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The Agnes Scott Alumnae Association contributes to the long-term success of Agnes Scott College by promoting connectedness between alumnae and the college.

We serve as a lifelong resource for cultivating relationships among alumnae across a diverse alumnae community; we support the mission of the college and foster alumnae engagement with the college; and we foster opportunities for continued intellectual growth.

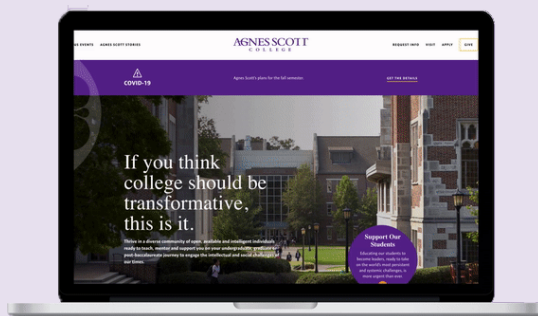
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New website and look for Agnes Scott!

Agnes Scott College is excited to announce the launch of a new website, color palette and wordmark! As a leader in innovation, the college looks forward to welcoming visitors to a new website that prioritizes accessibility, tells the many stories of Scotties #LeadingEverywhere, and provides an easier to navigate, more user-friendly experience. The refreshed wordmark and color palette — especially the return to a more vibrant purple — unifies the college's brand across all divisions, departments and initiatives.

We encourage you to explore the new website at agensscott.edu!



President's *message*



Dear Alumnae,

My name is Whitney Miller Ott '03, and I am honored and excited to serve you and our beloved Agnes Scott College in these challenging times alongside a group of incredible alumnae leaders.

While we've moved to a digital format, I hope you are as curious and eager as I am to check out what your fellow Scotties have been up to in this edition of *The Onyx*. In fact, becoming increasingly curious about one another and the college and creating meaningful connections among alumnae will be focal points for this Alumnae Board. Thanks to all of you who have shared snippets of your lives with us — we celebrate you, congratulate you and support you.

“Engaging the challenge, together” is the college’s theme for the fall semester. While 2020 has been full of global, domestic and personal challenges for many of us and for humanity, clinging to this body of strong, spirited and selfless Scotties gives me great comfort and hope for what’s to come.

From the “Scotties Helping Scotties” alumnae-to-student outreach initiative that organically evolved into alumnae-to-alumnae check-ins this spring and the Gay Johnson McDougall Center for Global Diversity and Inclusion’s virtual Courageous Conversations series on racial healing and transformation to the recent outpouring of love and support for President Zak as she recovers, Scotties and college leaders have rallied to support and engage alumnae, students and others in our communities.

These are the meaningful connections we need — reminders that we are not alone, that we are stronger together and that we will more than survive these times. In fact, we will find ways to thrive and better our world while we’re at it.

If I’ve learned anything this year, it’s that 2020 may be relentless, but Scotties are resilient. I remain forever #ProudToBeAScottie. May we continue to derive strength from within, from our personal Guiding Light and from one another. If you start to lose heart, look at your black onyx ring and let it remind you of the powerful protection and potential of our Scottiehood. And then be bold and reach out to a fellow alumna. It might be the connection that changes the course of your day... or even this season of life.

Stay safe, be well and please feel free to reach out to me with your suggestions, concerns or stories. On behalf of the Alumnae Board, thank you for leading everywhere, as Scotties do.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Whitney Ott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Whitney Ott '03
Alumnae Association President
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Senior Director's *message*

Dear Scotties,

On March 12, members of the Atlanta Chapter Steering Committee met in the Alumnae House Tea Room. A few of us hugged and others of us bumped elbows, as word of this “novel” virus was all around us and we were trying to find our way at that moment. By the next night, Giselle Fernandez Martin '98 (then Alumnae Association president), Whitney Miller Ott '03 (then president-elect and now current president) and I were hosting conference phone calls, gathering leaders from every reunion year to seek their input about a decision we would soon make about Alumnae Weekend 2020.



That day feels almost like a lifetime ago. I never imagined how the coming months would impact our lives. The hubris of trying to predict the future — even the future of just a few months away — looms large at times, and yet, this publication is all about connection; our connection to one another, based on our shared experiences, and our joy at sharing news of our lives.

Here, in *The Onyx*, we share news of deaths as well as births, weddings and promotions. We need each other in times of sorrow too. Hearing from Scotties who have had to bear the burden of losing a loved one during this time cracks open any illusions that we are self-sufficient. The much-needed attention on systemic racism reveals so clearly how we are connected. Our alumnae of color — especially our younger ones — have shared their experiences of how deeply pain can run.

These past months have been hard. We have lost some of our great Scottie sisters this year, such as Connie Curry '55, H'15, as well as spouses, friends and family. We have had to do some honest reckoning with injustice. How do we grieve in isolation? How do we shudder at ills in our society, rest, recover and act? We do that work in community.

Reaching out, our fellow Scottie alumnae have honored us by sharing their deep losses. Serving in this role, I am humbled almost daily. Our connections to one another make us who we are. There are joys now and joys ahead. Let's try to hold onto our faith in that. It's part of Agnes Scott's motto. Your alma mater remains here for you through all of it. Together, we nurture the ties that sustain us.

Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M. Kerr".

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Interested in joining the Alumnae Board? Visit agnesscott.edu/alumnae/volunteering.html.

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The mission of the Agnes Scott Alumnae Board is to represent the voice of alumnae to the college; to advance the mission and strategic priorities of the college in collaboration with staff, faculty and administration; and to cultivate engagement and connectivity of alumnae across all decades through communication, service to the college and stewardship.

Virtual Alumnae Convocation

Alumnae
connected

While Alumnae Weekend 2020 was canceled this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, nearly 500 Scotties from across the country (and the world) still came together to celebrate Agnes Scott during the first-ever virtual Alumnae Convocation on May 30, 2020. Watch the convocation in its entirety or view highlights — including special musical performances — by clicking on the links below.



VIRTUAL ALUMNAE CONVOCATION
May 30 1 p.m. EDT

Giselle Fernandez Martin '98

Whitney Miller Ott '03

Pam Tipton '86

▶ Virtual Alumnae Convocation



▶ Reunion Year Photo Montage Video



▶ Luchsinger Alum Virtual Performance



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▶ Reunion Year Giving Trophy Winners

Tomorrow
From the musical *Annie*

Jennifer Nettles '97
ft. Alex Lacamoire

Recorded during the Covid-19 pandemic of 2020

▶ Stay Connected, Scotties Music Video



Thankfully now
we courage take,
humbly we pledge
our all,

▶ Linda Marks '67 plays
"God of the Marching Centuries"

Alumnae *connected*



Celebrating our newest alums!

View a special virtual alumnae toast from Alumnae Association leaders and watch the college's graduation celebration for the class of 2020. Congrats, Visionaries!



Courageous Conversations



To bridge the college's mission of engaging the social and intellectual challenges of our times and the work as a Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation (TRHT) campus, the Gay Johnson

McDougall Center for Global Diversity and Inclusion launched a series of Courageous Conversations this summer. Some discussion featured alumnae and can be viewed to the right.

Watch all the Courageous Conversations, [here](#).



President Zak, We wish you a quick recovery!

Alumnae
connected

President Leocadia I. Zak received an outpouring of support and well wishes from alumnae as she recovered from COVID-19. Thank you for your continued thoughts and prayers.

Alumnae can still send healing messages to President Zak on the college's Kudoboard at agnesscott.edu/teamzak or addressed to Office of the President, Agnes Scott College, 141 E. College Avenue, Decatur, GA 30030.



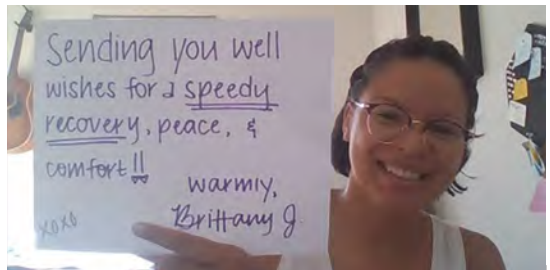
Thank you for the kindness that you showed to the Girl Scouts of Troop 6647 during their visit to Agnes Scott. We are praying fervently for your healing and strength.

Heather Scott '99



We hope that all of the strength and spirit you have brought to Agnes Scott return to you tenfold as you recover and heal.

Janet Rauscher '99, Susan and Marna



Sending you well wishes for a speedy recovery, peace, and comfort.

Brittany Judson '20



Scotties from the Class of 1975 send wishes for your very speedy recovery. You are in our hearts and prayers every day. From all of us: "Get well soon!"

*Victoria Burgess Stephan '75 and
Lyn Satterthwaite '75*



Lee, you are in my prayers.

