president, but a stroke may make that impossible, though she reports she is improving and hopes to see classmates

During her two decades of teaching in Cherokee County High School, Catharine "Kitty" Jones Malone was named Teacher of the Year one year, and she shared children and grandchildren with classmate Isabel McCain Brown. Family and friends mourned her death on Nov. 12, and classmates are glad she could

attend the 65th reunion.

The secretary continues to serve as life associate on the hospital foundation and active trustee on the Community Foundation of Northwest Georgia, but has rotated off the Dalton State College Foundation.

The secretary has heard from

Frances Wilson Hurst. She has moved to a new permanent address in Oakland, Calif. Please contact the Office of Alumnae Relations for her new address.

Mary Evelyn Wall Robbins lives in a retirement home in Lawrenceville, Ga., and welcomes phone calls from Agnes Scott alums. Please call the Office of Alumnae Relations for her number.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 50%

SECRETARY
Jane Guthrie Rhodes
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Plans for the great 65th reunion went well. Joyce Roper McKey and Elsie West Duval are the main stem-winders, getting up a booklet of individuals' memories, one page each. Hope all were included!

Anne Thompson Rose writes after it is all over, "If you weren't there, we missed you!" She hopes everyone will have a good summer. The highlight of her summer will be a week in July at Virginia Beach with her family. She reminds classmates to write about their summers in September!

For the reunion dinner, Bertha "Bee" Merrill Holt chose the elegant but not too high-priced French restaurant, Le Giverny, in Emory. Bee still remembers the great two weeks' vacation she and her daughter and son, Harriet Whitley and Jefferson, along with husband, Clary, had in Barbados in January. Clary is recovering from cancer of the esophagus, and Bee has been busy in politics as a State (N.C.) Democratic Executive Committee member.

Mildred Davis Harding writes husband, Robert, is doing well. Mildred has joined a fitness club, but the exercise turned out to be "boring" and the background music so "painful" she may disjoin Although television threatens to defeat her reading of books, she resists by reading something like H. Bloom's Geniuses as well as mystery novels. She also attends the St. Petersburg Writers' Club and the Theosophical Society. She signs anti-war leftist petitions, joins demonstrations and tries to cultivate a "long view and the philosophic mind.

Gwendolyn McKee Bays' new move to Hilton Head Island leaves her stranded for the reunion, but she is hoping and ready for a ride. After her husband's death in April 2002 of colon cancer, Gwen sold her house in Atlanta. Please contact the Office of Alumnae Relations for her address and telephone number.

Elizabeth Warden Marshall has been tapped as the new fund chair since Nell Allison Sheldon had to resign. Nell has a new address in Oklahoma, where she went to live near her daughter. The alumnae office has her new address. Nell says to write her, please. She plans to join her daughter's Presbyterian church in Oklahoma City where Nell's husband, Charlie, once preached. Elizabeth also has a new address available from the Office of Alumnae Relations.

Myrl Chafin Hansard planned to attend the reunion. She wants everyone to know she is not jumping up and down on trampolines anymore.

Jane Guthrie Rhodes' latest play at her church, Decatur Presbyterian, was a great success, involving a cast of 60 including a Ghanna Ewe Choir that sang "As the Saints Go Marching In."
Their pastor was given a preview of heaven in their Fellowship Hall, complete with gold streets, gilded trees and angels playing harps and a rock youth band.

#### DEATHS

- Rolin Adair Little, Dec. 4,
- Alice B. Reins Boyd, Feb. 14.Martha Brown Miller, Feb. 19.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 57%

SECRETARY Elinor Tyler Richardson 516 Azalea Lane Florence, S.C. 29501-5718

Mary Hollingsworth Hatfield is so faithful. She wrote to say "thank you" for the secretary's feeble efforts in trying to get some news together. Also, she has eight grandchildren, seven greats (all boys) and said she "could brag, but will spare everyone."

Mamie Lee Ratliff Finger, another faithful, said she has a new friend, Frances Starnes Ransmeier, also a 1939 girl, who attended Agnes Scott for two years as a day student and then moved to Emory Nursing School. Mamie Lee said they didn't know each other then, but are making up for lost time. Frances and her husband, John Ransmeier, live next door to the Fingers. Mamie Lee and husband Ellis celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at Lake Junaluska with all the children and grandchildren there. Then a granddaughter was married in Raleigh, another family gathering. Mamie Lee says their decision to move to Givens, a retirement community, was a perfect one!

Lou Pate Jones wrote at Christmas and was wondering if the reason the secretary does not hear from many classmates is because they have no news. That may be part of the answer, but the secretary doesn't think that is all. At this late date, she certainly can't change how classmates feel about one another. Lou keeps busy volunteering for the library, Eucharist services, the health center in their retirement center and working on scholarships for a group. Lou and Jeff are happy they moved to Trezemont Manor when they did. It is a continuing care facility that provides independent living apartments and cottages as well as assisted living and health-care areas. Lou sent news that classmate Marie Merritt Rolling's daughter, Ginger Rollins Hopkins, directed the vocal part of the Theatre Memphis production of 42nd Street. She said it was great and they enjoyed it. It is indeed a small world. Lou learned that the teller at the bank branch at Irezemont where she doe business also knows Mamie Lee and Ellis Finger. Ellis performed the marriage ceremony for Millie and her husband. Mamie Lee's and Millie's mothers were the two redheads in Clarksdale, Miss., and are still good friends.

Eleanor Hall keeps in touch with Virginia "Jenny" Kyle and seems to be okay except for poor vision. She misses being able to sew, play the piano, etc. She feels great, and that is something to be pleased about! All of her sister's children and grandchildren were with her on Dec. 27.

Virginia "Jenny" Kyle Dean also wrote at Christmas. She says she has nothing much to report, just day-to-day living, but at 85 she is certainly grateful to be able to handle that. Jenny does stay busy at church with parties, programs and music. She sang a solo in church one Sunday in December. She doesn't sing solos often, but remains a member of the choir.

The secretary's thanks and sympathy to Jeanne Redwine Rountree. Jeanne wrote the secretary that her husband, Wilbur Dekle Rountree, died on August 12. Jeanne says for her "life goes on." She is in reasonably good health. She has taken no trips out of the United States, but in the fall and spring she enjoyed two weeks on Amelia Island, Fla. She had a house there for many years but sold it in 2000. She says her daughter and three grandchildren live near her home and are very thoughtful and dear. Again, Jeanne, the class appreciates keeping all informed.

Class President Sarah Cunningham Carpenter wrote and brought up the question of a class reunion next year. The secretary will not be able to go and certainly regrets this. Sarah was at Alumnae Weekend 2002. Perhaps she got some information that will help the class make a decision. The secretary has voiced opinions about the reunion to Sarah by telephone. Sarah also enclosed a clipping concerning the death of Raymund Read Callaway, husband of Helen Simpson Callaway, on Feb. 12. He was a member of "The Greatest Generation," as we have come to think of those who served in some capacity during World War II. They had been married 60 years. The class sends Helen love and sympathy in this great loss.

To the family of Helen Kirkpatrick Carmack, the class sends love and sympathy as well. Helen died on Oct. 4, 2002.

The College also received news of the death of Edward L. Scanling, husband of Dixie Wooford Scanling. The class extends love and sympathy to Dixie in her loss.

The secretary asks that the class continue to send news.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 56%

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Grace Elizabeth Anderson Cooper reports her first grandchild, David Maddux, married his Davidson College classmate in an "ultimate" 11-bridesmaids' ceremony in Richmond, Va., on Dec. 28. David is the son of Grace's daughter, Martha Cooper Maddux '69. Grace and three of her "bridge buddies" enjoyed a "jazz tour on the Mississippi Queen." The music was from the '40s and '50s.

In January, Mary "Mef" Francis Ault spent three weeks with a Global Volunteer group in Ghana, West Africa, where she taught English in primary schools. This is the eighth trip Mef has taken with Global Volunteers. She's been to Poland, China and India twice and to Romania and Ghana.

Harriet "Hat" Stimson Davis fell in December—no broken bones but her already abused head needed three stitches. This seemed all that was needed, but she "didn't do anything special for the holidays."

Ernestine Cass Dickerson and Ralph spent four weeks in Kentucky while Ralph's daughter, Sandra Dickerson Lema '59, was hospitalized with cancer surgery. After discharge from the hospital, she returned with Ernestine and Ralph to Clayton, Ga., where she stayed several months. During that time, they enjoyed visits from many family members. Ernestine and Ralph attended two swearingin ceremonies for their son-in-law, Buddy Nix, when he was installed as head of Georgia's Pardons and Paroles Board.

Polly Heaslett Hastings has improving health and was able to enjoy skiing in Door County, Wis. Sadly her dear sister, Susan, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Mary Lang Gill Olson is delighted two classmates have moved near her. Frances Abbot Burns and Marjorie "Margie" Boggs Lovelace (with husband Charlie) have moved into retirement centers in Due West and Clemson, S.C. Mary Lang and her daughter, Mary Lang Olson Edwards '66, and grandson had a long weekend in Paris, where she was able to make telephone contact with Therese Poumaillou Gaudriault '38. The Alumnae Directory has Theresa listed as a member of the class of '38 but many considered her our classmate. Therese's husband, Raymond, was very ill in the hospital. In January, Mary Lang went with her church's medical mission to Haiti. She said, "Miss Hale smiled in heaven because I remembered more French than I thought possible.

#### **DEATHS**

• Mildred Joseph Colyer, date unknown.

 The Rev. Alex McCutchen, husband of Peggy Stixrud McCutchen, Jan. 4.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 38%

SECRETARY
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In the spring issue of Main Events, Elizabeth "Betty" Waitt White-Hemmick was inadvertently described as an 18-year-old in Class News. White-Hemmick is a remarkable 81-year-old.

Anita Howard Perry gave two copies of her fictionalized autobiography *It Is Within You*! to the Alumnae House library of books by alumnae. Anita published the story of "her search for God and the abundant life" in 2002.

Lucile Gaines MacLennan continues to maintain her large backyard garden at her home in the Crescent in Charleston, S.C. Her garden was featured in her local church bulletin with two pages of pictures. "After entering the garden through an inviting gate, you encounter a large green yard with views of her patio, many potted flowers and a lovely arch along the fence. But hidden from your immediate view are a series of twists and turns that lead to private garden rooms and vignettes. At the back of her yard, she has designed an entrance that gives the feeling of entering a dense woodland," reports her church bulletin.

#### DEATHS

• Wilford Dixon Kerby Jr., husband of Martha Dunn Kerby, Jan. 18 • William Harrison Smith Jr., husband of Helen Hardie Smith,

 Annual Fund participation through April: 48%

SECRETARY Frances Tucker Johnson 224 Carol Woods Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514-1467 edandfranj@botmail.com

#### **DEATHS**

• Betty Medlock Lackey Clark,

 Annual Fund participation through April: 63%

SECRETARY Mardia Hopper Brown 221 Mount Vernon Drive Decatur, Ga. 30030-4539 gtbrownsr@aol.com

Margaret Shaw Allred lives in a condo overlooking beautiful Pensacola Bay. From her balcony, she is near enough to the Air Naval Base to watch the Blue Angels practice every Tuesday.

Betty Brougher Campbell lives on wonderful Lake Martin, Ala., the second longest man-made lake in the United States. She has five children, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She is planning a trip to Europe in May.

Betty Pegram Sessoms reports 2002 was good to her family as they were all well and active. She and husband, Faison, spent one week in Venice in September and then took one daughter and a daughter-in-law to Prague and Vienna in November. She writes, "We love living in Chapel Hill, N.C., with a granddaughter from Marietta, Ga., who is a freshman. This February we returned to Houston, Texas, with the Ackland Art Guild to view the impressionist exhibit from the Pushkin Museum in Moscow

The class's 60th reunion news will be reported in fall issue of Main Events.

#### **DEATHS**

• Martha Ann Smith Roberts,

· Annual Fund participation through April: 52%

SECRETARY Martha Ray Lasseter Storey 118 Starline Drive Spartanburg, S.C. 29307 wasmrl@msn.com

The Rev. Agnes Douglas Kuentzel spent Christmas in Burlington, Vt., with her son, Walter, and his family. Her son, John, teaches seminary students at Teachers' College in New York City. Third son Craig is in Madison, Wis. Their families also oined in the celebration in Vermont.

Aurie Montgomery Miller sent a beautiful snowy picture of her home in Black Mountain, N.C. Somehow they were spared the terrible ice storm that hit most of North Carolina and all of upper South Carolina in early December. More than 2,000,000 customers were out of power for four days or more in bitter cold temperatures. The secretary had no power for five days but was lucky to have both son Wally and daughter Susan in Greenville with warm homes so she could take refuge there. This was the worst disaster in history for

#### **NEW CLASS NEWS GUIDELINES**

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When reporting births, deaths and advanced degrees, include as much detailed information as possible. In all cases, exact dates and full names

Report weddings and other planned events (vacations, visits with alumnae and friends) only after the fact.

Agnes Scott has nearly 10,000 living alumnae. We want to keep in touch with all of you and keep you in touch with one other. Contact your class secretary with your news today.

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SECRETARY

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Joyce "Joo Froo" Freeman Marting writes she has "often reflected that 1945 was the consummate World War II class. Pearl Harbor occurred freshman year, and the war ended the year of graduation. When war was declared, daughters of three generals were in the ASC student body, two of them in the class of 45. Severe winter weather and a persistent virus provided time to take a look at that war again. So much is now available on videos. Freedom from censorship and a more balanced assessment give an enlightened perspective. A fascinating experience!

A note from Dorothy "Dotty" Hahn Prunhuber said she was on her way to Cuba on an Elderhostel ecological trip!

Molly Inserni's Jaime suffered a severe stroke Jan. 13 and is in rehab. Molly reports she is revamping their home to ready it for his homecoming

Ceevah Rosenthal Blatman sends "apologies for [her] long silence. A really difficult series of events are responsible. [She] returned to Hanover, N.H. (five years later than planned) and still couldn't bear to leave beloved Lynchburg. The move was a nightmare (moving van malprac tice!) followed by shingles, diagnosed four days before son Bobby's splendid wedding, which was followed by facial post-herpetic neuralgia and then brother Macey's death." Classmates should "remember him. He courted Mary Cumming and won the men's beauty contest. The rest of the news is good. Hanover is wonderful, enriched so greatly by Dartmouth." Ceevah is "only two plus/minus miles from all three children and their families. It is beautiful with two feet of snow on the ground. I look out on a winter fairyland as I write." Ceevah says, "Please, ALL come to visit."

• Dorothy Rounelle Martin,

· Annual Fund participation through April: 53%

SECRETARY Anne B. Register Jones 2031 Golf View Drive NW Atlanta, Ga. 30309-1209 arjones@mymailstation.com

Ruth Ryner Lay fell in

November and broke her femur and hip—where else but on the tennis court doing what she loves—teaching. After months of therapy, she is now driving! Although she doesn't get on the court, she is giving instructions from the sidelines.

Jane Oatley Hynds and Joe have moved to Hot Springs, Ark. Contact the Office of Alumnae Relations for their new information

Elizabeth Horn Johnson's son, Eric, and his family live in Tokyo. "E Horn" wrote it is difficult communicating. In anticipation of going for a visit, she is trying to learn enough Japanese to say, "I don't understand," which in itself isn't easy, she says

Betty Robinson "Robin" Hilliard enjoys her weekly mah jong games. She is considering asking her grandson to teach her enough about computers to have an e-mail address, except she prefers letters to e-mail.

Last fall a group including Victoria "Vicky" Alexander Sharp, Martha Johnson "Scottie" Haley and Mary Price Coulling '49 had lunch together in Lexington, Va., with Agnes Scott staff member Maura Boylon.

Maud Van Dyke Jennings' grandson, Paul Black, son of Edith Jennings Black '71, graduated from Princeton University in June 2002 with honors in history Maud says it was a wonderful weekend.

Lura Johnson Watkins had a theater trip to New York last fall with her daughter and some of her friends. They saw four plays in four days and "ate their way up restaurant row." Lura's son, Chip, has been elected a judge in the family court in a county near Huntington, W.Va.

Mary Russell Mitchell attended her 60th high school reunion in November. She was pleased so many of her classmates were able to attend but wondered where all the gray hair and wrinkles came from.

Nita Hewell Long has four great-grandchildren, two girls and two boys.

Edwina Bell Davis has self-published a book, Eight Houses and a Building In or Near Greensboro, Georgia 2002, and Samuel Davis' Descendants, First and Second Generations. Edwina is Samuel Davis' great-granddaughter and has given a copy to McCain Library

Elise "Lisa" Martin Marshall Simkins died on Nov. 9. Sally Sue Stephenson Marshall, Lisa's sisterin-law, wrote Lisa was buried in the Martin plot of the Bostick Cemetery in Garnett, S.C.

Barbara Allison LaLand died on Nov. 30.

The Verdery Center named for Eleanor Reynolds Verdery's late husband, Gus, celebrated its 50th anniversary at a dinner in November at the Decatur First

Baptist Church. As one of the program participants, Eleanor reminisced about their ministry. Gus was the first chaplain at Georgia Baptist Hospital and later established a clinical pastoral education program. Today, the center has expanded to include chaplaincy, pastoral education and pastoral counseling, plus a number of healthcare ministries. It operates under the Georgia Baptist Healthcare System.

Please continue to send news.

· Annual Fund participation through April: **45%** 

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Mary Ann "Mac" Craig Link says she doesn't like to write letters with her poor handwriting. She tells the story of nearly failing Spanish when Miss Cilley called her in and said, "Miss Craig, I have difficulty reading your papers, especially the a's and the o's." Mac planned it that way because she never knew which way the Spanish words ended. Miss Cilley then excused her by saying, "I know you grew up in China and making the Chinese characters has influenced your writing." Mac just smiled and nodded, and passed Spanish. Mac says she seated a mind-boggling 32 for Thanksgiving. She also claims she welcomes any of us passing her neck of the woods—Holden Beach, N.C. If she can seat 32 for Thanksgiving, she ought to be able to stand several hundred of us for a class reunion.

Marjorie Harris Melville has exciting news: "Wedding bells will ring when Dick Robert Markwell and I are married this spring. Marjorie is the senior warden of St. Paul Episcopal Church in San Antonio, Texas, and says she loves every minute of being as busy as a

bird dog.

Lunching at the College when the \$36.5 million science building opened for visitors was Louise Hoyt Minor. She was amazed at the designing of specific rooms: some for small research labs, some for groups, some for individual study and research. She noted especially the atrium with a three story DNA double helix taken from a direct descendant of Agnes Irvine Scott.

Dale Bennett Pedrick attended 'Much Ado About Books" in Jacksonville and met Marybeth Little Lobdell '48 whose daughter, Carol Weston, author of delightful children's books, was on a panel for "Much Ado. Marybeth and husband Leighton have joined Vicker's Landing, a retirement village in Pointe Vedra Beach, Fla. Marybeth is feature editor of the residential newsletter and says Agnes Scott is also represented there by Elizabeth "Betty" Bacon Skinner '44 and Virginia Hill Thurman '39. Margaret Kinard Latimer and

Paul retired from teaching at Auburn University in '92 and have traveled the world. Most memorable? "1. Up the coast of Norway to the North Cape. 2. Safari in Kenya and Tanzania. 3. Cruise to the Antarctic with breathtaking ice scenery and multitudes of penguins.

Marianne "Sissy" Jeffries Williams, Phyllis "Anne" Eidson Owen and Eleanor "Sweetie" Calley Cross were roommates at Agnes Scott for three years. They're still bonded. Sweetie

came through Thomasville, Ga., on the way to The Mystery Ball in Valdosta, Ga., and was given a lunch by Anne's sister. Anne came to visit her sister, and Sissy gave Anne a lunch. Along with the primary "ladies who lunch" was a supporting cast of Leila Burke Holmes '45, Margaret "Bobbie" Powell Flowers '44 and Celetta "Lella" Powell Jones '46.

Authoritative sources report

Sweetie had it in her marriage contract that she goes to The Mystery Ball every year. For those who would like this clause in their next marriage contract, The Mystery Ball was begun by women about 60 years ago, is always masked and costumed and has a theme. This year's theme: the '60s flower children. The women wore long blond wigs bright masks and flowered pants. They parade out together and find their intendeds—most often a husband—because the men would never find the right lady under the bright masks, long blond hair and flowered pants.

Anne says Sissy's luncheons are terrific, and during long-distance chatting, Anne came up with this: "It's not age. It's the damn maintenance that's so time consuming.' Friends say, "Anne is a hoot!"

Frances "Glassell" Beale Smalley says that Kathryn "Kagie' Johnson sent her some of the book Kagie's writing on her career in journalism. When confronted with this serious neglect of the rest of the class, Kagie agreed to share with us in the fall '03 class news some of her adventures.

#### **DEATHS**

• Florence "Fluff" Paisley Williams died April 16.

· Annual Fund participation through April: 68%

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From Mildred "Millie" Jones Colvin comes news of a special celebration: "My children gave me a wonderful 75th birthday party in April. Nearly 400 family and friends came, and I loved every minute of it! George and I cruised from Budapest to Amsterdam for 16 days in the summer. School is still busy and fun.

River cruises are popular among classmates! Helen Goldman Alperin and Joe enjoyed a river cruise in France. She sent regrets for missing the class reunion but instead attended the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter in Princeton, N.J.

Adele Dieckmann McKee cochaired the planning committee for the 2003 Sacred Arts Festival of the Decatur Presbyterian Church. The program for Feb. 8 listed a film showing of The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe, with discussion afterward led by Dabney Adams Hart. Another Agnes Scott connection was the printing of the "New Hymn for the Festival of Sacred Arts," by Elizabeth "Betty" Glenn Stow 45.

In the middle of planning the 55th anniversary weekend. Dabney Adams Hart traveled to San Antonio, Texas, where she made four presentations on C.S. Lewis at the University Presbyterian Church. The Church is pastored by the Rev. Lib McGregor Simmons '74, who held a luncheon for area alums to meet Dabney.

#### DEATHS

- Harry Agee Hackworth, husband of Flora Bryant Hackworth,
- Martha Ann Cook Sanders, Feb. 27.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **58%** 

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Artist Miriam "Mimi" Arnold DeHority writes, "I am aware of how hard I worked to obtain knowledge at my interests after Agnes Scott, now offered so abundantly." Mimi was founding president of the members guild at the High Museum and a member of the Atlanta Arts Alliance and has had solo and group art shows through the years, with many art awards.

Nancy Francisco Barbour accompanied her husband to Central Asia for a couple of months last summer, in Kazakhstan, Kygyzstan and Uzbekistan, the "world of Alexander, Genghis Khan and Tamerlane, who are still very much part of the people's lives—fabulous!"

Frances "Robby" Robeson Amsler is coping with a chronic blood disorder. There is no cure, Robby writes, but so far she is doing all right. Her daughters live in Texas and Arizona, and son Rob is closer by in northern Virginia.

Classmates are grateful to learn Reese Newton Smith is much better this year after undergoing chemotherapy last year. She reports a happy winter visit with Sally Ellis Mitchell and her husband.

Mary "Maic" Aichel Samford and Chuck took a trip in December to the Falkland Islands, Argentina and Antarctica. She writes, "We've now touched all seven continents, and our travel budget is exhausted."

In October, Billie "Rita" Adams Simpson attended an Elderhostel in New York, studying the city's ethnic groups. She comments, "At every turn we felt and saw reminders of 9/11."

Betty Baker Prior, her husband, Frank, their five grown children and their nine grandchildren attended in February the dedication of the Woolford B. Baker Atrium in Agnes Scott's new science building, named for Betty's father and given by her nephew, Trustee Joseph R. Gladden Jr., and his wife, Sally.

Virginia "Ginny" Skinner Jones and Mac, active with tennis and the computer at their homes in Jacksonville and in North Carolina, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February.

Eugenia "Gene" Akin Martin reports in spite of her arthritis, she is getting along pretty well, thanks to "a beautiful walker that takes [her] to church and swimming."

Last summer Dorothy "Dot"
Quillian Reeves and Harrison
took a tour of Normandy. Among
the fellow travelers was classmate
Margaret Brewer Henry.

Willene Tarry Braun writes because of poor health, she and her husband, Ted, have had to sell their RV and give up extensive

Nancy Parks Donnan and husband Bob have sold their house in Beaufort, N.C., but will continue to live in it as renters while they ponder their next step.

Mary Frances "Miff" Jones

Woolsey continues her adventuring with a family trip to Alaska last summer that included a fiveday rafting trip on the Yukon River, "with four rafts, 15 people, no hotels, no grocery stores. On the summer solstice [they] had 19 hours of sunlight."

Mary "Butch" Hays Babcock writes her son, Calvin, has started a school which he named the "Mary Babcock Ecole" in a rural town in Haiti, for teaching French to Haitian children and adult literacy in Creole. He has also had a well dug for the people who had no water or electricity.

Marie Cuthbertson Faulkner and husband Ed stay much of their time in Greensboro, N.C., with occasional trips to their house at Grandfather Mountain.

A Christmas message from Olive "Ibby" Wilkinson Turnipseed and Lonnie tells of a recent trip to Mexico, as well as their plans to move to Dock Woods Retirement community in late spring. The facility is near their present home in Landsdale, Pa.

#### DEATHS

- Charles Brown Watkins, husband of Jane Efurd Watkins, Jan.
- William J. Ashendorf, husband of Betty Whitaker Ashendorf, Sept. 7.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 44%

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Marjorie Major Franklin and husband Ted have moved back to their house in Lane, Chattanooga, Tenn., after having lived at Lake Chickamauga for 10 years.

#### DEATHS

- Michael C. Carlos, husband of Thalia Noras Carlos, Dec. 14.
- Charles Stewart Henagan Jr., husband of Dorothy Floyd Henagan, Jan. 25.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **46%** 

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Nancy Lu Hudson Irvine, husband John and their three children and families gathered in southern California in March for their first family reunion away from the parental home. Son Dave and his wife, Jamie, played hosts to the clan at their Carlsbad, Calif. home. There were seven adults, two teen-agers, plus three young children—a tight squeeze—but they all enjoyed one another and the attractions of the San Diego area. John and Nancy Lu traveled from their home in Harrisonburg, Va., while Carol and her sons, Dan and Rick, came from Bartlesville, Okla., and son Jed and his wife, Laurie, came from Corvallis, Ore., with their 18month-old son, Forrest. Carol's husband, Bill, was unable to make the trip. Rounding up the group were Dave and Jamie's children, 3year-old Zachary and 2-year-old Faith, whom they adopted in Moscow in August 2001. Nancy

Lu says, "In our present situations, three out of the four families have to fly each time we get together!"

Ken and Amy Jones McGreevy had several interesting trips in 2002. They celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary in February with a first-time trip to Bermuda (no word yet on their 48th this year). An unplanned and memorable trip occurred in September, when they took their first river cruise from Amsterdam to Vienna on the Rhine, Main and Danube rivers. They began with the Floriade flower exhibitions, held once every 10 years in Amsterdam, and concluded with a Mozart/Strauss concert in a Vienna palace and the Vienna Boys Choir in the King's Chapel at the Imperial Hapsburg Palace. They also took their annual spring and fall fortnight time-share forays to the North Carolina mountains, plus a week at the Isle of Palms in the beach house owned by son Brian and his wife, Jane. Congratulations to class presi-

dent Mary Caroline "M. C Lindsay on her award as Agnes Scott's Outstanding Alumna for Service to the Community, an honor celebrated at a special luncheon on Alumnae Weekend. M.C. serves on the Atlanta Presbytery Peacemaking Committee and has been its chair in the past. In 2002, that committee named her "Peacemaker of the Year." She is serving her third term on the Central Presbyterian Church Session, chairing the Mission Council each time. She has traveled on two Central mission trips-to Ireland and to the Middle East. On the civic front, she has served on the Board of the Atlanta League of Women Voters in several different capacities. She was a docent at the Carter Center for seven years. She serves as secretary of the Atlanta Retired Teachers Association and as coordinator of pages for Kathy Ashe 68 at the Georgia General Assembly. Her service to the College includes serving on the Alumnae Board and working on Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. She has mentored classes' planning reunions and is working to expand the activities of the Anna Young Club, an organization for alumnae of 50 or more years.

Martha Ann Stegar highly recommends the "Maya and More" Elderhostel study tour to Honduras, Guatemala and Belize she and husband Yalcin Peker took in February. Highlights included the ruins at Copan, Tikal and Xunantunich and the beautiful colonial city of Antigua.

#### DEATHS

• Glenn Leonard, husband of Betty Hollifield Leonard, Feb. 10.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **41%** 

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Just prior to Thanksgiving,
Jackie Simmons Gow discovered
she had a leaking heart valve. The
secretary is happy to say Jackie
had surgery. The problem was
corrected, and she is doing fine. In
October, she and Billy celebrated
their 50th wedding anniversary.
They took an American Orient
Express train trip through New
England and Canada and were
completely delighted at all the
beautiful places they saw.

Clairelis Eaton Baxter reported

Muriel Gear Hart and Mac celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August. Their daughter, Liz, is teaching at the University of Connecticut, and her parents were on hand to help her get settled in her new home.

Barbara Brown Page and Catherine Crowe Ragland worked as tour guides at the United Nations following graduation from Agnes Scott. They returned to New York for a 50year reunion at the U. N. on Nov. 6. Barbara wrote that they "enjoyed a gala reception in the U.N. lobby, a talk just for us from the secretary general, a bodacious buffet in the delegates' dining room and a tour (for old times sake)." Many photos were taken, including the reunion group at the big green marble speaker's podium in the General Assembly Hall. Catherine's daughter, Janet, lives in Brooklyn about a block from the U.N., so she played host to Catherine and Bill Ragland and Barbara, which was an added treat, especially considering the New York prices.

Barbara also reported on another trip she took with a Columbus friend, Sue Blackmar Smith, mother of Susan Smith Perry '77. They visited Lorna Wiggins in Auburn, Ala. Lorna treated them to lunch at the Conference Center at the Robert Trent Jones golf course at Opelika. Barbara's description of Lorna's home and yard sounds as if it is a beautiful and gracious place to live. The trio reminisced about a trip to Europe in 1951. Lorna insisted on driving a Volkswagen through the Alps "because she had experience driving in mountains" around Birmingham. Barbara is proud of her new step-great granddaughter, thanks to son Wright Waddell and wife Katherine. Marguerite Helen Brooks was born Feb. 25, to Wright's stepdaughter Helen and husband Will Brooks.

One of the joys of living in the Atlanta area is the proximity to the College. In November, the class of 1952 was well represented at the Anna Young Club luncheon and program. The Sotto Voce group singing holiday songs entertained. Classmates in attendance were Clairelis Eaton Baxter, Adelaide Ryall Beall, Mary McDonald Brittain, Edna Furbish Conarro, Charlotte Allsmiller Crosland, Ann Herman Dunwody, Winnie Strozier Hoover, Carolyn Holliday Manley, Barbara Brown Page, Shirley Heath Roberts, Marie Underwood Schulherr and Patricia Cortelyou Winship.

Martha "Tibby" H. King notified the secretary of the death of her husband, Wes, on Jan. 20. Wes had been ill for an extended period of time. Tibby said he was a native Georgian and his grandfather had fought in the Battle of Atlanta during the Civil War. The class's sympathy goes out to Tibby. She further reported Frances Vandiver Puckett is the treasurer of the local Colonial Dames chapter.

The class's sympathy also goes to Sarah "Emy" Evans Blair on the death of her brother, Bill M. Evans, on Dec. 13.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 53%

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The secretary began 2003 with gall bladder surgery and then a wonderful short Elderhostel to Philadelphia, seeing the Barnes Foundation Museum, Longwood Gardens, the huge Philadelphia Flower Show and the special Degas exhibit at the Philadelphia Art Museum, among other things.

Chor Jee Goh Chow and David claim to have "a quiet routine:" him fishing or golfing, her reading, walking and listening to classical music. However, they also manage to travel a lot with or to family members. Chor Jee had a bout with a bladder tumor in June '02, but she won it! The 13 grand-children are a particular joy.

Carmie Thrasher Cochrane, despite health concerns, stays active writing for Women's Words: On Record, a press alliance she and two friends created in 1987, working on some other books and being a "steady groupie" of a local blues band.

Mary Pritchett Webb says she's "still enjoying sunny Florida and seeing Patti Boring Sellas and Marcia Rosefield Hughes from time to time." They mainly "do" lunches and museums.

Carol Jones Hay reports her "artist's life" is exciting. She's working on some special things that classmates can see at the Artist's Coop Web site: www.artistscoop. netfirms.com.

Lois Dryden Hasty and Charley are spending 2003 in Summerville, S.C., where Charley is serving as interim pastor at the Summerville Presbyterian Church. She's visited Agnes Scott Professor Mary Virginia Allen at the Presbyterian Home there. Lois has also "reconnected" with first-year roommate Jennie Lynn Jamison in Charlotte, N.C. Lois says Jennie "is a wonderful artist" and hopes to enter the Agnes Scott Alum Art Show in 2004.

In December, Jacquelyn "Jackie" Josey Hahne did an Elderhostel in Phoenix, followed by a trip through Sedona, Ariz., and the Grand Canyon.

Phyllis Hess Twinney wrote Jackie thatshe and Marc spent their 46th wedding anniversary in the same honeymoon suite in San Francisco! Catching the class up on many years' news, she added they have three sons and seven grandchildren (four girls, three boys). Phyllis has taught in elementary schools in three states, was a biology teacher's aide at Wayne State University and inhouse publications editor for the Michigan Psychiatric Society. Her e-mail address is: phtwin@comcast.net.

#### **DEATHS**

• Ruth Baldwin Mallette-Kelly, Jan. 27.

• Constance A. Ormsby Verdi, March 8.

Annual Fund
participation through
April: 53%

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Mary Evelyn Knight Swezey and Charles' first grandchild was born Dec. 5. Grace Catherine is the daughter of Mary M. Swezey and her husband, Andrew Bouton. Child and mother are both healthy and beautiful, and, remarkably enough, the birth date (month and day) is the same as that of the twins of Mary Evelyn and Charles.

Margaret "Peggy" McMillan White and Bill had a lovely trip to Eastern Canada and Nova Scotia in September. In the early part of December, Peggy had surgery on the lower part of her spine. Peggy and Bill are very excited about the May graduation of their oldest grandson from the McCallie School in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Jeanne Heisley Adams and friend Tony left all the snow and sailed to the Caribbean on Saturday, Dec. 22. She is working as a psychotherapist at an outpatient clinic.

Mary Love L'Heureux Hammond was iced in for the second time this year, but at least they didn't lose their power this time. Just lucky, the secretary

Betty Reiney Henley went to Cuba, March 7-14, on a U.S. Treasury cultural exchange for dance and music with her dance club group. They danced with Cuban partners about three hours per day for five days under the direction of la Professora de Bailar. They saw Havana, the countryside and went nightclubbing. Betty says, "It was very interesting, hot, hard work, but wonderful. I am highly in favor of lifting our trade embargos."

The war kept Helen "Jo" Hinchey Williams busy doing at least one thing a day to try to stop it. "I realize that I am tilting at windmills but I can't help myself." Jo and Roy went to a 50th anniversary of friends in Wisconsin, to Oklahoma to visit daughter Stacy and her family and to Houston in December to visit daughter Stephanie and her husband, Dave, and their many friends there.

Sara McIntyre Bahner got back at the end of February from St. Petersburg, Russia, after a wonderful trip. It was not nearly as cold as neighbors and friends predict-

Celia "Carolyn" Alford Beaty hopes to vacation with all the kids and grandkids again this year. Son David and Kelly will give them their seventh in August. The youngest is 7 now, so they'll really enjoy a little one again.

Julia Beeman has an article published in Mountain Life, a regional magazine touting all the creativity along the "Southern Highlands Trail" (mostly north Georgia mountains). The article is a profile of the head of the art department at Young Harris College. Julia has reached her earliest goal of becoming a journalist!

Margaret "Peggy" Pfeiffer Bass and Bob had a Caribbean cruise in January, a tour of canyon lands and a trip to Disney World. She has a granddaughter, Katie, who is a junior at Auburn; Mason, a junior in high school and Brittainy, 9 years old. They plan to go to as many places as they can while they're healthy.

Helen Fokes Farmer's husband, Russell, had two major surgeries and has recuperated. He planned a trip to Scotland for them. Both daughters live as neighbors in their sister city Greenville. Her granddaughters are 18 and 19 and are looking at Presbyterian College next year as freshman and sophomore. Helen asks, "Anyone

else have grandchildren there?"
Mary A. "Sandra" Dickson
Ballentine said, "I don't have anything newsworthy to report—
although, as I think about it, it seems that the good news of a happy life should be worth mentioning these days! Jim and I have been married almost 48 years and are still starry-eyed over each other." They spend their time on the Pamlico Sound in eastern North Carolina or in the mountains of western North Carolina.

Grace "Gracie" Greer Phillips and Barry are seeing some of Africa in 37 days,

#### FLEMING '59 A LEADER IN MEDICINE

n 1964, Sydney Fleming '59 was the only woman in her graduating class at Emory University School of Medicine.

"Growing up in a little Texas town that had two female physicians, Syd thought being a woman medical professional was the most natural thing in the world," her husband J.D. Fleming Jr. said in a February Atlanta Journal-Constitution story.

Fleming, professor of medicine emerita at Emory University and a life member of the American Psychiatric Association died of cancer Feb. 15. She completed her internship in medicine at the Emory Veterans Administration Hospital and her residency in psychiatry at the Emory Affiliated Hospitals.

"She was an unusual student at Agnes Scott because she had to get the requirements for getting into medical school and there wasn't a degree for that," her daughter Julie said. "She put a lot of effort into putting that together so she could go to medical school."

Meeting the requirements at Agnes Scott led Fleming to a double

major in chemistry and biology

Four years after medical school graduation, she was chosen to serve on the admissions committee of Emory's medical school, a position she held for 35 years. After becoming board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology in 1971, she began teaching courses in the Emory Department of Psychiatry and was the director of psychiatric residency training.

Fleming's devotion to medicine and psychiatry was matched by her interest in women's issues. In the late 1970s, she began full-time research into the subject of women's suffrage in Wyoming, where women were given the vote 50 years before the United States amended its Constitution to grant universal women's suffrage. A summary of her conclusions was published in the *Annals of Wyoming*. Fleming also taught courses at Emory on bias against women and published a scholarly article about Elizabeth Gambrell, the first female graduate of Emory School of Medicine in 1946.

Fleming has been included in several biographical publications such as Who's Who in America and Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare. In 1991, Fleming became a member of the American College of

Psychiatrists.

"She also talked a lot about the liberal arts side to her education at Agnes Scott," her daughter said. "There was a woman who taught art history there. We would go on trips to Europe and visit amazing museums like the Louvre, and she would say Dr. So and So taught us about that painting and here we are getting to see it.

us about that painting and here we are getting to see it.

"She was really proud to be a Scottie," Fleming's daughter said.

"They were very fond days for her. It really meant a lot to her."

—Kristin Kallaher '04

including a safari.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **40%** 

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The class secretary reported earlier Vannie Traylor Keightley was to visit the campus during fall 2002, when her husband, David, lectured there. Readers of Main Events have since learned that David and Vannie donated his collection of 855 English-language books on China to Agnes Scott upon his retirement from the faculty of the University of California-Berkeley. During the Keightleys' campus visit, the President's office arranged a pleasant mini-reunion luncheon for Vannie with Dr. Anne "Lowrie" Alexander Fraser, Patricia "Patti" Mayton Gambrell and Helen Haynes Patton.

For several years now Sarah Davis Adams has been deeply involved in supporting the travel and art exhibits of groups of Romanian children. She directs classmates to: www.romanian childrenartists.com to see their beautiful paintings and to learn more about this exciting educational charity. In 2002, her busy summer hosting a group of Romanian children artists was followed by a three and one-half week trip to Greece. This year Sarah and her husband are sponsoring Cristina Gheorghe, one of the Romanian artists they have known since she was a little girl. Cristina lives with them and goes to the local Santa Monica College to study art. After raising four

boys, Sarah enjoys having another female in the house.

Jane Johnson Waites' family continues to grow: her 11th and 12th grandchildren were born prematurely Oct. 6. Identical twins Joseph Dobson Waites and William Isaac Waites weighed less than three pounds together at birth. Bringing a supportive presence to their family through an anxious time claimed much of Jane's fall and winter this year. She gives praise to God and thanks to the expert staff at Little Rock Children's Hospital for the care the twins received.

Jane Frist spent her second winter in the area of Fort Myers, Fla., near the Sanibel Bridge. Working out in the warm pools at the RV Resort there provided a pleasant means of therapy for the broken bones she had suffered in a bad wreck, when her air bags did not inflate in her Chrysler Town and Country Van. Interestingly enough, the already totaled car was recalled in order to fix the airbag problem one week after the accident. Too late! Jane used her winter days in Florida for recuperation from the accident, for reading, biking and walking. But she carried on her work in real estate by cell phone and her Web site (see www.fristrealty.com), only once flying back to North Carolina to list a home and to show another. She also visited with several Agnes Scott friends while in Florida, lunching with Stella Biddle Fitzgerald, and meeting with Julie Redhead Bristol, who is the sister of Virginia "V.A." Redhead Bethune '57. For those of you who may have wondered, Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., is Jane's first cousin, of whom she is very proud.

Jacqueline "Jackie" Plant Fincher and husband Bernard Prudhomme enjoyed a trip with

an Emory University group to Normandy, home of Bernie's ancestors. They visited Monet's Giverny garden and house, the beaches and museums of Normandy, Mont-St.-Michel, Bayeux, Lisieux and more. Jackie remained in France to visit Vaux le Vicomte, the chateau of Finance Minister Fouquet, who was thrown into prison when Louis XIV visited it, observed the opulence and promptly sent the artisans to Versailles. On returning to Brussels, Jackie observed two new things: the huge buildings of the EU and the enjoyable Mini-Europe park with the great buildings of Europe in miniature. Jackie's 97-year-old mother, Lucile Totty Homer, died Jan. 13. Her mother was the 13th of 15 children and put herself through two years at Auburn, where she was a basketball star; and two years at Peabody in Nashville, where she got her B.S. in 1929. She was named an outstanding woman of Alabama in the 1950s. Jackie welcomed her fourth grandchild, Sarah Elizabeth Fincher, Feb. 3

#### DEATHS

Nancy Burkitt Foy, Sept. 5.
Mary Curry Ward, M.D., Feb. 11.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **38%** 

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Fulfilling a lifelong dream, Jane Moore Keesler and Lacy are living on the ocean at North Litchfield Beach, S.C. Both of them are actively participating as elders in a fantastic leadership program through The Intentional Living Institute. They were both diagnosed with cancer last year and went through surgery and treatment. They report it was not a fun experience, but both are feeling fine now. Jane writes, "Agnes Scott still touches my heart and feeds my intellectual curiosity and desire to learn.

#### DEATHS

• Richard Randolph Pyle, husband of Cynthia Bailey Pyle, Jan. 7.

• Mary Boyd Jones '33, mother of Mary Jones Helm, Jan. 13.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 70%

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Phia Peppas Kanellos had a grandson, Peter James Sirmans, born to her daughter, Argie, on May 26, 2002. This makes her family number 12, which includes her four children, two sons-in-law, three handsome grandsons, a beautiful granddaughter and Jim and Phia. They enjoy great family vacations and celebrate together nearly every birthday and special event that their schedules allow.

Margaret Woolfolk Webb and Glen had a wonderful trip to Thailand, where they rode in many vehicles, boats, rafts and a putt-putt truck that the driver had to crank. They even rode a wonderful elephant. Margaret reports she sees Hazel Ellis often.

Martha Davis Rosselot served as the moderator of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and finished her term in February. Highlights have been attending the church's General Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, and numerous visits to individual churches in the Presbytery (110 churches in all). She did not visit all 110 churches, but she was invited for special events such as ordinations, anniversaries, dedications in a wide variety of congregations ranging from Korean, Hispanic, African-American and rural. She preached at the end of her term.

Nancy Niblack Dantzler and Larry have been on two Elderhostels with Charlie and Carolyn Raines Gillespie. The first was to Israel, Jordan and Egypt. In spring 2002, they went to a program on American humor at the Grand Hotel in Point Clear, Ala. Nancy and Larry have a grandson, Phillip, son of Cindy Dantzler Shearer '80, born in '02.

Shirley McDonald Larkey and her husband had a great 40th anniversary trip to maritime Canada and New England in the fall. She reports life is busy with grandchildren and golf.

Marion "Pinky" McCall Bass's father died just before New Year's, which means that her father and mother both died last year. The class extends its sympathy to Pinky, who has lost four immediate family members in the last few years

The class also extends deepest sympathy to Marilyn Tribble Wittner whose husband, Harvey, died Jan. 9. They were married 43 years. Classmates will miss Harvey at reunions.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **55%** 

SECRETARY Sara Lu Persinger Snyder 415 Woodland Road Covington, Va. 2446-6321 saralu@ntelos.net

The class mourns the loss of Sidney "Sid" Howell Fleming, M.D., who died at her home after a yearlong battle against cancer. Sid graduated from Emory University Medical School in 1964 as the only woman in her class. Four years after graduating, she was chosen for the admissions committee at Emory University medical school and continued to serve in that capacity for 35 years. She also taught a variety of courses in the Emory Department of Psychiatry. Sid leaves behind her husband, J. D. Fleming Jr., and daughter, Julie Adrianne.

Gertrude "Trudy" Florrid van Luyn's daughter Nancy, son-inlaw Bruce and two granddaughters (Mackenzie, 4, and Berkeley, 2) live in Richmond, Va., so the van Luyns head that way from Blacksburg frequently. Trudy and Bob went to Europe during the Christmas holidays, visiting Bob's sister and her husband in Holland; exploring Portugal with friends and the highlight: attending the King's College Chapel Choir's "Service of Lessons and Carols" in Cambridge, England on Christmas Eve. She would like to hear from classmates: rvanluyn@blacksburg.net.

Rosalind "Roz" Johnson McGee was elected in November to the Utah House of Representatives from a district south of the University of Utah, where Zell and she have lived for more than 20 years. Running as a Democrat, she won a seat held by a popular Republican woman for the last 18 years. She was prompted to run after retiring from 14 years as director of Utah Children, a

statewide child-advocacy organization where she gained much experience in dealing with the legislature on behalf of children. Roz writes: "Running for office was a great and challenging experience. I had more than 120 volunteers helping to walk the district, nearly three times. I also raised nearly all my campaign funds from friends and associates here and elsewhere who share my concerns for responsible participation in state government. Among 104 legislative races, my fund-raising had the least dependency on either corporate or PAC funds: 81 percent of my contributions came from individuals. Having run and won, I am now having a challenging and intense six weeks and feel much better equipped than the other freshmen in the House. Zell has retired from the University of Utah School of Medicine faculty and has been wonderfully supportive of my campaign and legislative service.... As I close, I wonder if other ASC folks currently hold political offices in their municipalities, counties or legislature." Roz can be reached by e-mail: rozmcgee@xmission.com.

Mary "Sissy" Daniel Finney writes from Santa Fe, where she is happy to have her two children close by. Her son, Gardner, works in law enforcement in Santa Fe and daughter Britten, lives there also with her 3-year-old son. Sissy's e-mail address is jmfinney@earthlink.net.

#### **DEATHS**

• Charlene Bass Riley, Oct. 1.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **43**%

SECRETARY Suzanne Hoskins Brown 117 Westchester Drive Smyrna, Ga. 30082 suzanne@sfl.org

Warnell Neal recently visited Sybil Strupe Rights and Graham in their new townhouse in Winston-Salem, N.C.

Martha Sharp Crossman toured English gardens and villages with several Agnes Scott alums, followed by a visit to Ann Hawley McCann and her husband, Max, at their home in Grass Valley, Calif. In October, Martha married Lin Crossman, a retired Presbyterian minister. They live in Houston but enjoy retreats to Lin's beach house in Galveston, Texas.

June Hall McCash welcomed her younger son, Bren Martin, to the faculty at Middle Tennessee State University, where June also teaches. Bren is an associate professor of history. June's older son, Michael Martin, is a marine biologist at NOAA in Seattle.

Anne Eyler Clodfelter continues her music career as performer, teacher, choir director and organist. She presented several solo piano programs, as well as a piano concert for four hands. She invites her classmates to visit her in southern Indiana.

Celia Crook Richardson is happy to have two of her three children and their families back in New Mexico. Hank, their new golden retriever, is a certified therapy dog. He is replacing Nicholas, the only four-legged recipient of the Peoples' Caring Award at St. Joseph's Hospital. Celia and Jimmy continue their church work, hiking, skiing and golfing.

Grace Woods Walden had a busy holiday season with her

three children and five grandchildren. Daughter Elizabeth Walden Peden '83 lives in Kansas. Son Charles Jr. has graduated from Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. Son Chris lives in Gainesville, Ga.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: 49%

SECRETARY Rosemary Kittrell 2056 Dellwood Drive NW Atlanta, Ga. 30309-1243 rosemarykittrell@mac.com

2002 was a big year for Katherine "Kay" Gwaltney Remick and her family. Son Tim was married in Hatcher Pass, Alaska, and four weeks later daughter Kate was married in Telluride, Colo. In between the weddings, Ted and Kay took a trip down the Inland Passage, stopping in Seattle and along the coast of Oregon. They are busy with more travel plans. Kay notes jubilantly that since closing her bookstore almost two years ago, "I am free!"

Pamela Bevier Abelin's mother died Dec. 11 at age 99. For 12 years, Pam has led a bi-continental existence with her mother in San Antonio, Texas, and her husband in Switzerland. She plans a final move to Bern by the fall 2003. No one who knows Pam will be surprised that she plans to learn German and Bernese! She also is making tentative plans for continuing her long interest in medical research and public health in Switzerland.

"Julia" Panni Doar Grubb's son, Robert, married Jessica Rosenbaum in Pawleys Island in August. She writes it was a lovely "destination wedding" with many social events and a golf tournament. She was delighted to be joined by Judith "Judy" Albergotti Hines and Betty Mattern York Both newlyweds will do research at the National Institutes of Health in Washington, D.C. Robert in urology and Jessica in infectious disease/AIDS. Daughter Mary Connell is finishing Northwestern Law School and is looking forward to a clerkship with a judge on the 9th U.S Circuit Court of Appeals.

Sandra "Sandy" Davis Moulton and Bob are busy in "retirement." Bob's lawn-care business is booming, and Sandy teaches part time, devoting other time to "community projects with mental health services, the school system and the Chamber of Commerce." In June, Sandy, her brother, Cary, and her mother drove to Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee to see family members, on an outing dubbed "Lib's Road Trip," which was an ongoing family reunion. In the fall, Sandy and Cary enjoyed a Caribbean cruise to Belize and three stops in Mexico. Their "favorite sights were the Mayan ruins and undersea life." She and Bob traveled with Bob's sister, Ann, and her husband, Buck, to New York to see The Producers, which "was just as hilarious as the 'hype' promised." They also continued their 25-year tradition of "the annual two-weeks-at-thebeach," including "same room at the same motel, same table at the same restaurant." Now that's romance! Sandy's daughter, Paula, and husband have two active boys, Will, 7, and Garrett, 4. Son

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Michael and wife are first-time homeowners and proud parents to two cats and two dogs. Sandy writes the boys and animals are all "easy-going, handsome, and smart!"

Mary Katherine "Kay" Strain King Borkowski lives in Larnaca, Cyprus. She says she is "retired' from teaching at (all female) Zayed University in Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates, much to the delight of my Emirati students since they thought it wonderful that their oldest faculty member 'retired' after getting married!" She writes 2002 was an exciting year for them, including her husband's retirement from computer programming at Saudi Aramco in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, after 10 years. Then came their move to Larnaca. To any Scotties traveling her way, she issues an invitation to look in on her, saying that they are easy to find since the only Anglican "vicar" in Larnaca is her husband, Danny, a Texan.

Nancy Stone Hough, Harriet Smith Bates and John, Mary Beth Elkins Henke and Rosemary Kittrell had a glorious, long weekend on Amelia Island in February. One trip highlight was a nature outing by boat to Cumberland Island. Nancy's niece, Anna, who lives on Amelia, made arrangements for the boat trip and charmingly held a tour of her home, which displays many areas of her creativity. Active assistance and entertainment on the home tour were provided by Anna's dog, Alix. On the day of the Cumberland trip, the group was delighted to be joined by Marsha Lear Taylor, who drove over for the day from her home in Gainesville, Fla. Marsha, who

received an undergraduate degree in civil engineering many years ago from Georgia Institute of Technology, and a subsequent master's in hydrology, is happy in her job in water quality with the local government in Gainesville. Both of her daughters live reasonably near, and she happily reports she sees them and her grandchildren often.

Mary Beth Elkins Henke has retired from many years of teaching gifted students and is enthusiastic about new interests in retire-

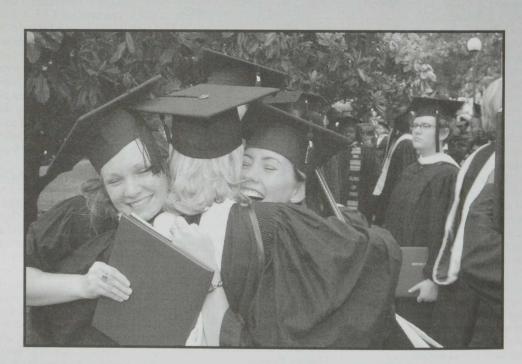
Eleanor "Anne" Christensen Pollitzer wrote: "I retired from teaching (again) in June of 2000 after five tacked-on years of teaching fourth grade in a public school. It was a daunting challenge going back into the classroom after 20+ years of other duties and three years of early retirement. But then there were sons No. 3 and 4 to educate, so into the fray I stepped, for five years

"After retiring, I tried to learn new skills like gardening and writing. I traveled with my pilot husband, Rick, and visited my grandchildren, Ben and Sarah (twins), in New York. Then suddenly last summer, I was persuaded to run for the S.C. House of Representatives against an unopposed Republican candidate.

"Four fast and furious months followed that required every ounce of strength and skill I could muster, and lots of help from family, friends and new supporters. My son, Stratton, came home from Tampa for the last six weeks to run the campaign, and then we all really swung into high gear. We lost. But we lost respectably,

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"At present, I am contemplating knee replacement surgery (finally did the old thing in going door-to-door) and again trying to learn new skills. My best to everyone."

Anne's father, Niels Christensen, died Feb. 23, at age 88. Also, a book on the life of Anne's greatgrandmother is out: Cultivating a New South, Abbie Holmes Christensen and the Politics of Race and Gender, by Monica Marie Tetzlaff.

DEATHS

• Mother of Pamela Bevier Abelin's, Dec. 11.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 42%

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Jean Haynie Stewart and Bill are completely smitten with their first grandchild, Mary Grace King, born to their daughter, Jennifer, and her husband, Bob, on Sept. 4 They keep Mary once a week and "are amazed at how a little one can completely exhaust [them]. That's why God gives children to the young!" Since Bill retired from United Airlines, they travel more often. Last year they made trips to Sydney, Australia, where they fell in love with the country and its people, and to Hawaii and Maui. Jean's mother moved from Decatur to a place not far from them in California, so opportunities to visit the Agnes Scott campus are less frequent, but they are planning a trip to their roots in the future.

This year marks Ann Thompson Larson's 40th year of teaching English, 30 of them in the Brookwood School, a pre-kindergarten through grade 12 at an independent, private, day school in Thomasville, Ga. She teaches advanced placement English to sophomores and seniors and plans to continue until she reaches at least her 50 year milestone, and then she'll see. She catches a glimpse of her four small grandchildren every day as they progress through the school. She joined three of the children in an elaborate school production of Carousel, in which she played a dancing bear. Ann says, "It is a rich life I live, and I am very happy and fortunate.

Milling Kinard enjoyed a round of opera, theatre, ballet and concerts in England and Ireland in October. She had a delightful Christmas visit with Elizabeth "Betsy" Jefferson Boyt and Pat and their extended family in Austin, Texas.

DEATHS

• Mary Ruby Wright Stokes, mother of Angelyn Stokes McMillan, Oct. 7.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 55%

SECRETARY Cornelia Anne Bryant 6214 Prospect St. Fredericksburg, Va. 22407-8390

Sandra "Sandi" Creech Birdsong reported her youngest child, Lori Birdsong, M.D., addressed the annual convention of the American Psychiatric Association in May in San Francisco on the topic of geriatric depression.

#### **DIGIESO FOUNDS UNIQUE SCHOOL**

Cottage School founder Jacque Digieso '68x began teaching special education in the 1970s when special education students weren't recognized.

"I always seemed to get the students in town the others didn't want to teach, and I loved them," she said. "Eventually my husband became a teacher. We shared the frustration of working in large chaotic educational settings. We watched special-ed kids move backwards instead of forwards."

In 1985, the Cottage School was born out of a desire to change what they saw. Situated on 23 acres in Roswell, the school serves middle and high school students with Attention Deficit Disorder and

other learning disabilities.

"We started 18 years ago with one student," she said. "This year we're preparing to graduate 34 seniors, all of whom have very solid post-secondary plans including four-year colleges, performing arts schools, community colleges, technical schools and apprenticeships.

Cottage School aims to provide students with skills necessary for individual responsibility, effective communication, practical problem solving, time management and community service.

Digieso loves being a small part of the change she sees the school

produce.

"This time of the year I'm particularly aware of the confidence, joyfulness and pride that our students, teachers and families are experiencing, compared to the anxiety, despair and conflict that our new students arrive with."

The school recently opened a new middle school classroom cottage, which contains six state-of-the-art classrooms and the principal's office.

Digieso, who transferred to the University of Kentucky for undergraduate school, wanted to stay at Agnes Scott but the College did not offer the teaching certificate she needed.

"I really believe that one of the things that I loved and continue to value about Agnes Scott is the focus on the individual," she said, "that every young lady there was honored and respected for the person she was and is."

—Kristin Kallaher '04

Sandi's son, Bret, teaches environmental law in Las Vegas and son Bob lives near her in Washington, D.C., where he restores pianos. Sandi writes, "We are blessed with two grandsons this year (finally!)." John and she are enjoying work and life in their longtime city in spite of recent challenges.

Betty McMullen Harrington writes she married a high school classmate in February 2002. They are living in Brookhaven, Miss., next door to Betty's daughter, son-in-law and 3-year old grand-son

Leslie "Elizabeth" Thomas Freyer and Fred are in the middle of house construction on St. Simons Island. Elizabeth is the general contractor and is referred to by the framing crew as "She." Elizabeth is convinced she and Fred will survive the process.

Betty Ann Gatewood Wylie and husband are proud grandparents once again—total now of three. Betty Ann spent a week last July as a "Teller in Residence" at the International Storytelling Center in Jonesborough, Tenn. In August, she read an excerpt from Eudora Welty's "Why I Live at the P.O." to some 5,000 people at Utah's Timpanogos Storytelling Festival.

Lydia Wammock Ramsey has a thriving business in Savannah, "Manners That Sell." Lydia speaks professionally on business etiquette and has written a book with the same title.

Ellen Hodgson Oakes and Al traveled to Alaska and British Columbia last fall. They have a new grandson, Seth, who lives in Massachusetts. Ellen and her mother visited Seth and his parents, Laura and Brent, and then spent some time with Ellen's oldest son, David, in Franklin Township, N.J. They even took time out for the sights of New York City. Ellen said it was a wonderful trip and remarked she was privileged to enjoy it with her mother, known as GiGi, who is

Patricia "Pat" Conrad Schwarz and her husband took delivery of their boat in January 2001 and have logged some 15,000 miles— Bahamas to Nantucket to Michigan and back to Florida. Later they went along the East Coast to Michigan and Chicago and to Mobile via the Mississippi River and the Tennessee/ Tombigbee Waterway. Pat writes she has been needlepointing her way along the waterways and is working on special projects for two expected grandchildren.

Leland Draper was feted at a celebratory lunch in the President's Dining Room at Agnes Scott by Jane Lancaster Boney, Mary "Janie" Fincher Peterson, Mary Louise Hunt Rubesch and Betty Ann Gatewood Wylie on March 2, 2002, to mark her five year survival with breast cancer. The feast was scrumptious, Leland writes, and many of her support team were there. Mary Brown Bullock '66 stopped by and offered her a "presidential high-five."

Betty "Betsy" Schench Kylstra and her husband continue to travel with their work to train church leaders and lay counselors—to India, Sri Lanka, Germany, England, Scotland and Holland, among others. Son James is a doctor in San Francisco, and son Lewis is a professor at Smith College.

Lucy Morcock Milner and Joe live in Winston-Salem, N.C. Son Jonathan works with advancedplacement U.S. government and politics students and has received a national teaching award for his efforts. Son Benjamin completed work on his master's of divinity degree at Princeton Seminary Lucy teaches at Salem College and has completed work on the third edition of a textbook she and Joe first published a decade ago. Lucy directs the North Carolina Governor's School West, and Joe chairs the Wake Forest University education department. Their third son, Peter, and Anna Ware, daughter of Susan Winbigler Ware and John, married and live in Raleigh. Anna teaches English in Raleigh, and Peter is finishing his Masters of Divinity at Duke University Divinity School.

Pat O'Brian Almy is a grand-mother. Her first grandchild,

Patrick Bryce O'Callaghan, was born Oct. 23 to Pat's daughter, Kent, and her husband, John O'Callaghan, who reside in the Atlanta metropolitan area.

Cornelia "Corny" Bryant spent a week at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, Ga., in January to attend the Callaway School of the Needle Arts, which had wonderful teachers and designers from all over the country and some wonderful new projects to work on and finish!

#### **DEATHS**

• Mary Boyd Jones '33, mother of Ina J. Hughs, Jan. 13.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 39%

SECRETARY
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Sue Parkin TeStrake retired Jan. 1 after 26 years as a school social worker (special education) with the DeKalb County School System. On Feb. 6, Sue's second granddaughter, Katherine Wells Graham, was born to daughter Rebecca and her husband, Drew, who live only three blocks from Sue and husband Bernie in the Virginia/Highlands section of Atlanta. Sue says Katherine's big sister, Emma, as well as the grandparents, were all present for the birth. A sad milestone for the family came a week later; Sue's mother, Clyle Norene Mundahl Parkin, died Feb. 12.

Barbara White Frederic and husband George have a new granddaughter, Lauren Hartley Leland, born Nov. 12, to Barbara's daughter, Robyn, and her husband, Rob Leland, who live in Albuquerque, N.M. Daughter Dana and husband, Rob Black, who are both scientists at Georgia Institute of Technology, have a 4-year-old, Tori. Barbara and George live in Lake Tahoe, Nev., where they are active in Young Life Ministries. Each spring for several years, they've attended the Hawaiian Islands Ministries conference in Honolulu, where, Barbara says, they "enjoy worshipping with 3,000 Christians from 66 denominations." This year, they spent the month of January in South America, taking a two-week cruise around the Horn, between visiting Santiago and Valparaiso, Chile, and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Classmates should watch film festivals for *Chaos Theory*, an independent feature film by **Nancy Barger Cox**'s son, David, which was released this year.

Kelly Mulherin Oates and Jack have five grandchildren; the youngest, Jack Cotton Spragin, was born March 23. Kelly and Jack visited Yorkshire, England, in October, for a holiday that included instruction in watercolor from an English artist.

Betty Hood Atkinson and family (husband Jim, daughter Gwyn and Betty's brother and sister-inlaw) took Betty's aunt, who has lived with them in Ann Arbor, Mich., for the past 10 years, to California to celebrate her 90th birthday during the Thanksgiving holidays last year. Betty's son, Hugh, lives in the San Francisco

Martha Griffith Kelley and Ralph welcomed two grandchildren last year: Elizabeth Kelley Wilmarth, born in May 2002 to daughter Jenny, and John Edward Kelley, born in August to son David and his wife, Kathleen.

#### DEATHS

• Tricia Langford, sister of Mary Adair Pittman Mullin, January.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 42%

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Catharine Sloan Evans' son, Sloan, married Mary Elizabeth Winfrey of Houston on March 1. Catharine and Mallory are delighted to welcome a second daughter to their family. Catharine is substitute teaching in grades K-2, but since she turned 60 in December, she may call it quits soon!

#### **DEATHS**

• Judith Weldon Maguire, Dec. 21.

66

 Annual Fund participation through April: 42%

SECRETARY
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Gillian Hargett, Tricia Aycock Hargett's daughter, graduated *Phi Beta Kappa* from the University of Georgia honors program in 2000 with a double major in journalism (public relations) and Spanish, with a concentration in photojournalism. Last year she worked in Atlanta at the Church of the Apostles in its student ministry, Student to Student, before going to Montevideo, Uruguay, on a Rotary Ambassadorial scholarship. She studied graphic design at the Universidad ORT for 2002 and lived with an Uruguayan family.

Martha A. Thompson bravely returned to the classroom. She has been a substitute teacher in several Washington, D.C., elementary schools close to her home. During the summer, she substituted for a third-grade teacher out on a 10-week maternity leave. Martha says her hat is off to all of the "real" teachers because she now knows first hand what a tough job they have.

After a one and one-half years of retirement, Linda E. Lael has not only returned to work, she has returned to Agnes Scott. She is working part time in the College's Office of Admission coordinating the Irene K. Woodruff Return to College Program. Her responsibilities include marketing the program and recruiting students as well as working with Woodruff Scholars. She finds Agnes Scott to he such a "supportive and helpful community" that beginning a new career in her "dotage" has been a "truly delightful experience.

Last summer, Mary Lang Olson Edwards and her mother visited her son, Christopher, who practices law and lives in New York. According to Mary Lang, "It is impossible to absorb the enormity of the tragedy that occurred there September 11, 2001, and the vacant site of the World Trade Center is mind-numbing. How different it looks compared to the memories of my last visit to Christopher's former apartment on Wall Street." She and her husband, Tom, are renovating the

1930s house where Tom grew up in Greenville, S.C. Much wiring, plumbing and kitchen and bathroom updating are in her future.

Margaret "Peggy" Marion Ryals and her husband, Allen, have two granddaughters—Emma, 3, and Ella, 8 months. They live in Surfside Beach, S.C., where she and her husband are both teaching. She is hoping to send one of her students to Agnes Scott next fall.

Terri Singer Speicher is finally "empty-nesting" after sending her fourth son, Will, off to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill last fall. She had a long visit with her Agnes Scott roommate, Sarah Uzzell-Rindlaub, last summer when Sarah visited Dallas. Sarah had just sent her youngest of three daughters off to school, so Terri and Sarah spent time fantasizing about what they will do with all their "free" time.

#### **DEATHS**

• Laura L. Whitner Dorsey '35, mother of the Rev. Laura Dorsey, lan. 1.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 41%

SECRETARY Rebeca Pope Herbert Schenk 620 Hyland Park Drive Glenwood Springs, Colo. 81601 rhschenk@hotmail.com

Dorothy Radford Spradley teaches full time at Savannah College of Art and Design and acts as director of the sculpture minor. Her current work is a lifesize bronze portrait of a prison guard slain in the line of duty, commissioned by the Georgia State Prison System. It will be installed in the rotunda of the Reidsville State Prison. In July, her African-American Monument was unveiled on River Street in Savannah, Ga. Dorothy is teaching at SCAD's new campus in southern France.

Elizabeth "Betty" Taylor Dupree enjoys retirement, working on photography and digital imaging with Adobe Photoshop 6.

Kathryn "Kathy" Reynolds Doherty married Bill Arthur in Atlanta on Sept. 21. Carol "Candy" Gerwe Cox and Judith "Judy" Jackson Mozen were among the 100 friends who ate and danced into the night at The Georgian Terrace.

Lynne Wilkins Fulmer and her husband, Gil, have lived in San Marcos, Texas, since 1973, where they are both philosophy professors at Southwest Texas State University. While teaching a seminar on the foundations of the modern mind, Lynne went back to her philosophy notes from C. Benton Kline's class.

Having retired from 40+ hours of outside work two years ago, Doris Morgan Maye now does 40+ hours of work in the home, volunteering and serving on local boards. Her new flexibility included time for a post-Christmas trip with her husband, Pete, to Maine.

Lucy Ellen Jones Cooley and her husband, Pem, a Presbyterian pastor, live in Maryland. Lucy and Pem's son, Brian, is an attorney in Atlanta, and their daughter, Laura, lives in Chattanooga, Tenn., where she is a surgical resident.

The Web address for "The Polio Letters" will give classmates of Marsha Davenport Griffin an opportunity to read about her family: www.atlantapostpolio.org.

A New Orleans weekend, Feb.

20-24, was held by Marilyn Abendroth Tarpy and her husband, Bob, for Hardeman classmates. The gathering included Maria Artemis, Mary Barnett Tennaro, Linda Cooper Shewey, Anne Diseker Beebe, Gayle Doyle Viehman, Fontaine Harper Fulghum Mayers, Helen "Sandy" Heard Lowrey, Elizabeth "Betty" Hutchison Cowden, Jo Jeffers, Joanie Gunter McCauley, Mary Jervis Hayes, Caroline "Dudley" Lester Tye, Pamela "Pam" Logan Harris, Mary Stevenson Ryan, Sallie Tate Hodges and a list of wonderful spouses/friends in attendance, some vicariously! Bob and Marilyn were truly gracious hosts, providing a spectacular array of New Orleans food, sightseeing and a viewing of the Barkus Parade from a Tarpy apartment balcony. The weekend was complimented by a perfect blend of R&R, serious catching up and socializing.

Please send your e-mail and regular addresses to the class secretary, Rebecca "Becca" Herbert Schenk, rhschenk@hotmail.com or alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 52%

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Jacque Klingner Digieso has returned from a three-week educational grant study in Japan sponsored by the Fulbright Memorial Fund. She was in a group of 200 educators who attended numerous lectures, tours and events intended to educate them about current economic, political and educational trends and issues in Japan. The educators also serve as ambassadors to develop partnerships between Japanese and Americans. It was an unforgettable experience, which included staying with a Japanese family and visiting local schools

Betty Renfro Knight and Jimmy are brand new grandparents. Kyle Chance is the son of Betty and Jimmy's daughter, Sara, and Rob Phillips.

Margaret "Peggy" Moore Hall's son, Crosby, is studying for his master's in colonial history at the College of William and Mary.

In February, J. Carol "J.C." Williams and her partner, Barbara Rogers, celebrated the one-year anniversary of the adoption of their daughter, Cassia Williams-Rogers. Cassia, who was born in China's Hunan Province and was 2 years old in January, has been practicing singing "Running Bear" for the next Hub Sing.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: 36%

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Ruth Holmes Everett
Whitehead anticipates a move
from the land of snow and ice
back to South Carolina this summer. In the meantime, she is still
at work on a book on slavery for
the University of South Carolina
Press.

Flora Rogers Galloway is looking forward to the class's 35th reunion next spring.

Patricia "Patsy" May Touw

#### AGE NOT A DETERENT TO DREAMS

aurie Carter Tharpe '68 began a family legacy when she decided to go to medical school at the age of 40. Her two oldest children soon followed, giving a new meaning to the phrase "family practice." Tharpe specializes in internal medicine at her two-doctor practice in Macon, Ga. Her husband, Ed, runs the business and manages six other doctors.



Lauire Carter Tharpe '68 created a family legacy by going to medical school at age 40. Two of her children followed suit.

"You're never too old to pursue your dreams," said Tharpe, who at first found returning to school a bit daunting. "I would have never had the courage to try without the strong academic training I received at Agnes Scott. I was confident I knew how to study and learn. So I gave it a try, and I got accepted into medical school right away."

In 1991, Tharpe graduated from Mercer University School of Medicine in Macon at about the same time her son, Carter, graduated from high school. Not long after she began her private practice, he enrolled at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. When Carter was a resident at Vanderbilt University Hospital, his sister Ansley started at the Medical College of Georgia.

"Our youngest daughter, Katherine, is the fun one," Tharpe said. "She graduated from the University of Georgia [with a bachelor's degree] in journalism and has a wonderful marketing job at the Ritz Carlton in Buckhead."

Tharpe contends her education is ongoing. "With all the incredible medical research being done, I'm studying constantly to keep up with the latest developments in new drugs and procedures. I read the New England Journal of Medicine regularly."

She finds this innovative part of medicine exciting. "Unfortunately, [doctors are] sometimes unable to implement new procedures and try new drugs because of the restrictions imposed by insurance companies. We shouldn't have to battle the system to get things done that need to be done."

Still, Tharpe admits she loves practicing medicine. "Though stressful at times, it's deeply fulfilling. Most doctors are patient advocates that often have to work hard behind the scenes to provide the best health care we can give."

She sees tremendous progress being made with drugs "with beneficial effects rather than adverse side effects" to treat hypertension and diabetes. She hopes improved drugs and vaccines will soon be available to treat cancer, multiple sclerosis and HIV.

The most important thing Tharpe has learned about practicing medicine—the thing she wants her children to know—isn't something she read. "Patients need a doctor who is compassionate and caring. They want someone to listen."

—Lorayne Bryan Weizenecker

reports several snippets of information. She and Sandra Earley had a wonderful catch-up, solvethe-problems-of-the-world conversation when Sandra was in North Carolina. Patsy is involved in genealogy research on her family branch in Tennessee and has uncovered an interesting link to Agnes Scott College, a 1912 newsletter stating James Ross McCain's belief on the monetary value of a woman's college education. He said a women's college graduate could expect a lifetime's earnings of \$14,000!

Carol Blessing Ray has initiated an on-line book club.

Helena Flickinger enjoyed a spring trip to Italy.

Dorothy Schrader is on sabbatical from Oklahoma State University working on a text and image study of the prose *Lancelot* frontispiece (Pierpont Morgan Library manuscript).

Eliza Starnes Robertson has been appointed director of the library at the National Humanities Center in Research Triangle Park, N.C. She and Dave live near Chapel Hill and enjoy sons, Jason and Jaime.

Nancy Hamilton Holcombe has a job with the Voridian division of Eastman Chemical, with a new title, global analytical project manager, which means she will be traveling to plants worldwide. She comments her husband also works for Voridian as an electrical engineer and is able to do some traveling with her as he attends to his projects. Their son Win works in Williamsport, Pa., as a chemical engineer and Rob, a recent Clemson graduate, has relocated to Portland, Ore.

Margaret Gillespie Sewell stays busy with the Volunteer Council of the American Symphony Orchestra League as well as the Board of the Mississippi Symphony. She welcomed a new grandbaby in February and enjoys being a hands-on "Mar Mar."

Letitia "Tish" Lowe reports from Florence, Italy, where she is studying and doing environmental consulting from the Tuscan hills as an IFC retiree. She is taking art classes at the Angel Academy of Art.

Rebekah Hall Robertson enjoys having all her girls at home again. Emily and Joanna are pursuing post-college careers with gusto. Emily works with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, and Joanna is a dance instructor with aspirations of law school in the fall. Adrienne and Kathryn are in high school. Adrienne is active in band and orchestra, and Kathryn is on the dance team. Butch is a successful architect and continues to work with University of Tennessee rugby as his passionate pastime.

Mary Anne Murphy Hornbuckle has been named bereavement services coordinator for New Beacon Hospice in Birmingham, Ala. She is really enjoying the position and change in responsibilities.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 33%

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Karen Cappel Hendrickson runs a Family Support/Parent Education Program through South Seattle Community College. Son Ben is a junior at the University of Washington in Seattle, and daughter Becky is in her second year of medical school at Washington University in St. Louis. Karen and her husband, Joe, are beginning to settle in to the "empty-nest" stage of life and would welcome West Coast visitors if anyone is out that way.

The class congratulates
Catherine "Cathy" DuVall Vogel
on being honored by the City of
Decatur as one of 17 "Hometown
Heroes" for 2002 for her work
with the Friends of Decatur
Cemetery. This is an annual award
presented to volunteers who "help
make the community a better
place to live and work." Lee
Brown, wife of Michael Brown
and Gene Slack Morse '41 also
received medals. Since 1996, 117
heroes have been named.

Sue Weathers Crannell is in her second year at Columbia Theological Seminary. She completed three weeks of intensive training for urban ministry in the public square in Atlanta. She reports she did everything from visiting the mayor's office to spending the night in a homeless shelter. Her son, Scott, graduated in December from Georgia Institute of Technology with a degree in computer science. He is crewing for his father on a 62-foot motorboat in which they are circumnavigating the globe. They hope to go through the Suez Canal. Her daughter, Chole, received her master's degree in elementary education from the University of Florida. Chole will teach in Tampa in the fall and hopes to visit her father and brother on the boat in the summer and on her vacations.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 34%

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Clare B. Reagan, CAE, is serving as president of the Georgia Society of Association Executives. GSAE is the professional association for people who work in trade and professional associations and other nonprofit organizations. She is director of corporate relations at TAPPI, a Norcross, Ga., based international association of the pulp and paper industry.

Anna Gordon Burns, director of school and community services for the Griffin-Spalding County School System, has successfully completed a comprehensive examination governed by the Universal Accreditation Board to become an accredited member of the public relations profession. Anna's department is responsible for the elementary after-school program, school-community partnerships and public relations.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: 37%

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Leslie Schooley Mathews enjoyed a spring 2003 visit to Tianjin, China, (an hour from Beijing) where son Bryant teaches English to Chinese students. Later this year, Leslie with husband Larry and daughters Lindsay, 17, and Andrea, 14 plan to join Bryant for a tour of Korea. Glimpsing its culture for the first time will be especially meaningful to daughter Lindsay, who is Korean-born.