Susan Miles '68

1 | Virginia Redhead Bethune '57 of Harrisonburg, VA, began playing harp at the age of 60 in 1995. A lifelong musician trained as a pianist and organist, she supplemented the gifts of her husband Dick, who pastored Presbyterian USA churches in Virginia for almost 35 years. For information on her latest CDs and music news, you can find her website at healingharpmelodies.org. **2** | Nora Rooche Field '64 visiting the pyramids of in Mexico while attending a DAR meeting in late February, 2020. **3** | Screen Shot of class of 1960 Virtual Reunion Participants (pictured) starting at the top left and left to right from row to row: Eva Purdom Ingle '60, Ellen McFarland Johnson '60, Lucy Cole Gratton '60, Carolyn Hoskins Coffman '60, Dian Smith Brewton '60, Linda Jones Klett '60, Mary Jane Pickens Skinner '60, Myra Glasure Weaver '60, Angelyn Alford Bagwell '60, Laura Parker Lowndes '60, Marion Barry Mayes '60, Rebecca "Becky" Wilson Guberman '60, Rebecca "Becky" Evans Callahan '60, Nancy Patterson Waters '60, Helen Mabry Beglin '60, Suellen Beverly '60, Nancy Duvall '60, Jane Norman Scott '60, Phyllis Cox Whitesell '60, Mary Crook Moran '60, Caroline Mikell Jones '60. **4** | Kandace Fitzhugh Boyd '77, Stephanie Nicole Tucker, Andrew Joseph Boyd - The Retreat at Ball Ground, GA - June 26, 2020. **5** | Lynn Denton '63 (center with sign) shortly before her arrest for demonstrating for a greener world.



6 | Eleanor McCallie Cooper '68 and colleague, Dollie Hamilton, during an Ed Johnson Commemoration on the Walnut Street Bridge in Chattanooga, 111 years after Ed Johnson was lynched. **7** | Karen Dick Bruhns '74 and Elizabeth "Betsy" Bean Burrell '74 hiking on Roan Mountain, TN, in preparation for their following week's hike at Mt. LeConte Lodge, TN. **8** | Victoria "Vicky" Plowden Craig '68 and William celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their children and grandchildren in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. **9** | Rebecca "Becky" McRae McGlothlin '68 and her grandson, Matteo, who is the light of her life. With them is his best friend, Sylvia. **10** | Carolyn "Kelly" Mulherin Oates '64 and Norma "Betty" Alvis Girardeau '64 touring the Biltmore House in Asheville, NC in early March, 2020.

Class *photos*

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1 | Margaret “Marty” Knight '78 and her family on Mother’s Day 2020. Marty is pictured with two of the grandchildren on her lap. Rebecca Ahlstrand Kennedy '12 (center, plaid blouse) graduated from ASC in 2012. She met Robert Kennedy, Marty’s son, on the first day of law school at Georgia State. **2** | Patricia Schopfer Wooldridge '93 and Deborah Watters Adams '93 went to see The Indigo Girls with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra! **3** | Elizabeth “Beth” Davis '85 and Deadra “Dee” Moore '85 celebrate Pamela “Pam” Tipton’s '86 socially distanced birthday with a cul-de-sac karaoke.



4 | Marjory Sivewright Morford '82, Sarah Campbell Arnett '81 and Alice Harra '82 celebrated their 60th in Los Barriles, Mexico - just as the COVID was kicking in... great place to "get away". **5** | Melinda Tanner White '79, husband Peter White, Sherri Brown Breunig '80, husband Mike Breunig enjoy time in Duck, NC. **6** | Barbara Duncan '78 at Caney Fork Overlook in NC. **7** | Class of '93 connecting on Zoom!

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1 | Melissa Blazek '03 married Adam Pearson on July 25, 2020 in Chattanooga, TN. **2** | Fellow class of '03 Scotties in attendance at Melissa's wedding were Lori Smith Johnson '03 and Melanie Davis. **3** | In a scene from "Respect" biopic, from left to right: Saycon Sengbloh '00 as Erma Franklin, Jennifer Hudson as Aretha Franklin, and Hailey Kilgore as Carolyn Franklin. **4** | Darcy Shores '00, Michelle Berg Tyson '05, and Angela "Anla" Gisclair Etheridge '03. **5** | Bronze Medal Award Ceremony Pictured from left to right: Andrew Hirshfeld, Commissioner for Patents; Charlee J. C. Bennett '03, Ph.D.; Andrew Faile, Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations.

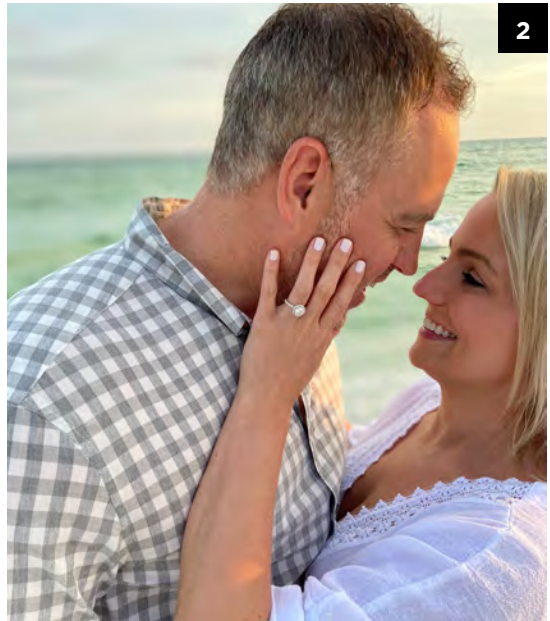


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1 | Elizabeth “Liz” Hartnett Santamaria '08 and her daughter Clare...a future Scottie!
2 | Ashley French '05 and Mike Schnider, engaged April 18, 2020. **3** | Maria “Laurel” Graefe '07 poses for the Nashville Business Journal. **4** | Kathryn “Katie” Rubesch Owenby '05 with one of her beautiful paintings. **5** | Evan Joslin '08, her husband, Shawn, and their one-year-old daughter, Stevie.



6 | Spring Walker '07 and son Cillian Ansel O'Donnell. **7** | Brittany Williams '14 completed her graduate studies at Southern Methodist University. **8** | Jessica "Jess" Magno '14 and wife Kacey Gentry '13. **9** | Rebekah Frishe '16 married her husband, Ryan, on May 1, 2020 in a small, Coronavirus style digital/in-person hybrid wedding. Photo was captured via livestream as the professional photographs are still being edited.

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1 | Sarah Bowen Hersh '11 and Eric Hersh tied the knot "Covid-style" on May 24, 2020 at their home in Snohomish, WA. **2** | Bailey Jeremie '07 co-founded Black Wellness Initiative. **3** | Delphine Heather Scallet, daughter of Cailin Copan-Kelly '06 and Daniel Scallet, enjoys her baby quilt organized and gifted by Amanda Harris '06, with personalized squares sent by Tatiana Farrow '06 and Kirby Hager Johnson '06. **4** | The Traveling Lunas" class of 2008 alums in Germany, pre-Covid-19. Photo taken in Sanssouci Park, Potsdam, Germany. Julia Wilkinson Reyes '08, Kimberly "Kim" Crews '08, Carmella Manns '08, Sydney Rucker '08, and Judith Pierce '08. **5** | Stephanie Scott Parker '11 welcomed Charlotte Helen Parker to the world on June 15, 2020. **6** | Pauline Woruski '09 and husband Sebastian Downs on their wedding day May 3, 2020 in New Hope, PA. **7** | Sydney Rucker '08's graduation zoom celebration with members of the Class of 2008! She is obtaining her Doctorate in Education at Indiana University. **8** | Zenyth Sheppard '14, Amelia Allen '14, Alexander "Xandra" Brosius '14, Morgan Briles '14, and Samantha Allen '14 were all at Samantha's wedding. **9** | Chevonne Golden Sajous '08 and family.



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1 | Nicole Caldwell '15 and family. **2** | Caroline Igraine Barkley Coyle '16 and Alex Coyle's engagement in Kyoto Japan. **3** | Caroline Igraine Barkley Coyle '16 and Alex Coyle's Wedding in January 2020.



4 | Ruth Reveal '11 and George Drake Jr. welcomed their son, Wesley Dean Drake-Reveal, on April 8, 2020. **5** | Lex Pulice-Farrow '14 proposed to their partner Halden Ingwersen '16. **6** | New professional headshot of Samikshya Siwakoti '17. **7** | Emily Moore Weiss '11 and Freddie Weiss welcomed a daughter, Lanie Caroline Weiss, on August 6, 2020.

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1 | Rylie Sanders '17, Elizabeth "Stokes" O'Shields '17, Olivia M. Shull '17, Denisse Saucedo Petree '17, Madelyn E. Kent '18, Jessica Luegering '17, and Victoria H. Forbes '16 at Denisse's wedding. **2** | Denisse Saucedo Petree '17 and Alan Petree on their wedding day, with Pastor Randy. **3** | Jessica Botts '14, Emily "Gwen" Angleton '14, and Maggie Berardo '14 had a small reunion.



4 | A selfie of Jacqueline Yarbough '20. **5** | A graduation portrait of Taylor Arnold '20. **6** | Anna Dodds '20 (left) and partner Cameron Mitchell '20 (right). **7** | A graduation photo of Madeline Brasgalla '20 announcing her UMKC acceptance. **8** | Sonia Patel '20 (left) and Anoushka Pant '20 (right) on Anoushka's last day in Atlanta before she moved back to India.

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'43

Mamie "Sue" Barker Woolf
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Regina Stokes Barns writes, "My husband Henry and I are still in our home of 70 years! We celebrated our 77 years of marriage in June. Our children and grandchildren live near us and look after us. We are so blessed."

'44

Please send any news you would like to share to alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

Marjorie Smith Stephens is doing well in the Wildwood Downs assisted living facility in Columbia, S.C., near her daughter's home. She just welcomed her second great-great-grandchild in July 2020 (in Texas). She's hoping the COVID-19 lockdown will end very soon.

'45

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Joyce Freeman Marting writes, "I am almost 100 years old! Can't remember how old I am, but maybe you can figure it out."

Eloise Lyndon Rudy writes, "I live alone in a lovely subdivision. My health is very good for a 96-year-old lady! I have many friends in my two book clubs and church. I lost my beautiful daughter Kathy last year to cancer. I still have my other beautiful daughter, Peggy, who lives only a mile away. I love to think back to my wonderful days at Agnes Scott. My love to all!"

'46

Please send any news you would like to share to alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

Mary Visant Grymes writes, "I love having my only daughter, Mary Faith Robb, living near. She takes good care of me. We put up my Christmas tree since I can't stand without a walker. I have severe arthritis in my hands. I am raising camellias, and I get my exercise every morning moving huge pots of camellias around my patio. Love and blessings to everyone."

Daisy Sundry Earls writes, "In December, my family and friends had a lovely luncheon for me in Texas. There were 12 guests present, and it was a great time and celebration of my 95th birthday. I have many fond memories of my years at Agnes Scott College."

Martha Johnson Haley writes, "I'm slowly getting to retirement. I miss my fraternity boys and all the perks. Lexington, Va., is now my permanent residence. In spite of all the turmoil, we will survive! I just wish I were nearer to my three kids. I enjoy keeping up with Agnes Scott news. I approve of all of the changes, for it is a different world now!"

'47

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Dale Bennett Pendrick writes, "The virus has us down but not yet out! Still hoping to the Lord to keep our minds challenged. Sweeties **Cally Cross** and **Sissy Jeffries Williams** fight too!"

'48

Adele Dieckman McKee
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Jane Alsobrook Miller tells of using Zoom for monthly visits with five of her former students, each now outstanding scientists who like to discuss their professional interests. Fun always, but even more so in the pandemic.

Barbara Blair sends greetings to our class. With mobility issues, she lives in assisted living in Durham, N.C., at The Forest at Duke. Call her and visit!

Elizabeth Blair Carter has had two big blows: the death of husband Paul Gann and a heart attack herself. We enjoyed Paul at the reunion dinner. Elizabeth has recovered well in Park Springs' assisted living. Our sympathy goes out to her.

Mary Alice Compton Osgood and John enjoy their home in South Hadley, Mass. John is retired from teaching at Mt. Holyoke. They have a daughter married to an Episcopal priest serving in Namibia now, and a son near them in the Hartford area.

Susan Daugherty has four fellow Scotties living at Presbyterian Village: Suzanne Crosby Brown '62, Dianne Hunter Cox '64, Martha Ann Howell '49 (or "Splinter" Board to us) and Judith Promnitz Marine '54. Susan loves sitting on her front porch watching the birds and furry friends.

Virginia Drake Blass has lost 35 pounds (!), has canned 250 jars of food, gets out seldom now and does not drive much, but is close to her God.

Kathleen Hewson Cole lives at St. Martins in the Pines run by her church in Birmingham, Ala., in the Arbors unit. She says she's "hanging in there."

Susan Pope Hays has a beautiful great-granddaughter, Charlotte Hays Baer, born May 16, 2020. Pictures only now, alas, but all are doing well. They "are deeply concerned for all of our country and lack of reality from present leadership."

Mary Elizabeth Jackson Etheridge and Bob love living in their home near Emory with grands nearby. She has had much pleasure in a poetry reading/writing group in recent years.

Beth Jones Crabill loves her new retirement home and likes the slight relaxation in socializing now allowed. Your secretary asked Beth to name books she has enjoyed. They are:

Splendid and Vile by Eric Larson (about Churchill), The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict (about Mrs. Einstein), and The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate (about reuniting families separated by the Civil War).

Mary Manly Ryman has had several more falls but is enjoying her home, where her daughters look

after her. She is interested in news of our class and Agnes Scott.

Nancy Deal Weaver has a new great-grandson, Woodson Cash Hall, born in April in New Hampshire. He is the son of Dick Weaver's stepson Tosh Hall. Nancy wants to go see him!

Adele Dieckmann McKee spoke by recorded video to the virtual Presbyterian Conference on Worship and Music set for Montreat, N.C., in June and put in the mountain spot by drone photography. She was the first national president of the Presbyterian Association of Musicians, formed in 1970, to take the leadership role for this conference. She spoke as a founder honoring its 50th anniversary.

'49

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Since members of the class of 1949 are in the category of "endangered persons" from the coronavirus, most have been in virtual lockdown, either in their retirement/assisted living facilities or at home. Fortunately, as of August 2020, your secretary has not received word of any classmates suffering from the virus. Despite the self-isolation, several members of the Grand Old Gang have found the opportunity to do special things.

Nancy Dendy Ryle, in Marietta, Ga., has prepared a devotional for Upper Room, designed for use during these difficult times. **Joan Lawrence Rogers**, in Dallas, Tex., wrote an article for her assisted living in-house newsletter about an experience she shared with her fiancé years ago in Japan, when the two of them became stuck on a railroad track and miraculously escaped harm. **Margaret Brewer Henry**, in Columbus, Miss., along with her daughter, is renovating her family's 118-year-old home. In Shelburne, Maine, **Ellen Page Reid** is busy sewing masks for her community. Others have kept busy with yoga, Pilates and other exercises via Zoom; doing jigsaw puzzles; and reading lots of books.

Mary Aichel Samford has moved from Jacksonville to a retirement community in Greenville, S.C.

In November 2019 **Ann Faucette Niblock** left her beloved "tree farm" near Frederick, Md., and has moved to Spring Arbor, a senior living facility only nine miles from her former home.

The class sends condolences to the family of **Lee Cousar Tubbs**, who died on July 10, 2020, in Cary, N.C., only two days after her husband of nearly 70 years, Rev. James Tubbs, died on July 8. The class also sends special sympathy to Joan Lawrence Rogers on the death of her husband, Dr. Larry Rogers, on June 26, 2019.

Classmates also are sending their concerns to the family of **Betty Jeanne Ellison Candler**, of Decatur, Ga., who died on Aug. 17, 2020. BJ's husband, "Scotty," was a direct descendent of the first Agnes Scott, and her son Clark was a longtime trustee of the college.

'50

Sally Thompson Aycock
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Mary Alice McDonald Hughes writes, "I have an 18-month-old great-great-nephew, John William Cline IV, in Raleigh, N.C. My great-niece Alice Louise McDonald is to be married Sept. 25 in Atlantic Beach, N.C. Old age has set in."

Betty Phillips Lindsay writes, "I continue to live in an assisted living apartment at Carolina Meadows since Landon's death last December. With no off-campus trips and no family visits allowed because of the virus, these last months have been a test, but thankfully, we are safe and well cared for."

Camma Merritt writes, "Here at my retirement community, I get around in my purple golf cart that is in the colors of my alma mater!"

"**Milly**" **Mildred Fournoy de Marcellus** writes, "Hardly news, after living for 45 years in Florida, Robert and I have settled in my native Virginia in the Washington suburb of McLean. We live near several of our 21 grandchildren, who do their best to keep us young at heart."

Ann Williamson Young writes, "I live in a retirement facility in Davidson, N.C., which has several other Scotties living here as well. My son teaches at Davidson College and lives in Davidson with his wife and three children. My daughter, Sarah Campbell Arnett '81, also a Scottie, lives in Greensboro, N.C., so we get together often. My oldest son lives in Little Rock, Ark., where I lived until 2004. I enjoy hearing from former Scottie friends."

Sally Thompson Aycock writes, "At age 91, I feel very blessed to be in good health with no pain

or need for help walking. Like other retirement places, we're asked to stay in our apartments with no visitors allowed during the pandemic. I'm thankful for telephones and emails to keep in touch with family and friends."

'51

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Your secretary hopes you all have managed to cope well with COVID-19. **Julianne Morgan Garner** put the free time to good use. She writes: "In early March, I began sheltering due to COVID-19. Realizing that this stay at home could last for quite a while, I determined to have something to show for the time. In my attic were boxes and more boxes of pictures, correspondence and newspaper clippings, including 80 years of obituaries. I'm not through [organizing] but am making progress. Twenty-eight albums are up to date. The attic has some empty space, and I'm having a marvelous stroll down memory lane."