Enjoying a break from teaching, Latin scholar Jean Jennings
Cornwell is enthused about learning Italian and becoming a tour guide to boot (that is, to Italy) as a new career. She and husband Mike have two daughters:
Jennings, 25, working in Charlotte, N.C. and Barnette, 21, studying dance at Eastern
Carolina University. How about a class of '72 trip with Jean for SSN birthdays?

A groundbreaking research model for "healthy divorce" includes the expertise of Lynn Davis Clark, a clinical social worker, who with husband and colleague Steve is in private practice in Alexandria, Va. A national grant trains teams of mentalhealth professionals, attorneys, a family court judge and financial planners to design a nonadversarial divorce. "It's all focused on the child's best interests," explains Lynn, "to help divorcing couples learn better financial and co-parenting skills. We hope to make it available to low-income families as well." Her specialty in motherchild effectiveness has taken an upturn as well through new, firsthand experience with Harry Potter and PokeMon from 10-year-old son Zifton's world. Though a 40th birthday convertible sounded great, a baby at 42 began a ride for life that's been thrilling. Steve and Lynn's "50th birthday milestone" was an expedition through the Grand Canyon, with her boots falling apart, salvaged with duct tape so she could finish the hike.

Nancy Weaver Willson oversees fundraising, alumnae relations and communications as vice president for institutional advancement at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. While finding money in this economically stressed year is hard, there are fun aspects such as forming bonds with seminary students who were Agnes Scott alums. At present, Nancy awaits the birth of a first grandchild from daughter Robyn, an Atlanta attorney whose mentor while attending Emory University was Julianna M. Winters. Robyn's husband, Aaron, is a medical intern. Daughter Polly, a 2002 Salem College graduate, leaves soon for a job in London. Husband Patrick is senior pastor at Williamsburg Presbyterian Church in Virginia.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **39%** 

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Martha Schabel Beattie writes

she and her husband retired to Scottsdale, Ariz., in January 2001 and are having a ball.

Carolyn Kennedy Hassett has moved from Black Mountain, N.C., to Seattle to complete her Ph.D.

#### DEATHS

• Jane Huss Benbow, mother of Jane Benbow Jackson, March 12.

• Annual Fund participation through April: **34**%

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Marianne Bradley had the pleasure of visiting with Cynthia 'Cindy" Goldwaithe, Wendy Whelchel, Angie Dunn Thompson and Melisha Miles Gilreath when Ann McMillan was in Atlanta to speak with the Atlanta-area alumnae about the research and writing of her latest book, Civil Blood, third in her series of Civil War mysteries. After fetching Ann from the airport, Marianne whisked her back to campus, where they toured the new areas of the campus with Cindy. Among the alums in the audience for Ann's address were Wendy, Angie and Melisha. All six classmates had the opportunity to visit after the program. Marianne says they all had a great time, but it just wasn't long enough.

Both of Melisha Miles Gilreath's girls are in college, and Melisha continues working as a school psychologist. She sees the Rev. Mary Jane Kerr Cornell at church functions.

In October, Mary Gay Bankston and husband Perry traveled to France for a 50th birthday celebration, visiting Normandy, Brittany and Paris.

Belinda Melton Cantrell continues to work as a plastic surgical nurse and became certified (CPSN) three years ago. Two of her boys are in college: one a senior at Baylor, the other a freshman at the University of Arkansas. Her third son is a high school freshman. Belinda loves having sons, but writes upon receipt of quarterly newsletters, she has a tinge of regret that they just couldn't get an education at such a fine woman's college.

The Rev. Dr. Elinor "Perky"
Perkins Daniels has collaborated with several colleagues, including Dennis McCann, Agnes Scott's Wallace M. Alston Professor of Reglious Studies, to produce a two-CD set of devotionals from the Letter to the Romans, available at www.romansproject.com. They designed these as a way for busy people to incorporate meditation into daily life. Each includes reflections on the intersection between a few verses of Romans and the 21st century context.

Last summer, Rosanne Harkey Pruitt, Ph.D., tracked down Kathryn "Kathy" Maynard Swick by e-mail and found out they both have sons attending Clemson University. Rosanne and Kathy met for lunch in Clemson and caught up on the last 28 years.

Dianne "Debe" Cuevas Lykes took the "Great American Road Trip" with her family last summer. They started in Tampa, proceeded to Savannah for her nephew's graduation from Savannah College of Art and Design, then on to Charleston, S.C., Charlottesville, N.C., and Annapolis, Md., continuing on to

Newport, R.I. On the return trip, she deposited daughter Anne,13, at Camp Merrie-Woode in North Carolina for five weeks. If anyone knows the whereabouts of Debbie Garfield '75, please let Debe know. She is "dying to run her down."

Although she always enjoys reading Class News, Deborah Welch-Lawrence admits to being an absolutely rotten correspondent about submitting any news, but nonetheless writes she plugs away as a history professor, juggling the simultaneous demands of students, impatient editors and too many academic committee assignments. The good news is that she is at Longwood University, which lies in the heart of Virginia—beautiful countryside and wonderful people. Deborah would love to hear from other classmates who might also be in Virginia. She promises to be more prompt in sending in future news.

Patsy Cook Bates reports her older child, John, is a freshman at Sewanee University. They miss him, but 13-year-old daughter Julia keeps them busy with her volleyball schedule. Ann Early Bibb, M.D., Christina "Chris" Weaver Ternenyi and Patsy plan to get together to compare notes on colleges. Ann's son, Robert, is a freshman at Georgia Institute of Technology, and Chris's son, Kyle, just started at University of Central Florida. Chris has a daughter, Kelly, who is a junior at the University of Florida, so this college stuff is old hat to her, most reassuring to Patsy and Ann

Once again, Lynn Ezell, M.D. and son Robert have been on the road. This time they went to London and Scotland in August for two weeks. The Highlands of Scotland are truly lovely, and reminded Lynn of the scenery in Highlands, N.C., where she has her mountain home. Lynn writes, "If I could figure out a way to be at the microscope in Europe and still check out cases in Atlanta, I'd seriously consider it, but I don't think we're there yet." Lynn moved into her new home in Ansley Park in mid-winter.

Class President Lyn "Sandy"
Stogsdill Ogle vacationed in
Hilton Head last summer. Her
oldest son, Paul, is attending the
School of Communication Art in
Raleigh, working in digital art and

Daughters Savannah, 13, and Charlotte, 11, keep Mary Praytor Guest busy. Both girls are doing well and have musical ability. Savannah plays violin, and Charlotte plays the cello.

• Annual Fund participation through April: 28%
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Rebecca "Becky" Meador Walsh and her husband went to Europe last year.

Susan McLarin Caffery continues her career as a high-school counselor and also as a licensed professional counselor, seeing private clients several times a week. Susan's husband, John, sells real estate. Her older son, Christopher, is majoring in mechanical engineering at Lamar University; and younger son, Jonathan, completes his drafting degree in May and continues to pursue a business degree.

Debora "Debbie" Clark Butler enjoys her work as a geriatric care

manager in Jacksonville, Fla. Husband Fred works for the IRS, and son Warren, who is 6 years old, attends kindergarten.

Margaret Samford Day reached a couple of milestones in 2002: she and John became "empty nesters" with the high school graduation of their youngest and grandparents when their eldest had a little girl. Not to be outdone, Margaret's second daughter got married! Margaret and John once again had the pleasure of spending six weeks in Germany last fall as part of John's work.

Margaret Williams Johnston and her husband, Rip, joined Elizabeth "Beth" Fite Bussy and Andy for the Georgia Institute of Technology homecoming game in fall 2002. Needless to say, Beth and Margaret chatted nonstop and had a wonderful time "catching up." Margaret also had the opportunity to meet Beth and Andy's daughter, Elizabeth, who is a senior at Georgia Tech. Margaret also attended the Dalton Luncheon for alumnae in October of 2002, which was just delightful!

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Victoria "Vicky" Burgess
Stephan sends news of a fabulous
50th birthday surprise visit from
Catherine Pugh Cuneo and
Janey Andrews Ashmore Brown.
Catherine and Janey flew to
Vicky's home in Ft. Myers, Fla.,
where there was "nonstop talking
for three days!" In other news,
Vicky, husband Bruce, and their
boys spent the Christmas holidays on a bare-boat in the British
Virgin Islands snorkeling and sunning.

#### DEATHS

• Lillian Clark, mother of Debora "Debbie" Clark Butler, Nov. 12.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 29%

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While on business in Atlanta, Gwendolyn "Lee" Davis Saxton had dinner with Caroline Swink Thompson '77 and Caroline Inman Dubberly '77. Lee reports, "Caroline, who until this summer remained single all these years, looks just as she looked 20+ years ago. Carol and I look just slightly more 'mature.' Could it be that families age us? Maybe a research topic for some current student?" Lee also says while neither of her offspring qualifies for Agnes Scott, son Eric has been awarded full tuition at a Presbyterian liberal arts college in Iowa, and he's received two other full tuition offers as well. Now he's got to make a choice, and as Lee says, "What a dilemma! He's far outdone either of his parents' accomplishments in high school

Beverly Kim Williams Wilson is a research nurse for a longitudinal family study through the University of Michigan and Michigan State University, and lives in Jackson, Mich. She's also in graduate school to pursue a master's degree in counseling, specializing in grief and loss. Both of her sons are in the Army: one is stationed in Israel, and the other is in the Special Forces in Afghanistan. She's planning a trip to Iceland "to assist Marianne Brinker '75 in the glorious celebration of her 50th birthday!" She also wrote that she was smiling as she remembered her "ASC friends and the warm, wonderful memories we share.'

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 24%

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Susan McCullough DeKoch and husband Dirk are in San Antonio, Texas. Son John is at Texas A&M University, and daughter Susie is at the University of Virginia, both are in pre-med programs. Their youngest daughter is a sophomore in high school and is looking forward to getting her driver's license. Susan writes she keeps "busy with kids and community stuff. We will celebrate our 22nd anniversary this June. It has flown by! Hello to all my '78 classmates."

An e-mail came this season from Marlene Munden Laboureur! She, husband Frank and children have been in the New Orleans area for more than 20 years, and live in a house that is over 100 years old (which they have totally renovated)! Their children, Jacques and Marianne, are 22 and 18, respectively. Marlene says, "Both are very dynamic, headstrong and complex!" As people say in the South, it sounds like those apples didn't fall very far from the tree!

A short note came from Janet Kelley Jobe, who lives in Chattanooga, Tenn., with husband, Ron. Janet is the director of development for Chattanooga Christian School, Ron is a civil engineer.

Thanks to all who have sent in news! If anyone was unable to attend the reunion, classmates really missed absentees and would love to hear how everybody is. Please send the secretary a note by snail mail or e-mail!

• Annual Fund participation through April: **25%** 

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Elizabeth Wells Lang did a wonderful job with the class letter, and it was terrific to hear from several classmates following the letter. Mark calendars now for the 25th reunion in spring 2004!

Janet Bradley Parker writes she and Charlie Parker were married in August 2000. Their combined family includes Chris Parker, 20, as well as Stacey, 15, Jessica, 12, and Nicole Fryzel, 10. Janet and Charlie stay busy with their children and with running Janet's old family business, Bradley's Country Store, located outside of Tallahassee, Fla. Classmates can visit the store on the Web at bradleyscountrystore.com. Janet assures everyone they are still making the best sausage!

Mary Beth Gardiner made a career change a couple of years ago from doing medical research to writing about it. Now a science writer on staff at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, it is her mission to communicate what researchers there do in terms the general public can understand. She writes for a number of publications, including a weekly newspaper, the medical school's alumni magazine, the children's hospital magazine and a new research magazine with national coverage called Lens: A New Way of Looking at Science. In November, she received the Robert G. Fenley Writing Award for Excellence from the Association of American Medical Colleges. Way to go, Mary Beth! Classmates are proud of her.

Robin Kessler Nelson sent an update from Lake Forest, Calif. where she works full time as an instructional assistant in a specialeducation classroom with 15 severely handicapped students. Robin also teaches English as a Second Language two nights a week at the local high school and is taking night classes at Cal State Long Beach to achieve her teaching credentials in ESL as well as in primary and secondary French. Robin's husband, Monte, works for Boeing and is a principal engineer and scientist on the Delta Rockets. Their son, Rand, is on track to graduate from the University of California at Los Angeles in June with a bachelor's in aerospace engineering. Daughter Shivaun is 19 and a freshman at the University of California at Berkeley, while Brienne is almost 15 and a freshman at El Toro High School.

Virginia "Ginny" Lee McMurray is staying busy with her part-time job as a grant writer for Wildwood Park for the Performing Arts and with the school and extracurricular activities of Kathleen, 15, Margaret, 12, and Michael, 8. All three have been involved in various theatrical productions during the school year, in school, church and community venues. Ginny looks forward to hearing from more classmates soon.

Patricia "Tish" DuPont Easterlin wrote to let the class know Ellen Poole Overly lost her brother, Sam Poole, in December. Classmates' sympathies are with Ellen and her family. Tish also notes her oldest child, Will, heads to college in the fall, with the destination at this point undecided. It was interesting for Tish to teach him in AP language and literature classes. Will's sister, Clare, follows him in just a year. Fortunately for Tish and her husband, their son Frank, who is in 2nd grade, will keep them from "empty nest syn-

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drome" for quite awhile.

• Annual Fund participation through April: **22%** 

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Cindy Dantzler Shearer underwent a hysterectomy Feb. 18. The operation took the normally active class president off her feet for six weeks. On the brighter side, Cindy's oldest son, Phillip, attends Georgia Institute of Technology, where he is majoring in mechanical engineering. The location gives his mom multiple reasons to come to Atlanta—to see him and for fun. Second son Brent is a junior in high school and wants to attend The University of Georgia, so the Shearers will be a "house divided" when it comes to college rivalries in the next few years. Cindy continues to homeschool youngest son Scott, as well as teach aerobics and work as a personal trainer, all of which she loves to do.

Kathy Hollywood reports after five long months, she and her family are nearing completion of their house renovation. They added a third garage, a sunroom and "more closet space than any house should legally be allowed to have!" Husband Bruce Smith turned the big 50 quite gracefully—probably contented because, in the renovation he was able to get the hidden-entryway bookcase he had always wanted. The kids (ages 8, 11 and 13) are doing well in school and are in good health. Kathy recently threw a school dance at the elementary school, an ice cream social for her Girl Scout Service Unit and helped out with the scoliosis screening of the entire middle school.

Jodie Jeffrey-Sanders sends her update from the beautiful mountains and lakes of the Ozarks. Jodie and partner Shannon Brooks have been in business together for 19 years. Their agency is called Brooks-Jeffrey Marketing Inc., and the continued growth of their business has required four moves since 1984. In 1999, they purchased a 6,300+ square foot office to accommodate their growth. When she is not working, Jodie enjoys trips to the ocean. Last fall while recovering from a broken foot, she spent a long weekend in Cozumel, Mexico, with her brother, Jay Raleigh, and his wife, Diane. The week of Thanksgiving, Jodie and three friends went to St. Thomas and St. John to scuba dive and snorkel.

Andi Julian Lee is living in Winter Park, Fla. Her exciting news is youngest daughter Rebekah, age 15, has finished filming a television pilot, and the family is waiting with quiet optimism to see if it sells to a network.

Emily Moore enjoyed a great luncheon on Valentine's Day in Valdosta, Ga., with about 20 women from various class years at Lulu's, owned by Mary Anna Smith '78. Emily even met the mother of a member of the class of 2007. Dacia Berry '79 and Emily had a good shopping trip and talk at the Valdosta Outlet Malls after their wonderful lunch at Lulu's. Emily adds Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College, has impressed her, and she encourages classmates to get more involved financially. Judy Smith Willis's oldest

daughter, Katherine, started high school this fall and was promptly promoted into honors French by her French teacher. This was, of course, exciting news for her mother, the Agnes Scott French major! The most fun part, however, is Katherine just started being e-mail pen pals with Alice Callu, the 15-year-old granddaughter of the French family Judy lived with during her junior year in France (she is Remi's daughter, for those of you who remember). It really takes Judy back (and she has to help translate: French teenagere-mailese is a little different!) Katherine doesn't have any interest in going to Agnes Scott now, but mother Judy can already see the lobbying for trips to France coming! The second generation of change students begin Katherine continues in ballet and plays violin in her high school orchestra. Younger daughter Lauren is interested in band and has started clarinet lessons. Judy and the two girls have formed a trio-violin, clarinet and fluteand have played several times at church. Husband Mike continues to work for Georgia Tech Research Institute, and Judy runs the carpool shuttle while volunteering at church and school.

Peggy Somers Shepard moved from part-time status to full time in development at the Trinity School in Atlanta. After completing its annual fund-raiser, the Art Auction (which was supposed to be Peggy's seasonal part-time job), she has been "temporarily promoted" to full-time development, running a capital campaign. Peggy looks forward to learning a lot and helping to raise \$7 million. "They always said an ASC education would teach you to think, and I am landing on my feet!" Peggy says. "I do, however, look forward to the school's hiring a full-time director of development so that I can return to part-time status."

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **31%** 

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Susan Kennedy Blackwood went backpacking in British Columbia last summer. Her group of seven encountered mud, snow, ice-cold mountain streams, flowerfilled mountain meadows, boulder fields and scenic and panoramic views. During the Christmas holiday, Susan played host to her sister's 16-year-old Russian exchange student. The pair played tourists in New York City, traveling in each day by ferry or train and locating a great deal of the "world's static," which Oksana just loved.

Elizabeth "Liz" Steele Forman and family moved last August to one of her favorite houses in Richmond. The Formans contracted to buy it mid-June, sold their home the week it went on the market, left on a planned twoweek trip to Europe, then spent three weeks in Florida. When they returned, Liz had only two weeks to prepare for the move. Needless to say, the movers ended up packing a lot of "junk," which Liz says she's systematically been going through and pitching—one box at a time.

Lisa Merrifield remains enthusiastic about her life in Omaha, Neb., where she is a licensed mental health practitioner. In early March, she successfully defended her dissertation. Big plans are in the works for a post-graduation party sometime in late August.

Melanie Merrifield Podowitz caught up with several Agnes Scott alumnae at Henderson Mill Elementary in Atlanta, where daughter Lydia attends kindergarten. Fellow PTA members include Melanie Meadows Jordan '79 and Mary Ihley Simmons '77.

Nancy "Elizabeth" Dorsey Starr was named "Account Manager of the Year" for 2002 for McNaughton-McKay Electric Company of Georgia. The award came as quite a surprise. Elizabeth writes she's pinching herself to make sure it's real.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 26%

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The secretary and classmates are anxiously waiting to hear from everyone. Please write! If someone sends e-mail, please say in the subject header Class News,

Agnes Scott '82 news or something to let the secretary know that the sender is not SPAM. She hopes she hasn't deleted someone's really exciting news. If so, write again.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 34%

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Jane A. Zanca reports she became a grandmother in July 2002 with the birth of Elijah to her daughter, Amanda. Jane was the birth coach by title but a wide-eyed student by function. She was amazed at how different the childbirth experience is now, and yet how unchanged the basics are. Jane claims she had done little but hold her grandchild at every opportunity, which has resulted in a dusty house but a very full heart.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 38%

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Catherine Fleming Bruce is involved with preserving and restoring Modjeska Simkins' home in Columbia, S.C., where Thurgood Marshall and Modjeska Simkins helped forge a path toward equal justice in America. Catherine, who is president of the Collaboration for Community Trust, has made preserving the Simkins' home from destruction her life's work for the past seven years. She sees the home becoming a landmark tracing South Carolina's role in the Civil Rights Movement. By preserving Simkins' home and opening its doors to the public, and by explaining to school groups and others how Simkins helped change the world, Catherine hopes to link the spirit of the past to the future in some small way

Cindy Stewart Stauffer writes she and husband John are on the "accelerated family plan" and are pleased to announce the birth of their third child in four years of marriage. Jonah Robert Stauffer was born Sept. 22, and joins his brother John David Jr., 3, and sister Jamie Ann, 2. The Stauffers live in San Antonio, Texas, where both Cindy and John are lieutenant colonels in the Air Force.

Anne P. Markette joined Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation as a senior development officer in March. Anne previously served as senior vice president/managing director of asset and wealth management for Wachovia Bank. As part of the foundation, Anne will develop and manage relationships with donors who choose to support it and its mission of enhancing the lives of children through excellence in patient care, research and education.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 20%

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Donna Gail Beck Blanton and husband, Jerry Robin "Robbie" Blanton, are overjoyed to announce the arrival of their "firstborn" child, daughter Sylvie Jean, born Oct. 7. Her parents chose her name, Sylvie (a classic French name), in honor of Donna's love of French teaching, and Jean in tribute to Donna's sister, Betty Jean. Robbie and Donna count their blessings every day for their little one—so longed for after 13 years of marriage (celebrated April 7) and years of infertility issues.

In addition to this special miracle from God's hand, the Blantons welcomed home Sylvie's big sister from overseas. After 22 months of adoption proceedings, Robbie traveled to China for two weeks to fetch their "first" child, daughter Hannah Gail Deyu Blanton, born May 21, 2002, and adopted in Chongqing, China on March 4. The girls are almost like twins in age (about 4 months apart) and are keeping Donna in high-gear busy mode as a full-time new mom!

With the advent of two babies, Donna left her much-loved French teaching career at Providence Christian Academy in Lilburn, Ga., at the end of the 2001-02 school year. During her six-year tenure at Providence Donna taught all levels of high school French, developed and instructed an annual French exploratory program for elementary students, served as foreign language department chair, provided faculty sponsorship for the class of 2003, mentored several female students, oversaw French Club activities and (thankfully for only a few years) served as the school's yearbook adviser. As the 2001-02 year drew to a close, Donna was honored to learn she had been nominated and selected for inclusion in the 2002 edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers. What a special way to bring one major chapter of life to a close while an even more exciting and rewarding one opens!

The Blantons reside in Norcross, Ga., where they enjoy living within walking distance of Old Town Norcross, with its inviting park, shops and restaurants and especially the train tracks (reminiscent of ole Agnes Scott days). If any Scotties happen to be in the area,

#### **AlumNet Online Directory**

If you want to contact classmates before your reunion in April, search for fellow alumnae in your city or just want to find an old college friend, the Agnes Scott AlumNet online directory is a great place to start. To log on, go to alumnae.agnesscott.edu. If you are logging on for the first



time, you'll need the ID number that you received in October. If you've lost your ID,

contact the Office of Alumnae Relations at alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

you are welcome to drop by to help feed, change or play with babies Sylvie and Hannah!

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 17%

SECRETARY
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Alexandria Kimberly Osias enjoys her position as a national correspondent for the Denver bureau of CNN Newsource. Her division of CNN does live shots and packages for all 600 CNN affiliates, as well as for CNN Newsource. Recently, she has traveled across country covering various stories including the snipers in and around Washington, D.C., and the Columbia Space Shuttle disaster in Houston live as it and the subsequent investigation unfolded. She and Katherine "Kate" Baird Hammond are taking Parker, Kate's daughter, and the goddaughter of Kimberly and Ginger Patton-Schmitt, skiing. Kimberly cannot wait to see "that pint-size muffin hit the slopes!" She invites anyone visiting in Denver to give her a call, as she is just putting on the finishing touches to her guest room

Louisa Parker Mattozzi reports her little girl, 1-year-old Louisa Margaret, is a "speed crawler and big talker." Louisa is managing to chase her little one while also reaching submission deadlines for her dissertation. Her Ph.D. is just around the corner, as she hopes to defend her dissertation this summer. Recently, Louisa and Louisa Margaret had a play date with Margaret "Molly" McCray Finke and her three girls, Sophie, Hannah and Tess. In addition Louisa recently visited with Erin E. Gaston '90, who was in Washington, D.C., for a project with the State Department, and with Pamilla "Pam" Gulley Hardin '90. Also, Louisa and Lisa Rogers Wilson '92 got together to let Louisa Margaret and Lisa's daughter, Becky, play, as Becky is only four days older than Louisa's daughter.

Ginger Patton-Schmitt got together with many of her College buddies for their annual gift exchange. Suzanne Heywood Miller '88X held the Sunday afternoon gathering, where Suzanne Ginger, Eleanor Jean Dill, Angela "Amy" Gottsche Miele '88 Catherine Martin Lindauer '88 Melanie Cliatt Williams '88. Camille Burton Mentzer '88 Krista Hedberg Russell '88, Mary "Shelly" Trabue Castell '88, Elizabeth "Liz" Pleasant Hudson '88, Margaret "Beth" Leonard Glover '88, Renee Caudill Schramm '88, and Lisa Slappey Whitton '88 were all in attendance After lunch at Suzanne's, a smaller group went to see The Lion King at the Boisfeuillet Jones Atlanta Civic Center.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **24%** 

NEW SECRETARY Daphne M. Norton 100 White Sands Court Suwanee, Ga. 30024 dnorton@gpc.peachnet.edu

Camila Weise de Bottome and husband, Ricardo, announce the birth of their second daughter, Bettina Alexandra, on Jan. 20.



Jennifer Dolan Livengood '95 works as a post-doctoral fellow at Emory University, researching enteropathogenic E. coli.

#### LIVENGOOD STUDIES RARE BACTERIA

As an undergraduate, Jennifer Dolan Livengood '95 took an interest in both science and the humanities.

Before enrolling at Agnes Scott, she studied in a pre-med program at Valencia Community College in Central Florida. While at Agnes Scott, though, her love of languages and an admitted desire to boost her GPA led to a French major.

As graduation approached, Livengood considered a French doctoral program. Ultimately, her interest in the sciences and encouragement from Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology, led her to work in the medical field.

"Dr. Bowden encouraged me," Livengood said. "She taught me science is accessible to everyone—it's not a secret language that only a few can learn. I ended up working in her microbiology lab and decided to come back for a fifth year to take a few more biology courses.

"I took microbiology with Dr. Bowden and molecular genetics with Dr. [Harry] Wistrand [professor of biology]," Livengood said. "Those courses and my experience working with Dr. Bowden helped me get a job in the microbial biology lab at Emory."

Now a post-doctoral fellow at Emory University, Livengood performs basic research that might one day allow scientists to understand how enteropathogenic E. coli causes illness and to find effective treatments. Her first doctoral research paper, "The Genetic Basis for Nongroupable Neisseria meningitidis," was published in The Journal of Infectious Diseases this spring.

Although she considered medical school, Livengood's experience in the Emory lab convinced her to apply to graduate programs in biology. She was the only member of her doctoral program not a science major. Though colleagues are often surprised to learn she was a French major, Livengood proves daily the analytical and creative skills honed by a liberal arts education apply to scientific inquiry.

—Dawn Sloan Downes '92

Bettina weighed 7.84 pounds and measured 19.4 inches in length. Camila says Bettina is beautiful (objective mom speaking) and is a sweet and easy baby. Camila doesn't know if she is a calmer mother now or if her first daughter, Sara, was a bit fussier. Sara looks like her father, but no one is sure whom Bettina looks like.

Cara Cassell was selected as Teacher of the Year for the City Schools of Decatur. As part of her award, she will get to attend the upcoming MLA Convention in Boston.

Tamera "Tammy" Shirley reports her son, Nicholas, has two teeth. Tammy is enjoying the rewards of motherhood.

Holly Henderson and husband, Jeff, spent the New Year's holiday in New Orleans. They attended the Sugar Bowl and cheered the Georgia Bulldogs to victory. They also visited Vivian Saker Lennon, Ph.D., and her family who gave them the local tour of the city.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 19%

SECRETARY Kristin L. Lemmerman 25 Anita Place Mableton, Ga. 30126 kristinlem@yahoo.com

Aida Najarian Kenyon gave birth to Madeleine Ruth Kenyon in Atlanta on May 2, 2002. She and husband Bill are thrilled about the arrival of their first child, she says, adding she's already grooming Madeleine to be an Agnes Scott first-year student.

Proud parents Elizabeth Fraser Washburn and husband Matthew announce the birth of Madeline Rose Washburn on Feb. 18. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Janet Johnson Payton and husband Gary had their third child, Hannah Caroline, on Feb. 22. She joins two big brothers: Garrett, 3, and Walker, 22 months. The family also moved into a new home in Suwanee, Ga., in August.

Vanessa Elliott Goggans reports news of her third child as well. Baby number three, Jackson Keith Goggans, was born on Oct. 3. His two older brothers, Griffin, 5, and Nathan, 3, are very proud.

Catlin Olsen Cibula also gave birth to a little girl, Larkin Jane Cibula, who was born on Jan. 24.

Dawn Sloan Downes and husband Scott welcomed son Brendan Travis Downes into the world Feb. 2. Brendan weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 19 inches long. Dawn gave birth without any pain medication after a 14-hour labor. She highly recommends the experience.

Prior to Brendan's birth, friends feted Dawn at a shower held by Courtney Alison. "Aunt" Courtney drove up from New Orleans and co-sponsored the party with one of Dawn's former coworkers. Elizabeth "Camille" Montgomery Morris '95, a new mom herself, had planned to attend the shower, held on Jan. 18, but because of a surprise snowstorm in Nashville, Tenn., was unable to attend.

Courtney Alison has been traveling a lot lately. After co-hosting Dawn Sloan Downes' January baby shower, at the end of February she drove to Lake Charles, La., to attend the fourth birthday party of her godson, whose family also moved back to Louisiana from Atlanta recently. After celebrating Mardi Gras for the first time since before coming to Agnes Scott, Courtney flew back to Atlanta in early March to attend the 80th birthday party of a friend she met through volunteering for Atlanta's Center for the Visually Impaired. While there, she got to meet Dawn's son, and spend time with other friends in town. Speaking of parties, she threw a small 1st birthday party for her dog, Bailey, complete with cake, presents and party hats. It was attended by Courtney's mom, stepfather, and their 12-year-old dog, Bridget. Bailey heartily enjoyed her slice of birthday cake.

Laura Andrews Powell shared news of nuptials: She and James Harllee Powell married Nov. 16 at the First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven, Fla. Sarah "Ruth" Lightfoot Adams and Frances "Fran" Akins were bridesmaids. Also in attendance were Scotties from sister classes, Jill Barkholz Wills '90 (and husband Rich), and Claire Laye Abel '94 (and husband David). Laura is working for the University of Florida, and the newlyweds are living in Wellington.

Staci Dixon has started work at a job that she calls her "Debt Reduction Plan." She is content manager for CoreNet Global, a professional association for folks involved in the corporate real estate. Staci is enjoying paying down her student loans, but she also loves the job's fringe benefits, like wine-filled staff retreats at Chateau Elan, international travel, valet parking and a generous 401K plan. While CoreNet is a nonprofit, she says, it's quite a

change from the nonprofits where she's worked before!

Janiece Hotson Meek writes: 'As an RTC student, I graduated in 1992 with a degree in art. Last year, my husband and I moved from Decatur to Asheville, N.C. and opened an art gallery, one of the few in the country dealing exclusively in figurative art. We have received two wonderful reviews of exhibitions in the Asheville Citizen-Times (http://cgi. citizen-times.com/cgi-bin/story/ 11355, http://cgi.citizen-times .com/cgi-bin/story/25488). As a staff writer for Rapid River, a local publication covering the arts (both in print and online at www.rapidrivermagazine.com), I am also writing a series of articles this year reflecting on the development of the arts in America during the 20th century, in addition to assigned articles on contemporary arts issues. In 1992, I took ceramics with Steve Forbes-DeSoule, who moved to Asheville after graduation that year, and we have re-established contact. His suggestion to take up my ceramics studies at Odyssey Center for the Ceramic Arts is helping me to continue to develop as a ceramist, as well."

#### BIRTHS

• Jackson Keith Goggans, son of Vanessa Elliott Goggans and Mark, Oct. 3.

• Madeleine Ruth Kenyon, daughter of Aida Najarian Kenyon and Bill, May 2.

• Hannah Caroline Payton, daughter of Janet Johnson Payton and Gary, Feb. 22.

 Madeleine Rose Washburn, daughter of Elizabeth Fraser Washburn and Matthew, Feb. 18.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 17%

SECRETARY Helen Nash 3455-N North Druid Hills Road Decatur, Ga. 30033 hnash@earthlink.net

Laura Maricque Barlament has settled in Sewanee, Tenn., for her new job as director of publications at the University of the South. This is her second address change in half a year, but she hopes to avoid moving for a while.

Sara DiGiusto Sewell was elected vice president of communications of the Junior League of Asheville for the 2003-2004 term. Sara's husband, Rob, is consulting with a firm, FN Manufacturing, in Columbia, S.C., and is designing handguns for the Navy. He is commuting to South Carolina during the week. Sara also is involved in Buncombe County Republican activities.

Sarah Fisher (sfisher@gts.edu) has moved to Chelsea, a neighborhood in Manhattan, N.Y., where she is a student at the General Theological Seminary. She is working toward her master's of divinity and is a postulant for holy orders in the Episcopal Church. (Sarah provided a translation: she's studying to be a priest.) Sarah's classmates include Elizabeth "Betsy' Jennings-Powell '71, M.D., and John Coleman, husband of Mary Jordan Coleman '94. Another Agnes Scott connection, Sarah is being taught by the brilliant Deirdre Good, who taught at Agnes Scott.

And the class has received an update from Barbara Scalf Stairley (bstairley@copper.net). Barbara and husband Kent Stairley had a daughter, Rebecca, in 1995 when

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body allow that to

happen? It opened me

to a world I had never

realized existed.

-DeeDee Smart'95

they were living in North Carolina. While in North Carolina, Barbara taught eighthninth-, tenth- and eleventh-grade English, with a brief position as a reading specialist. Barbara and Kent moved to Ohio in 1997 and had a house built just outside of Columbus in 1998. They welcomed son William into the family on Sept. 30, 2001. Barbara has been staying at home with their children. After doing a bit of substitute teaching where Rebecca went to school, Barbara is homeschooling Rebecca, who is in the second grade. Barbara has written a children's book that has not been published, though she is working on it. Barbara also is finishing a novel she has been working on for some time; she reports writing a novel is a slow process!

#### BIRTHS

 Rebecca Abigail May, daughter of Cara Lawson May and Cleve, Feb. 14.

#### **DEATHS**

• Joseph Carruthers, father of Sarah C. Carruthers, March.

SECRETARY
Beth Hunt Galloway

• Annual Fund participation through April: **16%** 

SECRE I ARY Beth Hunt Galloway 1754 Dixie Road Covington, Ga. 30014 bgallowa@arches.uga.edu

Mary Elizabeth "Beth" Hunt Galloway began a new career as a fifth grade teacher in Newton County, Ga. She and husband Brent also purchased a new home in Mansfield.

Melissa June "Missy" Mullinax made it though the election with 14 wins out of 18 State House and Senate races she was involved in. Missy spent time with Jessica Dougherty '94 in Washington, D.C. She also visited with Amy Smith-Boden in Holland and Paris. Her e-mail address is mjmullinax@mindspring.com.

Elizabeth "Nikki" Webb Alger has returned to the United States from Germany. She and husband, Chris, bought a home in the San Antonio, Texas, area. Her e-mail is nalger1@hotmail.com. Nikki had a daughter Dec. 4. She weighed 4 pounds, 6 ounces, came 7 weeks premature and spent time in the neonatal ICU. Mother and daughter came home and are doing fine.

Nancy Zehl Perry has returned to work at Hunter, Maclean, Exley and Dunn as an employment attorney on a part-time basis after the birth of her daughter, Emily.

Laura Horne married F. Harris Lowery Jr. on Dec. 14. Classmates Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Horton and Lara Webb Carrigan served as bride attendants along with sister Summerlin Horne, who served as maid of honor. Other alumnae who attended included Jessica Lake, Katherine Horton, Rebecca Becky Moen, Claire Laye Abel, Betsy Bilbro '97, Elaine Harper Horton '68, Loraine Brittle '96 and Andrea Johnson Swilley '90. Harris and Laura have settled in Athens, Ga., where Laura is working at The University of Georgia as director of development for the School of Public and International

Charlotte Stapleton Flores and husband Anton bought a house in their neighborhood to be a center for holistic ministry. The house has been named the "Peace House" and has a garden. Together, with their community, they have monthly gatherings and "peace meals" once a week. Charlotte has started an after-

#### **BRAIN CHEMISTRY FUELS RESEARCH**

DeeDee Smart '95 decided to research molecular brain chemistry because of the many unknowns about the how the brain functions.

"It occurred to me that

Smart, who is completing a M.D. and Ph.D. in molecular medicine at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, plans to pursue a career in radiation oncology, focusing on research and clinical studies.

"It occurred to me that the body can kill itself. I thought, how can that be?" Smart said. "How can a body allow that to happen? It opened me to a world I had never realized existed."

Smart studies a particular kind of protein, called caveolin that functions within a specific blood vessel in the brain. The blood vessel

helps the brain maintain its special kind of environment, regulating what goes in and out.

If a head trauma, stroke or tumor disrupts the delicate barrier protecting the brain's environment, the resulting swelling and loss of electrical circuits may cause death. Caveolin exists in microscopic compartments on the surfaces of cells in the blood vessels, and may be significant in regulating the brain traffic. Smart's work studies key components in the development of brain tumors.

Smart double-majored in chemistry and Spanish. With a father in the military, she spent many years exposed to international cultures. In Hawaii, she attended a Japanese school. "It was the first place where I suddenly was in the minority," she said. "I had to learn how

to see and behave differently.

Those experiences sparked a lifelong interest in international relations and language acquisition. Smart also studied German, Japanese and Hindi.

Smart said her Spanish is an asset in clinical rotations. The Medical College of Georgia Hospital serves homeless and indigent populations from around the state, which often include migrant families from Latin America. Smart also volunteers at the Salvation Army St. Vincent de Paul Clinic in Augusta.

For now, Smart is dedicated to unraveling the mysteries of human brain chemistry.

"We have been studying brain tumors for a long time, and we haven't really learned anything new in about 30 years," she said. "I think part of the reason is it is so complex, so complicated, that very little research is going on about them. Anything we can learn about them is crucial."

—Allison Adams '89

school tutoring program from her home two days a week.

Sara Sabo Joiner had a son, John Kirkland Joiner, Nov. 3. He weighed 7 pounds and measured 20 inches long.

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• Annual Fund participation through April: **9%** 

SECRETARY Laura Hinte Cawthon 54 Summer E. Williamsburg, Va. 23188-1651 thecawthonfamily@home.com

Jenny White Howard and husband, Jon, welcomed son David Andrew Howard on July 19 at 11:12 p.m. He weighed 8.5 pounds and measured 20.5 inches long. He is doing great, and they are really enjoying parenthood. Jenny is back at work part time so she can spend more time with David. Jon and Jenny also celebrated their sixth year of marriage last June (right before David's arrival.)