Mary Caroline "M.C." Lindsay also did some cleaning out, although not as successfully as Julianne. She says she has kept busy with meetings, sometimes leaving one Zoom meeting to join another. She and **Martha Ann Stegar** commiserated over their anticlimactic 90th birthdays, March 16 for M.C. and April 2 for Martha Ann.

Martha Ann Stegar moved to Winchester, Va., in late January to be near her daughter, Lisa, and son-in-law, only to be quarantined six weeks later! As of mid-August, she has been sequestered for five months at the assisted living facility where she now lives, with no end in sight.

The class mourns the loss of our classmate **Martha McGregor "Gregor" Mitchell Smith**, who passed away at her home in Livingston, Ala., in May 2020, following a short illness. Gregor worked in the library at the University of West Alabama, overseeing the Alabama Room and University archives until her retirement in 1997. An aficionado of English literature, she made several trips to England over the years. Gregor found great joy in restoring her family home, Oakhurst, which was added to the National Register of Historic Places on Jan. 6, 1987.

Patricia McBorjesson writes, "Well, I've made it to 90! Jan. 29 was the day. I still play cards, drive, and go to plays and the symphony. My children are all well and happy. I can't ask for anything more."

Su Boney Davis writes, “Jim and I will be moving Aug. 15 to Linden House, an assisted living facility close to our apartment and family in Charlottesville, Va. We are looking forward to the community and new friends.”

Katherine Nelson Major writes, “No news, except I am self-isolating and am hoping this won’t last forever! Hope all goes well at ASC. Stay safe, everyone!”

'52

Please send any news you would like to share to alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

Adelaide Ryall Beall is living in Social Circle, Ga., with her daughter Cindy. They bought a condo recently in St. Simons, Ga., where they enjoy weekends at the beach.

Betty Jane Sharpe Cabaniss lives in Monroe, Ga. She has a son who is an associate professor at North Georgia College in Gainesville.

Phyllis Galphin Buchanan and Jim have been able to move back into their home in Houston, Texas, after many months of repairing the damage suffered during the last hurricane. Their granddaughter Hope has written a novel.

Margaret Inman Simpson recently had lunch with **Kitty Currie Neil** in North Carolina. She has talked with **Margaret Andes Okarma**, living in Decatur, Ga.

Sylvia Williams Ingram's husband, Conley, died in November 2019. Her daughters, one a judge, the other a lawyer, and a son live in Marietta, Ga., where she is still in her home of 60 years.

Helen Land Ledbetter and **Ann Herman Dunwody** had a long catch-up call in March. Helen's son, an architect in New Orleans, recently published a book titled *The Art of Place*. Two other sons live in Monroe, La., where she lives, and a daughter, who is a minister, lives in Virginia. Ann enjoys monthly calls to **Margaretta Lumpkin Shaw**, who lives in a lovely retirement home in Atlanta. Margaretta has many children, grandchildren and greats. She is following the biblical advice of being fruitful and multiplying.

Shirley Ford Baskin is enjoying life in Park Springs Retirement in Stone Mountain, Ga. She writes that 14 ASC alums also live there. Shirley celebrated at the beach this summer with all 23 of her family members from Germany, Virginia,

Savannah, Athens and Atlanta. She's active in two history groups, book clubs and church, and she's so grateful for each day's blessings.

Ann Green Cross, who attended Agnes Scott only one year, remembers some of us. She lives in Winter Park, Fla., and noted that **Ann Goodwin** is in a retirement home in Florida.

Helen Jean Robarts Seaton wrote that her husband, Bob, died in early March after 66 years of marriage. She lives in Willoughby, Ohio.

Ann Herman, “while sheltering in place,” sent photos of some reunions to those in the pictures. She has had calls from Helen Land, Margaretta Lumpkin, **Elaine Blane**, **Nancy DeArmond**, Adelaide Ryall, Shirley Baskin and Phyllis Galphin and notes from Helen Jean Robarts and **Clairelis Eaton**. She has also talked with **Katie Berdanis**, whom she has known since the sixth grade in Pensacola, Fla. She has enjoyed reconnecting with old friends and recommends this to others.

Edith Hawkins writes, “I’ve been married for 63 years. I retired from Baylor Pathology (Texas Children’s Hospital) after 18 years. Now I work at the church and the food pantry. I also spend three to four weeks a year in the North Georgia Mountains on Lake Burton. The rest of the year is spent in Houston, Texas. Hot!”

Elaine Blane Vafiadis writes, “Each year my family increases—two new members! My two grandsons are engaged to be married. We are so delighted. My health is good, and I never cease thanking God for this. I attend two Bible classes each week and love it. My goal when the virus subsides is to travel back to Georgia to see family.”

'53

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Keller Henderson Barron writes, “I have been so disappointed that our trips planned for 2020 have been canceled, not only for the travel but for the anticipation! But I recognize this is an ‘inconvenience’ compared to the hardships of others. I am in the midst of planning to move to a retirement home, Still Hopes, in February 2021. How hard it is to say goodbye to all my wedding presents and happy home memories.”

Priscilla Sheppard Taylor writes, “My English granddaughter, Rachel McVeigh, graduated from the University of Oxford in June 2020

with a B.A. in Chinese studies. Her dissertation was awarded the top prize in the Department of Oriental Studies. She has a scholarship to continue her studies at Peking University in Beijing when conditions permit.”

Evelyn Bassett Fuqua-Cook writes, “I’m hoping to live long enough to get the crazy man out of the White House! Paul and I are enjoying staying at home with our beautiful cat Boots.”

Lilla Kate Parramore Hart writes, “My cousin **Catherine Redles** ’52 and I have both had COVID-19, but we are fortunate to have made a quick recovery. I can still enjoy my time helping with my four grandsons and four great-grandchildren.”

Anne Jones Sims writes, “I am living in a quiet, lovely home, tended by my wonderful and entertaining nurse. After a ‘surprise’ illness, I was moved to this small home run by my wonderful friend, registered nurse and homemaker. My children decided that I should stay here ‘for good,’ and I am well and enjoy other residents, and love my caregiver! My good memories of ASC often come flooding back. Love to all!”

'54

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Carol Tye Dozier says that her years at Agnes Scott were such happy times. She made friends there who have remained so for life. She lives in Albany, Ga. She and her husband, Don, had 55 wonderful years together. He has been gone five years now. “We had three children. My daughter Anne lives close by and I see her most days.” Her two children are both doctors and have been such a pleasure through the years. She is thankful for all God has blessed her with.

Carolyn Randolph DeLay and Jack have moved to an assisted living facility in Spaulding. He is in a rehab facility after being hospitalized twice in the past month. He seems to be progressing fairly well, but it is hard to plan for this. It is so heart-wrenching not to be able to touch each other, only communicating through the window. Art Linkletter said it well—growing old is not for sissies!

Mary Willis Sherer writes, “After 40 years in Simpsonville, David and I have downsized. We moved into Rolling Green Retirement Village in January 2020. We like it very much. In November 2019 we welcomed our first great-grandchild, Grier Elizabeth Toniolo.”

Florrie Fleming Corley writes, “We are just back from a week’s vacation at Pawley’s Island, a great and fun week with my family. We will try to have all who were with us for Sunday supper (18 this year), including all my grandchildren—River, age 6, Lineage, age 2, and new this year, our first male grandchild, Weldon, who smiles all the time. I am OK, but I have to use a walker to walk a long way.”

Lou Hill Reaves writes that she is doing well and is proud of her three great-grandchildren—two little girls, 17 months and 2 weeks—and their ASC potential.

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Loise Robinson Singleton writes, “John died of heart failure on Feb. 3 in Charleston, N.C. I have returned to Santa Fe—happily! We had a virtual gathering of gratitude Aug. 8 to celebrate his life followed by a family trip to Colorado. The first memorial was a backpacking trip; I’m not sure how many more I can make. Doing well.”

Carolyn Throsen writes, “My next-door neighbor, good friend and travel partner unexpectedly died on June 14. My other thoughts are about classmate Connie Currie who worked with John Lewis to form SNCC, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. She remained active with John and that group throughout her life, until it disbanded.”

Helen Jo Hinchey Williams writes, “Roy and I are thrilled with our new great-grandson, Connor Holmyren-Lilley. At the present moment, I am gazing at a picture of this happy, grinning Winston Churchill look-alike baby. It makes me happy all day long until I go to sleep at night.”

Joan Adair Johnston writes, “I’m at a different stage in my life. I’m now a widow and was moved to an assisted living facility to be nearer to three of my children. My two daughters cleaned out my house and sold it. I have two rooms, a bath and my own furniture. Since this COVID thing, we are all room-bound, though I continue to walk each afternoon with a walker outside. Big news—I’m a great-grandmother recently with a boy in Montana!”

Sue Walker Goddard writes, “Life at Park Springs, the CCAC where I live, has been and still is an interesting new normal. My family has been through the worst of times with a year of suffering

with my daughter-in-law Karen, but the leukemia finally won with her death on May 11. I became a great-grandmother on June 11. In the midst of grief, there is joy. Prayers and best wishes to all my '55 mates."

'56

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Anne Welborn Greene begins her report for the 2020 Class News with "As everyone—at home 24/7." While each of our class members has had her particular variation of that locked-down experience this year, we are all women in our mid-80s, classified as high risk for COVID-19, and we have had to take the shelter-in-place instruction seriously. Anne is particularly missing hugs with her 4-year-old twin granddaughters and their 6-year-old sister—just seeing them through the car window is not enough. Anne hopes everyone is safe and that we will be able to have our 65th reunion next year.

Helen Haynes Patton is one of a number of class members who now live in a retirement community. During the pandemic, she has experienced strong support to stay in her condo as much as possible, protecting the Pattons and also others in the complex. Meals that would normally be eaten in the community dining room are brought to the residents' condos, along with mail and other deliveries. Gatherings for all kinds of activities are canceled, but entertainment and exercise sessions are frequently presented in the courtyard and parking lot, where residents can view or participate from their balconies or through open windows. Visits with family members can be arranged in outdoor areas. Masks are worn by all except in a resident's own condo. Helen is grateful to be able to share this memorable time with husband John, who celebrated his 90th birthday on Aug. 4.

Perhaps it is the pandemic that has prompted **Annette Jones Griffin** to wonder who in our class has died, and she is happy to report that she is still among the living, along with her husband, David. This Dec. 27 will mark the Griffins' 67th wedding anniversary, their having been married during Annette's last three years at Agnes Scott. Neither Annette nor David had any siblings, but they have managed to accumulate a family totaling 25 when they can all get together, with three children, seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and in-laws.

Eleanor Swain All's news is the arrival of her first great-grandson and the anticipated arrival of her first great-granddaughter shortly. She says that a recent trip to St. Simon's Island brought back memories of a childhood visit there except there were many more people. Due to COVID-19, she misses meetings of the Agnes Scott Book Club.

Stella Biddle Fitzgerald can be counted on to report at least one interesting trip each year, and she managed to take two in 2020 before the world shut down. She and George made their first trip ever to New Orleans for a tour, followed by a seven-day cruise from there. In March, Stella and her daughter, Ann Aichinger '85, went to the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador. She says it was a wonderful experience seeing blue-footed boobies, frigates, foot-tall penguins and 150-year-old turtles. "We toured the Charles Darwin Research Center, where turtles are studied from eggs to 5 years. In incubation a one-degree difference in temperature will determine the sex of the turtle. It was an extraordinary trip." Luckily for them, they returned home two days before the shelter-in-place declaration.

Ann Alvis Shibut tells us that "no news is good news." She is staying well and keeping busy sewing, reading, tending her yard, cooking, playing the piano, singing in her church's virtual choir and working on her travel diaries, which includes making books with the trip photos. She's also becoming used to Zoom meetings and FaceTime with family.

'58

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The class of 1958 is Zooming ... Zooming to church and synagogue, Zooming with families and friends, and Zooming for meetings and bridge. In this time of social isolation, they feel so lucky to have that resource.

Marilyn Tribble Wittner is mostly staying at home; she did get her hair cut but says she is not going to bars.

Margaret Rice Hill is doing a lot of reading and knitting.

Marion "Pinky" McCall Bass is staying well and busy down on Mobile Bay. She is grateful for the electronic communications.

Rebecca Fewell lives with her husband in a retirement community and is able to jog four or five miles every morning. She is able to see her neighbor **Katherine “Kit” Sydnor Piephoff Haynes** just about every day. Kit says that she and her cousin **Langhorne Sydnor Mauck** are doing well in their respective retirement communities.

Mary Ann Campbell Padgett works each week at the food bank, which has been moved outside. A joy is that **Becky Barlow** sends her a picture of a wildflower every day.

Nancy Alexander Johnson and husband have become great-grandparents of a little boy born in April. They have been able to see him only by Zoom. As for driving, she recently bought gasoline for the first time in several months. She says her gas mileage is now four weeks to the gallon! **Frances Gwinn Wolf** and Peter live right next door to Nancy, and they have been able to enjoy each other’s company during the pandemic with “distance visiting” on the porch.

Harriet “Hattie” Talmadge Mill was blessed with a second grandson in early March. She misses being able to see him, as he lives in Colorado.

Carlanna Lindamood Hendrick has retired but still taught her Medieval History class in the spring and switched quickly to teaching by Zoom. She has watched some Hallmark movies and thinks she has seen Ramona in the background of a couple of them.

Cat Hodgkin Olive has exercise classes outdoors and also raises tomatoes in the communal garden of their retirement center.

Barbara Byrnes Rogers has been able to see several of her grandchildren who live nearby, plus seven of their 11 great-grandchildren. They had visited their other great-grandchildren in Minnesota just before the virus hit.

Celeste “Tissie” Rogers Thompson lives near Atlanta and enjoys playing pickleball. She is happy to say she can still wield a pickaxe doing yard work. She has participated in four BLM protest marches.

Susan Riffe O’Neal lives in a retirement community where they have been “locked in” since March 13. After a no-visiting policy was started in their health centers, she had to give up her hospice volunteer work. They had to buy a TV set when all their meetings and chapel service could be accessed only via the in-house TV channel.

Shirley McDonald Larkey feels lucky that she had left her senior residence hotel in Florida in March to head for the mountains because otherwise she would have been quarantined there. She has been playing some online bridge.

Martha Davis Rosselot’s news is that she has moved into a senior living campus at Stone Mountain. She says there are a lot of Scotties there.

Ann Stein Alperin says that while the masked marauders that show up on the Ring doorbell video are as apt to be a midnight raccoon as a family face leaving a smile and package, it’s wonderful to at least be living in the same town as their four children and two grandkids—though family life is still a contactless sport.

Jan Hill Lammert writes, “I left Agnes Scott after my freshman year and transferred to LSU so I could major in speech pathology. I returned to Atlanta after graduation to work as a speech pathologist at the Davidson School. I married, had two children and am now a widow living at Park Springs Retirement Community in Stone Mountain, Ga.”

Margaret Rice Hill writes, “Ed and I are retired, living near our oldest son on Lake Martin in Alabama. Margaret Lundy is one of our grandchildren, who is my namesake and is a sophomore at Agnes Scott. She designed the sticker that won #1 and was sold during black cat week 2019!”

Sue Lile Inman writes, “Sam and I have sold our house of 24 years and moved to a condo in Greenville, S.C.”

Mary Jo Cowart Jenkins writes, “Bob and I have traveled a lot this year, but we need a lot of help! Our children and family have cheerfully been there for us in every way. Most notably, we went to New York JFK Airport to the new TWA hotel to dive into fun memories. Bob’s sister Gail joined us. She was also a TWA hostess. **Langhorn Snyder Mauck** was to go. She and I were TWA hostesses together. We saw great things in New York—including Hamilton.”

Nancy Hale Johnson writes, “My husband and I are still in our family home, but we are feeling our age. I have just published my book, *The History of the John W. Maddoy Family*. I started with my great-grandfather, who went into the Civil War at age 14 with the clothes on his back and his hunting rifle. I still keep in touch with several Agnes Scott friends.”

Elizabeth Geiger Wilkes writes, “After growing up in Columbia, S.C., and going to ASC for college because my mother Katherine Kirkland Geiger ’29 went there, I got married to Clyde H. Wilkes. We spent three years in Germany together, and then we moved to Minnesota for him to go to graduate school for 10 years. We ended up staying in Minnesota for 30 more years. We had four wonderful children who still live there, and they gave us nine special grandchildren, who are now 19–29 years old. We are happy to be living on Amelia Island in Florida now, and we’re enjoying being together.”

Louise Law Hagy writes, “I am moving to White Oak Estates Retirement Community in Spartanburg, S.C.”

'59

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As this news comes in the midst of the drastic coronavirus pandemic, the secretary sends prayers that all other class members are doing well and staying safe.

Melba Cronenberg Bassett is staying home. She’s had several visits from daughter “Kitsie” Bassett Riggall ’83; son Frank and family are moving to Victoria, Canada, from Vancouver, so no visits, as the border is closed. Grandson Hunter Riggall graduated magna cum laude from the University of Georgia and has a job as a reporter.

Marian Walton Duggan “knew grandchildren are great, but now has three and a half great-grandchildren, the best of all!” She moved to a retirement community in Charlotte, N.C., a year ago and is surviving being quarantined since March.

Leah “Bugs” Mathews Fontaine enjoys having lunch with Hazel Ellis ’58 as often as the current pandemic situation allows. “We miss Elizabeth ‘Betty’ Garrard Saba, as she has moved to Aurora, Colo., to be with her daughter. My son Joe is still a professor at Murdoch University in Perth, Australia.”