After graduation, Alison
Burleson worked at King and
Spalding for two years. She graduated from law school at Georgia
State University College of Law
in 2000 and passed the bar exam.
She works in the DeKalb County
District Attorney's office as an
assistant district attorney and
loves it.

Cathy May graduated from Duke University in May 2002 with an M.B.A. degree. Last summer, she traveled around France, Spain, Italy and Greece for a month. She then moved back to Atlanta in August to work for BellSouth as a finance manager.

Katie Stromberg Casson married and had a baby named Martha Grace Casson.

Shannon Lord Tuttle was promoted to senior project manager

at ExitNow Inc

Kim Wright Whaley is going back to Kennesaw State University to obtain a bachelor of science in education for secondary mathematics. She left her previous job in October to pursue teaching full time. Her kids are growing up as well: Rheanna will start kindergarten in the fall and Piper will start Pre-K.

In early December, Margaret Bickers passed the Airline Transport Rating checkride. It's the highest level of pilot license and is based on a written test, a verbal exam, a flight test and total experience. It's basically a Ph.D. in "airplane." There are only a few thousand women in the world who have the rating—and not many men either!

#### BIRTHS

• Peter Stephen Davis, son of Holly Dyer Davis, Feb. 25.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 18%

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Julie Dickerson Edwards and her husband, Jonathan Edwards, bought a house built in 1938 and are restoring it.

Michelle Frost loves teaching math at Inman Middle School, her purple house in Decatur's Oakhurst community and married life.

Jennifer Harben passed the Georgia Bar Exam in July and, with a huge sigh of relief, was sworn in as a member of the Georgia Bar in December 2002. She works for the U.S.

Department of Housing and Urban Development in downtown Atlanta.

Chelsy Parks Hooper is taking classes to get a technology endorsement on her Tennessee teaching certificate. She also heads a committee at her school for teacher professional development in technology. She has decided not to play football with the National Women's Football League, as it takes up a lot of her spare time.

Susan Vincent Molinaro reports in spite of now being tied down to a "real" job, she did get away in early January to visit Rachel Huffman Knuth and her husband, Nathan Knuth, who live in St. Paul, Minn. In early February, she also took a quickie road trip to Asheville, N.C., where she visited Elizabeth "Betsy" Morley '00. Susan continues to stay busy being Miz DJ for The Celtic Show on WRFG 89.3, Sunday nights from 5 to 7.

In March, Stacy Kim Schmitt presented a paper, "Mexican Horror Film or Hollywood Traitor: Mexican Identity and the Horror Tradition in Guillermo Del Toro's Films," at the Southeastern Council on Latin American Studies at the University of North Carolina—Chapel Hill. Stacy is studying for her comprehensive exams and is finishing her master's thesis.

Adrienne Walker traveled across the world to Madras, Bangalore and New Delhi, India, this past December for two weeks. She enjoyed learning firsthand about another culture, and though her tongue was on fire during most of the meals, she only got sick once!

A collaborative exhibition, Between, a dialogue between artists Nell Ruby and Robin "Perry" Dana was presented at Agnes Scott's Dalton Gallery. Through friendship, these artists discovered distinct similarities in what drives their art-making processes.

#### BIRTHS

• Jack Harrison Steih, son of Lacey Redding Pyburn Steih and William, Nov. 14.

 Cadence Monroe Claar-Pressley, daughter of Liberty Chance Claar-Kilgore, Jan. 28.

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April: 16%
SECRETARY
Laura Croft

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Staci Shields Bolton was accepted by the University of South Carolina Psychiatric Hospital for a predoctoral internship in clinical psychology.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 12%

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Nancy Kaye Stamey Lewis was accepted by Emory University Counseling Center for her predoctoral internship and is scheduled to graduate with a doctorate in clinical psychology in October 2004. She is delighted to be able to remain in Atlanta for her internship so she can continue to have the support of her friends and family.

Carla Brunjes Burkhead is now living in Fort Collins, Colo., with husband, Jason Burkhead, whom she married on Jan. 24. She is managing a clothing boutique while Jason finishes his Ph.D. in botany at Colorado State University.

Sandra A. "Sandy" Miller is at Georgia Institute of Technology seeking a degree in civil and environmental engineering.

Susannah "Ruth" Hartness enjoyed attending the recent Agnes Scott dinner celebrating the 10th anniversary of the M.A.T. program. She's a 2002 M.A.T. graduate and is happy teaching English and Latin in Rockdale County.

Kimberly "Kimmy" McSwain Hawthorne married William Edward Hawthorne on Oct. 12 in a riverside ceremony in Brunswick, Ga. The maid of honor was best friend and former Agnes Scott roommate all four years, Sandra A. "Sandy" Miller Other Scottie bridesmaids included Meredith C. Fields, Tiffany Prather McAneny '98, Cassandra Castillo, Amrita Dhamoon and Elizabeth "Betsy" Herrington Malkin. Many other Scotties attended and danced the night away. The couple resides in Brunswick, Ga.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 13%

SECRETARY
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Elizabeth "Liz" Wilson and her partner, Sean, visited Atlanta with daughter Taylor in January. Liz writes, "After an 11-hour drive from Toledo, Ohio, it was nice to see milder weather and the inlaws. Much time was spent visiting with friends, including Jessica Marinara. We spent a good few hours catching up at Twain's. It didn't seem like almost two years since I left. Back in Ohio, we are fixing up our house as the cold snowy winter drags on, and hopefully by spring, we'll have a new kitchen. We have summer plans to visit Atlanta, Ontario and do as much backpacking and hiking that we can fit in with a 1-year-old.

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 Annual Fund participation through April: 15%

SECRETARY Joy Carter 1614 Dodson Drive SW Atlanta, Ga. 30311 joyletitia@netscape.net

Jamie A. Lee writes, "In July 2002, I matriculated at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, enrolling in the combined M.D./Ph.D. program. I hope to graduate sometime around 2010! In December, I bought a townhouse in Charleston, and I moved in over the Christmas holidays!"

Darby Peterson, who is mom to Briana English Bauer, reported Briana and her husband, Dennis Bauer, entered the Peace Corps on Feb. 17. Brianna is an agroforestry extensionist, and Dennis is an environmental education promoter. They are in the Dominican Republic and will be there until May 2005. Briana's e-mail is brianaenglish@hotmail.com.

Cristy Sellers Lambert and husband lan are enjoying their daughter, Julia Ann, born last year. She weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces, and measured 21 inches.

# College Makes Top 50

#### School Makes Top Tier in U.S. News & World Report Annual Rankings

News & World Report ranked Agnes Scott College among the top 50 national liberal arts colleges, the Southeast's best women's college and Georgia's best liberal arts college in its annual "America's Best Colleges" survey released Aug. 22.

"These findings affirm the longstanding opinions of Agnes Scott College students, alumnae and those who employ our graduates," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "Agnes Scott has enjoyed a solid reputation throughout the nation, the South and Georgia

as one of the preeminent liberal arts colleges, and this report supports that longstanding perception."

For the first time in the history of the "Best Colleges" rankings, Agnes Scott moved into the top 50 of the "Best Liberal Arts Colleges" list from the position it held last year in the "second tier" of colleges ranked 53-112.

"second tier" of colleges ranked 53-112.

"Agnes Scott made the top 50 this year in part because of our alumnae support," Bullock said. "This year's 46 percent alumnae giving figure, along with our outstanding students and faculty, helped push us into the top tier.

As it increases, our ranking will also rise."

The popular rankings are important because prospective students and their parents use them as an independent assessment when considering schools.

Agnes Scott moved this year to the 50th spot, which it shares with Wabash College in Indiana. Agnes Scott joins six other Southeastern colleges on the top 50 list, including Davidson in North Carolina, Washington and Lee University in Virginia, The University of the South and Rhodes

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### **NATIONAL RANKINGS**

• U.S. News & World Report: tied for No. 50 among national liberal arts colleges

• U.S. News & World Report: No. 23 for "great schools at great prices" • U.S. News & World Report: No. 11

for diversity
• The Princeton Review: No. 5 for

"dorms like palaces"

• The Princeton Review: No. 13 for "best quality of life"

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## Annual Fund Participation Rate Hits 46%

#### ALUMNAE GIVING UP DESPITE ECONOMY

While the economic downturn continued during the fiscal year 2002-2003, Agnes Scott's Annual Fund participation and total donations bucked the trend and continued to rise.

Alumnae participation hit 46 percent with total gifts of \$1,924,126, up from 45 percent and \$1,918,731 in 2001-2002, said Joanne Davis, director of the Annual Fund. "This year, we had 4,489 alumnae gifts," she said. "We had 429 more alumnae donors this year than last year, and of those, 290 were new donors."

And 72 percent of the the class of 1958 gave to the Annual Fund, which was 9 percent higher than in 2001-2002, Davis said.

Caro McDonald Smith '58, class fund chair, said her class percentage jumped so much because "everyone was personally contacted by the committee. Some had never given before. Everyone got a little note card, and that meant a lot."

Davis emphasized alumnae giving is crucial in securing corporate and foundation gifts. "Corporations and foundations look to see if alumnae support their college before considering grant proposals," she said.

Karen Roy, associate vice president for finance, called the increases incredible and

"Gifts to the Annual Fund have increased nicely during the last few years," Roy said. "The gifts take some of the pressure off other revenue sources, such as the endowment"

The Annual Fund now makes up a little more than 5 percent of the College's operating budget, up 1 percent from 2001-2002, Roy said.

The majority of gifts are unrestricted, which allows the College to use them

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Affirmative Action: U.S. Supreme Court Decision



Members of Wikaze, Agnes Scott's African-American student organization, protest with others during a rally in support of affirmative action at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., in March. Group members (bottom picture, from left) Lauren Butler '05, Lauren Lewis '06, Shannen Williams '04, Arsed Joseph '06 and Ashley Clark '06 raise their fists during the rally. Other Agnes Scott students at the rally include Courtney Ware '06, Chanika Perry '03 and Shaya Gregory '06. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in the University of Michigan cases in June.



# Supreme Court Decision Not To Affect ASC

AFFIRMATIVE-ACTION RULING AMENDS METHOD SCHOOLS MAY USE TO CREATE DIVERSE CAMPUSES

June U.S. Supreme Court rulings more clearly defined, and in some instances changed, the way colleges and universities may create diverse populations on campus.

The court ruled 6-3 in *Gratz v. Bollinger* against the University of Michigan's undergraduate admissions policy, which used a point system to evaluate students. The court upheld the law school policies in *Grutter v. Bollinger*, stating the school used race as one of many considerations in admission decisions without assigning it a specific value.

"Agnes Scott College's success in recruiting a diverse student body will not be affected by this ruling," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "We will continue to consider each applicant's record of academic and extracurricular achievements on an individual basis."

These rulings were partially based on the text of the 1978 Regents of the University of California v. Bakke case, in which Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. wrote schools could use race as a "plus factor" in admissions. This ruling, however, gave institutions some leeway. Many established policies such as the Michigan one, believing they did not qualify as unconstitutional quotas.

"The decision marked a very important day in the struggle for racial justice," said Constance Curry '55, a fellow at Emory University's women's studies department and a longtime civil and social rights activist. "The court confirmed that racial diversity is a compelling state interest. The decision is certainly not as broad as we may have wished, but it did not set us back 40 years, as many of us feared."

Eight members of Witkaze, Agnes Scott's African-American student association, participated in the March on Washington to Defend Affirmative Action

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#### **MEDIA CLIPS**

- "And perhaps we hope that somehow that Martian light will touch us and transform us, if only for a moment as we stand, breathless children all, looking out a window to eternity."
- Chris De Pree, associate professor of astronomy, in *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* inspired by the huge public turnout for Mars viewings in late August at Bradley Observatory.

#### ACCOLADES

- Gemma Philage '99 finished the first Miami Tropical Marathon (26.3 miles) in
- February. Philage battled mental marathon madness by singing "Beer, Beer."

   Dorothy "Ellen" Richter Griffin '68 had two holes in one within six months of each other.
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# Conklin Named Gilman Scholar

When Rose Conklin '05 set out to explore a diverse culture in Latin America, she did so as a 2003 Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholar.

Also a 2003-2004 Stukes Scholar, Conklin received a \$4,000 scholarship to study abroad at the *Universidad de Palermo* in Argentina.

"Argentina has an interesting mix of European and indigenous peoples," said Conklin, a math major with a minor in Spanish. "This mix fascinates me because of my own upbringing in an extremely diverse Washington, D.C., neighborhood and high school. The relationship between the United States and Argentina is in many ways a paradigm of the Western Hemisphere's important environmental, cultural and economic issues that require understanding, cooperation and resolution."

She is studying abroad through the International Student Exchange Program and will pay Agnes Scott tuition as though she were on campus.

"In addition to allowing me to pay as much of my own way as possible, the scholarship also requires an independent project which I thought would make my year even more meaningful," Conklin said.

She is one of 192 students, or 15 percent, of the 1,276 students who applied to receive award of up to \$5,000 per semester or academic year. She is the third Agnes Scott student awarded a Gilman Scholarship. There were two in 2001.

The U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs sponsors the program for students interested in studying abroad who might not otherwise have the opportunity. The Institute of International Education assists with the program's administration. Students must receive federal Pell Grants to be eligible.

"This particular study-abroad scholarship is about access and excellence," said Jennifer Lund, director of international education and assistant professor of education, "access to study abroad by outstanding students who receive federal financial aid."

While at the *Universidad de Palermo*, Conklin hoped to take advantage of its architecture program and complete an introductory course.

"I hope to pursue my interest in architecture with graduate study," she said. "I am especially interested in looking at 'green architecture,' which is becoming a field of international collaboration."

-Wendy Cromwell

#### CORRECTION

• In the summer issue, Sidney Fleming's '59 name was misspelled. *Main Events* regrets the error.

#### **Community Connection**



D. McCall Pitts, assistant dean of students (from left), and Jeanne Maxfield, executive assistant in the Office of the President, help third-graders at Oakhurst Elementary School in Decatur draw sharks and other big fish for a school mural during Staff Volunteer Day 2003 in May.

### Compliance Audit Delivered to SACS

The Compliance Audit for the 10-year reaccredidation review was delivered Aug. 15 to the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The College produced 10 copies of the 189-page audit with 349 supporting documents. Agnes Scott also posted the audit on a special section of its Web site, accessible only to the offsite SACS review team. The next step in the reaccredidation process is the Quality Enhancement Plan, which focuses on improving student learning, due in January.

#### Community Girl Scouts Recognize College

Agnes Scott College received the Daisy Award in May from the Girl Scouts of Northwest Georgia for support of the Decatur Service Unit.

The award is presented to an organization for increasing the visibility of Girl Scouting in the community. Agnes Scott College Campus Girl Scouts, with help from faculty and staff, has held events at the College for all ages of Girl Scouts for many years, including holding the national Campus Girl Scout Conference in 2002.

In addition to the College's award, Marcella Cuadra '03 received a Volunteer of the Year award for her active participation with Girl Scouts.

—Martha Gaston '04

#### Institutional Advancement Staff Receives Award

The institutional advancement staff, which includes the offices of Development, Communications and Alumnae Relations, received the 2003 CASE/Wealth ID Award in Educational Fund Raising from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

The award is for general improvement in overall fund raising. Agnes Scott was one of two private colleges to win.—Martha Gaston '04

#### Number of Summer Conferences Up This Year

The College and Office of Special Events and Conferences played host to 31 conferences and 5,700 participants this summer, up from 25 conferences and 3,500 participants in 2002. This year, about 400 children participated in summer athletic camps.

TBS Honors Alumna For Community Service

Allison Adams '89 was honored as one of 12 TBS SuperStation Pathfinders. The program recognizes volunteers in the metro Atlanta area who greatly improve the lives of others. Adams is the founder of Citizens for a Livable DeKalb, an organization that advocates environmentally friendly transportation.

Pathfinders will be featured on a local prime-time special this fall and in public service announcements.

—Martha Gaston '04

# Norman's New Play, Last Dance, Includes Reference To ASC

ALUMNA ELECTED AS TRUSTEE AND DEBUTS PLAY IN ONE WEEK

Norman '69

Marsha Norman '69 is no stranger to the hectic demands of a major theatrical premiere. So in the same week in May, she previewed her new play Last Dance and was elected to the Agnes Scott College Board of Trustees.

Last Dance follows the hopes, dreams and romantic entanglements of four Savannah natives enjoying life in the south of France. The plot centers on Charlotte, an attractive poet indulging in seemingly contradictory behavior.

Charlotte delights in all that life offers, including the opportunity to take a

handsome lover half her age, yet indicates she plans to retreat into a solitude of her own design. The mystery behind Charlotte's decision fuels the play's intrigue.

At a reception for Agnes Scott alumnae and students, Norman said it was time to celebrate Southern culture and character. That is evident in *Last Dance*, which includes a pointed reference to Agnes Scott.

Critical reaction was mixed, but nonetheless demonstrated the playwright's intent was clear. Writing in *The New York Times*, drama critic Ben Brantley stated *Last Dance* "is presented as a love poem to a vanishing world of Southern graciousness and eccentricity."

Norman won the 1983 Pulitzer Prize for her play 'night, Mother. At the time, she was one of only eight women honored with the Pulitzer for Drama. Norman also earned a 1991 Tony Award and a Drama Desk Award for the Broadway

musical The Secret Garden.

During the past 10 years, she has co-chaired the playwriting department of The Julliard School.

The combination of Norman's teaching and the reputation of the Manhattan Theatre Club, a presti-

gious off-Broadway organization, works together. Two years ago, the play *Proof* became the third MTC production to win the Pulitzer Prize.

The playwright, David Auburn, was one of Norman's Julliard students, which makes Norman the only Pulitzer winner to teach another winner.

The cast of Last Dance featured familiar faces. Starring as Charlotte was JoBeth Williams, perhaps best known for films including Poltergeist and The Big Chill. Williams offered a subtle portrait marked by intelligence, determination and graceful beauty.

David Rasche, a frequent guest in episodic television and star of the cult series *Sledge Hammer!*, played Charlotte's longtime confidante Randall. Rasche played Randall with tremendous range adding warmth and pathos to a man whose outward persona is marked by a jaded, acerbic wit.

Rounding out the cast were Heather Goldenhersh as Charlotte's wonderfully wide-eyed goddaughter Georgeanne. Lorenzo Pisoni is Cab, the heart-throb who begins as Charlotte's lover only to move ever closer to Georgeanne.

—David S. Thompson, associate professor of theatre

# Former Mayor and Trustee Ivan Allen Jr. Dies in July

Ivan Allen Jr. is best known for serving as Atlanta's mayor during turbulent times. Although Allen spent his 1962 to 1970 term in the national public eye, he also served the smaller, private community of Agnes Scott by serving on the Board of Trustees from 1959 to 1977.

Born in 1911, Allen died on July 2 in Sandy Springs, Ga.

"Ivan Allen was a trustee for 18 years, and during a part of that period he was running the city of Atlanta in an era that was often troubled by conflict and unrest," said Mary Alverta "Bertie" Bond, secretary emerita of the Board of

"It obviously enhanced Agnes Scott's reputation to have such a respected civic leader associated with us," Bond said. "I think it says something about the man and about the College that he was willing to give time from an exceedingly busy life to serve on our Board.

During his tenure as mayor, Allen helped instigate major building programs that significantly increased the population and improved transportation. He also lured professional sports teams to the city, including the Atlanta Braves, Falcons and Hawks.

As a high-profile Southerner, Allen openly championed social change and the Civil Rights Act. He appeared before Congress to testify to the Senate Commerce Committee on a section of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

A friend of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., Allen supported his causes and worked to desegregate public institutions in Atlanta.

Survivors include his wife, Louise Richardson Allen; two sons, Hugh Inman Allen and Beaumont Allen; seven grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren. —Martha Gaston '04

#### Rankings: Agnes Scott in Top 50 of U.S. News

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College in Tennessee, Furman University in South Carolina and Centre College in Kentucky.

Agnes Scott College also received high marks for diversity. U.S. News & World Report ranked the college No. 11 among national liberal arts colleges for diversity, with 22 percent African-American students. The magazine also ranked

Agnes Scott No. 23 for best value. In another ranking issued in August, *The Princeton Review's* "Best 351 Colleges" named Agnes Scott No. 13 for "Best Quality of Life" and No. 5 for "Dorms Like Palaces." The study asks 100,000 college students to gauge colleges and universities for academics, quality of campus life and many other important indicators.

—Lee Dancy

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Anne Register Jones Alumnae Leadership Conference

### Programs, Trips Illustrate New Mission Statement

The Agnes Scott College Alumnae Association promotes partnership between alumnae and the College.

· We provide opportunities for continued intellectual growth.

 We strengthen bonds and understanding in a diverse alumnae community.

 We advocate increased alumnae engagement with the College.

his new mission statement reflects the Alumnae Association's responsibility to foster and promote the connection and service of alumnae to Agnes Scott. The Alumnae Board and Office of Alumnae Relations have been working to accomplish what this new statement calls us to

from Sallie

Manning

Many alumnae A Word asked for academic and intellectual growth opportunities. As a result, we have developed "new and improved" programs.

I hope you noticed the expanded travel program with trips to Italy,

Birmingham and Philadelphia. There are also programs that gather alumnae by affinity groups such as our Arts Connection and the Reader's Connection, which held book discussions in Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and Greenville. We look forward to more expansions. What are your particular interests or ideas?

The Alumnae Board has made a conscious effort to make our programs more inclusive. We concluded there are many groups of alumnae, with particular interests, life stages or ethnic backgrounds, who want to gather based on those similarities.

This spring, we started the African-American Alumnae Network. More than 80 women have joined. The association helped Carolyn Curry '66 begin Women Alone Together, a series of activities for widowed and divorced

To encourage alumnae service, we updated Leadership Conference, renaming it in honor of Anne Register Jones '46. Sessions were led by trustees, alumnae and staff. We also had terrific social time, including an overnight stay in

An Alumnae Board committee worked diligently to write our new mission statement so it accurately states the goals of the association and reflects the College's mission.

We are fortunate to have such a statement to guide the Alumnae Association in planning programs and activities to meet the needs of our alumnae as well as encourage engagement with the College.

Sallies. Marning



Anne Register Jones '46 talks during the dedication of the Anne Register Jones Conference Center in June. The dedication kicked off the newly named Alumnae Leadership Conference.

A Word from the President

# Conference Helps Create Alumnae Partnership

2002-2003 school year, the Alumnae Association set the standard for Agnes Scott alumnae programs with its inaugural Anne Register Jones Alumnae Leadership Conference in

Honoring Anne's many decades of volunteer alumnae leadership, the conference brought more than 120 alumnae of all ages to the College for a day and a half of focused training.

Participants, which included class officers, chapter leaders and volunteers for the Annual Fund, Campaign and admission, hailed from 17 states and 51 classes. Yes, 51 classes! I was especially pleased to see 21 young alumnae from the classes of 1994 to 2000—including three from 2000. Many stayed in Inman Hall, reprising student days including the joys of communal bathrooms! Mark your calendars for next year's conference May 21-23

I have heard from more alumnae about the significance of this weekend than any previous alumnae program. Alumnae felt they were brought into a real partnership with Agnes Scott.

Harriet King '64 and Chris Little, chair and vice chair of the Board; Bill Goodhew, chair of the finance and investment committee; and other trustees met with alumnae.

Harriet asked alumnae for their advice and suggestions in an extended question and answer period. Chris and Bill led an hour and a half session on the College's fiscal health, including a detailed presentation on

the endowment—the effect of the recession, our investment strategy and future growth prospects.

I addressed our two most important priorities: reaching our enrollment goal of 1,000 and realigning the College with its fiscal envi-

From the extraordinary response, we learned how important it is for the College to bring alumnae into a dialogue about Agnes Scott's future. And,

to have this dialogue, alumnae need to be kept well informed about

As this year begins, we will renew our effort to keep you in touch with the challenges as well as the successes of our alma

As I write, we are about to open a new school year. The volleyball team just walked by my window—athletes are always the first of our returning students. Tonight, Dean Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt, Dean Gué Hudson '68 and I meet with student leaders.

On Tuesday, our 31 new international students arrive, and on Friday approximately 270 new students, including transfers and Woodruff Scholars, check in. On Saturday night they sign the Honor Code before their families in an impressive ceremony in

As we watch students arrive on campus, we know the alumnae leaders of tomorrow are in the group and look forward to watching them emerge.

Mary Brows Bullock

#### Alumnae: Parents Also Increase Gifts to College While Corporate Gifts Fall

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where most needed, Davis said. Those needs range from faculty salaries to scholarship funds and library acquisitions.

Another group that gave more this year was parents. "Last year, 82 parents gavethis year 185," Davis said. "This is an 125 percent increase.

Davis credits the increase in parent gifts to more personal contact through the Student Calling Program and letters.

Corporate and matching gifts were

down this year. "Several companies have either suspended or stopped making matching contributions, which I am sure is due to the economy," Davis said, which made alumnae gifts all the more impor--Wendy Cromwell

**Affirmative Action** 

## Campus Diversity, Understanding An Ongoing Process

ORGANIZATIONS AND HONEST DIALOGUE HELP

Gay Johnson McDougall '68 enrolled as the first African-American student in September 1965, 11 years after Brown v. the Board of Education declared public school segregation unconstitutional. McDougall would later transfer after her first year.

Edna P. Swift '71, who enrolled in 1968, was the first African-American to graduate. Today, African-Americans make up 22 percent of the student body.

Audrey Louise Grant '77, an African-American and newly elected trustee, said she felt accepted as a student, though other minority students were sometimes not so readily received.

"Open discussions between black and white students helped to promote good race relations on campus," Grant said. "Many white girls would come up to us and ask about things to see if they were true and vice versa. These discussions helped to dispel stereotypes

To keep these conversations going, the College holds events such as the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation in January. Past guest speakers include activists Constance Curry '55, former Decatur mayor Elizabeth Wilson, Rep. John Lewis (D-Ga.) and Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis.

Student organizations such as Witkaze, Asian Women and Hispanic Awareness Society represent and educate others by encouraging all ethnic and racial groups to participate in club events.

International students, who make up 6 percent of the student population, create further campus diversity.

People of all races should support social causes, Curry said, pointing out the example of Britain's long oppres-

"On a larger, philosophical level, civil, social and human rights are issues that should be of import to everyone," Curry said. "Assume [in the United States] you are talking about white privilege here, which means that if your skin is white, you have it made and don't have to care or worry about anything. This attitude is one of the main reasons we are in the same situation of institutionalized racism that has existed since

In 1995, Agnes Scott took an intellectually conscious step and founded an Africana studies program. The program does not offer a major, though students may self-design one or complete a minor through it.

Although there are still periods of racial tension on campus, Agnes Scott has come a long way since 1965. Honest dialogue worked in the '70s and is still the best way to move toward an accepting, open environment, Curry said.

#### **Case:** Affirmative Action Helps All Women Says Witkase Officer

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Witkaze felt the University of Michigan Supreme Court cases affected all Americans," said Shannen Williams '04, former Witkaze co-president. "Witkaze was not only representing the black women of Agnes Scott College; we were representing the women of Agnes Scott College. One common misconception about affirmative action is that it is only for African-Americans or Latino-Americans. In fact, women of all races have been the beneficiaries of affirmative action programs.

Agnes Scott's admission procedure considers every applicant as a whole, including academic record extracurricular activities and ethnic background Applicants of a certain race are not given priority over

According to the Women's College Coalition, "onehalf of women's colleges report minority populations totaling more than 25 percent of their students." Minority students constitute approximately 30 percent of the College's student body.

A benchmarking project, conducted by the coalition, of women's colleges with 700-1,200 full-time undergraduates shows Agnes Scott has higher than average numbers of African-American, Asian-American and international students.

We are proud Agnes Scott ranks in the top 11 national liberal arts colleges for the diversity of its student body," Bullock said. "We also know our success cannot be measured by numbers, but by the quality of the community we create together.

— Martha Gaston '04

### New Visa Requirements For International Students Create Complicated System

Homeland security hit the Agnes Scott campus fast and furiously Aug. 1.

The Office of International Education, like others nationwide, had to register every enrolled international student with the State Department's Student and Exchange Visitor Information System by

SEVIS, created to track foreign students and scholars in the United States, enables colleges to issue an I-20, a form certifying the student has been admitted and has money

available to pay for one year of school. The I-20 is one of many documents needed for a student

All summer, Jennifer Lund, director of international education, entered returning and incoming international students into SEVIS. She was down to 29 when the "the State Department upgraded SEVIS with 15 minutes notice the night before I went on vacation when I had planned to finish inputting our students." Lund made the deadline.

Lund is lucky. She only had to

input 66 students. Larger institutions added staff, discontinued services and closed their international offices for a number of days to input students. An estimated 1.2 million students were to be entered by the Aug. 1 deadline.

"SEVIS is fraught with glitches," Lund said. "You have these pulldown menus with options for all kinds of functions, such as reissuing an I-20. The only options are 'damaged, lost, travel or stolen.' There is no option for human error, typos or corrections.

Immigration regulations permit such corrections, but when the system does not, school officials must call the SEVIS Help Line to resolve the problem, Lund said.

Once students are entered, problems continue, Lund said. Some U.S. embassy computer systems had problems interfacing with SEVIS. Students were denied visas even though they held the necessary barcoded I-20 form, Lund said.

School officials had to call the help line and wait for the first available helper, who generated "a ticket number to 'push' the student information through to the embassy, Lund said. "Once the ticket number was issued, students had to wait 48 hours to make sure the embassy could find them in the system.

By calling after hours, staying on hold for up to 21/2 hours, Lund has been able resolve any problems Agnes Scott international students

"You just had to get in line," Lund said. "To the best of my knowledge, all of our students got visas and -Wendy Cromwell made it here."

#### Sally Ride Science Camp

This excerpted letter was sent to JoAnn "Joie" Delafield '58, a member of the New York chapter which sponsored Devon Welsh to the Sally Ride Science Camp in June.

Dear Mrs. Delafield,

I had a really great time at the Sally Ride Space Camp in Atlanta. It all started out with me sitting on the runway in New York for an hour before the plane took off. I arrived late and many people knew me as "the late girl from New York." I think I was the only girl in the whole camp who was from outside of Georgia, but I'm not positive

The first day we studied about light and light waves, and how they help us learn things we can't see in a telescope. My favorite part of that was finding out that blue stars are actually the hottest and red the coldest, because on sinks, red is always hot and blue cold. loved learning about the Doplar Effect, which is basically that if something is moving closer to you the sound and light waves are compressed and get shorter, changing the color and pitch.

The rest of the time, we built rockets and telescopes. I liked streamlining the wings of my rocket and then trying to decorate the body without knocking the very fragile wings off. We had a little, "tube" I guess you could call it, of rocket fuel in our rocket. We also used fire proof paper, which made many people in my group laugh, as all the paper we had known was extremely flammable. The average height the rockets went up to was about 430 feet. We had parachutes so when the rockets fell they would not come down too fast, but we had to cut holes in our parachutes so the rockets would come down fast enough that the wind wouldn't blow them away. Apparently my hole wasn't big enough, because my rocket was blown into the trees and we didn't get it back. I liked my rocket very much, but my rocket didn't like me.

My group did three presentations. One was an advertisement for a birthday party on another planet or moon in space. We did Titron, Neptune's largest moon. It was fun, but we had a few problems with turning the pages in our script. It made everyone watching laugh. The second presentation was a skit about our time at camp. All the groups' skits were extremely funny, especially making fun of the counselors and some of the funny things we had done. The third presentation was for the parents. We were supposed to tell them about what we had learned. My group was the most creative and did a game show that asked questions about what we had learned. I held up a sign on the side with "Applause" and another girl had one that said "Silence." None of the parents really paid attention to the signs, but it was fun.

My roommate, Lexi, was very nice. I am glad I was paired with her. She was very funny, and we laughed a lot togeth-.. My other good friend was Amanda and we loved quoting Finding Nemo. The campus of Agnes Scott College was really nice, and I realized before an hour had passed the first day that the latitude difference made a difference in the temperature and I would not be needing my

Camp was great and I am so glad I was able to go there and try it out. Thank you so much for helping me get there. I will always remember camp before eighth grade! I had so much fun!



Devon Welsh (left) prepares a rocket to launch at the Sally Ride Science Camp. Devon received a camp scholarship from the New York alumnae chapter.

# Alum Chapters Spark Interest in Sciences

hen Agnes Scott held the inaugural Sally Ride Science Camp for girls in June, New York and Kingsport, Tenn., alumnae made sure their chapters were represented.

"Flora [McLain '43] and I became involved because we knew a science program with Sally Ride's name attached had to be good," said Helen DeWitt Whittaker '75, of the Tennessee chapter. "We also think girls don't get as much experience with science and this would be a good opportunity for them.

We thought it would be really fun to spread this out nationally, said JoAnn "Joie" Delafield '58, trustee and national co-chair of Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. "We [the New York chapter] raised enough money to cover camp tuition and put \$250 in the camp's general

The scholarship recipient, Devon Welsh, is a eighth-grader at Nightingale-Bamford School in Manhattan, with classes in astronomy and chemistry. The Kingsport girl became homesick and left early.

"I wasn't expecting it [the scholarship] at all," Devon said. "I knew I wasn't going to get a second chance to come to a camp like

Delafield credits former Trustee

Sara Vagliano '63 with starting the scholarship. "She's the one who went after the New York committee. She called members and asked them to give whatever they

Ride, America's first woman in space, founded the camp to inspire sixth- through eighthgrade girls to pursue science, math and technology. Campers built telescopes and rockets, later launched on the Gellerstedt Track

Mine went into the trees, Devon said of her rocket. "I don't know exactly where it is. On average, they [the rockets] went 400something feet in the air, but I'm not sure how high mine went."

The camp was beautifully organized, Delafield said. An Agnes Scott student met Devon at the airport with a cell phone so she could call her parents immedi-

"Her dad went down to pick Devon up," Delafield said. "He called and said he hadn't seen a more beautiful campus. He was

very impressed. 'The camp is a wonderful way to get girls at the right age," Delafield said. "This way, when they are juniors, they will at least look at us. At the very least, they will have been awakened to wonderful science. We might get them interested in what's up there in the -Wendy Cromwell

## Reaching 1000 Focus Of Enrollment Plan

ALUMNAE, FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS PRESSED INTO ACTION

The new catch phrase on campus this year, Reach 1000, has a focus to

We have transformed our campus," said Stephanie Balmer, dean of admission and associate vice president for enrollment. "Now, it is time for students to come.

Having increased enrollment 50 percent in five years to 900 students, the goal is to hit 1,000 or more students during the next three years.

We need to grow to 1,000 students to reach our aspiration of becoming a strong liberal arts college," said President Mary Brown Bullock '66. "We also need to reach 1,000 students to financially support our academic programs and student services.

"We have redoubled our efforts to reach 1,000 students," Bullock said. "It is not the responsibility of the admission staff. It is a College

With that charge, the Office of Admission incorporated alumnae, faculty, staff and current students into its new enrollment plan—using letter campaigns, word-of-mouth recruiting and recommending prospective students.

The plan includes exceeding 1,000 applications each year and targeting four areas—Atlanta; Houston; Tampa/St. Petersburg, Fla.; and Nashville, Tenn.; Balmer said.

The College is offering tuition credit to students recommended by alumnae, Balmer said. If a student referred by an alumna, is admitted and enrolls, she receives a \$500 Alumnae Leadership Scholarship for first-year students and \$250 for Woodruff Scholars.

"Alumnae can put a prospective student on the mailing list or host an admission event in their area," said Ann Carter Duncan, assistant director of admission and alumnae volunteer coordinator. "Their personal experiences and stories are great recruiting tools, and the one-on-one contact can be very effective

Duncan also suggested alumnae bring prospective students to visit

"Enrollment in the College is greater if prospective students visit it," Balmer said.

Another focus of the enrollment plan is defining the Agnes Scott ideal student, Balmer said

She is someone who has had a rigorous high school program and has a strong performance on standardized tests," Balmer said. "She has strong recommendations from her teachers and counselors and a strong written essay. Typically these are the marks of a student who will do well here."

Alumnae also can help by serving

#### Class of 2007 Breaks Record For Applications

The class of 2007, which arrived in August representing 26 states and nine countries, set a record with 786 applications.

"Agnes Scott really stood out in my college search because, simply, I was not applying to any other school like it," said Sara Peralta '07 of Austin, Texas. "I was considering huge, state universities here in Texas and the small, rural liberal arts schools in the North.

Peralta, one of 213 students who enrolled this year, took a second look at Agnes Scott after meeting an admission representative at a college fair. "Her and other staff members' kindness really caught my attention.

"After visiting twice I knew, in my heart, that other than my family home in Texas, this was a place that I could call home," said Peralta, who plans to study music and education in hopes of becoming a music teacher. "These were women I could befriend and call my sisters. I knew my place was at Agnes Scott and nowhere else."

Applicants learned about Agnes Scott through the Web site, an admission letter, college fairs and alumnae. They also learned about the College through visits, high school counselors, admission events, Agnes Scott faculty, dessert and discussion events and general campus events.

The class mean grade point average is 3.63. The middle 50 percent of SAT I scores ranged from 1100-1300, and the mean ACT score was 26.

The class is geographically and ethnically diverse with 9 percent international students and 16 percent African-American. Six percent are Hispanic and 3 percent Asian-American or Pacific Islander.

as an information source for prospective students regarding their career path, Duncan said, adding a doctor could be matched with students interested in medicine and

Becoming an alumnae admission representative is a great way to give back to Agnes Scott, Duncan said. Recruiting highly qualified students to your alma mater makes your diploma that much more valuable,"

For more information regarding becoming an alumnae admission representative or getting involved, contact Duncan at aduncan @agnesscott.edu. —Wendy Cromwell

Faculty Profile: Richard Parry and Lara Denis

# Professors Write Articles For Cambridge Companion Series

Cambridge University Press has selected two Agnes Scott philosophy professors to contribute to a new set of volumes on specific philosophic works or topics.

The academic press began the series, Cambridge Companion, with individual philosophers in the early '90s.

"I think it is a wonderful recognition for the department to have



two members out of three represented in these volumes, said Richard Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy. The editor of each volume selects people

he or she wants to contribute, said Lara Denis, associate professor of philosophy and director of the ethics program, who along with Parry was chosen to participate.

"It's just a matter of whose work [the editor] admires and thinks would do a good job on writing on the topics he wants included, Denis said.

Denis' article, under the working title "Kant's Concept of Virtue," is one of about 12 articles that will appear in the second edition of the

"My piece will begin with an his-



Richard Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy, wrote an article, "The Unhappy Tyrant and the Craft of Inner Rule," for the Cambridge Companion to Plato's Republic. He is one of 17 writers used in the volume.

torical overview of the concept of virtue, discussing its development from ancient philosophers through Kant's immediate predecessors, such as David Hume," Denis said.