Runita McCurdy Gaston is still quarantined in her assisted living facility in League City, Texas. “Texas reopened too soon and is now experiencing a severe upsurge in COVID-19 cases. May our beloved country find its way out of the morass we’re in!”

Elizabeth “Betty” Edmunds Grinnan is hunkered down at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond, Va. “My apartment is lovely, and we have lots of entertainment on the facility’s TV station—movies, exercise classes, music, etc. Those of us in independent living go out more now but don’t entertain in our apartments. Stay healthy to all!”

With “stay at home” orders, **Mary Ann Henderson Johnson** and husband Corky have expanded domestic activities and enlarged their vegetable garden. “I was already in a racial equity study group that seems even more relevant today than when we started three years ago.”

Maria Harris Markwalter and Dick send news that their fifth great-grandchild was born on July 26, 2020. Bryce Foster Sanders is the grandson of their daughter Tease Markwalter Sanders ’82. “This brings our total family count to 24—amazing!” The Markwalters enjoy living in Satellite Beach, Fla., and Maria is back playing tennis three days a week after two knee replacements in 2018.

Archer Boswell Parsons has no real news to share, but she hopes “everyone is wearing a mask, social distancing and washing hands. Hello to everyone, and stay well!”

Barbara Lake Finch is writing about her thoughts on aging for the Institute of Public Health at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. Click on “blog” at this link: <https://publichealth.wustl.edu/centers/aging/>.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Susan Thompson, whose mother, **Ann Rivers Payne Hutcheson**, died on May 6, 2020. Ann Rivers served as the director of admissions at Agnes Scott College from 1974 to 1978 and as assistant director of admissions from 1972 to 1974.

Additionally, the class sends deepest sympathy to Sam Rogers and family on the death of **Helen Smith Rogers** on Feb. 10, 2020; to **Jane King Allen** and family on the March 21 death of Bona Allen IV, her husband of 60 years; and Fletcher Harvey and son Alec on the death of **Ann H. Harvey** on July 10.

'60

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Many members of our class were planning to be on campus for the 2020 Alumnae Weekend.

Our reunion chair, **Lucy Cole Gratton**, was hoping that we could don purple boas for a parade of reunion classes. The COVID-19 pandemic made the weekend impossible. By June, we were beginning to adjust to the many changes in our lives. Our outgoing class president, **Eve Purdom Ingle**, recruited, via email, a slate of new class officers: President **Phyllis Cox Whitsell**, Vice President **Becky Wilson Guberman** and Secretary **Ellen McFarland Johnson**. **Mary Jane Pickens Skinner** agreed to continue as fund chair. The alumnae office sent out an email asking for the election of the slate.

We don't know how many voted, but we felt elected. We were communicating by email and began to think about having a virtual reunion meeting using the Zoom platform. The new officers and Lucy, the reunion chair, held a couple of virtual meetings and set Aug. 2 as the date. We are pleased to report that the meeting went very well. About two dozen classmates participated. Each of us had two minutes to talk about her life after 1960. If reunions are about reestablishing connections to the college and to classmates, we feel that our virtual meeting accomplished that. It was the next best thing to being on campus. We hope to do it again—way before 2025!

After the virtual reunion, we sent an email request for more recent class news. **Carolyn Hoskins Coffman** responded that she and her husband are staying in, as are most of their older friends. They look forward to virtual meetings such as church services and book clubs. They recently became great-grandparents of a boy born to their son who is in Texas with the Air Force.

Anita Moses Shippen is proud of her nine grandchildren. She especially wants to tell about her granddaughter, Mae, who is a plebe at the U.S. Naval Academy. It has been fun for Anita to know about what the young woman is going through—obstacle courses, weapons and endurance training, damage control, squad combat. Part of her training involved jumping off a 33-foot tower into the ocean. Anita reports that Mae took a flying leap like the daredevil she is.

Angelyn Alford Bagwell also writes about a grandchild. Her oldest granddaughter recently earned a master's degree in social work from NYU. Because of the pandemic it was necessary for her to finish her graduate work online. Now she is working in New York for a nonprofit, where she finds it strange to work with her clients (families and youth) virtually.

Mary Jane Pickens Skinner has quite a story to tell about the effect of the pandemic on her life. She left her independent living community in Asheville in mid-March to stay a few weeks in her condo in north Georgia. Her stay lengthened to three months when the independent living community went into quarantine a week later and stayed that way until early June. She decided to move from the community to an apartment in Asheville. When two COVID-19 cases turned up in the community, it was shut down again and the movers were not allowed in to get her belongings. In late June she reported, "I have an apartment with nothing in it and one with all my stuff in it—paying for both! Meanwhile I'm homeless, rotating between my daughters here in Asheville."

Becky Wilson Guberman was able to have a family vacation at Hilton Head Island in July. It was a rollicking time that included four generations and a puppy.

Mary Crook writes, "I love being back in Atlanta, and I'm enjoying Trinity Presbyterian. I've found a walking group for the Beltline nearby and hills in Brookwood Hills. The most fun of all is playing with various ukulele groups! Still hoping to connect with more Scotties. Life is good."

'61

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Anne Christensen Pollitzer shares, "I had six roommates during my four years at Agnes Scott, because two of those years were spent living in the tower room of Main Hall. I think the staff put us together because we were not local and had graduated from public high schools ... not part of the Atlanta elite. Three of these special friends died of breast cancer in midlife: **Joan Lewis** from Houston, **Anne Ashford** from Iron Mountain, Mich., and **Dottie Cummings** from Gulf Shores, Ala. Still with us are **Rev. Anne Russell Hagler**, now in Memphis, Tenn., mother of three; **Nancy 'Annie Evans' Hughes Peabody**, who married her college sweetheart, Henry Peabody from Decatur, and has lived since in Americus, Ga., where he retired from college teaching—they have two children; and **Marion Greene**, married and still living in Stone Mountain, Ga. I am now sequestered happily in my island home with my favorite person, my husband, Rick Pollitzer. We have four sons, seven grandchildren, eight step-grandchildren and three step-great-grandchildren. I am trying to organize boxes of

old pictures and letters while writing ‘my story’ and continuing to work to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November.”

'62

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Beverly Kenton Mason Askren's husband, Jim, had a stroke in July. She said it was such a shock because he was so active. He was taken to Kennestone Hospital, where there is an intensive therapy program.

In May, **Betsy Jefferson Boyt** had a spell of “broken heart syndrome,” a condition caused by stress. Fortunately, all her heart functions returned to normal with medication. Then, in July, her husband, Pat, died of Parkinson's disease.

Sue Amidon Zoole reported on ways she has tried to overcome the isolating effects of the pandemic. She and a few friends met on the sidewalk at the curb in front of her house—once for wine in the afternoon and another time for morning prayer in the cooler early hours. She met with friends on her front porch, which now feels more like a real part of the house. She had an early-morning birthday party for her husband in their backyard shade garden. Southern hospitality was dealt a blow when guests were asked to bring their own coffee or water. Sue has missed the civil and gracious atmosphere of afternoon tea, though not the effort required to prepare little sandwiches and cookies.

Letitia Lavender Sweitzer relied on Zoom to stay connected with her playwriting colleagues. She and her partner completed a first draft of a play but are letting it rest before taking further steps.

'63

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We started the year off with a bang. **Lynn Denton** was arrested, along with Martin Sheen and others, in a demonstration for the environment. **Anneke Schepman Corbett** avoided arrest during her political protests. **Margaret VanDeman Blackmon** organized “meet and greets” for a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives. Artists and Clowns, **Ipek Aksugur Duben's** Exhibition at Pi Artworks Istanbul, opened March 12 and is an absolute must-see online at <https://www.piartworks.com/exhibitions/155-ipek-duben-angels-and-clowns/overview/>.

Ipek writes, “Two days after that opening of the show, the coronavirus shut down Istanbul. It thereafter forced us all to cancel plans and devise new ways to live. ...I feel like we're all living ... close to each other. We share a common fear and hope. We are also all aware of how fortunate we are not to have to be on the front lines, and we hurt for those seriously affected by COVID-19.”

Becky Bruce Jones reminded us that social distancing is “just against our human nature,” so as for most of us on planet Earth, emails, social media and Zoom were our outlets. Margaret held her “meet and greets” for a candidate for the U.S. Senate via Zoom, and Lynn's course *Gouache and Oil Pastels* will be offered online. Anneke switched from protesting in person to writing get-out-the-vote postcards.

Classmates have shared their new worlds. **Nancy Duvall Hargrove** vows she will never take “ordinary” life for granted again, while **Betty Ann Gatewood Wylie** says she doesn't really miss the “hustle and bustle.” To replace the hustle and bustle, some have turned to art. **Ina Jones Hughes** is creating jewelry and has written a poem about it! **Jane Gilbertson McGuffin**, who is suffering from a rare lung disease, is updating her *Rocketball Music* songs (www.rocketballmusic.com) and making final revisions to two novels, *Madhouse* and *The Treatment Team: Truth, Lies and Spies*. **Frances Anderson** is involved in clay sculpture and writing her memoirs, while **Sigrid Hanson Fowler** continues to write and cook.