One of 17 authors for the Cambridge Companion to Plato's Republic, Parry is submitting an article, 'The Unhappy Tyrant and the Craft of Inner Rule.

The article is about one of the characters in Book Nine of the Republic," Parry said. "Plato equates happiness with virtue, so the foil is Plato's conception of a tyrant -someone who is corrupt and ruled by an 'erotic passion.'

The Cambridge series strives to be readable for both undergraduate students and advanced scholars by offering several facets of each philosopher instead of introductory work. The new collections are scheduled to be printed in 2005-

—Martha Gaston '04

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**Faculty and Staff News** 

• Sandra T. Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology and Science Center shepherd, presented, "Undergraduate Science Facilities: Innovative Approaches to Accommodate Changing Needs," at the July 21 Society for College and University Planning national meeting in Miami. The presentation, with Richard M. Heinz and Sean E. Towne, architects and laboratory consultants with Research Facilities Design, described the Science Center as a case study in laboratory design offering flexibility for diverse subject fields and faculty-student research.

#### HUMANITIES

 Waqas Ahmad Khwaja, assistant professor of English, participated in Regions Unframed: A Symposium of Middle Eastern and South Asian Studies on April 4 at Emory University. He gave a poetry reading, "Mushiara/Ghoshti, on April 6 at Emory and read poetry from his latest work, No One Waits for the Train, on May 21 at the Avari Hotel in Lahore, Pakistan. While in Pakistan, Khwaja gave a lecture on postcolonial studies at the Lahore Gymkhana.

· Richard D. Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy, was elected program chair and president-elect of the Georgia Philosophical Society in May. He had an article, "The Craft of Ruling in Plato's Euthydemus and Republic," published in Phronesis: A Journal for Ancient Philosophy (Vol. 48, Spring 2003). Parry also had an article, "Episteme and Techne," published in the on-line Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Summer 2003).

• Michael R. Lynn, assistant professor of history, participated in an international workshop, "Science et spectacle au temps des Lumières," May 19-29 sponsored by the Centre de recherche en histoire des sciences et des techniques in Paris.

 Rafael Ocasio, associate professor of Spanish, had an article, "Reinaldo Arenas's Political Activism: Revista Mariel and 'Conducta Impropria'," published in the South Eastern Latin Americanist (XLVI: 3-4 Winter/Spring 2003). He also had a book review, "Escorpión," published in Críticas (3:2 March-April 2003). Ocasio had another book review, "Queer Latinidad: Identity Practices, Discursive Spaces," published in Choice (Vol. 40, June 2003).

• Regine Reynolds-Cornell, professor emerita of French, by invitation of the French National Center for Research in the Humanities, gave a lecture on Secular Comedies, Biblical Comedies: Two Faces of Marguerite de Navarre, Evangelical Janns, on May 22 at the University of Burgundy in Dijon,

• Julia Knowlton De Pree, associate professor of French, has been selected as an evaluator and consultant to the Modern Language Association's national Texts and Translations series. She will evaluate a translation and critical edition of Trios Femmes, written by Isabelle de Charrière in

• Sally MacEwen, associate professor of classical languages

and literatures, attended a seminar held by the Council on International Education Exchange in Northern Ireland

• David S. Thompson, associate professor of theatre, had an article, "Broadway for Bargain-Hunters," published in the June 27 Wall Street Journal. The article focused on how to reduce the cost of seeing theatre in New York City.

· Lyn Schenbeck, director of choral and orchestral activities, had an article, "The Image of Women in the American Musical Theatre in the 1920s," published in the Journal of American Drama and Theatre (Summer). She gave a presentation, "Shuffle Along, by Eubie Blake and Noble Sissie: the Beginning of the Harlem Renaissance," at the Chicago Humanities Festival on July 23

• Calvert Johnson, Charles A. Dana Professor of Music, published, *England*: 1550-1650, (Colfax, N.C. Wayne Leupold Editions, 2003). He gave an organ recital of Black composers at the First Presbyterian Church in Marietta, Ga., on April 1. Johnson gave a harpsichord recital of Japanese composers at "Japanese Music Today 2003," at a conference held at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County on April 5. He gave a recital of Japanese women composers at the joint national meeting of the Southeastern Historical Keyboard Society, Midwestern Historical Keyboard Society and Western Early Keyboard Association on May 18 at the University of South Dakota. Johnson gave a recital of early Spanish, Italian and English music at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston for the regional convention of the American Guild of Organists on June 6.

#### SOCIAL SCIENCE

• Yvonne Newsome, associate professor of sociology, had an article, "International Issues and Domestic Ethnic Relations: African Americans, American Jews, and the Israel-South Africa Debate," reprinted as a chapter in the anthology Essential Readings on Jewish Identities, Lifestyles & Beliefs: Analyses of the Personal and Social Diversity of Jews by Modern Scholars (June 2003, Gordian Knot Books).

• Doug Talbott, lead support services specialist, received the Microsoft Office Specialist Expert Certification in Office 2000 in May. To obtain certification, Talbott passed five Microsoft application exams.

· Lewis Thayne, vice president for institutional advancement, has been appointed to the board of trustees of The Paideia School in Atlanta.

• Ginny Moreland, director of library services, is a recipient of the 2003 LAMA Group Achievement Award. The award was given to all committee members who contributed to the publication Building Blocks for Planning Functional Library Space,

• Linda Gray, access services librarian, attended the Georgia Archives Institute June 16-27, sponsored by the Georgia Department of Archives and History.

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**Parting Words** 

# Becoming A Community That Thinks Deeply

These remarks were made by Richard D. Parry, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Philosophy, at Opening Convocation in August.

Last spring, the QEP [Quality Enhancement Plan] committee conducted a series of focus groups. We were searching for the community's description of the intellectually engaged person. The results were very interesting, even inspiring. The following are the characteristics we identified: curious, open-minded, willing to take risks, engages others, active and independent, passionate and enthusiastic, values knowledge and learning, thinks critically and appreciates diversity.

Certainly any student with all of these traits would be something like a goddess. It is the intention of the Quality Enhancement Plan to encourage and promote these traits in students, faculty and staff. How we will attempt to accomplish that goal you will find out during the course of this semester. Let me focus today on what the ideal result would be.

Imagine a first-year student who shows up at Agnes Scott College in the fall. She is bright and well read; she comes from a good high school. Still, there has been something missing in life—something she may not even know how to describe. Sometimes in conversation, sometimes in reading her mind goes below the surface of what is being said or what has been written. She wants to know why, to probe and challenge what others think is obviously true. She wants to pursue an unusual idea, open a new line of thinking. Maybe in her high school, this sort of intellectual curiosity was not reinforced or appreciated. But here, she finds a lot of others who—like her—think in this unusual way.

Here, she and the others—students, faculty and staff—play off one another, reinforce and encourage one another in this way of thinking deeply—of criticizing and of exploring, of going below the surface.

In the movie, *The Wizard of Oz*, at one point the whole screen goes from black and white to Technicolor. I do not want to enter into the controversy about the merits of black and white vs. Technicolor.

Let's just say Technicolor is better for the moment. Black and white is the world where issues are black and white, a world of no subtleties, where what is said, what is written, is taken at face value. No one asks probing, skeptical questions. No one dares think challenging, even shocking ideas. They simply accept the conventional way of looking at things. This conventional way of looking at things can either be the conservative platitudes of middle America or the liberal dogma of the cultural elite.

But here, at Agnes Scott, she finds a Technicolor world characterized by those encounters with the ideas and insights of others with discoveries of new knowledge but also of what is below what we already know—or think we know. Here she experiences her

mind as free and alive. In fact, she discovers what has been missing, the intellectual virtues. The moral virtues are such traits as honesty and compassion; these are habits of the heart—ways of feeling, reacting, and acting. The intellectual virtues are habits of the mind, consciously acquired and well practiced. Aristotle, who made the distinction between moral and intellectual virtues, held that—for example—skill in deductive reasoning was an intellectual virtue. We have an expanded list: curiosity, open-mindedness, active and independent learning and the others from our focus groups.

Let me end by concentrating on one of these: appreciation of diversity. I take this intellectual virtue to be the willingness and skill to learn from people of religious, political, social and ethnic backgrounds different from one's own. Each has important insights and points of view on that most vital of all enterprises—being a human being. Grasping these insights and points of view means having the skill to see beyond the point of view of one's own tribe, whether that tribe is in the minority or in the majority. It is a skill among many that we should intentionally, consciously—by plan—teach, practice, promote, and encourage if we are to be a community that thinks deeply.

Fall Cultural Events



Rita Colwell, director of The National Science Foundation (right), meets with science majors in the Science Center's Teasley Lecture Hall before her lecture in the Leading Science Lecture Series on Sept. 10. The next lecture is Nov. 8.

## Colwell, Olsen, Landis Headline Science Series

In an effort to promote the sciences and their connection to other disciplines, the Agnes Scott Leading Science Lecture series will continue throughout the 2003-2004 academic year.

The series, which began in April with a lecture by Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, highlights influential women in all realms of science.

Rita Colwell, director of The National Science Foundation, lectured on "Sowing the Seeds of Science," on Sept. 10. Kathie L. Olsen, associate director with the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President, will speak at 8 p.m. Nov. 6 in Presser Hall.

As associate director, Olsen is

responsible for supervising science and education policy in physical, life, behavioral, social and environmental sciences. Before her appointment, Olsen was chief scientist at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration from May 1999-April 2002 and acting associate administrator for Enterprise in Biological and Physical Research from July 2000-March 2002.

Story C. Landis, senior investigator at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke will speak at 8 p.m. Feb. 19 in Presser Hall. Her research examines the developmental interactions necessary for functional synapses to develop. Landis received her B.A. from Wellesley College and her Ph.D. from Harvard University.

— Martha Gaston '04

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Koresh Dance Company

8 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 10-11, Presser Hall
 Renowned for its powerful stage presence and eloquent style, Philadelphia's Koresh Dance Company has been hailed as an extraordinary newcomer to the national stage. This troupe prides itself on presenting its audiences with a technically superior blend of ballet, modern and jazz molded into a style of choreography that is both uniquely complex and beautiful.

"Return Journey"
One-man tribute to poet Dylan Thomas
performed by Bob Kingdom

• 8 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 21, Presser Hall

A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare

Performed by Blackfriars
8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24-25 and
Oct. 31-Nov. 1; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26 and Nov. 2,
Dana Fine Arts Building, Winter Theatre

**Joseph R. Gladden Jr. Public Lecture Series**Willie Tolliver Jr., associate professor of English and director of Africana studies

• 5 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 29, Science Center, Teasley Lecture Hall

#### Ahn Trio

• 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 22, Presser Hall

• Twins Maria and Lucia Ahn and their sister Angella all played the piano as soon as they could reach the keys, but when Lucia got really serious about the piano at age 7, Angella moved to the violin and Maria to the cello. The three Seoul sisters became the Ahn Trio, making their first public ensemble appearance on Korean television in 1979.

#### **Early Spring Events**

Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation

 10 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 28, Presser Hall.
 Agnes Scott College commemorates the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr. through a public lecture by Beverly Daniels Tatum, president of Spelman College.

James Ross McCain Faith and Learning Lecture

• 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, Presser Hall

 For more than 30 years, Kathleen Norris has examined spirituality in the modern chaotic world and chronicling her findings in poetry, fiction and nonfiction works. Among those is her bestseller, The Cloister Walk, a compelling account of the 18 months she spent in a Benedictine monastery.

Aladdin by Moses Goldberg Performed by Blackfriars

• 9:30 and 11 a.m., Thursday and Friday, Feb. 5-6, 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7.

Guerrilla Girls on Tour

• 8 p.m. Feb. 12, Presser Hall

 The Guerrilla Girls show is more than just a multimedia history of the group's activities: it's a how-to study in identifying and quantifying sexism and racism wherever it occurs and a crash course in fighting it.

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Because the secretary is moving from Montgomery, Ala., to an apartment with her daughter in Tuscaloosa, she was unable to write to the class individually. Send news to 9570 Bee Branch Road, Cottondale, AL 35453. The secretary enjoys hearing from class members who are still active

Anne "Chopin" Hudson Hankins is an inspiration to the class with her tennis, sailing and traveling.

It was great to hear from Kitty Reid Carson. The secretary remembers Kitty's exquisite poetry and often quoted it to her pupils. The secretary wrote and published a new book, Sidney Lanier's Montgomery Years, in June.

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Rosalyn Crispin Robinson spent two weeks in the hospital with shingles. She says, "It was no fun."

Betty Lou Houck Smith welcomed her 17th great-grandchild in March. Daughter Jo Allison Smith Brown '62 is living with Betty Lou after returning to Atlanta in November seeking a career change from many years of teaching.

The class of 1935 scholarship fund is at \$74,140.51.

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• Nell Osborn Morse, March 14.

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# **OPENING MINDS IN INDIANA TOWN**

Progressive church members quietly led a small Indiana town to correct social injustices during the Civil Rights Era.

'My husband, Bill, [pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Columbus] and some others in town who joined him decided while it was quiet here, there wasn't justice," said Ellen Davis Laws '31. "There was no black college student from our high school. A black man couldn't get a haircut in town. There was a definite cleavage between blacks and whites.

Together with her husband and others, Laws helped tutor young black students at area churches to prepare them for college.

Bill and a small group of ministers managed to get over the hump of where a black person could live," Laws said. "They worked so if a black person had money and could afford a nice neighborhood, he could live there.

The group worked to establish scholarships so black students could afford to attend college.

There were hard feelings in the community, but on the whole residents realized we were headed in the right direction," Laws said. "It didn't happen overnight.

Some people came about immediately," Laws said. "Others came about gradually. Some came with their feet dragging. Still others didn't want to come at all. We went through some interesting

Perhaps the most rewarding experiences for Laws and her family were the friendships formed with black families during the 1950s and '60s. "It was sort of the natural way things worked out," Laws said. 'They meant a great deal to us.'

Her community work wasn't Laws' first experience with civil rights. While an English major at Agnes Scott, she was incredulous that a group from Tulane University walked out of a conference session attended by blacks.

"I remember how incensed we were," Laws said. "We could not believe how they could be so rude and feel that way."

"Ellen would deny this, but she is such an influence in our community," said neighbor Lynn Wilson McGee '77. "She is such a wonderful person. They [Ellen and her husband] did a lot to open minds during the Civil Rights Era.

# 'NO NOTES' NO PROBLEM FOR FEDER

he size of the audience doesn't matter. Biographies with all those dates do not pose a problem. When Virginia Heard Feder '33 gives a book review, there are no notes.

For an hour, Feder talks about the selected book with only a short break.

I never write it out," Feder said. "I read a book, then read it again. I take copious notes and think about it. Then I make a detailed outline. When I finish it, I think about key words to remind me of the next phase of the book so

Feder '33 it's no problem. No problem, but it's enough to earn her the title "No Notes" Feder

at her retirement center. Feder is famous throughout Sun City Center and Freedom Plaza, near Tampa, Fla., for her reviews 10 to 12 times a year.

She's certainly admired in this community," said fellow alumna and neighbor, Frances Yager '33. "My husband is a fan of her as well. She is a very smart lady.

Recent reviews include Katherine Graham's Washington and Yahoba's River of the Golden Ibis, Yager said. Feder tailors the reviews to her

"Her enthusiasm is contagious, and often others are inspired to read the book which has been discussed," Yager said. "She has improved the quality of reading of the whole community.

An incident in church sparked the "no notes" phenomena. Feder was to give a college preview during a service. She arrived early and put her notes on the appropriate lectern. However, when it was time to give the preview, the minister told Feder to use a different lectern closer to her spot in the bell choir. "I got along all right," Feder said.

Feder, a chemistry major at Agnes Scott, earned her master's in biochemistry from Emory University and her doctorate from the University of Michigan.

"I didn't do any minors in English," Feder said. "I have always liked o read though not always serious books. I do more biographies

This love of reading led her to volunteer for 21 years in the Sun City Center library, where she "retired" in January. She now volunteers at the Freedom Plaza library one day a week.—Wendy Cromwell

Robert V. Frey on Aug. 5, 2001, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Catherine W. Bates, Ph.D., gave a series of lectures on the life and works of the theologian, novelist and poet Frederick Bueckner to the Penny Farm community, where she lives. Illness and death of a sister in January took Catherine to Kentucky. She is compiling information about her parents and grandparents. Meriel Bull Mitchell likes her

Salem, N.C. One son and family live near. Another son and daughter live in Atlanta with their families. Meriel is grateful to the outstanding surgeon who successfully replaced her failing knees. (Classmates recall Meriel's love of swimming, tennis and golf.) She is glad she went to Agnes Scott and visits the campus when in Atlanta. Meriel has four grandchildren and a new great-

apartment in Brook Ridge

Retirement Center in Winston-

granddaughter.

After looking at her mother's Red Cross pin awarded for volunteer work her mother did until she died at age 95, Elizabeth "Lib" Burson Wilson decided she must do more. Lib volunteers with the Manna House daily lunch program and helps produce the annual Christmas program for senior nursing-home patients. She bikes regularly on the beach from her house to the library. In the tradition of Lib's hospitality when she entertained the class at the 50th reunion (sleeping many), she had 17 of her grandson's fraternity brothers as weekend houseguests for a Florida-Georgia football game.

Lita Goss Conrad has recovered from the trauma of a broken hip after weeks of therapy. She said this experience helped her better understand Bill's coping with the loss of both legs. Both retired teachers, Lita and Bill are pleased with the academic records of their six grandchildren and two greats. Lita wishes speakers would face the listener when talking to someone with a hearing loss.

Helen Handte Morse flew to Alaska for the wedding of her granddaughter. All families and many Peace Corps friends of the bride and groom attended. Both bride and groom worked with the Peace Corps for four years. Helen saw a new granddaughter when she spent part of December with her daughter in Pacific Palisades, Calif. At the assisted-living facility where Helen has an apartment, she helps grow herbs with a gardening group and recommends healthful foods. Her veterinarian son and daughterin-law live nearby. Her other son teaches at the University of Louisville in Kentucky.

Lois Hart happily shares an apartment with sister Laura Hart Disselkoen '34 since Laura's husband died. Lois joined 30 retired missionaries to Chile for an inspiring and informative conference in North Carolina. Many current career missionaries from other countries also reported on their work

Sara Frances Estes, her sister Jane Estes '37 and Mollie Merrick '57 visited Frances James Donohue at her home in Accokeek, Md. Frances is visited often by her sister, Rebecca, whose daughter and family live in Loudon County, Va. Frances' son, Daniel, is a colonel in the U.S. Marine Reserves. Frances drives her 15-year-old grandson to school

Sarah Jones Cheatham said reading a book a day helped her bear the pain she suffered after a severe fall that broke and dislocated her right shoulder. She especially enjoyed the fifth Cave Bear book and David McCullough's John Adams. Sarah attended the weddings of two granddaughters in September 2002 and October 2002. One granddaughter was the 28th person to wear Sarah's Belgian lace bridal veil. Sarah returned to Sunday School teaching after a few weeks. She sings in the church choir, Saints Alive, and enjoys playing bridge.

Alice McCallie Pressly, recovering from a stroke, is glad her apartment is across the hall from that of Frances Steele Garrett '37. She also feels fortunate she has many other friends at Lenbrook Square. Daily telephone calls from her two sons as well as frequent visits from a grandson in Atlanta help. Alice is able to walk with a cane. Books on tape, the telephone and television are help-

Frances "Fanny" Miller Felts lives in Myrtle Beach Manor, the nursing home where her mother was a

patient before she died at age 110. Fanny misses her husband, who died 10 years ago. She would like to hear from classmates.

Mildred Clark Sargent had the great pleasure of spending the night with Shirley Christian Ledgerwood and John in their delightful home in Palo Alto, Calif. John, 90, climbed a ladder to gather figs from their backyard bush. Among other pleasures of the visit was a walking tour of part of the Stanford University campus near Shirley's home

## **DEATHS**

 Catherine Cunningham Richards, Dec. 20.

• Luta Mitchell Stotz, April 6.

· Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

**SECRETARY** 

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Isabel McCain Brown and husband Bill have six great-grandchildren as part of the clan numbering 46. Isabel has called on the healthcare providers of the Asheville, N.C., area this past year more than once. Fortunately, Asheville is just minutes away from their winter home at Highland Farms and the summer home at Montreat.

The secretary's second greatgrandchild was born in May.

Ann Williams reports she has an "entrancing" great-grandson, 2. Like many classmates, Ann is moving to smaller quarters and would welcome suggestions about moving personal collections like 300 miniature houses and 10 other collections, including one of tiny mice.

Frances Steele Garrett is happy with her apartment on Peachtree Road in Atlanta and even happier with the portrait of husband Franklin that hangs in the Atlanta History Center, where his extensive collections of Atlanta and railroad history are housed.

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

**SECRETARY** 

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How could anything have been more perfect than the class's 65th reunion? Only having all of the class there could have made it better. Thanks to Elsie West Duval's inspired booklet The Last Girls of '38 classmates were able to get a fullcolor cover story, back and front, in the "Living" section of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Bertha "B" Merrill Holt chose the perfect place for the reunion banquet at the Giverny Restaurant near Emory University. The following class members and their husbands made it: Anne Thompson Rose, Bertha "B" Merrill Holt and Clary, Elsie West Duval, Myrl Chafin Hansard and her two daughters, Joyce Roper McKey and John, Mildred Davis Harding and Robert Elizabeth Warden Marshall, Ellen Little Lesesne, Genevieve Baird Farris, Jeanne Matthews Darlingtin, Jane Guthrie Rhodes and Betty Mathis. Don O'Brian, the reporter for the "Living" section in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, also

Elizabeth "Lib" Blackshear Flinn was able to attend the class business meeting held Saturday morning in Agnes Scott Hall. But because of

attended.

Lib's husband's health, she could not attend the banquet. However, a round robin via cellphone lent by the restaurant was a banquet highlight when each person was able to say "hello" to Nell Allison Sheldon at her retirement center in Bethany, Okla., where she lives near her daughter.

A special moment occurred during the annual alumnae meeting in Presser Hall on April 26, when class President Anne Thompson Rose was presented a silver bowl in honor of the class's having the highest percentage of members giving to the Annual Fund.

Being senior members, all appreciated the golf carts used to carry everyone everywhere on the campus and the beautiful beige and black canvas tote bags given by the Alumnae Association to each reunion attendee. The campus with its new Science Center never looked better, and the food at Evans Hall was especially delicious. Even the students commented on the good food service.

At the business meeting, all class officers were re-elected for the next five years. Elizabeth Warden Marshall is interim fund chair. At the banquet, Secretary Jane Guthrie Rhodes gave the tribute to members who had died during the last five years, and Elsie West Duval presented old-time memory fun and games while each member around the banquet table described a memorable moment in her life at Agnes Scott. As long as she held the "talking stick," no one could interrupt. Elsie's idea.

Giddy Erwin Dyer writes it "broke her heart" to miss the reunion. Both she and husband, Bob, could have come because they were in comparatively good health at the time. However, their driver fell sick at the last minute, and they were grounded. Giddy adds the newspaper coverage was "superb!"

Elsie West Duval writes she is glad women no longer wear hats as a rule, because her head has gotten too big for any hat to fit! She shared the spotlight at the first Tidewater alumnae meeting in five years with Suzanne West Guy '64, who was honored by the College for her distinguished career in music and writing. Elsie remembers the failure of her work, My Life at Agnes Scott, as literary potential. But she continues to retell stories of her life and has just discovered more in cleaning out her attic.

Mildred Davis Harding writes the high point in her life was the joyful class reunion on Alumnae Weekend. She and Robert enjoyed driving to Decatur especially since her husband was able to attend after his long illness. Mildred's daughter, Branwen, arrived from Istanbul in May. Her son, Brayton, is teaching English as a Second Language in Wuhan, China, and plans to return to the United States in January 2004. Mildred recommends as rewarding reading Queen Noor's Leap of Faith and Morton Kelsey's The Other Side of Silence: A Guide to Christian Meditation (Paulist Press, 1976). Members of the class were presented with Mildred's book Waking Up in Egypt: A Memoir

Bertha "B" Merrill Holt writes she has enjoyed many telephone conversations with Mary Venetia Bryan. B was busy with political activity last fall. Winfield "Clary" Holt, B's husband, was invited to Virginia Military Institute, his alma mater, for the ceremony honoring all the cadets since 1878 who had won the Jackson Hope Gold medal for the highest academic average in his class. Clary won his medal in 1935. Five family members attended the spring service at VMI.

Ellen Little Lesesne recalls her wonderful weekend in Atlanta cele-

# **NEW CLASS NEWS GUIDELINES**

Class News is published in *Main Events* in February, June and October. Submit news to your class secretary according to these deadlines:

- Sept. 20 for February publication
- Feb. 20 for June publicationMay 20 for October publication

Class News may also be submitted directly to the Office of Alumnae Relations. Whether submitting news to your secretary or the alumnae office, be sure to include your full name (first, maiden, last) and class year.

When reporting births, deaths and advanced degrees, include as much detailed information as possible. In all cases, exact dates and full names are needed.

Report weddings and other planned events (vacations, visits with alumnae and friends) only after the fact.

Agnes Scott has nearly 10,000 living alumnae. We want to keep in touch with all of you and keep you in touch with one other.

brating the marriage of Elsie West Duval's grandson, John Elgar, to Julie Simmermon. Joyce McKey and husband John also attended.

Elizabeth "Lib" Blackshear Flinn writes "white hair and walking canes" only added distinction to the class's 65th reunion. "The smiling eyes were still there," she notes, commenting the campus was "big, green, gorgeous and hospitable, and from the speeches heard, well endowed."

Anne Thompson Rose regrets Giddy Erwin Dyer's ride to the reunion didn't work out. She also says the class missed Betty Mathis' presence at the banquet because of her car accident. Anne wishes Elizabeth "Lib" Blackshear Flinn could have been there for the class picture. She urges all to keep in touch and hopes some will make the next reunion in five years.

Martha "Bernice" Agee Hedges was sorry to miss the 65th reunion but "it is impossible to travel great distances on account of health problems, plus the fact that [she] use[s] a wheelchair and walker now."

Gwendolyn "Gwen" McKee Bays would have come to the reunion if she had had a ride. After her husband's death last April of colon cancer, she has moved to Hilton Head Island.

Nell Allison Sheldon writes, "I know I missed a wonderful reunion and should have been there, but things didn't make it possible." She asks the class send her a full report of attendance (13 members) and complains she wasn't able to attend the reunion despite being in remarkable condition for an "old gal" her age. She enjoyed the telephone round robin at the banquet, but it went by so fast she couldn't recall exactly all who talked to her. She wants to thank all for the telephone messages. She asks for everyone to write!

Winifred "Winnie" Kellersberger Vass and Lachlan are great-grandparents of two great-grandsons: Timothy David Small, born March 27 in Asheville, N.C., and William Reece Alford, born May 13 in Birmingham, Ala. Winnie and Lach suffered severe sinus infections after their two weeks' stay in Montreat, N.C. Lach recovered slowly, but Winnie had to be taken by ambulance to Presbyterian Hospital emergency room where she was hooked up to an IV and oxygen. Her reaction was because of an antibiotic prescribed over the phone by her doctor, who was out of town. Winifred has been asked to write a 25-page report on her father's work with leprosy on the Congo Mission Field before he became general secretary. The book will celebrate the centennial of American Leprosy Missions. Winnie went to Montreat to get copies of pages from his diaries and correspondence for the assignment. She would appreciate everyone's intercessory prayers as she tries to condense all in the right way in the

chapter on her father's work in the

years 1925-1946.

The class sends its condolences to the families of Col. Frances Castleberry, Virginia Hightower Kennedy (Oct. 12), Alice B. Reins Boyd (Feb. 14), and Edna K. "Peggy" Ware Elrod (May 21).

39

 Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 4%

SECRETARY

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Classmate and the secretary's special friend, Mary "Frances" Guthrie Brooks, is living at a new address. She has moved to a nice Quaker retirement center in Pennsylvania, between New York and Philadelphia. Her daughter lives in Philadelphia, and her son lives in Washington, D.C., but goes to New York to work each week. She is happy about this move, and the class wishes her well.

The class's sad news is Elizabeth "Lib" Kenney Knight died on April 20. The class sends deepest sympathy to her family. Memories of Lib are special.

The class president and the secretary have been talking about the possibilities for the 65th reunion. So far, there isn't anything very positive, but the president, Sarah Cunningham Carpenter, does have some news. Sarah and her daughter, who works for NASA in Texas, have attended the baptism service for Sarah's new granddaughter, Sarah. Sarah's son and his wife have been to China twice to adopt little girls. They live in Chicago, and Sarah says they are darling! The secretary has asked for a picture of the girls and has been promised one. Sarah attended one of the Alumnae Weekend events and a special session (constructive) in June. What would the class do

Marilyn Johnson Hammond '68 wrote the secretary and all class secretaries to give the new publication schedule for *Main Events*. This concerns class news for 2003 and 2004. For the February 2004 issue, please send news by Sept. 20. Hopefully all '39ers have had a wonderful summer. Please send news.

40

• Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 5 %

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Virginia "Ginny" Milner Carter and Mary Lang Gill Olson attended Alumnae Weekend in April and pronounced it highly successful. Ginny, as the class president, is pushing for a large number of the class to attend the 65th, a year from next spring. Ginny has moved to London to head the branch of her company that has expanded its operations to England. She expects to be there for two years. Earlier she had the pleasure of attending the kickoff for her company's office in London, which took place in the House of Lords.

#### DEATHS

• The Rev. Henrietta Thompson Wilkinson, March 30.

41

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 0 %

SECRETARY Dorothy Travis Joyner 723 Park Lane Decatur, GA 30033-5453

Ann Henry is recovering from a broken hip and by-pass surgery.

Gene Slack Morse entertained six classmates in April. Jean Dennison Brooks, Doris Dalton Crosby, Freda Copeland Hoffman, Martha Dunn Kerby, Mary Madison Wisdom and Dorothy "Dot" Travis Joyner enjoyed lunch and Gene and Chet's garden, which was at its height of spring beauty.

## **DEATHS**

• Kathryn Benefield Bartlett, Sept. 2, 2002.

42

 Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 3 %

SECRETARY

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Ila Belle Levie Bagwell wrote Jean Beutell Abrams came all the way from the state of Washington to attend the 60th reunion and was present at the class table for lunch on Saturday. Thanks for catching that omission, Ila B—my 82-year-old memory!

Dorothy "Dot" Nabers Allen announced her move on Feb. 25 to a new facility of the Presbyterian Home—River Landing at Sandy Ridge, which was built on a golf course. They hope to be in Montreat during the summers. She and Kirk had a trip on the "Mississippi Queen" in October and a chance to visit the Mark Twain town of Hannibal, Mo.

Olivia White Cave wrote to let everyone know about the death of Lillian Gish Alfriend's husband, William Jeffrey Alfriend, on Sept. 14, 2002. The class sends its deepest sympathy.

Martie Doak Michael sent a newsy note telling of her love for Agnes Scott and of the "proudest moment of her life" when her granddaughter, Tracy Perry Willoughby '90, graduated there. Martie met husband, Mike, when he was a senior at Emory University and she a first-year student. Both their grandchildren traveled from California to college in Georgia: grandson Michael Layne to Emory, where he met and later married a girl from Athens; and Tracy, a boy from Georgia Institute of Technology. The two families live only a few blocks apart! Martie's two children, Judy Perry and Tyler Michael, live close to her in San Diego, "America's Finest City," she says! Martie is also a retired interior designer "enjoying old age as much as anyone.

Ruth Smith Wilson graduated from The University of Georgia with a B.F.A. and sends the class her address in Thomson, Ga. She wrote to tell of the death of her husband James E. Wilson Jr., on April 3. They have four sons, eight grand-children and one great-grandchild. They are active in family businesses, including White Columns Inn and Pine Top Farm and Equestrian Center in Thomson, Ga. The class extends its sympathy on the loss of your husband, Ruth.

The secretary and Ed attended the 60th reunion of his Princeton class in March, after which they flew from JFK Airport to Europe and boarded a riverboat for a cruise from Bucharest to Budapest. More about that in another issue! Meanwhile, if class members did not send news for this issue, send some for the next time.

43

 Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 0 %

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# INCOMING SECRETARY

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Our 60th class reunion was glorious, and the 23 amazing 80 year old women attending all or part of the festivities were: Maryann Cochran Abbott, Dorothy "Dot" Holloran Addison, Pat Stokes Barnes, Margaret Downie Brown, Mary "Mardia' A. Hopper Brown, Elizabeth "Betty" Swanna Henderson Cameron, Barbara Wilber Gerland, Aileen Still Hendley, Emily Anderson Hightower, Helen "Chunkie" Hall Lawton, Marjorie Wilson Ligon, Jane Dinsmore Lowe, Hester Chafin Martin, Flora Campbell McLain, Katherine "Kay" Wright Philips, Mabel Stowe Query, Patricia "Pat Perry Reiss, Nora Percy Salvant, Betty Pegram Sessoms, Alice Clements Shinall, Mary Brock Williams, Mamie 'Sue" Barker Woolf and Lillian Roberts Wyant.

Friday evening began in McCain Library with a party given by Maryann Cochran Abbott and Forrest Abbott. Catherine Sims was a special guest.

Saturday, Marjorie Wilson Ligon and Langdon held a breakfast in Dana Fine Arts Building adjacent to the lovely garden in memory of her mother. President Mary Brown Bullock '66 attended, as did the student recipient of the award honoring Frances "Raddy" Radford Mauldin. Jim and Donna Philips announced their gift to establish gardens in the May Day Dell honoring their parents, Katherine "Kay" Wright Philips and Davison Philips.

Our morning continued with our class photo and lunch in Evans Hall. President Bullock gave an excellent report. We were so proud of her and what she has achieved for Agnes Scott College.

Climaxing the weekend was the beautiful party at Dorothy "Dot" Holloran Addison's spectacular and inviting apartment. Both President Bullock and President emerita Ruth Schmidt attended. Those of you not with us were greatly missed and spoken of often throughout the weekend. To add to our delight, Mary Brock Williams brought her original watercolor of our directory cover.

Our sincerest appreciation to Dorothy "Dot" Holloran Addison, Maryann Cochran Abbott, Barbara Wilber Gerland, Katherine "Kay" Wright Philips, Alice Clements Shinall, Mary Brock Williams, and Mamie "Sue" Barker Woolf for making the reunion so memorable.

The class of 1943 had a 73 percent participation in the Annual Fund with gifts of \$40,229 and \$614,400 to Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College. Flora Campbell McLain and all her committee are to be congratulated.

Since the reunion, Maryann Cochran Abbott and Forrest have had a delightful, though with rough seas, cruise across the North Atlantic to Copenhagen.

Betty Pegram Sessoms and Faison flew first to Barcelona for a week and then cruised through the Scandinavian capitals to St. Petersburg

Now we need news of one and all for the February issue.

#### **DEATHS**

• Mary Littlepage Lancaster Codington, March 12.

• Anne Wilds McLean, March 22.

44

• Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 3 %

#### **SECRETARY**

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A most unusual and unique thing has happened with the new Science Center. Although Agnes Irvine Scott was born 203 years ago, a mural in the Woolford B. Baker Atrium replicates her DNA! This happened because scientists at Agnes Scott knew her DNA could be obtained if they could find a direct descendent through an unbroken female line to give a blood sample. They called classmate Betty Pope Scott Noble, and she provided the direct descendent information. Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky '73 donated the necessary sample. The rest of the story has been told in newspapers, including the New York Times, and by the news media in many parts of the world.

Ruth Farrior is glad to have her brother and his wife living nearby in Montreat, N.C. She goes with them often to visit nieces and nephews in Washington and elsewhere. Ruth and Clare Bedinger Baldwin had a brief reunion in

Black Mountain. The class president, Bettye Ashcraft Senter, and Jeff are in good health and glad to have a lot of their family living near them in Raleigh, N.C. Their oldest daughter, Faye, lives with them. Her many activities keep them involved with things like Special Olympics. Since Faye's retirement from the state four years ago, this has been one of her pet projects. The downstairs playroom has become the holding area for the donations that come in from companies to fill goody bags for 2,000 athletes. The Senters have two other daughters in Raleigh and a son in Nashville, Tenn. Their five grandchildren include: three boys at N.C. State University, one boy at Wake Forest University and a girl who is a senior in high school and quite an artist. Bettye and Jeff went to Nashville in May for a granddaughter's graduation from high school. She is headed to Wake Forest. Her brother, who graduated from Wake Forest last year, is going to Cumberland Law School in Birmingham. Their parents, Bill and Terri Senter, are moving to Jackson, Miss., soon. Bill is with the Mississippi Valley Gas Co. If any of Bettye's old classmates are in Jackson, she would like them to look her up. Bettye says everyone

can see that her and Jeff's life

revolves around family. She and Jeff

# PROBSTEIN INSPIRES ADULT LIT CLASS

An avid student and teacher of literature, Inge Probstein '45 has devoted most of her adult life spreading her passion for great narratives.

After teaching for many years at Temple University in Philadelphia, Probstein continued to share her passion by teaching a literature class forto other adults at the Creutzburg Center for Adult Education in Randor, Pa.

Probstein led a class of about 45 retirees every Tuesday morning for 18 years. One morning in 2002, however, a stroke and a heart attack forced Probstein to miss class for the first time.

2002, however, a stroke and a heart attack forced Probstein to miss class for the first time. In an article by Michael Vitez that appeared in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, Probstein commented that, "It [the class] was, to me, eternal. If I hadn't had this stroke, I suppose I'd be teaching it. It's terrible to

According to the *Inquirer*, two retired professors now teach the weekly class. Class members continue to visit their beloved teacher

at the nursing home where she resides.

"We could never replace Inge," said Judy Zalesne in the *Inquirer*.

"But despite the tragedy, we didn't want the class to disband."

During Probstein's years teaching at the Creutzburg Center, the class read works by authors such as Swift, Goethe, Shakespeare, Johnson and Dante. Quite remarkable for a woman who knew little English when she and her mother immigrated to the United States in 1934. In 1934, Probstein and her mother fled Germany as refugees from Hitler. Then only 11, she did domestic work to help support the wages her mother earned. Prostein went on to major in English at Agnes Scott.

"It's remarkable that she learned English so well in those few years to be one of the best majors in it," said Wendy Whittle Hoge '45, a longtime friend

"Dr. [George] Hayes, who taught Dante, was one of the best teachers," Probstein said. Hoge said Probstein's other favorite English professors were Ellen Douglass Leyburn and Emma Mae

Probstein received her Ph.D. from Yale University, where she completed intense studies on Chaucer and worked on the Boswell papers.