Others have turned to nature. **Sarah “Stokie” Mitchell** and Marion planted native plants. **Mary Ann Gregory Dean** created her second butterfly garden. **Ann Risher Phillips** and Bob planted a vegetable garden. **Mary Beth Thomas** is photographing birds and butterflies. **Elizabeth “Deedie” Withers Estes** has watched backyard wildlife from her wheelchair while awaiting knee-replacement surgery, and Betty Ann is being royally entertained by a hummingbird circus outside her breakfast room. Several classmates have commented on pets. **Brownie Faucette** and her kitty cat are quite “snug and content,” and Becky is “holed up with Faith, her Jack Russell.” We have, of course, followed the demonstrations and Black Lives Matter movement. In the only travel report, **Ellen Hodgson Oaks** and close family toured the pre-revolutionary Fort Mifflin near her home.

Reading has certainly increased. **Miriam “Mimi” St. Clair** says that she's “spent many hours reading, reading, reading.” Mary Ann has now

read more than 40 books. **Valerie McLanahan Goetz** and Ann shared book titles from their book clubs. **Helen Jones Robin**, upon reading *A Gentleman in Moscow*, commented that he “knew how to survive gloriously in isolation.” Helen and Betty Ann are touting crossword puzzles—the challenging ones.

Nancy Abernethy Young and Terry now reside primarily in Vero Beach, Fla. **Gloria Ellis Pylant** has moved into a new home with her daughter’s family, still in Athens, Ga. **Cornelia “Corny” Bryant** is with her sister in Franklin, N.C.

Finally and importantly, **Lydia Wammock Ramsey** reminded us that Miss Smith, ASC’s supervisor of dormitories, taught us the most valuable lesson for the times: “Three squares per trip should suffice for a lady.”

'64

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A few lucky members of the class of 1964 were able to travel during those first two months of 2020 before the COVID-19 pandemic hit. In late January, **Brenda Brooks Jackson** and her husband, Duke, flew from Seattle to New York City for a long weekend, where they attended the Metropolitan Opera Sunday Matinee and saw exhibits at several museums. **Nora “Rooch” Field** attended the State DAR Meeting in Mexico in late February, returning home in early March just as the pandemic began to spread.

To celebrate their move in late 2019 to North Carolina, **Carolyn “Kelley” Mulherin Oates** and her husband, Jack, were invited to be guests of **Norma “Betty” Alvis Girardeau** for a tour of the Biltmore House in Asheville, N.C., in early March.

The pandemic soon altered life considerably. Long-planned trips and vacations were postponed or canceled. Travel came to a virtual standstill. **Lila Sheffield Howland** wrote that she, like many of us, “read lots of books, newspapers and magazines, and watched countless movies on TV, plus cooked our way through one or two dress sizes!” **Harriet King** added that she had mastered “the art of Instacart,” expanded the ways in which she moved while indoors, discovered Coursera as a mode of learning, revived the ability to read a book a day if the story is good and participated in crowdsourced preparation of materials for online use at the Library of Congress ... something useful one can do from home on one’s own.

Susan Richard Allen wrote that she is enjoying learning to play the flute and weaving ... but not at the same time! **Betty Girardeau** shared that she was able to complete her photography mentorship program by completing a music video featuring original photographs just before the pandemic struck. When a workshop in Montana was canceled, she began to focus on producing her own website, featuring her photographs, and writing a blog. The website can be accessed at www.bettygirardeau.com.

Many of us have become quite adept at maintaining contact with each other through more frequent phone calls and emails or by joining our class Facebook private group, Agnes Scott Class of 1964. We have begun to utilize videoconference programs like Zoom, FaceTime and Messenger. Video “happy hours” have become highlights in our lives.

Even with all the restrictions on our movements, several members of the class were able to move to new homes or downsize to something more manageable. In July **Nancy Wasell Work** downsized and moved back to the Westchester in Washington, D.C., where she had lived 25 years ago. She said it is good to be back in the District and that she hopes to be settled in by the end of the summer. After living for 40 years in one house, **Patricia LeGrande Collins** and her husband, Mabry, moved into a Callaway Gardens subdivision in March. When she retired after 52 years, she was director of gardens there.

The class sends deepest sympathy to **Maria Wornom Rippe** on the death of her husband, Peter, on Jan. 19, 2020.

'65

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Pat Buchanan Masi writes from her home in Haddon Heights, N.J. Pat has been volunteering and serving on the board of directors for Mission Teens Inc., a nonprofit that no longer focuses on teens and instead works with people of all ages whose lives have been bound by addiction. Mission Teens has helped thousands over the past 50 years. Pat would like to “get the word out” about the organization’s free residential staff training program, because most families, no matter how educated and successful, have been touched somehow by addiction.

Liz Perkins Klemann writes that she and Gil moved back to Augusta 10 years ago and live near two of their three children, and their grandchildren. “Oldest is starting college this fall. Travel on hold but hosting Sunday school and other groups on their back lawn. Also organizing pictures and other memories for future generations. Life is good.”

Sister Rose Hoover has a new book, *That God May Be All in All: Christian Life and Sacred Paradox*, available on Amazon.com. Being part of a community has made her feel less isolated.

Susan Stanton Cargill writes that she and husband Slade divide their time between a condo on Longboat Key, Fla., and a lake house in Athens, N.Y. They are healthy and active and hope to remain that way.

Diane Pulignano Toole writes that she has been living independently, in her own home, in Westminster Oaks in Tallahassee since 2006. She misses teaching high school English and still does lesson plans in her head, and dreams that she’s lost and late for class! Keeps in touch with **Jere Keenan Brands**. With the CDC so much in the news lately, she thinks about **Linda Kay** a lot. Wishes her, and all of us, good health!

Nancy Yontz Linehan Charles feels as though she is living in the movie *Groundhog Day* (don’t we all?). She lives close to her two sons, two granddaughters, two daughters-in-law and sister. She hopes TV production starts up soon!!!! (Me, too! I’m tired of reruns!) Says to stay safe and sane!

Nancy Cunningham kept three grandchildren, ages 16, 12 and 3, for four weeks, beginning in mid-March. The youngest stayed an additional eight weeks. Quite a busy time and now such a happy memory of getting to know them 24/7.

Angela Lancaster and husband Muckenfuss are doing fine, enjoying their stay-at-home activities, and only miss going to La Malbaie, QC, for the summer and to baseball games. They see friends through Zoom calls and at small, socially distanced gatherings outdoors. Their daughter lives about a 20-minute walk from them and has been keeping them well supplied with groceries. Their son is in San Francisco, working for the AIDS Foundation, and is keeping things going through the pandemic. Feels very fortunate to have remained happy and healthy through COVID-19, and looks forward to a 2021 with better days.

Nancy Hammerstrom Bishop offers thanks to the class once again for its huge support of the Agnes Scott Annual Fund. She hasn’t received the final report but knows we are right there at the top. She will report as soon as she gets the word. Like so many of us, she and Jim have had to cancel some wonderful trips this spring and summer. One not canceled is their annual family trip to Litchfield Beach, S.C. Her children and grandchildren are going Aug. 9 for a week. She hasn’t been able to see any of them since last November. She writes, “The pandemic is weighing down on all of us, but we must remain vigilant and wear those masks. Hope that all of our classmates are staying safe and healthy.”

Betsy Dykes Leitzes is working on an art legacy. During the pandemic, she’s painted miniature paintings, which she hopes are like small jewels (sounds lovely).

Margaret Murphy Hunter reports that Jim’s sister, Jean Hunter ’63, has moved to Asheville. They are enjoying having her close by.

Carol Sutton Lumpkin is overwhelmed by support from classmates and is so glad classmates sent in some news! Stay safe, everyone! Love and blessings to all and their families!!

’66

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Bev Allen Morris moved to Hendersonville, N.C. She bought multiple things, including a hiking hat with a brim that makes her look like an Amish boy (or so her friends say) and an outdoor thermometer for reporting the temp to her Florida friends!

Carol Davenport Wood and Tom continue their work at the Restore and Fuller Shop, which builds affordable housing; recently they participated in the dedication of a new home for a mother and four children. They are also gardening nonstop!

Diane Hendrix filmed with Tom Osborn, a new alum of Harvard! They had filmed in Kenya (AfricanMakersMedia.com) in 2016 and hope to follow as he brings mental health services to Kenya. He’s staying sane by painting a Kenyan martyr who was killed by occupying British soldiers.

Felicia Guest has become accustomed to staying at home at Canterbury Court and enjoys the digital life more than expected, with Zoom gatherings and impressive offerings from

museums and other sources. It also cheers her to have live golf and baseball back on television!

Harriet Holt Whitley and her family, including daughter Allyson Whitley Burroughs '91, spent a week in the mountains of North Carolina, where they had a wonderful time with water sports and eating together.