Hoge admires Probstein and her accomplishments. "Inge has lived the values of the Agnes Scott experience for over 50 years," Hoge said. "It gave her the kind of education that makes you want to continue to learn and grow throughout your life."

—Martha Gaston '05

will have been married 60 years in December, a great 60 years.

Aurie Montgomery Miller and John had a great visit on Mother's Day from their doctor daughter and her husband from Boulder, Colo. They visited their other daughter and family in Seattle in August. Their two sons live nearer—in Conyers, Ga., and Charlotte, N.C. They lead such busy lives with teenagers that it is hard to see them as often as one would like. Two grandsons graduated from high school this year.

The president and secretary wish to hear more from all. Send in what is going on in everyday life. It's fun to just keep in touch.

# DEATHS

• Sara Agnes Florence, April 16.

45

• Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 2 %

SECRETARY

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Betty Jane Hancock Moore reports her first great-grandbaby and the marriage of her last daughter. She also is contemplating a move to Wesley Woods Retirement Center in Atlanta.

Wendy Whittle Hoge, who was in Arizona for a pleasure trip, keeps in touch with Inge Probstein.

Molly Milam Inserni says Inge is improving since her stroke and sending notes of encouragement to Molly's husband, Jaime. Molly says Jaime is at home and continues

with therapy.

Hansell Cousar Reardon sends a word of warning to all her classmates: "Walk carefully! While helping young people prepare for a bazaar, I fell, broke my hip and while recovering in the hospital had to have my gall bladder

removed. I am still on cane and walker. You just don't heal as fast as you once did, but I can drive, and John's a good cook, so life is fine."

Julia Slack Hunter is recovering from a broken shoulder. She is going for therapy, but that doesn't keep her from Meals on Wheels, tennis group (even if not playing) and all her other activities.

# **DEATHS**

Jane Post Henry, Nov. 10.Dorothy Rounelle Martin,

March 3.

• Ruth Doggett Todd, March 5.

46

 Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 3 %

SECRETARY

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On May 4, Mary McConkey Reimer and Jack's six children honored them on their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception. Mary said she did absolutely nothing to help with the preparations. Eleanor Reynolds Verdery and Conradine "Connie" Fraser Riddle reported it was a happy gathering.

When Lura Johntson Watkins' granddaughter, Meredith Watkins, moved to Florida last winter with her parents, she discovered that as a junior in high school she had enough credits to graduate in June. Happily, she did and applied for admission to Agnes Scott. She arrived on campus in August. Lura is certain she will get to the campus more often.

Celetta "Lella" Powell Jones and Harry had a whirlwind trip in May when they drove to Virginia for Harry's 60th reunion at Virginia Military Institute. They visited various children going and coming. In Roanoke, they saw Louise Reid Strickler, and in Lexington, Martha "Scottie" Johnson Haley. Scottie has sold her condo in Florida and bought one for retirement in Lexington. Her comment was "once a Virginian, always a Virginian."

Elizabeth "Lib" Osborne Rollins started swimming at a senior center last winter. She enjoyed particularly the warmth of the water, which she attributed to the needs of the special category of users! She suggested her classmates might want to investigate local senior citizens' centers if they haven't already.

Martha Baker Wilkins attended an alumnae meeting in Charlotte in February and found it to be interesting and fun.

Joyce Gilleland Dickinson is happy for the class to know that she is doing quite well after suffering a serious illness last year. She reported the support of her family and her church in St. Augustine, Fla., was simply great.

Marjorie "Margie" Naab Bolen, Eleanor Reynolds Verdery, Mary McConkey Reimer and Anne Register Jones had a good visit at lunch during Alumnae Weekend. It was fun seeing so many of the members of the class of 1943 who were back on campus for their 60th reunion. Some of them who had lived in Inman when '46ers were first-year students claimed that '46ers were a "lively" class.

Sadly last winter and spring, several classmates lost husbands. Classmates extend heartfelt sympathy to each of them and their families.

Lawrence Gellerstedt Jr., husband of Mary Duckworth Gellerstedt, died April 12 after an extended illness

James O'Shea, husband of Alice Gordon O'Shea, died Feb. 28 in New Hartford, N.Y. Alice wrote she was grateful that they had an amazing 25 years together, considering it was a second marriage for both.

Mary Ann Courtenay Davidson's husband, Jack, died April 9 after a fairly short battle with cancer.

Harriet Frierson Crabb's husband, Cecil, died May 6 in Baton Rouge,

William H. Scott Jr., husband of Eleanor Davis Scott, died May 10. He had battled pulmonary problems for several years.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug.31: 5 %

SECRETARY

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It bears noting again that the 50th reunion book (with Lindsey "Genet" Heery Barron running on the cover) was a magical compilation by Kathryn "Kagie" Johnson. As reported in the last Main Events, spy Frances "Glassell" Beale Smalley revealed Kagie had shared with her some of the memoir she's working on. A lot of guilt-dumping worked, and there arrived in the mail some fascinating copy from Kagie which will be shared with everyone on a continuing basis. Twenty-nine chapters have been finished, and the class will encourage her to finish the five or six remaining so classmates can get the whole story of her illustrious career instead of tempting teasers in "Class News.

First tempting teaser: Kagie, being young, white and female, got assignments that old, white and male journalists didn't want, like the civil rights beat. "I was the only reporter allowed in the King house-

hold after MLK Jr. was assassinated, and that's one chapter in itself–includes Jackie Kennedy making a beeline for me, when she came in the King home to pay respects to Coretta. I was standing in the kitchen door wearing an apron [I'd cooked breakfast for the King family so the Secret Service wouldn't throw me out] when Jackie spotted me and came over to shake my hand. To this day, I believe she thought I was the Kings' white maid."

Second tempting teaser:
"Surprising as it sounds, being white, Southern and female was sometimes a help as a reporter, not a hindrance. Once when Ku Klux Klansmen were hitting civil rights demonstrators with lead pipes as they came off the first integrated Greyhound buses, I was not hit because I was young, female with a Southern accent and held out my Journal-Constitution pass card, pleading I was just doing my job."

Stay tuned for more Kagie temptations in future issues.

The class lost one of its vibrant, church-singing, tennis-playing, seven-miles-a-day walking and completely bubbly classmates, Florence "Fluff" Paisley Williams. She leaves children Diane, Gayle and Dick, six cherished grandchildren, sister Anne Paisley Boyd '43 and sister Martha Paisley Fast '47. She's stayed close to many—Carol Parker Taylor, Louise Hoyt Minor and Mary Ann "Mac" Craig Link have all been with her recently. Fluff would like everyone to know she finished a tennis match before she died.

Part of Mary Ann "Mac" Craig

Link's news from the last issue of Main Events was saved for this issue. Husband Bobby has retired from the ministry, but does interims now and then. Son Robert Jr. is an attorney/banker with an attorney wife. Son Charles has been ordained at the First Presbyterian Church in Montrose, Pa. Charles was in the Navy for six years, became a plumber and then accepted the call to ministry and graduated, after three years, from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. In the spring, there was a great exodus to Montrose for the festivities of Charles' ordination and installation. Bobby (husband and father) preached, Robert Jr. (son, brother and attorney/banker) sang; a minister nephew and 23 others made the journey from North Carolina to northern Pennsylvania. Mac says there were a lot of robed clergy and lovely people in Montrose.

A legacy Scotties have been gifted from the College is a fascination with continuing to learn. Rumors have surfaced that the Teaching Co., whose scholars share their knowledge in many areas through tape cassettes, have enticed Elisabeth "Betty" Allen Young in Louisville, Ky., and Jean Williams Hand in Salem, Ore., to gather in friendly groups for listening and exciting discussion. This scribe listens and gets excited while cooking dinner in Chappaqua, N.Y.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY

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Nancy Haislip Houston's lavender card revealed she had enjoyed a visit with Dabney Adams Hart. Also, "I sent a copy of her small book (80 pages including pictures and typos) *The Strength of the Hills* to

ASC. I received a nice note from Marilyn Johnson Hammond '68 saying she put it in the Alumnae House. It's on Amazon if anyone wants it."

The 55th was such a success, thanks to the 29 classmates in attendance. The Anna Young Alumnae Club dinner Friday, April 25, in the dining room of Evans Hall gave us all time to recognize one other. An especially poignant moment occurred at the conclusion of the entertaining concert by the splendid a cappella group, Sotto Voce. Announcing "God of the Marching Centuries" as its finale the director invited the guests to join the singing. As the music progressed, people began to stand, marking the significance of the words. Real chatting followed as the class met privately in the Amelia Davis Luchsinger Lounge in Alston Campus Center.

Saturday's events began with the class meeting conducted by President Dabney Adams Hart. A special guest was Mary Katie Vesser '05, recipient of this year's class of 1948 award.

At the alumnae meeting, everyone had the privilege to meet Dabney Adams Hart's siblings before President Mary Brown Bullock '66 announced the beautiful gift to the College honoring the class president.

After the mimosa brunch in Evans Hall, a large group dared fate by posing for a class picture outside Buttrick Hall, then on to Adele Dieckmann McKee's home, where classmates rehashed events of their

The weekend concluded for many at the dinner at Petite Auberge Restaurant. The dining room and the crowd were smaller than the 50th, but the love of classmates was solid. Several even suggested a reunion again in two years. Sounds like a great idea! Are all game? For more on our fabulous weekend, ask Jacqueline Stewart, Barbara Blair, Harriet Reid, Anne Ezzard Eskew Marian Yancey Carroll, Margaret Yancey Kirkman, Lida Walker Askew, Harriet Gregory Heriot, Flora "Flo" Bryant Hackworth, Marybeth Little Lobdell, Mary "Sheely" Little Miller, Rebecca Lacy Fleischman, Anne Shepherd McKee, Mary Stuart Hatch Taylor, Susan Daugherty, Barbara Coith Ricker, Mary Alice Compton Osgood, Kathleen "Tina" Hewson Cole, Virginia Andrews Trovillion, Jane Alsobrook Miller, Nancy Deal Weaver, Virginia Tucker Hill, Elizabeth "Doc" Dunn Grunwald, Marian "Tissy" Rutland Sanders, Anne Treadwell Suratt, Adele Dieckmann McKee, Mary Elizabenth Jackson Etheridge and

Dabney Adams Hart. **DEATHS** 

Martha Cook Sanders, Feb. 27.
Jane Rushin DeVaughn, April 11.

• Robert E. Montague, husband of Jane da Silva Montague, May 2.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

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Mary "Jo" Heinz Langston writes from Tucson, Ariz., that for the past several years she has been working with "encaustic paints" which are made with wax, pigment and Damar resin. Heat is used to fuse or burn the paints to a surface, which can be both a paper and wood panel. Encaustic, she explains, is an ancient medium which has come back into use recently, with the

availability of paints and tools—"an exciting process." Jo continues to sell her work in several galleries throughout the Southwest.

Recent correspondence with Ivy Morris Dougherty indicates the whole Dougherty family was looking forward to the wedding of Ivy's eldest granddaughter in Chapel Hill, after which Ivy and husband Jack were planning a trip to Ireland with a group from Emory University. Ivy was looking forward to seeing something of Anna "Mia" Gage Burns, who also was expecting to be on the trip to Ireland.

DEATHS

• Dorothy "Dot" Mahon Morrison, Feb. 9.

• Paul Anderson Duke, son of Jean Fraser Duke, May 27.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **2%** 

SECRETARY
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Emily Ann Reid Williams and husband Dave, Joann Plastre Britt, Catherine "Cathie" Davis Armfield, Alline Marshall and friend Becky Wilson, and Arnelle "Tootie" Ward Moore met in Birmingham, Ala., for an annual minireunion. They visited with Dorothy "Faye" Tynes Dick and husband Dr. Marion Dick. Faye was recovering from major surgery for cancer. After the surgery, her report is that she is cancer free. All were entertained royally by the Dicks and had a wonderful time.

Jessie Hodges Kryder and husband Bill have been on a trip to San Diego, where they had a nice visit with Vivienne Patterson Jacobson and husband Dr. Charles Jacobson.

Jo-Anne "Chris" Christopher Cochrane and husband Warren have downsized to a new condo in Greenville, S.C.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 4%

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Marjorie "Marge" Felder and her brother, Richard E Felder, M.D., spent a week at Ponce Inlet near Port Orange, Fla., at his daughter's condo on the beach, where they enjoyed walking on the beach, wading in the ocean, exploring seafood restaurants and reminiscing about their years growing up in West Palm Beach. While there, they were invited to brunch by an old colleague of Marge's, Jerry Berlin, who was in psychotherapist training with her in Carl Rogers' program at the University of Chicago in the late '50s. On their way home, they stopped in St. Simons Island, Ga. at the new home of Joann Felder, the widow of their younger brother, Louis. Marge took along pictures of objects she is turning on the wood lathe for a show in the Center Gallery at Sautee, Ga., next spring. She said her work aroused such interest and enthusiasm that she could hardly wait to get back home to her workshop.

Marie Woods Shannon is grateful to have suffered relatively little damage from the tornado that hit Liberty, Mo., on May 4 and did more than \$10 million damage on the William Jewell College campus. She lost her computer and some precious books when a broken water line deluged her college office. Marie sat out the storm in her basement, emerging into a forest of tree limbs and trunks. She lost two big old trees, one of which crushed her back fence and hit a corner of the house as it fell. Because her 120-year-old house is in one of the town's historical districts, she must wait for the city Preservation Commission's approval of the contractor's plans for repair.

Anna DaVault Haley suffered a bout with a viral infection and Bell's palsy in the spring. She is undergoing therapy for the palsy and is improving.

Wade and Sarah McKee Burnside went to Greensboro, N.C., to attend brother Charles McKee's family reunion June 7. Charles, who turned 80 in April, and his wife, Ann Shepherd McKee '48, live in a Quaker retirement village there.

Mary Anna Ogden Bryan was blessed with her ninth grandchild, William Gainer Bryan IV. She says Will has an extraordinarily good disposition and looks the way she imagines Charlie Brown looked at

that age.

Clyde and Betty Ziegler Dunn were thrilled to receive an invitation to return to Taiwan, where they had lived and worked within the Methodist Church from 1960 to 1971, for the celebration of their 50th anniversary last March. They found the island changed from a rural atmosphere to a developed and prosperous society and were most pleased with the growth of the church there-from 17 churches and preaching points to 33—all with national pastors. On Mother's Day, Clyde and Betty attended the graduation of their oldest grandson, Patrick Dunn, from the College of Charleston. He begins medical school at Temple University in the

In May, David and Marjorie Stukes Smith jaunted to Derbyshire Dales to visit Chatsworth House and enjoy the scenery in the English Midlands. They went to Romania July 1 to spend a week with friends and check on the progress of Frances House (named in honor of her mother), where children gather weekly for Bible classes, fun and games and where two services are held each Sunday. They hope to improve the barn so workshops in carpentry, computers, weaving and other skills can be taught to children who need a

future. Jimmie Ann McGee Collings and Tom covered a lot of territory during a 10-day journey in May Granddaughter Jennifer, husband, Sam Drury, and their 16-month-old son, Andrew, came from their home in Leonardtown, Md., to spend the weekend with them in Williamsburg, Va. Jimmie Ann and Tom enjoyed seeing some places in Williamsburg they hadn't seen on earlier trips and took day trips to see old houses and plantations in the area. They went to Benn's Church looking unsuccessfully for some of Tom's relatives they thought were buried there, but did find some in Petersburg. One day, they went to Chesapeake to see their "other daughter," Martha, and her children. Martha's husband, a senior producer for CBN, was in South Africa at a meeting. After spending a day and night at Kitty Hawk, N.C., they went to Wilmington to visit another granddaughter, Holly, and husband Brian in their new home. Next came a day at Myrtle Beach, then home.

When Mary Caroline "M.C."

Lindsay received her Outstanding Alumna Award for Service to the Community during Alumnae Weekend in April, proudly looking on were Marie Woods Shannon, Anna DaVault Haley and Martha Ann Stegar. Julie Cuthbertson Clarkson also was there to honor her sister-in-law, Harriet Hampton Cuthbertson '55, who received a posthumous Service to the Community Award. Joining her classmates at the Anna Young Club dinner that evening were Josephine "Jo" Combs Turner and her husband, Charles.

Su Boney Davis and husband Jim embarked with their interfaith, interracial gospel choir, Mosaic Harmony, on a goodwill tour to Europe in March on the day the war in Iraq began. The choir gave concerts in two Lutheran churches in Munich, Germany, and had time to see much of that interesting city for three days. They had a lovely bus trip across the Bavarian and Austrian Alps, stopping in Salzburg on the way to Slovenia. Hosted by a local choir, Musica Viva, the group sang in three ancient cathedrals and was treated to the sights and sounds of the whole country. The American ambassador to Slovenia entertained them at a reception and attended two of their concerts. Since gospel music is unusual there, the houses were packed, and choir members felt well rewarded by the response to them as Americans and as ambassadors. Mosaic Harmony celebrated its 10th anniversary with a big concert June 14.

DEATHS

• Lawrence F. Daum, husband of Freddie Hachtel Daum, May 2002.

• Eugenia "Gene" Wilson Collins, May 9

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY

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Clairelis Eaton Baxter is proud to have her daughter, Catherine Neiner, on the Agnes Scott campus. Catherine is director of career planning. Her office is located in Alston Campus Center. Clairelis planned to attend the eighth-grade graduation of her grandson who lives in Chicago. He composed the music that will be played for this event.

Speaking of graduations, Winnie Strozier Hoover and Charles attended the graduation of their oldest granddaughter in Valdese, N.C. It was good to have all of the children and grandchildren to attend this wonderful milestone and to have a brief reunion visit.

The class's sympathy goes to the family of Louise Dunaway Grovensteen, who died May 31.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 3%

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Class President Jacquelyn "Jackie" Josey Hahne's big news is a new granddaughter, Caroline, who actually lives in her neighborhood! Jackie also wrote she enjoyed going with a group from Agnes Scott to Birmingham in March on an overnight trip to see the

Birmingham Art Museum. As part of that trip, she enjoyed seeing some Birmingham alums, including Harriet Durham Maloof. Jackie reports Harriet and John are busy planning their retirement home, which will be in Birmingham. Harriet says the house is a more realistic plan for them than John's retirement is! Her e-mail address is jmaloof@pol.net.

Betty Stein Melaver (e-mail bsmelaver@melaver.com) has a new grandson born in March, son of Betty's daughter, Ellen Melaver, and husband Jon Krupp, both of whom are playwrights living in New York and using their own names. Betty's other two grandchildren, children of her son, Martin, live part time in Israel

Israel.

Elizabeth Jo "B. J." McCastlain Downey had a stroke in January. She wrote in March, 'Thank the Lord I got my speech back" though still "wavering on my walker" with unsteady legs. Since her car accident five years ago, B.J. has had foot, knee and shoulder surgery; she had a walking cast because two bone grafts refused to graft. She says, "It is scary facing my own mortality," perhaps speaking for all '54ers. Her husband Jack added B.J is active, helping to redecorate two daughters' homes, helping her 96year-old mom and is active in their church.

A group of Ellen Griffin Corbett's classmates from Hamlet, N.C., High School get together every spring for a grand slumber party. This year, they assembled in Laurenceburg, Ky., so Ellen and Nancy Lee-Riffe were able to have a mini-'54 reunion at lunch May 5 in Boone Tavern as Ellen was driving through Berea en route home. One of Ellen's daughters is living in France so Ellen is becoming well acquainted with that part of the world! She is teaching piano to the young, but beginning to think of cutting down.

DEATH

• Constance "Connie" A. Ormsby Verdi, March 8.

> • Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **2%**

SECRETARY

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Sara "Anne" Atkinson Wilburn, Julia Beeman, Carolyn Crawford Thorsen, Grace "Gracie" Green Phillips, Jeanne Levie Berry Catherine "Cathy" Lewis Callaway, Genevieve "Genny" Lucchese Stephens, Sara McIntyre Bahner, Joan Pruitt McIntyre, Betty Reiney Henley, Agnes "Mickey" Scott Willoch, Clif Trussell and Sue Walker Goddard attended the May mini-reunion luncheon. Carolyn and Jeanne were the hostesses and are in charge of the 50th reunion. They are asking everyone for ideas for it. The next luncheon will be in October

Helen "Jo" Hinchey Willams and Roy took a fabulous trip to Thailand, Cambodia and Myanmar, fulfilling Jo's lifelong ambition to see the Angkor Wat.

Ann Hanson Merklein and Ernest went to the graduation of their oldest grandson, Robert Jackson, from a Baltimore high school. He will attend Guilford College in Greensboro, N.C., close to Black Mountain.

Clif Trussell went to "The Last Night of Ballyhoo" and saw Barbara Hillman Levitas. who was in Clif's high school class. Clif mentioned the 50th reunion, and Barbara wished she had kept up with class-

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mates better.

Elizabeth "Libby" Wilson Blanton's granddaughter, Meredith Abel, graduated eighth at her Lakeland, Fla., high school with a 4.3 GPA and was a baccalaureate speaker. She also received two awards. Meredith will attend the University of North Florida in Jacksonville.

Hannah Jackson Alnutt and Tom planned two trips: China and the Greek Isles. Both were canceled because of SARS and the war in Iraq. They had their 70th birthdays and are thankful for their three daughters and husbands and nine grandchildren.

Jeanne Heisley Adams and her friend, Tony, took a lovely cruise to the Southern Caribbean in February to break an otherwise brutal winter.

Margaret Williamson Smalzel is fantasizing about retiring as she commutes an hour four days a week. The younger Smalzels are scattered from France to California. She continues working on the book, The Original World Wide Web, stories of spider figures.

Constance "Connie" Curry completed her documentary, The Intolerable Burden, based on the Carter family story in Silver Rights. It also addresses resegregation in the public schools and the fast track to prison for youth of color. She showed the film at Agnes Scott and received wonderful feedback

Elizabeth "Betty Ann" Jacks Miller and husband Ralph took a trip to Branson, Mo., in May and had a great time seeing the shows and avoiding the tornadoes.

Sara Dudney has a good time with her French club in which they have to speak French! She spends lots of time in Tampa, Indianapolis and Santa Monica with her six grandchildren. She continues working on her history of the university at Sewanee.

Sarah Petty Dagenhart and Vivian Hays Guthrie nominated Harriet Hampton Cuthbertson, posthumously, for the Agnes Scott College's Alumna Service to the Community Award.

Mary Evelyn "M. E." Knight Swezey is babysitting her granddaughter from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays and finds it challenging and rewarding. M.E.'s husband, Charles, retired as distinguished service professor of theology and ethics at Union Theological Seminary at the end of the aca-

Betty Akerman Shackleford and Susanna May Byrd Wells had a great time meeting for an evening halfway between Atlanta and Gastonia. They talked the night away

Sara "Anne" Atkinson Wilburn is moving to Hiawassee, where Julia Beeman lives.

Genevieve "Genny" Kelly Lucchese Stephens's children gave her a 70th birthday party. Attending from the class were JoAnn 'Jo" Hall Hunsinger, Marianne McPherson O'Shields, Georgia Syribeys, Pauline Waller Hoch and Catherine "Cathy" Lewis Callaway

Patricia "Pat" Paden Matsen went with Betty Akerman Shackleford to Betty's granddaughter's dance recital. Catie Beth, 4, did a good job in her pink fairy costume.

Grace Olert Dailey went to France and Belgium in April. When she returned, she had cataract surgery complicated by severe glaucoma. She had her 45th recital for her piano students. She comments, "Retirement? When did I have time to work?"



Betty Henley '55 (center) and her partner compete in an international ballroom dance competition. Henley competes three or four times a year.

# MUSIC KEEPS HENLEY '55 MOVING

From donating a church organ to winning first place awards in pro-Am dance competitions, Betty Henley's music major has taken her a long way.

Around 1990, Henley '55 and husband, James W. Henley Jr., decided to build a retirement home near Jasper, Ga. They began attending Holy Family Episcopal Church, a small church with about 20 members and plans for expansion.

Henley, who had studied organ with Ray Martin and voice with Roxie Hagopian at Agnes Scott, volunteered to play the piano for services and started a choir a few years later.

The Henleys promised the congregation when the new church was built they would donate a small pipe organ, but Henley's husband died suddenly in 1995. When the new church was finished in 2002, the pipe organ Henley donated was a memorial to him.

The organ was originally designed by the Austin Organ Co. in 1947. It was later purchased and stored by a Missouri organ builder, Michael Quimby Organs Inc.

"I was privileged to work on the installation," Henley said. "The organ came in on a truck, and I helped move it from the floor of the church to the organ loft above the balcony choir loft. I set pipes, helped tune and ran to the hardware store for parts.

Henley played the day the organ and church were dedicated. Calvert Johnson, Charles A. Dana Professor of Music and College organist, gave a concert there for about 250 people on Nov. 17 After staying in Jasper for five years after her husband died,

Henley decided she needed a "new passage" in life and moved to Nashville, Tenn., near the family of her youngest daughter Cathy. "I received a marketing call from a local dance club offering me a free lesson and decided to go," she said. "I had always danced whenever I had a chance and even taught some 'disco' in a Cobb County

high school. I loved the rhythms, the jazz, the exercise, the social connections, the challenge of learning how to really dance. Henley and her instructor, who serves as her partner, compete

about three or four times a year, sometimes locally and sometimes as far away as Los Angeles.

In February, Henley went to Cuba with some of her local dance group members through a U.S. Treasury Department cultural exchange. For five days, Henley and her group danced about three to four hours a day with students from the Cuban National School of Dance and then went clubbing at night and to dance more

"Our goal was to find out how close we were to the original Cuban dance styles we work on," she said, like the cha-cha, mambo and rumba. "We did well, but they move more freely and faster than

Henley still loves Agnes Scott. "It changed my life, opened my eyes, sharpened my mind, led me into new paths and a life of research in new things. What more can you ask?'

-Kristin Kallaher '04

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

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The spring 2003 Main Events reported on the opening of the exciting Science Center on campus. Included in that coverage was news about the class' own Alvia Cook, who gave the Laser Spectroscopy Lab in memory of her mother, Vivian Sheridan Cook. Alvia enjoyed a weekend trip to Montreat, N.C., where she visited with Mary Edna Clark Hollins and Jane Frist. The weekend included the Montreat Scottish Society's annual "Kirkin' o' the Tartans," in which Jane participated (in a kilt!). Alvia's summer activities also included training others for the Stephen's Ministry program. Alvia

has been a Stephen's minister herself for the past three years.

It appears that Montreat is a major gathering place for Agnes Scott alumnae. Jane Frist submitted a long list of alumnae friends she sees there from time to time, including Belle Miller McMaster '53, Nancy Edwards '58, Grace Yao Ping Chao '58, Margaret "Wardie" Abernethy Martin '59, Ann Hanson Merklein 55 and Mary Evelyn "M. E. Knight Swezey '55.

Guerry Myers Graham Gordon had abdominal surgery March 24. She reports the surgery was completely successful, but involved two months of recuperation, resulting in postponement of a planned trip to Europe. She and Harold completed one year of marriage on May 4 and are "so very happy!" They are continuing their honeymoon this year with trips around the United States and looked forward to a visit to London this fall. Guerry's oldest granddaughter, Myers, graduated from high school in May and will enter The University of Georgia in the fall. 'Time does fly.

The other members of the class of '56 have kept their news to themselves lately. The secretary would love to hear from some of them!

#### **DEATHS**

• Nancy Burkitt Foy, Sept. 5,

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

**SECRETARY** 

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The four Nashville-area 1957 alumnae met for a mini-reunion. Joyce Skelton Wimberly, Cemele Miller Richardson, Karen Beall Bachelder and Jacqueline "Jackie" Johnson Woodward enjoyed getting together for lunch and time to catch up on one another's lives Also joining them was Karen's first grandchild, 3-month-old Emma Joyce Bray.

Jean Price Knapp and Bob have decided to sell their historic threestory house and move into much newer and slightly smaller housing about 10 miles away. They plan to move in this month and will try to get the new address and e-mail address to classmates as soon as they are available.

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **1%** 

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The 45th class reunion was a great event, with at least a total of 55 to 60 classmates attending some part of the weekend. Martha Davis Rosselot hosted a dinner in her home in Decatur on Friday evening, and all enjoyed being able to mingle and talk to one other as well as to some of the current students who were serving. The students wanted to ask us questions, and everyone had questions for them about the College now. Nancy Alexander Johnson, our class president for the last five

years, and Patricia "Pat" Gover Bitzer worked hard with Martha to get the wonderful dinner ready.

At the Alumnae Symposium on women in science Friday morning, Rebecca Fewell, Ph.D., discussed some of her studies on specialneeds children. She has retired from the University of Miami School of Medicine, where she was professor of pediatrics and psychology. While at Miami, she received a \$6.7 million grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to help change interaction patterns between mothers and at-risk children to prevent mild retardation.

JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield was presented the Service to the College Award at the Friday luncheon honoring 2003 Outstanding Alumnae. June Stokes Moseley introduced this award. Jo has worked tirelessly to co-chair Bold Aspirations: The Campaign for Agnes Scott College

The class was recognized at the Alumnae Association annual meeting for having the largest percentage of donors—70 percent. The class received a silver bowl and thanks Carolyn Magruder Ruppenthal and Carol Riley McDonald Smith, fund chairs and all who gave. The percentage of alumnae who contribute is an important fact as the College solicits funds.

There was a hailstorm and tornado warning on Friday night while classmates were at Martha's, but Saturday was a beautiful day allowing everyone to walk all over campus and see the new buildings, the renovated library and the extension of campus with the soccer field and tennis courts all the way down near the observatory. The campus looks beautiful.

Nancy Niblack Dantzler was invited to display her art in The Hub in Alston Campus Center on Saturday afternoon along with artists from other reunion classes. Jack, Nancy's husband, two of her grandchildren and two of her daughters who are alumnae were all there supporting Nancy.

Husbands joined many of the group for the Saturday night dinner at Petite Auberge Restaurant in Decatur. Ramona Cartwright Burdell sent flowers and a note apologizing for her absence. She planned to attend but learned from her publisher that the final chapter of her book was due that night in New York. She is writing about the trials and tribulations as well as the accomplishments and antics of some of the class' more troublesome members. Look for the book at the local bookstore, for she said she would be telling about everyone in the class, plus some friends at Georgia Institute of Technology and The University of Georgia.

Lillian Null Kirkpatrick did not graduate with the class, but she is returning to Agnes Scott each semester to take a course and will soon get her diploma. She commutes from Marietta and is happy to be completing her degree.

All missed Marilyn Tribble Wittner's husband, Harvey, he had been looking forward to the reunion as he always did. Marilyn was there giving out the directories she had compiled.

New class officers are President Joan St. Clair Goodhew (jojo511@mindspring.com) and Secretary Harriet Talmadge Mill (htmill@adelphia.net). Send Harriet the news in the future.

The class thanks Nancy Alexander Johnson for her diligence and time as its class president for the past five years. Nancy, you did a wonderful job of trying to keep up with everyone.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **1%** 

SECRETARY

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Carol Promnitz Cooper stays busy volunteering with music therapy programs in the Atlanta area, giving instrument demonstrations in a music store and filling in as music director or instrumentalist in area churches. She volunteer teaches harmonica and song flute at the North DeKalb Senior Connections Activities Center. Carol also volunteers playing the cornet for the Salvation Army kettles at Christmas time.

Donalyn "Lyn" Moore Elich underwent a stem-cell transplant in May as part of the treatment for multiple myeloma. She and John moved to a temporary apartment in Atlanta for the duration of the procedure. Her response to the transplant has been positive so far, and she returned home in Jasper as of mid-June. She was to learn the results of the transplant in late August and is being an "optimistic realist". She thanks everyone for the continuing prayers, notes, calls and e-mails that are bright spots of her days. Her e-mail address remains donalynelich@tds.net.

Caroline Pruitt Hayes and Anne Moore Eaton joined Barbara Lake Finch in St. Louis to celebrate Barbara's bat mitzvah in January 2002. Barbara has a unique volunteer job as one of 75 women who have organized as the "Quad Squad" to assist a young couple in caring for their quadruplets who were born in May 2002. Barbara and her husband, John, also celebrated the marriage of their son, Stephen, to Judy Martin in February.

In May, Ann Rivers Payne
Hutcheson and her daughter, Susan
Thompson-Hole, attended the
wedding of the secretary's son, Lee
Snyder, to Ulna Connelly in West
Hartford, Conn. The couple will
live in Atlanta, where he is an
architect with Jove Daniels Busby,
and she is a pharmacist at Piedmont

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY Suzanne Hoskins Brown 117 Westchester Drive Smyrna, GA 30082 suzanne@sfl.org

Anita Moses Shippen has a new granddaughter, Mary Ellen Sanders, born May 18 to Margaret Shippen Sanders '85 and Richard. Mary Ellen joins siblings Jane, 8, and Will. 5.

In March on their way to Florida, Mary Hart Richardson Britt and David stopped in Marietta for a visit with Lisa Ambrose Hudson and Jim. The highlight of the visit was having Jane Pepperdene join them for dinner at the Hudsons' home. While the Britts and the Hudsons are retired, Mrs. Pepperdene until recently taught as enthusiastically as ever. She taught literature at the Paideia School in Atlanta and was recognized and given an award as a best teacher by Amherst College when one of her former students wrote an essay about her there. Paideia has three CDs available devoted to her lectures on the humanities, short stories of Eudora Welty and on

Welty's book, *The Optimist's Daughter*. When Mary ordered some of these CDs, she was told by the Paideia office that they were "a hot item."

Lisa Ambrose Hudson and Jim have bought a getaway house in the Colorado Rockies, where they spend most of their summers. They are not only escaping the Chattahoochee mosquitoes, but they are also able to spend lots of time with their daughter, Sybil, and her family, who live near Denver. Lisa and Jim are attempting to garden in the Rocky Mountain soil.

In 2000, Sybil Strupe Rights and husband, Graham, moved back to Winston-Salem, N.C., their hometown, when Graham retired from parish and administrative duties with the Moravian Church. He continues to serve on many boards, committees and commissions. Their son is pastor of a Moravian church in Winston-Salem. Their daughter, Susan "Susie" Rights Gatland '89, also lives in Winston-Salem with her husband and two children.

Cynthia Butts Kelley has survived two hip replacements. Medication has kept multiple myeloma in check. However, this has not stopped her from traveling, including trips to Disney World, the beach, Wisconsin and beekeeper conventions. She and Larry have built a getaway home in Front Royal, Va., where Larry has a whole building devoted to bees and honey processing. She is enjoying her seven grandchildren. In April, she had lunch with Jane Norman Scott, who had returned from helping Dieneke Nieuenhuis recover from surgery.

Valerie Edwards Joh is working in her real estate business. She has four offices and more than 70 agents. Three of her children are working with her. She has seven grandchildren. In October 2002, she moved to a new home with a barn and pastures for her three horses, which she rides every week. Val's e-mail address is VJoh@BRPhomes.com.

In 2002, Frances "Babe" McFadden Cone retired from her job a bit earlier than planned. She is involved in enlarging her beach house at North Litchfield Beach, S.C., and will move there permanently (a longtime dream) when renovations are complete. Her daughter, Debbie, an attorney in labor management, lives in Atlanta with husband, Jay, and their two daughters. Babe has taken her granddaughters on several trips to introduce them to many of their cousins. Babe was elected to the board of directors of her condo association and served as vice president and secretary. She is also an armchair activist for the environment and for animal rights.

Mary Hart Richardson Britt and husband Dave became interested in Islam after September 11. In fall 2002, they took a three-week Elderhostel trip to Turkey. They are retired from the English department at Virginia Polytechnic and State University and are enjoying all the cultural benefits of living in a university town. Mary is active in a land-preservation group in Blacksburg.

Eve Purdom Ingle and Clyde attended the 40-year reunion of the Peace Corps volunteer group that trained for service in the Philippines. The group stayed in the same dormitories at San Francisco State as it had in 1962. There were some problems in negotiating the top bunk. However, everyone was adept at talking about experiences in the Philippines, and breakfast in the campus cafeteria went on for hours.

Helen Mabry Beglin is semiretired from the ministry with a nearly perfect situation: she preaches most Sundays and does pastoral care "light" while other people handle the boring meetings and money stuff. Husband Ed plans to retire in January after 27 years on the bench and a lifetime of being a workaholic. Son Pete is a cardiologist in Bellingham, Wash. Daughter Julie is an analyst with Moody's in New York and the mother of their splendid grandchildren.

Gladys Ferguson Muggridge is proud of their daughter, Wendy, who was appointed Florida state park director by Gov. Jeb Bush. She is married to Tallahassee's civic center director, and they have two boys. Gladys is president of the Garden Club and served as 2002 rose-show chair. She is a retired counselor for the state of Georgia rehabilitation services and works with her husband in DUI school.

Angelyn Alford Bagwell welcomed a granddaughter, Evelyn Martha, born May 5, to daughter Cindy

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SECRETARY Rosemary Kittrell 2056 Dellwood Drive NW Atlanta, GA 30309-1243

Guthrie "Dutton" Lemmond Moore and Lang "enjoyed spending a sabbatical year in D.C.," ending last June. They found the city so exciting that even a year was insufficient for all they wished to do. Since then, they've had a new granddaughter, Alison Elizabeth Moore, born Oct.18, 2002. In her retirement, Dutton's other interests are quilting, gardening and volunteering.

Eleanor "Anne" Christensen Pollitzer has retired twice from public school teaching. Her plans to relax with new skills of gardening and writing were derailed in mid-2002 when she "was persuaded to run for the S.C. House of Representatives against an unopposed Republican candidate." As Anne describes it, "Four fast and furious months followed that required every ounce of strength and skill I could muster and lots of help from family, friends and new supporters. My son, Stratton, came home from Tampa for the last six weeks to run the campaign, and then we all really swung into high gear." Anne was defeated in her race by "the Republican tidal wave, but she wasn't swamped by it: she lost "respectably," with more than 42 percent of the vote. She is recovering from her high-energy race and nursing a bad knee. Anne thinks she finally did the knee in going door to door. A book on the life of Anne's great-grandmother has just been published: Cultivating a New South, Abbie Holmes Christensen and the Politics of Race and Gender by Monica Marie Tetzlaff.

Renni Dillard Browne is working on revisions for the newest edition of her book, Self-Editing for Fiction Writers, which Harper Collins will publish in April 2004. She enjoys life on her mountaintop in the Blue Ridge Mountains of East Tennessee with her brother, who is an artist, and her three cats.

Nancy "Missy" Moore
Kuykendall, Anne Modlin
Burkhardt, Judith "Judy" Albergotti
Hines and Susan Abernathy
McCreary celebrated 2003 Mardi
Gras in Mobile, Ala., with Martha
Lambeth Harris. Susan brought her
mother's hats, and we all dolled up
for the Queen's Luncheon and
other hats-obligatory receptions as
well as for catching moon pies,
beads and many other "throws" dur-

ing the parades.

Sue McCurdy Hosterman writes after 44 years she is back in the beautiful hill country of Texas near San Antonio and is happy to be near family and old friends. She plans to teach a literature class this fall in Markle Falls. Sue also reminds the class of the importance of each gift to the Annual Fund, because "we need every gift to make the 50 percent participation level that we're so close to attaining." Sue wrote in May, so the class hopes that the 50 percent level was attained. However, it is never too late to send in a contribution to the Annual Fund, and each gift is welcomed.

Please also remember the Memorial Fund the class has established in memory of classmates who have died. Contribu-tions may be sent to class President Nancy Stone Hough, at P.O. Box 56, Fitzgerald, GA 31750.

## **DEATHS**

• Niels Christensen, father of Eleanor "Anne" Christensen Pollitzer, Feb. 23, 2002.

• Mary Taylor Lipscomb Garrity, June 4.

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SECRETARY
E. Milling Kinard
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Ruth Shepherd Vazquez and Ed are the proud grandparents of their first grandchild, Hannah Ruth Bond, born March 9 to daughter Anna and husband Bob in Denver, Colo. In May, they traveled to Denver for Anna's graduation from law school. Ruth stayed for an extended visit to help care for Hannah while Anna studied for the bar and to help son Ed Jr., who also lives in Denver, implement the xeriscape landscape design she created for his new house.

Beverly Kenton Mason Askren and Jim had a fabulous trip to France and Italy in 2002. That year was Beverly's most productive ever in real estate. She was the number one agent—Team 1 for the Atlanta Board of Realtors, with \$34 million in sales, and was honored for 25 years as a member of the Million Dollar Club.

As agency standards consultant for New York Life Insurance, Mary "Cissie" Harris Anderson is responsible for territory stretching from North Augusta, S.C., to the Virginia border, including the western part of North Carolina and the middle of South Carolina. She visits each agent's office at least once a year, so she does a lot of traveling. Her five children are scattered throughout the Carolinas, with one in Charleston, S.C., and the others in Charlotte, N.C., Winston-Salem, Valle Crucis and Maury.

Keeping up the "ties that bind," Ann Lee Sullivan Gravatt Ellen Middlebrooks Granum and Martha Campbell Williams met for a delightful lunch in April. In May, Ellen's youngest child, Julie, graduated with honors from the University of Vermont with a major in religion and English and requested a surfboard for her graduation gift. Ellen wonders whether she missed something in English at Agnes Scott. She and Jim bought her father's house in Barnesville, Ga., where both she and her father were born and are redoing it with the idea of returning to Georgia at some point.

In April, Margaret "Peggy"
Frederick Smith and Clen cruised
through the Panama Canal and

spent a week touring Costa Rican national parks. She writes, "While most of the birds and monkeys entertain fairly close to the ground, binoculars and a limber neck are a great help in finding tree sloths!"

Elizabeth "Betsy" Jefferson Boyt and Pat enjoyed another visit with Peggy and Glen in March while they were in Texas for a family wedding. Betsy has a new job as a legal assistant with the Texas Commission for Buildings and Procurement.

Suzanne "Sue" Amidon Zoole's involvement in visual arts and the church resulted in one of her icons being featured on the Web site ecva.org. She and husband, Jon, enjoyed a marathon of family visits, trips and reunions.

Although she claims to live "in an out-of-the-way place in an out-of-the-way state," Ann Wood Corson has experienced no dearth of Agnes Scott contacts through the years. Professor Harry Wistrand visited twice with a van full of Scotties in 115 degrees studying desert flora and fauna. She has enjoyed visits from Mildred Love Petty '61, Kathryn "Page" Smith Morahan '61, Majorie "Margie" Reitz Turnbull, and Catharine "Kathy" Norfleet Sisk. Marijke Klein-Wassink Kutter's son, Thomas, dropped by for a bit of the Old West (including learning to lasso and handle a six-shooter) on a backpack trip across America. Ann and her daughter, Claudia, spent a wonderful Thanksgiving in 2002 with Ruth Shepherd Vazquez and her family in Denver (where Claudia also lives). In May, Ann retired from nearly 40 years of teaching. She is "thankful for ASC's providing me with an excellent liberal arts background. Nothing is better prep if you want to be a teacher." Her Phoenix friends laugh at her pronunciation of "pie," but Ann considers herself a Southwesterner now. She laments the loss of acres of citrus groves and flower gardens to development in her rural Phoenix community. Her post-teaching "job" is keeping a Wal-Mart out of her back yard.

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OUTGOING SECRETARY Cornelia Anne Bryant 6214 Prospect St. Fredericksburg, VA 22407-8390

INCOMING SECRETARY Mary Beth Thomas 4633 Spicewood Drive Charlotte, NC 28227-0391 thomasmb@earthlink.net

Lori Birdsong, M.D., daughter of Sandi Creech Birdsong and John, married Daniel Camacho Labor-Day weekend on Bainbridge Island, near Seattle, where they will reside.

What a wonderful 40th reunion in April! Many thank yous to classmates who worked so hard to make his a memorable we chair Lelia Jones Graham and her committee for all their efforts; Pat O'Brian Almy for the creative commemorative bookmarks; reunion giving committee co-chairs Valerie McLanahan Goetz and Anne Miller Boyd and their committee; nominating chair committee chair Cottie Slade and her committee; special events hostesses Frannie Bailey Graves and Anne Miller Boyd for their hospitality; and Leland Draper for preparing the 40th reunion class directory. One further note: Cottie Slade's cheese straws remain the gold standard! The 40th reunion was indeed a "fabulous fortieth."

Many thanks to all who have sent

in news items in the past 10 years. Keep those cards and notes coming to Mary Beth Thomas, the new class secretary.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

#### SECRETARY

Mary Miller Womack Cox 1500 N.E. 139th St. North Miami, FL 33161-3524 EpiscoRat@aol.com

Sue Keith-Lucas Carson and George will never forget their 60th birthdays. On Sue's birthday, April 4, daughter Betsy and her husband, Allan, presented Sue and George with their second grandson, Simon George Rupe; and on George's birthday, the couple found themselves stranded at Charles DeGaulle Airport for an extra day at the end of a delightful birthday trip to Paris when a "mysterious powder" was found in the cargo hold of their plane, causing French customs officials to impound the plane for testing.

Suzanne West Guy was honored with the Outstanding Career Award during Alumnae Weekend.

#### **DEATHS**

- John "Papa John" Parkin, father of Sue Parkin TeStrake, June 4.
- Myra Morelock Gottsche, July 31, 2002.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **3%** 

SECRETARY Beverly Allen Morris 2297 SE Laurel Run Drive Ocala, FL 34471-8371 bmorris@atlantic.net

Virginia "Ginny" Finney Bugg and Joan Dupuis enjoyed a cold and rainy evening out in New York City with President Mary Brown Bullock. The three caught up on family and College news during dinner at a Thai fusion restaurant in midtown. Mary is chairing the board of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, which was holding its annual meeting in Manhattan. Ginny serves on an NAICU policy committee. Ginny enjoyed the hospitality of Hotel DuPuis while staying in the city, and Joan had joined the NAICU group for an afternoon tour of the Manet/Velasquez exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Given the unpleasant weather, the three opted for a leisurely dinner together rather than go with the group to a chilly Yankee game!

Virginia Quattlebaum Lacy has moved back to middle school as principal of Crayton Middle School in Columbia, S.C. She has about 945 students, grades six through eight. Virginia reports she has not had a boring day yet and is glad she made the move. Nancy Bruce Truluck has been a tremendous help by volunteering to work with a group of seventh-grade girls. Virginia is in a book club with two other Agnes Scott women—Keller Henderson Barron, who is the grandmother of one of her students, and with Mary Lownes Smith Bryan. Virginia's youngest son, Jeff, was married March 22

May Day Folk Taylor spent Mother's Day with her newest granddaughter and her family in Virginia Beach. Spending time with elementary and high school classmates every Wednesday continues to be a joy, and more time is spent in stretching and walking to avoid excessive physical deterioration.



The walled city of Perugia, the ancient Etruscan city-state, holds Piazza IV Novembre, one of Italy's splendid squares. Perugia is one of the many marvels to see in Tuscany through the alumnae travel program.

# **TOUR TUSCANY WITH GEORGIA TECH**

From the innovations of the Etruscans to the artistic enlightenment of the Renaissance, Tuscany has both inspired and borne witness to feats that cover the spectrum of human achievement.

The village of Cortona will serve as the campus site in Tuscany. Journey to tiny Montepulciano, set in the heart of Chiana Country with its quaint cafés and aromatic wine cellars.

Marvel at two Umbrian jewels—the walled city of Perugia, the ancient Etruscan city-state whose Piazza IV Novembre is one of Italy's most splendid squares, and medieval Assisi, home to the exquisite St. Francis Basilica.

In Siena, enjoy a resplendent showcase of magnificent cathedrals and stunning Gothic buildings. Admire the splendor of Florence, the nurturing *Cradle of the Renaissance*, where samples of Italy's artistic genius abound at every turn.

- **NOTE**: The itinerary is preliminary and is subject to change because of operational conditions.
- For more information about the trip, contact Martha Ille at mille@agnesscott.edu or 404 471-6374.

# Alumni College in Tuscany-Cortona With Georgia Institute of Technology

- When: June 9-17
- Cost: \$1,795, per person, plus air, based on double occupancy. V.A.T. is an additional \$95 per person, subject to change.
- **Deposit:** A \$500 per person deposit is due with the registration form. Final payment is due March 26.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

# SECRETARY

Rebeca Pope Herbert Schenk 620 Hyland Park Drive Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Carol Scott Wade wrote, "After a six-year trek which included working one full-time and one part-time job, I graduated with a M.Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary on May 17.

"One of the highlights of this special weekend was that Joyce Bynum Kuykendall flew in from New Jersey to celebrate with me—a wonderful surprise for me and a very gracious gift, as her being with me meant that husband George and daughter Mary took the responsibility of caring for Joyce's mother while Joyce was away. Great example of the extraordinary value of Scottie friendships!

"Another interesting piece of this story is that the presbytery meeting where I [was] officially received as a candidate for ministry [was] scheduled to be held at Agnes Scott [in July]. When I began ASC 40 years ago, the last thing I would ever have thought was that I would be standing in Gaines Chapel requesting to be received as a candidate for ministry in the Presbyterian Church!

"Thanks to several of you sitting at my table at our 30th-reunion lunch, who encouraged, rather than laughed at such a notion, here I am! Blessings!" 68

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SECRETARY Betty Derrick 15 Mount Paran Road NE Atlanta, GA 30342-2209 bderrick@agnesscott.edu

The class of 1968 had a fabulous 35th reunion thanks to the hard work of many, especially Margaret "Peggy" Whitaker (reunion chair), Betty Miller Layng (class president), Elizabeth "Betsy" White Bacon (party chair), Patrice Cragg Darden, Nancy Thompson Beane, Adele Josey, Elaine Harper Horton, Kathleen "Kathy" Blee Ashe and Marilyn Johnson Hammond. We partied hardy from The Hub Sing on Thursday night through the great "Little Black Dress and Pearls" party on Saturday evening. We missed all who could not be with us. Lucy Hamilton Lewis has put together a wonderful scrapbook of pictures with additional photos from Christine "Christie" Theriot Woodfin, Susan McCann Butler and John Bacon. Lucy, with the help of Eric's Georgia Institute of Technology expertise, has put up a Web site for the class to visit and enjoy the pictures. You may access the pictures by going to http://home.houston.rr.com/ ericandlucylewis/. Reserve the third weekend in April 2008!

Rebecca "Becky" McRae McGlothlin and Larry live in Fayetteville, N.C., where Becky is a contract administrator for the Army at Fort Bragg. They went to Africa in June to see their son, Cameron, who is in the Peace Corps in Burkina Faso (West Africa). Cameron teaches high school biology and geology in French. Burkina Faso is stable and peaceful, but is right next to Ivory Coast, which is not. They spent 10 days with Cameron and then he joined them in France for a week. Best of all was a visit with a son they had not seen in more than a year. Daughter Charlotte, a graduate of Kenyon College, is a little closer to home in Greensboro.

Many recent grandmothers in the class who report nothing but joy: Lynne Anthony Butler with Kevin L. Butler III or "Tripp"; Sarah "Sally" Bainbridge Akridge's twins, Quentin and Carter; Elizabeth "Betsy" White Bacon and her namesake, Betsy.

Gue' Pardue Hudson and Bill's oldest son, Will, married Anastasia Tchapliskya, who is originally from Russia, in May. Burt, the middle son, is with CNN in Atlanta. John, the youngest, graduated in May from Druid Hills High School. Gue' and Agnes Scott friends Ann Glendinning and Kathy Stubbs hiked the Appalachian Trail again this summer—don't ask how many miles they've covered, just how many states! They hike each year and hope to do so in each state in which the Trail exists.

Cynthia "Cindy" Perryman wasn't able to be at the reunion because of a major event at Vista Gallery, which she has owned for 25 years in Decatur, Ga. (Your class secretary is the poorer for it but it is a wonderful gallery!) Cindy's business features local artists, French and English antiques and accessories and gift items. Cindy and husband, Randy Beard, have the best of both city and country life as they live in Suwannee, where they garden extensively. They enjoy visits from son Jason who married a French woman and lives in France. Other son, Josh, finished at the University of Virginia and plans to return for his Ph.D.

Elizabeth "Betty" Whitaker Wilson manages an art gallery in Old Town, Albuquerque. The gallery was featured in Sunset magazine this summer. Youngest daughter, Laurie, works for Leap Frog in San Francisco and is a producer for the company's tie-in with Sponge Bob Square Pants. Megan works for the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington and was admitted to Princeton University for graduate study with a full fellowship. Everyone at the reunion party can attest that husband John is a fantastic dancer!

Having retired from IBM, Mary Thomas Bush Huff is taking jazz piano lessons. She also serves on the Board of Governors for the Association of Emory Alumni.

Alice Harrison Dickey has the same home address she did as a student at Agnes Scott. She and Bill have remodeled the house where she grew up in Thomasville, Ga. They have two grown sons, Kirk and David.

Nancy Thompson Beane continues to work at The Westminster Schools as college counselor and 12th-grade American history teacher. She is president-elect of the Southern Association for College Admission Counseling, following Stephanie Balmer, Agnes Scott's associate vice president for enrollment and dean of admission in this position. Nancy helps spread the word "all over the country about what a wonderful place Agnes Scott is!" She and John have reversed roles—Nancy is a sports addict and John is a talented cook and decorator. Their daughter, Kathryn, graduated from

Dartmouth College and is working in Santa Monica as an assistant to the movie director who did *The Bourne Identity*.

Mary Lamar Adams and Craig Adams have moved to Brevard, N.C., to be closer to her parents. Technology has allowed them to keep their marketing consulting business going from a 32-acre home with trout pond, streams and the sounds of Mother Nature.

Patrice Cragg Darden changed her marital status, residence and job all within a few days! Son Travis has returned from Saudi Arabia where he worked as a geologist for the United Nations. He is running a marina and boat rental operation at Kiawah Island, S.C. Tyler teaches chemistry, physics and calculus and coaches baseball and junior football at Thornwell School in Clinton, S.C. Garrett is in Greenwood, S.C., and aspires to be a chef.

Jeanne Gross Johnson is a manager for BellSouth in accounting. She is the chair of the 2003 Decatur Arts Festival garden tour. Her son, James, who is quadriplegic since a 1998 diving accident, is working at the Shepherd Center in Atlanta and driving a large van to quad rugby practice. Daughter Kathryn graduated from Bard College in dance and is finishing her M.A. in dance also. Andrew is in school at Embry Riddle in Daytona Beach, learning to fly airplanes and pursuing an engineering degree.

ber of boards and lives in West Newton, Mass. She is treasurer of the National Board of Trustees of Camp Fire, U.S.A., member of the Board of Directors of the Boston Club, a woman's executive organization and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Media and Technology Charter High School. She is also the executive officer of her local U.S. Power Squadron where she teaches advanced piloting for coastal navigation. Charlotte keeps a sail boat in Boston Harbor. Daughter Michelle is an attorney focusing on labor and employment law in Connecticut. Her son, James, lives in Bend, Ore.

Charlotte Hart serves on a num-

Susan Stringer Connell took up golf two years ago and is already a champion: nine-hole 2002 champion at Cherokee Country Club and 18-hole low net 2002 winner for the Cherokee Women's Association. Daughter Shannon has started a consulting firm and son Travis lives in San Francisco, where he does stand-up comedy for fun.

Another talented golfer is Dorothy "Ellen" Richter Griffin, who had two holes in one within six months of each other! Ellen is supervisor of marketing support at Blue Cross Blue Shield. She and Hill have their first dog, a registered golden retriever, MaGill.

Martha "Vicky" Plowden Craig and Bill have been traveling thanks to overseas contracts for his business, Sardinia and northeast Italy most recently. Their oldest son, Capt. Neil Craig , is in Bagram, Afghanistan, with the U.S. Army. Son James lives in Austin and works with computers. Daughter Catherine is a recent graduate of Texas A&M University with degrees in environmental design and construction science. She plans on an advanced degree in architecture.

# DEATHS

- Georganne Rose Cunningham, Aug. 22.
- Virginia Drawdy Kludt, mother of Caroline "Chee" Kludt Ricketts, March 29.

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SECRETARY

Lalla Mangin 1141 Davison Drive Greensboro, GA 30642 lmangin@plantationcable.net

Diane Hale Baggett welcomed her first grandchild, Jacob Clark Duren, born March 27, to her daughter, Katie, and husband, Jason.

Minnie Bob Mothes Campbell and Sally Gillespie Richardson attended the Anne Register Jones Alumnae Leadership Conference and want to remind all that the reunion celebrating 35 years is coming up in 2004!

Marion Hinson Mitchell and Jack and Minnie Bob Mothes Campbell and Mike enjoyed seeing each other and catching up on news at a recent wedding in South Carolina. Marion Hinson Mitchell sang with the Greenville Chamber Singers, a women's vocal ensemble at

Montreat this summer.

Sandra Earley and husband
Phelps Hawkins have opened a
media consulting business, Mission
Media. Phelps' first big project is
Mideast News Service, a nonprofit,
nonpartisan Web site

(www.mnsnews.org) conceived and designed to explain Middle Eastern cultures and conflicts to Americans through the stories of real people. Sandra has her own division of Mission Media called "The Legacy Project." Its mission is to help families preserve their stories through oral histories.

heritage scrapbooks, etc.

Mary Anne Murphy Hornbuckle
has taken the position of bereavement coordinator for New Beacon

Hospice in Birmingham, Ala. **DEATHS** 

• David H. Booher, III, husband of Winifred "Winkie" Wootton Booher, May 6.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY

Camille Holland Carruth 1117 Shamrock Drive Dublin, GA 31021-3022 carruth@nlamerica.com

Jane Robinson McGoldrick completed her doctorate in clinical psychology, graduating from Argosy University (formerly American School of Professional Psychology/Virginia) in 2002, the same year her son, Dan, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic and State University. Jane has joined a private practice part time in Washington, D.C., that specializes in the treatment of adult survivors of sexual abuse and posttraumatic conditions. She hopes to open her own general part-time practice in the Silver Spring, Md., area in the future. After years of teaching oceanography at the University of Chicago in the '60s and '70s, husband Larry delights in his work in computer systems engineering, setting the first family example of midlife career change. Jane enjoys regular visits with Cheryl Granade Sullivan. Jane would like to hear from Agnes Scott grads: janem@cpcug.org.

Bronson Lee, son of George and Sally Tucker Lee, has accepted a job in Washington, D.C., with the Department of Commerce in the Trade Information Center to aid businesses in exporting. He will

probably center on Asia and South America. After graduating summa cum laude from The University of Georgia with degrees in history and economics and a minor in vocal performance, he studied for a year in Argentina, living with an Argentine family, and became quite fluent in Spanish. He studied international economics and trade policy on a National Security Education Program Scholarship at the Universidad de Belgano in Buenos Aires and traveled extensively in South America. He had many wonderful educational opportunities as a Foundation Fellow at The University of Georgia, including studies abroad in Verona, Italy, Beijing and Oxford, England. This was so much travel that the security clearance for the position he received took 11 months. While waiting, he was a singing waiter at Romano's Macaroni Grill in Arlington, Va.

**DEATHS** 

Polly Bransford Hughes
 Weathers, mother of Sue Weathers
 Crannell, May 23.

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SECRETARY

Jane Duttenhaver Hursey 1923 Cotton Lane Loganville, GA 30052 jdhursey@mindspring.com

Bonnie McIntosh McAllister sends some sad news. Sandi Finotti Collins died in an automobile crash Dec. 18, in Union, S.C. Bonnie and Harriett Brown Brock attended the funeral in Spartanburg. They had all kept in touch, getting together at least once a year, and Sandi's sudden death was a shock. Harriett lives in Rome, Ga., and is a media specialist. She has two married sons. One graduated from Furman University and is completing his M.B.A. at The University of Georgia, and the other is also a student at UGA. Harriett and husband Eddie are great Georgia fans, attending all the home games and many of the out-of-town games Bonnie lives in Atlanta. She is a CPA and controller for a Sysco subsidiary, Buckhead Beef. Bonnie has two daughters, a son and two grandchildren. They all live in the Atlanta area. Her children graduated from Auburn University, Georgia Southern University and Georgia Institute of Technology. Her daughter also received her M.S.W. from UGA. Bonnie's husband of seven years, Richard, is disabled with Parkinson's disease but is doing well.

# DEATHS

• Rebecca "Becky" Orlich's mother died April 23.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

**SECRETARY** 

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Nancy Cole McGee Willard is an empty-nester at home, but she can enjoy "chilling" with the children of First United Methodist Church in Laurenburg, N.C., where she is associate pastor. After earning an M.A. in counseling in 1999, Nancy became a licensed United Methodist pastor in 2000 as well as a volunteer counselor for hospice. She serves on the

board of Local Partnership for Children and Families. At home, e-mails keep her connected with offspring: her husband's two married children and Nancy's two, a son finishing his M.B.A. at Wingate University and a daughter planning a wedding. She hears from Diane Ludwigsen Moncrief regularly.

Susan Steagall Brown enjoys the pastoral life in lovely Auburn, Ala. Her husband, Clarence, teaches at Auburn University, where Susan earned her master's degree in education. Son Jamison is 21, and daughter Mauren, 18, is college bound. Susan continues to enjoy painting in a shared studio with several artist friends who attempt varied subjects on varied palettes.

When Shera Lynn Hudson felt a void at the end of her 30-year teaching career—one filled with good memories and several awards, she knew she'd just have to bear it. In the company of hundreds of teddy bears and Disney characters, Shera has launched a new custom wreath and gift basket business, Metamorphosis Services, so named "because I change people's surroundingsand don't you just love how I worked in a biology word!" She describes her personalized creations as more like alternative artwork than anything else of its kind. Each gift item is intricately organized around a theme, much like the students' projects she mentored during 20 years of science-fair sponsorship. Like teaching itself, the gifts she designs are labors of love far exceeding any monetary reward. They have ranged from Statue of Liberty wreaths to all black, Disney villain wreaths, but her favorites are the "cheer-up-get well-thinking-ofyou" gifts. The class entrepreneur then launched a second venture in July 2002—a singles' dining service that has brought her clients many great outings in its first year of service. "Singles Dinner Club LLC" specializes in small-group dining for upscale singles (ages 40-65) at an array of Atlanta restaurants, jazz clubs, golf clubs and hotels. Shera invites single alums to visit her Web site www.SinglesDinnerClub.com for information. This April, Shera joined fellow biology major Melissa Carmen Caldwell and her daughter, Kery, at the dedication of the campus's new science building. They enjoyed seeing Deans Julia T. Gary and Mollie Merrick '57 and speaking with Sandra Bowden, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology.

Gayle Daley Nix and husband Ross, an Atlanta attorney, enjoy an active life with their version of the 60s sitcom, My Three Sons Ross, 21, is in college, while Charles, 17, and Alexander, 14, are at home finishing school. Gardening, a Bible study group and volunteering at her youngest son's school keep her busy. Gayle enjoys lunch visits with Deborah Long Wingate Palmer, whose life since retirement from teaching at Westminster Schools is quite adventurous. Both Debbie and her husband, who enjoy travel and outdoor recreation, have become paddling enthusiasts.

Hearts go out to Paula "Beetzer" Wise McFarland and children Jeff, Kelly and Matt, on the death of husband and father, Jim, in January. Paula remained in touch with Dona Drake Cucich during the months before and following Jim's illness.

# DEATHS

• Ela Behice Gonenc, date unknown.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY

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Marianna Boaz Woodward writes, "For anyone interested..., I married Kes Woodward in May 1971, graduated from Davidson in 1973, eventually moved to Alaska, got my M.D. from the University of Washington, had a son, Eli, in medical school and then went to residency training at Dartmouth. I am currently practicing half time as a pediatrician and half time as the medical director for a private multispecialty clinic. This fall, I was in Atlanta and drove over to Scott for the first time since I left. The young women I ran into there were charming and enthusiastic. Many positive memories

flooded back Almost 50 members of the class had a great time catching up at the 30th reunion in April. Faye Allen Sisk presided over the class meeting in the absence of Resa Harris, who was unable to attend and has retired from the bench in Mecklenburg County (Charlotte, N.C). Newly elected class officers are Judy Hamilton Grubbs, president; Faye Allen Sisk, vice president; Jane Benbow Jackson, secretary; and Ann Cowley Churchman and Meg Lines Thrash, reunion co-chairs. Among those traveling from far away were Mary Paige Lucas from Anchorage, Alaska, Fran Amsler Hail from Port Aransas, Texas: Polly Barnes Holmes from Norman, Okla. (now of Austin, Texas); Libby Rhett Jones from Mendham, N.J.; Tish Young McCutchen from Longview, Texas; Janifer Meldrum from San Antonio, Texas; Sally Bryant Oxley from Huntington, W. Va.; Lyn Deen Smith from Rochester, Minn.; Cynthia Wilkes Smith from Lexington, Ky.; Barbara Black Waters from Wellesley, Mass.; and Betsy Watt from Scottsdale, Ariz. All cheered when it was announced in the annual alumnae meeting that Elizabeth "Libby" Rhett Jones and her husband had given a \$1 million gift to the College, and the class viewed with pride the DNA of classmate (and Agnes Scott descendant), Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky, in the Woolford B. Baker Atrium of the magnificent new Science Center. A priority for the next five years is promoting communication among class members. A class of '73 listserv has been set up on the AlumNet. If not online with the class yet, log onto the College Web site or e-mail one of your class officers. Everyone would love to hear from

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 1%

SECRETARY

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Helen DeWitt Whittaker wrote Sisters in the Air (The Overmountain Press, \$9.95), a biography of Louise McPhetridge Thaden and Phoebe Fairgrave Omlie. The two won races, stunt contests and promoted aviation education in a typically male-dominated field. Helen is also the director of the Kingsport (Tenn.) Public Library.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

SECRETARY

Patricia Pearson Whitner 2974 Greenbrook Way Atlanta, GA 30345 thewhitners@aol.com pwhitner@bgalegal.com

Sue Diseker Sabat completed her first year of teaching autistic children in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Daughter Vivi will head to Northwestern University in the fall for her freshman year. Thirteen-year-old son Isaac won first place in the state piano competition. Husband José is busy with his start-up telecommunications company, handling projects in south Florida as well as in his home country of Brazil

Jill Worthey Cox has some equine news—she won her first horse show on May 3! She was riding her big (16-plus hands) new 3-year-old Tennessee Walking Horse gelding, Falcon's Backdraft. It was particularly exciting for Jill because it was also the first time she'd shown him and she was competing against seven men, some of whom had already won several shows this season. Needless to say, her trainer was pleased with her riding progress!

This has been the year for graduations for Genevieve New Chaffee. Son Kenny graduated from Centennial High School on May 30 and started attending the University of Arkansas as an architecture major in August. Son Alfred graduated from Ohio State University with his bachelor of science degree in atmospheric science on June 13 and is also commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Air Force, so he reported to Air Force flight school on July 5.

Jennifer Kaduck was featured in an article in the Creative Loafing magazine. Jennifer is part of an environmental conscience Green Team. For 11 years, Jennifer has headed Georgia's Environmental Protection Division's Hazardous Waste Branch. It's an office that faces con-

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# Save the Date!

May 21-23, 2004

Anne Register Jones Alumnae Leadership Conference stant lobbying pressure and legal wrangling by corporations that want to weaken environmental rules and avoid having to pay for cleaning up their

messes. Last summer her ability to negotiate the tricky turns of environmental politics served her well. She successfully defended cleanup standards for the state's 534 statelevel superfund sites after some lawmakers cynically attempted to portray the program as too expensive. Jennifer offers a beacon for scores of agency employees who work hard to serve the public's interest.

• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 0%

SECRETARY

Donna Ann Winters Samford 5001 Fairhaven Way Roswell, GA 30075-6113 donnasamford@mindspring.com

The class of 1977 sends its heartfelt sympathy to Lydia Bendeck Acha on learning of the death of her father on April 30. Mr. Bendeck died at his home in Honduras following a yearlong battle with can-

Nancy Setzler Culberson reports after two years at Agnes Scott, she transferred to MUSC-Charleston, College of Pharmacy. She owned a retail pharmacy for 25 years in Lexington, S. C., which she sold in the past year. She is married to her high-school sweetheart, David, and they have two daughters: Olivia, who graduated from Lexington High this year, and Ainslee, who is

Frances Holt-Underwood has accepted a tenure-track position in English and humanities with Georgia Perimeter College at the Gwinnett University Center campus. Additionally, she has been accepted as one of four IT scholars for the 2003-2004 school year. In March, she presented a paper on Alice Walker at the GWA-CEA conference at Kennesaw State University and gave a presentation at Georgia Perimeter on creating a paperless classroom.

Congratulations go to Audrey Grant, who was chosen to be a member of the Agnes Scott Board of Trustees. She will attend her first

meeting this month.

Lynn Wilson McGee is looking for a little help from her classmates. She accepted a full-time position as a visiting professor at her local Indiana University campus. After 15 years of being a full-time mom, she is wondering how others from the class of '77 have managed to keep their lives centered and on track

This class was certainly blessed with women called to teach. Mary Anne Barlow has just completed her 26th year teaching at DeKalb County's Evansdale Elementary School. She and other families planned to vacation on Sanibel Island this summer—a well deserved vacation in all likelihood!

· Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **1%** 

SECRETARY

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The class had a wonderful 25th reunion last spring, and it should be noted at the outset that the campus looked great, and so did everyone! All were thin, stylish and gorgeous, and all dismissed the comment, "Hey! Am I the only one here who

doesn't color her hair?" with thoughts of how no one really has changed at all! Thanks to Agnes Scott for rolling out the red carpet and to Susan Kidd and co. for making it all happen. It was a blast!

For those who were not able to make it, truthfully, all were missed. Here's a recap of some of the latest news with the class: Sharon Hatcher Anderson lives in Arizona and works with a desert-preservation foundation. She still listens to James Taylor. Jan Fleischman Bedol works with planned giving for Emory University in Atlanta, is active at Decatur Presbyterian Church and still listens to James Taylor. Judith "Judy" Miller Bohan is doing absolutely nothing with her economics major, yet is busy and happy in Asheville, N.C. working in accounting and athletics administration.

Catherine "Cathy" Winn Courtney is a teacher (and has been an assistant Cub master) in Alpharetta, Ga. Theresa Crane took early retirement from Busch Gardens and is an account executive with Progress Energy Corp. She lives with husband Jim and son Jim in St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. Patricia "Trish" Huggins Dale lives with husband Tom and sons Michael and Drew in Morehead City, N.C. With two rough and tumble boys, her mantra is "I am a delicate flower!" Mary Brown Diehl is a teacher in Charlotte, N.C. She loves her work and still listens to James Taylor.

Barbara Duncan, who was able to fit into a smaller T-shirt than the one the secretary had to buy, lives in Tampa, Fla., and teaches math at a community college. She has been nominated twice by former students to Who's Who Among American Teachers and still listens to James Taylor. Paige Patton Edwards, in Alpharetta, Ga., works in sales and marketing for a commercial real estate firm and listens to whatever her two daughters are playing on the radio or stereo, probably not James Taylor. Sue Edwards Freeman lives with her family in Charlotte, N.C. Sue works as a part-time teacher's assistant and loves to play Whist, a card game, in

her leisure time

Marguerite Booth Gray says music doesn't get any better than James Taylor! She lives in Ft. Worth, Texas, teaches second grade and loves to bike ride. Ann Richardson Hodges lives in Atlanta with husband Marion and children Sara and Will. Ann teaches preschool and works with Emergency Assistance. Catherine McLauchlin Hylands lives in North Yorkshire, England, where she is a certified accountant. She and Bernard have two sons, Ian and Tom. Janet Kelley Jobe is the director of development for Chattanooga Christian School in Tennessee. Two highlights of her years since leaving Agnes Scott were going on a mission trip to Belarus and being honored with the "rookie of the year" award, a national real-estate sales award.

Margaret "Marty" Knight Kennedy lives with husband Jim and their three children (Bess, Dyer and Robert) in Cartersville, Ga. Marty has master's and specialist degrees in school counseling and is a school counselor. Susan Kidd has earned a master's degree in environmental law, is the vice president of an environmental group in Atlanta, is participating in the first Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership and plans great class reunions. She listens to REM and U2. Shirley Chan Kwan, who has an M.B.A. from Emory University, is a senior manager for Hewlett-Packard. Shirley has moved to Los Altos, Calif., with husband, Edward (a

landscape architect), and their son,

Leigh Dillon Martin, husband Bob and son Rob live in Alexander City, Ala. Leigh teaches highschool English and at a community college. Since graduating, she has earned her M.Ed. and her National Board Certification. Kathleen O'Brien lives in Alexandria, Va., earned her M.B.A. from Syracuse University, works as an operations research analyst for the Department of Defense and listens to Barry Manilow. Michelle "Winnie" Cho Oliver is enjoying life at home (Marietta, Ga.) with her 2-year-old son, Daniel (who likes Manuel's Tavern). Her husband, Staton, is an IT professional.

Lynne Oswald (with husband Steve West and son John) has her own law firm in Milton, Fla. Since graduation, she has served as a commissioner on the Judicial Nominating Commission. Cynthia "Cindy" Peters, who has served well on the Alumnae Board for the past five years, is a higher education administrator at Duke University and listens to James Taylor. Melody Snider Porter is doing Rob's laundry (some things are just indelibly etched in memory!) and working as a business analyst in Tampa, Fla. She and Rob, with the longest running marriage of the class, have two dachshunds, Alex and Tasha.

Sharon Pittman Powell lives with architect husband Steve and children Leigh and Taylor, in Old Hickory, Tenn. Sharon is an activity provider at a local retirement facility. Susan Smith Rinaldo is a child psychiatrist in Spartanburg, S.C. She and her husband, Frank (an anesthesiologist), have three daughters: Anne, Claire and Susannah. Emma McLemore Salzer, husband Grove, and four sons have moved to Vidalia, Ga., where Emma grew up. Her favorite thing to do is play ball with Garrett. 6.

Beverly Brown Schmidt lives with her family in Marietta, Ga., where she teaches history, volunteers in crisis pregnancy centers, directs choirs at church, heads up Bible school, drives Paul and Joy to where they need to be, is there for Ted, dreams of visiting New Zealand and is content. Susan Willoch Shaver lives in Lilburn, Ga., and has two daughters, Jenny and Betsy, who the secretary is sure are as beautiful as she. Sally Stamper is a private psychotherapist and is a doctoral theology student. Sally lives in Chicago, enjoys walks around Lake Michigan and has been to Cuba.

Patsy Cralle Strowd loves life as a pastor's wife and mother of teenage twins (Elizabeth and Joseph). Patsy and Tom live in Clayton, N.C. Sue Fisher Wentworth has been a perpetual student since graduating from Agnes Scott, earning an M.T.S. and a Ph.D. in theology. She lives in Annapolis, Md. Husband Rand is a land conservationist. They have two children, Avery and Thomas. Sarah Workman is a consultant for natural resources management with the University of Florida and the U.S Department of Agriculture. She has earned her M.S. in plant ecology and a Ph.D. in forest soils and biology. Elaine Wilburn Zullo and Jeff have raised three children (Sarah, Kathryn and John) in Litchfield, Conn. Elaine teaches high school and is a member of a local rowing club. She hopes someday to pluck Jeff out of the world of aerospace marketing and live in Italy!

That's all the news for now! Dear classmates, the secretary thanks all who showed up for the reunion, making it special for everyone. She hopes those who couldn't make it this time will seriously consider

coming for the next one in 2008. As she said, no one noticed the gray hair or the extra pounds. All were too busy looking into sparkling eyes and smiles. Send an e-mail; it will be answered. By the way, the secretary got into grad school! And, sometimes she listens to James Taylor, too.

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SECRETARY

Ginny Lee McMurray 1015 N. McKinley St Little Rock, AR 72207 vlmcmurray@aristotle.net

Angela Fleming Rogers e-mailed that she had returned from a weekend jaunt that included visits with two classmates! While in Atlanta, Angela and her 4-year-old daughter, Emily, had a play-date with Linda McColl Montreuil and her 6-year-old Caroline. Emily, Angela and Thomas, 14 also spent the night with Leslie Doyle Brenegar and her family in Hendersonville, N.C., after dropping Angela's other son, Parker, off at camp in nearby Flat Rock

Angela also saw Patricia "Tish" DuPont Easterlin when Tish's son, Will, competed against Angela's son, Parker, in soccer this spring. Tish was chosen STAR Teacher at Jefferson County High School (Ga.) this year. She lives in Louisville, Ga., which is about 45 minutes from Angela's home in Augusta, Ga.

Angela enjoyed watching Julie Johnston Wiggins' kids receive various honors recently at Augusta's Westminster School Angela's son, Thomas, and Julie's three children Jenny, Jamie and Becca, attend the same school. Julie also teaches third grade there. Angela says Julie's kids inherited her gift for music and frequently sing at school and at

Linda McInnis has been on the road with a trip to London and Edinburgh, Scotland, in March with the secretary's sister that included lots of walking, sightseeing and photo taking. She also took a trip to Santa Fe, N.M. and Taos in February to art shop. Linda has a new job in Pueblo, Colo., as a paralegal for two busy attorneys. She moved and is enjoying a wonderful garden with roses as well as food: she is eating kale, chard and spinach already. Linda is enjoying living near her grandsons, ages 3 and 1. Linda writes poetry in her spare time, and some of her poems have been accepted to the Web site www.wordwonder.com.

Virginia "Ginny" Lee McMurray and children Michael, 8, and Margaret, 13, appeared as supers in a production of The Barber of Seville at Wildwood Park for the Performing Arts in Little Rock, Ark. Between the opera and Michael's baseball schedule, they had a busy summer.

**DEATHS** 

• Dean Miller, husband of Linda McInnis, Aug. 14, 2002.

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SECRETARY Pat Arnzen Brookshire 215 W. Hill St. Decatur, GA 30030 brookie@mindspring.com

DEATHS

• Nell Durham, mother of Susan Durham Little, March 28.

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CO-SECRETARY

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Claudia Gazaway Stucke shared the great news that daughter Clare accepted an academic scholarship to Agnes Scott and started as a first-year student in August. Clare fell in love with the new science building. Clare's also impressed with the small classes, individualized instruction and facilities and resources available to students. Claudia uses the library often and plans to run into her occasionally!

Sarah Campbell Arnett traveled to Chicago in May for a quick visit to see Alice Harra

Matesanz '82 and her family—husband and three boys. They toured the Frank Lloyd Wright home and studio and watched Alice's son's baseball game. However, it turns out the trip's highlight was talking until the wee hours of the morning. Sarah's youngest daughter, Hannah, begins kindergarten in the magnet Spanish immersion school. Her sister Catherine is considered fluent at age 7.

Maryanne Gannon Deaton and family entertained the Lynn Stonecypher Thompson crew on Memorial Day. The Deatons' energetic yellow lab, Daisy, turned 1 on Memorial Day. Evidently, the Thompsons were patient with her antics. The families usually get together annually; Lynn and Maryanne also meet each spring to celebrate their birthdays Maryanne stays busy volunteering with the school PTA, Girl Scouts, a few church groups and the Ronald McDonald House Charities. It has really made the time fly since her kids started school six years ago.

Mary Beth Hebert is serving as 2003-2004 chair of the family law section of the Atlanta Bar Association. She enjoyed another more-or-less annual trip to New Orleans with Debra Yoshimura Rainwater in April.

Melanie Merrifield Podowitz ran into Hannah Griffith Wildner at a local swim center, where two of Hannah's three children are avid swimmers

Malinda Roberts Hill reports Kim Lenior Taylor spent five weeks with her during the summer and brought all four daughters to play with Malinda's two. Malinda, Laura McCrary Saunders and Laura Newsome Pittman had lunch together and bumped into Lulu Perez. The foursome had an impromptu lunch reunion.

Many e-mail addresses on file for the class are out of date. Let the secretaries know your new addresses so they can keep up. Notify them at mmerrifield@attbi.com or Coleledsky@earthlink.net.

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Christine Veal Hoskins writes from Tampa, Fla., where her husband, Scott, is stationed at MacDill Air Force Base at Special Operations Command. Her oldest son, Tim, has graduated, after 13 years of home schooling! He will attend college in Virginia next year and plans to major in journalism. Her younger son, Mike, will be in ninth grade. Last year Christine began tutoring with an adult literacy program. She says it is challenging work but satisfying.

From the far reaches of Africa-Chew-Stick Corner, Nigeria, Sonia Gordon Dettweiler not only continues to work on translating the Bible into C'Lela with her husband, but also home schools her two sons. Sonia wrote a wonderful newsletter chronicling her adventures in home schooling during the fall 2002. It was quite informative and very amusing. Joel, 9, is collecting stamps. He says, "I love stamps. They are very interesting. If I had three wishes, one of them would be that stamps grew on trees." If anyone has any used stamps she would like to send, address them to Joel Dettweiler, Box 266, Zuru, Kebbi State 872101, Nigeria, West Africa. In excerpts from her teaching log, Sonia wrote it was a tremendous struggle to get Micah, 7, to write a four-sentence descriptive paragraph. After a lot of back and forth between teacher and student, Micah produced this paragraph: "Mrs. Dettweiler is the worst teacher I ever had. She is short with glasses and brown hair. She teaches useless things to us. She is as good at teaching as a newspaper boy is at making an electric piano." Well, that's very descriptive! It's comforting to know that although Sonia's life in Africa is different from most, parenting is pretty much the same around the globe.

In support of Margaret Phillips-Wyatt, who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, Melissa Kelly organized a group to participate in the MS walk in Atlanta. Melissa Kelly, Margaret Clark Waterbury, Margaret Sheppard Slaton, Margaret Phillips Wyatt and her daughter, Annice, Lisa Edenfield Harwood and her daughters, Allison and Jamie, Katherine "Kitty" Cralle Tuttle and her daughter, Olivia, walked 3.5 miles to raise money for the M.S. Society of America. All participants persevered through a torrential downpour, and though it was cold, the company was good and enjoyed a lot of laughter. The group's name was "Walkers for Wyatt," and they raised more than \$10,000.

# DEATHS

Jack Ferguson, father of Lu Ann Ferguson, Aug. 13, 2002.
Samuel F. Kelly, father of Melissa

Howard Tiller, Jr., husband of

• Howard Tiller, Jr., husband of Mary Blake Tiller, April 18.

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# **OUTGOING SECRETARY**

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INCOMING SECRETARY Baird Nellins Lloyd Nuckolls 223 Vincent Drive Mountain View, CA 94041 bairdln@attbi.com

Margaret Kelly "Nagget" Parry had a great time at the 20th reunion and especially enjoyed reconnecting with her roomie Virginia "Carol" McCranie Magri. Nag lives in Avondale Estates with husband, Dick, and two children, Kelly and Jack. She works part time planning fund-raising events at Lekotek of Georgia, a nonprofit

serving disabled children and their families.

• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 3%

SECRETARY

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Tracey Veal-Booker was honored in January as the Sherman Way Campus 2003 CHW Values in Action winner of Northridge Hospital Medical Center in Van Nuys, Calif. Tracey was honored for her outstanding achievement in five core values: excellence, dignity, collaboration, justice and stewardship.

Make a note of the secretary's new e-mail address: russellk84@wmconnect.com. Foward all class news to this new address.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 0%

SECRETARY

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Mary Ellen Sanders was born May 18 to Margaret Shippen Sanders and Richard Sanders. She joins siblings, Jane, 8, and Will, 5. Mary Ellen is the granddaughter of Anita Moses Shippen '60.

Jill Whitfill's father graduated from Texas Tech University on May 17 with a bachelor of arts in history. He has successfully completed the academic work interrupted by World War II. He was the oldest graduate (82 years, 7 months) in Texas Tech history. Jill's brother-in-law, Tibor Nagy, former U.S. ambassador to Nigeria and Ethiopia and currently vice-chancellor for international affairs, gave the commencement address when Mr. Whitfill graduated. It just goes to show it is never too late to pursue higher educational opportuni-

Ann Fitzgerald and husband Frank traded their swimsuits for sweaters and moved to Middletown Presbyterian Church in Media, Pa., west of Philadelphia. They miss Florida weather but look forward to new adventures in the higher latitudes.

Elizabeth Stevenson Fairleigh wrote her husband's Mitsubishi 3000 GT was stolen from their driveway! His wedding band was in the car, and he was heartbroken and shocked at the loss of the ring. Oh, yes, and the car, too. The car was later recovered, complete with wedding ring and a few additional items like rap tapes, hair bleach and bullet holes. All are glad the car was on that adventure without Elizabeth and her family in it.

Carolyn Conley Simons busily jetted around the world this past summer, visiting Rome, Florence, San Sepolcro and Cortona in Italy, then jetting over to California to attend the wedding of a former student. Getting summers off is one nice perk of a teaching job.

Joanna Wiedeman Quillen says she finally has something in her life worth reporting! She's been elected to serve as the 2004-2005 president of the Junior League of DeKalb County. She is happily continuing her lifelong attraction to jobs without pay (school, motherhood, homemaking and volunteering) and spending time with really great

women. She started the 2004 Leadership DeKalb class that began this fall

And, speaking of jobs without pay, Kristen Sojourner Burgess has been working through a sort of midlife crisis in recent times and has quit her lucrative and prestigious teaching job (ha, ha) to take up life as a massage therapist. She is attending the Boulder College of Massage Therapy for the next year and looks forward to working independently in a healing and nurturing, and, especially, a quiet and relaxing environment where she can help people who will only ooh and aah at her work. (This was just not happening for her as a middle school teacher, believe it or not.)

Katesy Watson finished her treatments for brain cancer and reports she is doing well. She continues to travel, spend lots of time with her family and enjoys Washington. She has no lingering problems from her two craniotomies and considers herself quite blessed. She appreciates all of the prayers and attention and would love to hear from everybody! Please send regards to KWatson@aga.org. She says, "No mid-life crisis for me—just happy to be here." Puts it all in perspective, doesn't it?

That wraps it all up, cowgirls. Send news to **Kristen Burgess** at kristen.larry@attbi.com. She'd love to hear from everybody!

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 0%

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OUTGOING CO-SECRETARY Annie Pate Konicek 24182 Okeechobee Lane Lake Forest, CA 92630-1915 anniepk@home.com

INCOMING SECRETARY Krista Valerie Lankford Hillyer 1634 Manhasset Farm Court Dunwoody, GA 30038 Hillyerk2@aol.com

Monica Pina Gowan writes, "I am enjoying teaching high-school Spanish here. This year, I've served as co-adviser for the school year-book and as one of the junior-class sponsors. Planning a prom is hard work! Our two oldest sons are busy playing baseball and attending their church youth classes. Our sons keep us busy, but my husband, Andy, and I recently celebrated our 10th anniversary with a romantic weekend in St. Augustine Beach,

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **1%** 

SECRETARY

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Sarah Napier Baum reports she and husband, Rob, are the proud parents of a baby girl, Katherine Alice Baum. Katherine was born May 13 and weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. Katherine and her proud parents are doing well.

Mary Tyrena "Tina" Carr attended the wedding of Amanda "Mandy" Kay Roberts to Britt Fischer in Raleigh, N.C. Tina was joined at the celebration by Louisa Parker Mattozzi and her family. Shelby Threlkeld Weisberg and her boys flew in from Long Island,

N.Y. Gwendolyn "Gwennie" Palmer Adkins and husband, Jack, attended along with their twin boys and their daughter, whom Louisa describes as a "mini-Gwennie." Mitrina Lane Mogelnicki photographed the wedding. Shannon Gibbs Gasaway and her husband attended. Margaret "Ann" Broaddus Carmical, her husband, Lee, and their daughters, who are 5 and 2, traveled from Saint Simons, Ga., for the festivities. Laura Allen Vail '88, husband, Chip, and their sons, Austin and David, attended, and Milagros "Mila" Davila '90, served as maid of honor. These classmates enjoyed a mini-reunion of sorts on the Friday night preceding Mandy's wedding, as they all enjoyed a meal at Elmo's Diner with no fewer than six children under the age of 7 to manage

Mona "Felrese" Bradshaw Carroll just finished two semesters of graduate school, working toward a master's in early childhood education. Returning to school has been difficult for Felrese, as she continues to work 40 hours per week and is busy raising her family. She welcomes all classmate tips and encouragement!

Eleanor Jean Dill has accepted a sales position with Empire Distributors. She handles clients in the metro-Atlanta area.

Rebecca Earnshaw and husband, John Hudson, are the proud parents of Jane-Elizabeth Hudson.

Rebecca Bradley Fretty reports she and husband, Steve, are busy with their two terrific children, Elizabeth, 5, and Jackson, 2 1/2. Rebecca is the director of brand development for Lever 2000 and Suave Skin Care. She welcomes any product feedback from her classmates to rebecca.fretty@unilever.com. She

rebecca.fretty@unilever.com. She and her family are living in Greenwich, Conn. She invites anyone visiting New York City or New England to call if she needs a place to stay.

Shannon Gibbs Gasaway has been teaching middle school for a decade. She switched school systems and started teaching in Hall County, Ga., in fall 2002. She loves teaching at her new school, even though it takes her more than 30 minutes to drive to work.

Maria "Conchi" Gonzalez Iglesias earned her Ph.D. in social work from Catholic University on May 17. Son Peter, who turned 2 in April, and husband Angel came up to Washington, D.C., for the event.

Jill Jordan traveled from New York City to Washington, D.C., in May to help her pregnant sister, Shelley, pack to move back to Charlotte, N.C. Jill is enjoying her position as marketing director for an architectural firm, but she is studying for her real-estate license on the side "just to learn about the industry."

Louisa Parker Mattozzi is busy preparing to defend her dissertation. Her daughter, Louisa Margaret, turned 1 at the end of March. As of her first birthday, she was not walking yet, but she is a big talker. Louisa reports Louisa Margaret loves "duts" and "bwoons" (ducks and balloons), and that to her momma and daddy's dismay, she has figured out how to turn on the stereo and use the remote control. She actually turned on the television, found her favorite show, Between the Lions, pointed at the screen and shouted "Lines, Lines!" Louisa still does not know how she found the channel!

Nelathi "Nela" Nanayakkara De Soysa was in Atlanta in April and visited the College. During her visit, she caught up with Donna Beck Blanton '88, her daughter, Sylvie, and her adopted daughter from China, Hanna. Nela reports the gardens and campus as a whole "looked just the same as when I left it 12 years ago." However, she noted the many changes with classroom buildings, including the new science facility. Nela was also able to cook a Sri Lankan meal for friends during her visit; and John Pilger, Penny Campbell and former President Ruth Schmidt joined her for dinner. Nela was not able to visit with all of her former classmates, but she caught up with many of her friends over long telephone conversations, and she says that her "trip to Agnes Scott was like a dream come true!

Ginger Patton-Schmitt traveled

with 15 other alumnae for their

annual beach trip to St. George Island, Fla. Ginger and Eleanor Jean Dill were the only 1989 graduates in attendance, but they were joined by Michelle "Shelly" Trabue Castell '88, Laura Lee Grantham Davidenko '88, Sarah "Sally" Mairs Dugan '88, Margaret "Beth" Leonard Glover '88, Elizabeth "Liz" Pleasant Hudson '88, Catherine Martin Lindauer '88, Camille Burton Mentzer '88, Amy Gottsche Miele '88, Suzanne Heywood Miller '88, Michele McGinnis Robinson '88, Krista Hedberg Russell '88, Renee Caudill Schramm '88, Lisa Slappey Whitton '88 and Melanie Cliatt Williams '88. The gang all enjoyed a weeklong celebration, complete with in-house massages and a spa night. They all relished the fact that in total, they had left 15 husbands and 31 children at home!

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NEW SECRETARY Daphne M. Norton 100 White Sands Court Suwanee, GA 30024 dnorton@gpc.peachnet.edu

Mary Mathewes Kassis, husband, Mark, and daughters Katie and Kimberly stopped off in Columbia, S.C., on the way home from a family reunion this spring. Mary and her family spent the day at the zoo with Betsy Johnson Burn, her husband, Chip, and son, Connor. Everyone had a great time, and Mary enjoyed meeting Connor. Mary enjoys teaching economics at the University of West Georgia, but looked forward to spending time with her daughters and doing research during the summer break.

Stephanie Wallace and her family celebrated her father's last flight with Delta with a trip to Paris. Stephanie's sister gave birth to her third child, Caroline Rains, on May 13. Stephanie was the nurse on staff during her sister's delivery. Stephanie also reports her mother has only one chemotherapy treatment left. She is excited about her mother's recovery.

Allison Davis Jabaley gave birth to her first son, Drew, on March 8. Drew is named after Allison's husband, Andy. Drew weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and measured 20.5 inches long. Big sisters Kendall, 4, and Morgan, 2, are great helpers.

great helpers.
Tamera "Tammy" Shirley and her family saw Kimberly "Kim" Kizirian and her family while attending Erika Stamper's wedding in Jacksonville, Fla. Erika was married to John Gilbert on April 26.
Tammy reports Erika was an exquisite bride. Before the wedding, Erika made a trip to Atlanta where Tammy and Annmarie Anderson held a bridal shower in her honor. Several classmates joined in the celebration. Those in attendance included Christina "Chrissie"

Lewandowski, Daphne Norton, Cara Cassell and Stephanie Strickland.

Sakina Husein Davis and husband George welcomed a daughter to the family. Anisa was born May 31, 2002. Shaan, 4, is enjoying his role as big brother.

Daphne Norton accepted a faculty position in the chemistry department of Emory University. She is excited about her position and being back in the Decatur, Ga., area.

Cara Cassell has purchased a house in Decatur. It is about half a mile from her current abode. She is THRILLED to get a second bathroom!

Janet Kidd Grant and her family have moved to Tallahassee, Fla. Janet's husband, Wade, was promoted to coordinate the newly created Florida Cybersecurity Institute. Janet is trying to settle into a new house, a new city and a new school for the boys. She has already gotten involved in her local community and has been elected president for the local Moms Offering Moms Support organization. Janet encourages anyone in the Tallahassee area to look her up. She would love to see some familiar faces!

#### **ADVANCED DEGREES**

• Ashley Barnes Bagwell, master's in early children education, Brenau University, May 3.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **0%** 

## SECRETARY

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Frances "Fran" Akins, Ph.D., is enjoying being a "big sister" so much that she encourages classmates to follow suit. She got her "little sister" from Big Brothers/Big Sisters last January: Shirley, 11, makes Fran laugh "more than anyone I have ever met," she says, adding Shirley seems to think she is Fran's mentor, not the other way around. Thanks to Shirley's hard work, Fran says her (unbeknownst to her) unhip fashion and entertainment sense is on its way to being cool. Fran is willing to discuss mentoring with anyone interested. Contact her at fakins@sdr-consulting.com

Donna Perkins Balding, Ph.D., is living in Decatur, Ga., but won't be for much longer. Her funding for research on bacterial meningitis, through the National Institutes of Health, ends next year. So, while she completes her postdoctoral research at Emory University, she's looking for a faculty position in the Macon/middle-Georgia area. Donna forecasts benefits for her two daughters, 7 and 1, from the move as well. They will have a chance to get to know their grandparents and family who live in the middle-Georgia area better.

Rhina Fernandes is at Emory, where she is working on her doctorate. In her spare time, she's cultivating a green thumb in the little garden of her new townhouse, purchased last year. She also took the opportunity to travel, visiting Chicago and Miami this spring. "I had a great time in both cities," she says. "Overall, life is sweet for my dog, Boston, and me."

Shannon Grace Greene extends an invitation to Memphis for anyone who has an appetite for blues and barbeque. She'll likely have some new moves to show off to any visitors, as she started taking tae kwon do during the day while her children are in school. Daughter

HICKEY '90 HELPS UNCOVER

HISTORICAL ATLANTA

The historical patterns of life in big cities have long fascinated Georgina Hickey '90. So much so, Hope and Danger in the New South City: Working-Class Women and Urban Development in Atlanta, 1890-1940, which began as her doctoral dissertation in 1995, is now a 297-page book.

The book, published by The University of Georgia Press, chronicles the daily lives and struggles of the working-class female population in Atlanta around the turn of the century.

"I'm interested in how women got along in the city, the social history of how they understood what their options were, their day-to-day lives and where they worked," Hickey said.

Atlanta was an obvious choice to examine because she became familiar with the city while attending Agnes Scott, Hickey said. The history and sociology major transferred to Indiana University to complete her bachelor's degree.

Her interests led Hickey to move to Atlanta from Michigan to access period newspapers and other records about the city.

"I wanted to know what women were doing and why they were so prominent," Hickey said. "I began reading about Atlanta, especially pieces about women in the early 20th century. Lots of populations shape a city—the people who live there, the organizations they belong to, the movements they join."

Hickey conducted research at locations such as the Atlanta History Center and Georgia State University. Her most fascinating find was police records at the History Center that chronicled abuse charges women brought against police officers.

"Atlanta has a huge personality that I felt like I interacted with," Hickey said. "My biggest problem was getting around downtown—I knew the street names from 1910, not 1993!"

Hickey completed her Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. She is researching gender segregation in cities and is assistant professor of history at University of Michigan—Dearborn.

Hope and Danger in the New South City is available at the Atlanta History Center or by phone at 800 266-5842. —Martha Gaston '04

Emily is a three-stripe green belt, and son Parker is a one-stripe yellow.

Laura Khare is also rolling out the welcome mat, as she just bought a new house in Washington, D.C., and finally has a guest room. Julie Booth Lamirand '91 has already dropped in from Atlanta to play, Khare says, and they had a great time.

Kristin Lemmerman is excited to be finally getting her life back in some kind of order (since the birth of son Dylan last year) as evidenced by her first house project in more than a year. Her newly refinished dining room hardwood floor proved impervious to the likes of ice cream, cake and sippy cups during Dylan's first birthday party in May.

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• Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: **3%** 

**SECRETARY** 

Helen Nash 3455-N N. Druid Hills Road Decatur, GA 30033 bnash@eartblink.net

The class had a wonderful reunion in April. Many thanks to the reunion chairs for making the kend so nice and to Nancy E Lovell for the use of her parent's house for the Saturday night gettogether. During the reunion, the class elected officers for the next five years: Jennifer Garlen will continue as class president. Wendy Jones was elected vice president. Mary Curtis Lanford Pizzano and Niki Twilla Kurusu will continue as reunion co-chairs, after doing such a wonderful job this year. And Helen Nash will continue as class secretary. Send Helen or any of the officers news.

Sara DiGiusto Sewell (saradsnc@yahoo.com) has a job as the marketing and communications manager for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. Jamie Hastings Williams was in a wedding the weekend of the reunion; she's sorry she missed seeing everyone. Jamie's daughter, Caroline, is 18 months old. Her family moved from Avondale Estates, Ga., back to Knoxville, Tenn., in December. Jamie is a supervisory analyst for SunTrust Robinson Humphrey's research department. The company was nice enough to let her work out of a SunTrust Bank office in her new city and dial in to the network.

Cara Lawson May, husband Cleve and daughter Emmaline welcomed daughter Rebecca Abigail May into the world on Feb. 14. Cara points out she's had two babies in less than 17 months! The girls keep her so busy she wasn't able to attend the reunion.

Helen Nash has bought a house in Decatur, Ga. She's moved in, but the unpacking will probably take years!

Leo Brendan Barnhart, son of Angela Weaver Barnhart and David Barnhart, was born May 8. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20½ inches long. Samantha Wood McLarty mar-

Samantha Wood McLarty married Charles McLarty. The couple lives in Peachtree City, Ga.

# DEATHS

• Joseph S. Carruthers, father of Sarah C. Carruthers, March 11.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

SECRETARY

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# DEATHS

- James Elbert Barnes, Ph.D., and Margaret McAdory Melton Barnes, parents of Elizabeth Barnes Davis, May 16.
- C. Lee Payne Jr., father of Lauren P. Ames, May.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

SECRETARY

Laura Hinte Cawthon 54 Summer E. Williamsburg, VA 23188-1651 thecawthonfamily@home.com

Amanda "Amy" Heins was accepted into law school at Mercer University and relocated to Georgia in August. Boston was a wonderful place to live, and she'll miss her friends, but it's time for a career change. She also returned from a two-week vacation to Australia and highly recommends it to everyone.

Gretchen Fouchecourt was promoted to plan manager at Citistreet in April and relocated from its Boston office to its new Jacksonville, Fla., office.

Margaret Bickers has been accepted to Kansas State University to get her Ph.D. in history.

Lisa Sebotnick McLean is learning how to fly. She says it's a lot of fun and work. She finished her residency but still has a year of fellowship (like post-graduate work) to finish. She won't be looking for a job until summer 2004 and is taking suggestions of neat and exciting places to live. She's willing to go anywhere—just no cold climates.

Kim Wright Whaley finished one semester at Kennesaw State University with a 3.4 GPA. She is working towards a B.S. in education.

In May, Kerry Murphy Veale and Laura Hinte Cawthon took a family vacation together in the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Kerry

Banks of North Carolina. Kerry brought husband Charles and dog Winston, and Laura brought husband Mike and daughter Sydney to soak up some rays at the beach.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

SECRETARY

Angela Adrienne Walker 1341 Briarwood Drive Apt. 2 Atlanta, GA 30306

Mona Cousino quit her job in December to travel. She says the highlight of her trip was Tanzania, where she climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro, trekked through the Usambara Mountains and kicked back in Zanzibar. Mona is back in Tokyo biding her time until this month, when she plans to take another trip to Central and South America.

Debra Hughes Dobkins completed her fifth year at Brenau University where she is assistant professor of English and founding director of the writing center. She has received a number of awards during her tenure at Brenau, including the 2002 Vulcan Materials Award for Teachin Excellence and Campus Leadership, the 2000 Panhellenic Faculty Recognition Award, and inclusion in 2002-2003 Who's Who Among America's Teachers. She loves being part of the dynamic and exciting environment of a women's college

Chelsy Parks Hooper keeps busy teaching computer classes during school hours and coaching tennis and swimming after school. During the summertime, Chelsy also taught camp classes in soccer, tennis and computer. She invites Scotties to visit her class Web site at: www.geocities.com/overbrook123.

Rachel Huffman Knuth lives a

rewarding life: teaching confirmation class to eighth-graders and conducting funerals (her first one was in the spring). She has been accepted as a candidate for ordination in the United Church of Christ. In her spare time, Rachel takes care of her pooch, Tessa, and of course, swims.

Susan Vincent Molinaro reports her past six months on the Agnes Scott campus as secretary to professors in Dana Fine Arts Building and Presser Hall has revealed a whole new side to the place. Highlights of Susan's day include handing out and proctoring exams to nervous students!

In addition to performing with her band, Jennifer Nettles plays with a new band called Sugarland with Kristen Hall and Kristian Bush. Sugarland has a new compact disc called *Premium Quality Tunes*. Jennifer also reports her younger sister, Bryce Ricketson, was accepted to Agnes Scott and is part of the class of 2007. Jennifer is proud of her sister and hopes Bryce enjoys her time at Agnes Scott as much as she did.

After earning her master's degree (where she passed with distinction), Stacy Schmitt accepted a Ph.D. position at the University of Miami. She was awarded a full tuition remission and has been given a teacher assistantship.

Melissa Francis Schroer and her husband have bought a house in sunny, southern California. They enjoy living on the West Coast and use the Internet to stay in touch with family and friends. Check out their site: www.mysite. verizon.net/res1vs5s/.

Amy Selvig visited her relatives in Australia for two weeks in March. Since she had not seen any of her mother's family for 14 years, Amy was ecstatic to see all of her cousins (who have grown up) and to meet new family members. While in "the Land Down Under," Amy attended her grandmother's 90th birthday

Rebecca Snipes DeWittte earned her teaching certificate at Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa. She plans to stay home with her son, Calvin (who had his first birthday on April 24), for one more year before rejoining the workforce.

On May 3, Adrienne Walker married William Mallon on the beach in St. George Island, Fla. Scotties Carrie Fain Talley, Samantha Stavely Daniel, Kolby Sanders-Lewis, Leigh Anne Russell, and Jennifer Dolan-Livengood '95 attended the "barefoot" ceremony. Adrienne and William honeymooned on the Hawaiian islands of Oahu and Hawaii and spent two marvelous evenings with Scottie Clara Blacknall Graff Wilson and husband, Miles Wilson.

# **ADVANCED DEGREES**

• Stacy Schmitt, master of arts in Spanish language and literature, Georgia State University, May.

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 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 3%

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INCOMING SECRETARY

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Class officers were elected at Alumnae Weekend. Copresidents are Alexa Wood Gaeta and Valerie Case Bayham. Secretary is Jennifer Odom. Fund chair remains Teri Lippincott Anulewicz, and reunion chair is Ami Joy Rop.

With one more year of law school at Georgetown ahead of her, Ami Joy Rop interned this summer with the Federal Trade Commission and Air Force Judge Advocate General.

Joy Payton's big news is making the leap from the corporate world. She resigned from her job as senior systems programmer/analyst at Worldspan (where Lisa E. Hayes, Amber D. Pipa '00, and Melissa "Melon" J. Butler '00 work) and will be entering the postulancy of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in August.

Jennifer Odom is working as an accounting assistant for Perrie & Cole, a real estate law firm in

Lisa Knauff Gammalo married Cary Gammalo in a lovely ceremony on Oct. 12, 2002 in Stockbridge, Ga. The wedding and reception took place at King's Vineyard Church and grounds. Lisa's attendants included Erica P. Lent and Kristen A. Starr. Marie Hodgman-Schoeneberg and husband Jason were wedding guests. Lisa is an oncology research associate at Northside Hospital in Atlanta, and Cary works as an accountant in Atlanta. The couple resides in Stockbridge

Kimberli Phillips Sasso was a Woodruff Scholar and did not graduate from Agnes Scott because she had to go back to work full time. She graduated from Oglethorpe University in 1998 but considers herself a Scottie at heart! She married Nicholas Sasso in 2001 and they own a big old house in Grantville, Ga., (near Newnan). She commutes to work at Oglethorpe and loves working in higher education. She's hoping to eventually find a job at LaGrange College or West Georgia, since both are much closer to home.

Giselle Fernandez Martin left the corporate world and went back to her first love—higher education! She has been the assistant director of admission at Georgia Institute of Technology since November 2001. She also heads The Goizueta Foundation initiative for Tech. She and Chris have added to their family—her name is Sydney and she is a 2-year-old, 115-pound black Great Dane. Also, on May 17 and 18, a Ladies Weekend Retreat was held at the "Martin Country Estate. The weekend was to celebrate the almost 10 years of friendship between the following ladies: Ann M. Taylor, Feda N. Masseoud, Sara E. Richey Lue '99, Amanda 'Gooch" Hammett '00, Jo Ashley Cranford '00, Leslie K. Gentry '00, Tamuno "Tammy" Liluashvili '00 and Giselle.

Alice W. Limehouse graduated from Georgia State University Law School in May and is sitting for the July Georgia Bar.

Christina L. Bozzini is living in San Francisco, working on her masters in somatic psychology.

Dinah M. Conti, M.D., missed the reunion because she was getting ready for her wedding. Dinah married AJ Huff on May 3 in her hometown of Cave Spring, Ga. Together they have five cats and a dog and live in Michigan, where she is a pediatric resident.

Christine Cox Jude and husband Kevin live in Philadelphia. Both are attending the University of Pennsylvania. She is almost finished with her 412 year program to become a midwife. She received her B.S.N. (bachelor of science in nursing) in December 2001 and is working on her master's, planning to finish in December. She has

# SULLINS NAMED WOODRUFF FELLOW

auren Sullins '01 is a true liberal arts student. While at Agnes Scott, she double-majored in economics and business and music. Sullins served on the Board of Trustees student affairs committee, sang in Collegiate Chorale and held office in the student senate

Because of her diverse interests, Sullins is pursuing a law degree as a Robert W. Woodruff Fellow in Law, the most prestigious award at Emory University's School of Law.

The fellowship awards five outstanding students full tuition plus \$3,000 in living expenses for three

'I applied to several law schools, but Emory was my top choice," Sullins said. "I was thrilled to be accepted.

From a pool of 300 nominees, Emory chooses 15 people to spend a weekend at the university and interview for the fellowship. The five winners are then selected.

"We consider several characteristics when selecting finalists—community service, academic record, leadership and strong presentation skills," said Lynell Cadray, dean of admission at Emory's School of Law

"During her interview, I could tell Lauren was very energetic and had a strong leadership background," Cadray said of Sullins' success. "She really wanted to be at Emory.

At the suggestion of Lyn Schenbeck, visiting associate professor of music, Sullins interned with Jive Records, a branch of the BMG Corp. Her interest in the music industry led to a job at BMG in Atlanta after graduation.

"I started off in music, but I soon realized how law is coming into music, and how law is shaping the music industry," Sullins said of her decision to attend law school. "I want to pursue entertainment law to tie in all of my interests.

Her favorite thing about Agnes Scott is the relationships she developed with professors, Sullins said.

"I still visit my old professors," she said. "I felt really comfortable going to them for recommendation letters for schools because I feel like they really know my strengths and weaknesses. [These relationships] are the great thing about Agnes Scott.'

Lauren is an enthusiastic, bright, dedicated young woman, who will be an exceptional law student and no doubt a lawyer of the highest caliber and integrity," Schenbeck said. -Martha Gaston '04

begun "catching" babies and loves it. She says Agnes Scott was perfect preparation for the late nights and random schedule of attending

Charissa Maynard McCarron and husband Darrell resigned from IBM in June 2002 to begin a new life in Arizona. Charissa accepted the position of marketing manager of Scottsdale for First American Title Co., and sells service to the realtor community. Charissa and Darrell built a beautiful home at the base of South Mountain in Ahwatukee, Ariz., and are enjoying the mystery of the desert.

On July 20, 2002, Colleen Quinn married Alan Surette in Alpharetta, Ga. Elise Eichorst was her maid of honor, and Marie Hodgman-Schoenberg performed at the wedding. Colleen is teaching English as a Second Language social studies at Centennial High School and is a member of the Agnes Scott orchestra. Alan has worked in the ITS department at the College since November.

In July, Melissa Nysewander and Cathleen Keyser '00 and exchanged vows in Vermont in an official civil union ceremony then honeymooned in Montreal. This fall, they are attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Melissa returned for her fourth year in the Ph.D. program in astrophysics, and Cathleen began her first year in the M.L.S. program in the UNC School of Information and Library Science

Marisa Scalera graduated from The University of Georgia with a master of landscape architecture degree in August 2002. She works as an apprentice landscape architect in Washington, D.C.

Erica Rochelle "Schelle" Stiff graduated from Vanderbilt School of Law on May 9 with her juris doctorate. Erica is an associate at Constangy, Brooks & Smith, a labor and employment firm.

The Ocmulgee Circuit District

Attorney's Office (Milledgeville, Ga.) swore in Che'ferre "Che" L Suggs Young both as an attorney and as an assistant district attorney. Che passed the Georgia Bar exam in February.

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SECRETARY

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Jessica Bryant married Johnny Moy, a 1999 graduate of Cornell University, in March. Jessica is pursuing a master's degree in library and information science (M.L.I.S.) from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee while Johnny completes his M.B.A. from Carnegie-Mellon University. The couple will move back to Phoenix after finishing school in winter 2003.

Mary "Kate" Ryan received her master of arts in art history from the University of Oregon in December. She is the architectural historian for the State Historical Society of North Dakota in Bismarck, where she manages the state's National Register of Historic Places program. North Dakota does exist, and no, there isn't snow on the ground in May!

Janet Rauscher started the M.A./Ph.D. program in art history at Indiana University.

Katherine "Katy" Graham Burford and husband, Clark, celebrated their third anniversary. They enjoy living in Savannah where Clark is the harbor master at The Landing's Yacht Club and Katy, after passing the series 7 and 63 exams, is a registered administrator at Wachovia Securities.

Gemma Hall graduated with her doctorate of pharmacy from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy on May 6. She spent her last year of school in Mobile, Ala., where she had her clinical rotations and has taken a position at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Down South, Gemma Philage finished the first Miami Tropical Marathon in February. She recalls battling mental marathon madness with her running companion and trainer, Lisa Gaylord, with comedy and singing "Beer, Beer, Beer" during a long stretch. There was beer at mile 17. Gemma plans to run the 2004 marathon and to start a M.S in a nutrition program in the win-

Nancy Stamey Lewis is completing her predoctoral internship in clinical psychology at Emory University Counseling Center. She is scheduled to graduate with a doctorate in clinical psychology in October 2004.

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SECRETARY Erin Desmarais 3220 Renaissance Way NE Atlanta, GA 30308 erindes@botmail.com

This has been a big year for Stacie Stermole Kershner and husband Daniel. Stacie and Daniel's home was featured on TLC's While You Were Out in May, and Stacie began working towards her master of public administration/juris doctorate joint degree at Georgia State University this summer.

Eve E. Smith serves as a Peace Corps Volunteer in China, teaching English as a foreign language. Motivating her students to speak English was a big challenge, which she met successfully and creatively. She was evacuated from China because of SARS to the Sheraton in Washington, D.C.

In July, Cathleen Keyser and Melissa Nysewander '98 exchanged vows in Vermont in an official civil union ceremony then honeymooned in Montreal.

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 3%

**SECRETARY** Joy Carter 1614 Dodson Drive SW Atlanta, GA 30311 joyletitia@netscape.net

Victoria Stopp was accepted to Goucher College in Baltimore for graduate study. She will work toward an M.F.A. in creative nonfiction. She and Hilary Wright '00 live in Stone Mountain, Ga., with two dogs and two rabbits, and they welcome visitors to their zoo.

Elena Kutuzova Venuti and her husband moved to Salem. Mass Elena is coordinator of international student services at Newbury College in Brookline, Mass. "Many thanks to ASC alumnae who gave me wonderful job references!

Natalie Taylor was married to Kevin Shivers on June 15, 2002 in Stockbridge, Ga. Following an Alaskan honeymoon, the couple moved to Valdosta, Ga., where Natalie is teaching fourth-grade social studies and science.

· Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

**SECRETARY** Susan Ellene Smith 321 West Howard Ave. Decatur, GA 30030 susanellene@yahoo.com

Elizabeth "Liz" Dominguez writes, "After initial post-grad frustration (and a short stint in a department store), I finally landed a job at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas. I work at the hospital's nurse line, taking demographics, making some referrals along with some recommendations. It's been a rewarding experience so far and it reminds me so much of the community outreach and social service projects I had enjoyed being a part of. Working with the nurses has made me think about what I could do later on. I am in the application process for Peace Corps and I hope to go either later this year or in early 2004." Liz's e-mail address is exit\_music@email.com.

In January, Sheila McLain started the master's program for interior design at Florida State University. Sheila's e-mail address is starfishatsea@yahoo.com.

Jennifer Flinn is in Andong, South Korea, on a Fulbright English teaching assistant grant at Kyungil Boys High School. Jennifer's e-mail address is jflinn@fulbrightweb.org.

Rebecca Baum (rebecca4680@hotmail.com) writes, "After working a number of months as a manager of a Victoria's Secret, I have FINALLY started a job more in my area of interest. I am working for the Educational Talent Search, a federally funded grant program working to enable and motivate low socio-economic and first-generation middle- and high-school students to attend college. The program is based at Polk (Fla.) Community College, and serves the entire county. My title is academic adviser. Now that I have a job, everything is going very well I miss everyone at ASC and think of my Queens often. P.S. My sister is a first year at ASC this year and just loves it! Sorry I missed everyone at Alumnae Weekend.

 Annual Fund participation through Aug. 31: 2%

SECRETARY

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# **AlumNet Online Directory**

If you want to contact classmates before your reunion in April, search for fellow alumnae in your city or just want to find an old college friend, the Agnes Scott AlumNet online directory is a great place to

If you are logging on for the first time, you'll need the ID number that you received last year.

alumnae. agnesscott.edu.

If you've lost your ID, contact the Office of Alumnae Relations at alumnet@agnesscott.edu.

start. To log on, go to