Karen Gearreald has more Braille work than ever! Besides teaching a Braille music transcription course for the Library of Congress, she proofreads Braille materials in English, Spanish, French, and music. Karen is president of the National Church Conference of the Blind; since they had to postpone their plans to meet in Dallas, they now have monthly teleconferences. She is a musician and adviser for a church and also seeks solo ministry opportunities. Karen remains a New York Yankees fan; recently, at the request of her favorite broadcaster, she was interviewed for a podcast about how a blind person enjoys the games via radio.

Laura Dorsey retired in 2011 but was rehired by NHC to serve as a resource chaplain for a hospital in Canton, Ga. Laura says the current question is how to be present with the sick and dying and their families during this pandemic. With years of experience in community hospitals, Laura now must respond virtually with an iPad, and she calls this challenging and deeply moving.

Malinda Snow was teaching two classes when the shelter-in-place order came. She finished the courses virtually and kept her students engaged despite their many pandemic difficulties. Then she retired. Malinda is now looking forward to working in her yard, reading, listening to music, and working on writing projects.

Marian Brown St. Onge retired after 35 years at Boston College, where she was director of international programs and also taught French. Since then she has published several poems and is currently working on the biography of a French Resistance fighter.

Martha Thompson is at Blowing Rock, N.C., and is spending the quarantine walking five miles a day, gardening, reading, Zooming some, painting and watching miniseries on TV.

Nancy Whiteside is thankful for living in Massachusetts, daily 2.5-mile walks in St. Paul's Cemetery, Netflix (particularly *Dead to Me*), books, and good health so far for her family and friends!

Sharon "Sherry" O'Neill Bassett lives in a memory care residence. Steve writes that he has not been able to see her since February but invites anyone to FaceTime to speak to Sherry after the quarantine.

Susan Tribble enjoys walks in the pristine forests of Lullwater Preserves, land that Walter Candler bought in 1925. Candler's home is now the Emory president's home, close to Candler Lake, which Walter created. This area is a hot spot for Creek Muscogee artifacts.

'67

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Cheryl Dabbs Chapman and **Susan King Johnson** have connected with several Scotties in Jackson, Miss. They have had some delightful get-togethers with Suzie Blackwood Foote '74 and Emily Dunbar-Smith '76. There are several more Scotties in the area. The four are trying to reach out to include them in the group.

In February **Susan King Johnson** performed a program of piano pieces by Debussy and Satie at the Charminade Club in Jackson, Miss. Susan also played a piano duet by Ary Barosso. She is a longtime member of the Club, and Cheryl was delighted to be included as a guest at the performance.

Ann Roberts Divine reports that she had a close call on her last cruise. In February she took a wonderful cruise from Buenos Aires to Santiago, including four days cruising around Antarctica. It was fabulous. The weather was usually good, and she saw a lot of whales, seals and especially penguins. Two weeks after her cruise ended, the very ship she was on was the one that was marooned at sea for a month because of the coronavirus. She knows that she was very lucky.

Lee and **Jane Vardaman** took a cruise retracing Paul's last missionary journey. It was their first (and last?) cruise with visits to Athens, Thira, Valletta, Messina, Pompeii and Rome. Special memories consisted of climbing the Acropolis to see the Parthenon, the Colosseum, and a private after-hours tour of the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums. The lecturer every day they were at sea was Craig C. Hill, a New Testament scholar and the current dean of Perkins School of Theology at SMU.

'68

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Susan Aikman Miles is that rare individual who has lost weight during the pandemic! She joined Weight Watchers and was able to attend two meetings before the shelter-in-place order, but she stuck with it and had lost almost 40 pounds as of Aug. 15.

Eleanor McCallie Cooper has been involved for four years with a local group, raising support to build a memorial to honor a young man, Ed Johnson, who was lynched in Chattanooga in 1906. His story involved two courageous black attorneys who took the case to the Supreme Court. The effort has gained the support of both the city and the county, as well as local individuals and foundations. Construction on the site has begun, and the project is slated for completion next spring.

Lucie Barron Eggleston's essay "What the Afternoon Knew" has been published in the current issue of *Concho River Review*, a biannual literary journal of the Department of English and Modern Languages at Angelo State University.

Victoria "Vicky" Plowden Craig and William celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their children and grandchildren in Pagosa Springs, Colo. Family members came from Texas, California and Germany, all arriving and leaving safely.

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For **Ann Glendinning** and her husband, Dale Kelly, lockdown began in paradise. They happened to be in Florida on St. George Island when the beaches were closed and renters were sent home. They stayed for two months supporting the few takeout restaurants and watching the empty beach. When Florida opened for business, they came home to Atlanta.

Loving her fifth school year of retirement, **Sherry Grogan Taylor** has only gratefulness for educators blazing new trails in the unique circumstances of 2020. Sherry is entering a two-year term as president-elect of the Coweta Association of Retired Educators and continues to volunteer with regional and state academic bowl programs.

In August, **Ann Teat Gallant** and Philip spent a delightful week in beautiful Chautauqua, N.Y., visiting Jim and Chris Teat, who have a home there. They fly-fished the beautiful creeks of northwestern Pennsylvania.

Susan McCann Butler and Scott have a new granddaughter, Lily Emma Butler-Swiech, born July 22 in Santa Monica. They are pining to go visit!

The Madison-Morgan Cultural Center, Madison, Ga., presented a virtual and in-person show of **Cynthia "Cindy" Perryman's** art works. Lambs and Lilies included 35 oils and two pastels and runs from July to Sept. 11.

Betty Derrick had two paintings accepted into juried art shows: The Georgia Watercolor Society Members' Show and the members' show at the Bascom Art Center, Highlands, N.C.

Katherine Mitchell is staying home, painting a little and walking every day. She and Alice Davidson '66 play golf every Monday and Thursday, often with **Gué Pardue Hudson**.

Marcia King enjoys talking to her Nebraska daughter and her family by phone or Zoom and seeing her Atlanta son and granddaughter in person, although six feet apart. Hard to maintain social distancing with an 18-month-old!

'69

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Elizabeth Guider is a longtime entertainment journalist who has lived and worked in Rome, Paris and London as well as Atlanta, New York City and Los Angeles. She holds a doctorate in Renaissance studies from New York University. Currently she divides her time between Hollywood, where she does freelance writing about the media business, and Vicksburg, Miss., where she grew up and where she focuses on her fiction. *Our Long Love's Day*, published in July 2020, is her fourth novel.

Ellen Joyce Sherling and Bill are happy and healthy at their lake house, The Sweet By & By, near Auburn. They are taking OLLI classes online. They have two daughters, one at Avery Island, La., and the other with her husband and two daughters in Zurich.

Janice Audrey Reppert, now widowed, retired to Auburn from Baltimore after teaching elementary school for 36 years. Janice helps with her local grandson and three of his contemporaries while their mothers teach in the Auburn city schools. Janice and Ellen Joyce Sherling are in regular contact.

Rebecca Wadsworth Sickles has enjoyed Zooming with book clubs, church groups and happy hour friends. She participated in an Agnes Scott webinar on race issues. Rebecca finally joined Facebook, pulled out her sewing machine and got a new MacBook Pro. She recommends reading *The Giver of Stars*, *The Accidental Princess*, *Sise*, *Sacred Rhythms* and *How to Be an Antiracist*. She sends warm regards and prayers for good health for our classmates.

Mary Anne Murphy Hornbuckle is not too proud to reveal that her new hobby is “paint by numbers.” She is giving deep thought as to who will be the lucky recipients of these masterpieces. She continues her pastoral care team church contacts in an effort to assure parishioners that they have not been forgotten. She and Jon have participated in a weekly Zoom discussion of the book *White Fragility*. It is hard to read but thought provoking.

Carol Hill Hightower and Neil are chatting and Zooming as much as possible with Chinese in China, praying for the fragile relationship between the two nations.

Carol Blessing Ray and Billie welcomed their fourth grandchild, fourth grandson, on Aug. 10, 2020. Romarin Jean Richard joins big brother Olivier, age two. They are the children of Calli and Jerome Richard. They consider Romarin to be the prize for enduring the pandemic thus far.

Sandra Earley and her husband, Phelps Hawkins, are hiding out from the pandemic in Georgia in the much cooler Adirondack Mountains of New York State. Life is similar to winters in Savannah—quiet, lots of reading and perhaps even more newscasts (plus shouting at screens about how news ought to be covered). Conversation focuses on grandchildren and politics. Sometimes they do socially distanced cocktails involving couples in boats, multiple docks and ADK chairs. Sandra is also editing the memoir of an 88-year-old much involved in the civil rights/social justice movement.

Bunny Teeple Sheffield considers herself to be blessed to be in caregiving mode with her grandson and an elder relative with memory/executive function challenges. She gives their NYC daughter and her husband some extra support, as they are still working full time. She enjoys getting to talk/Zoom with her daughter, Anna, in NZ, whose work is closed for COVID-19 restrictions. Bunny has happily reconnected with **Winnie Wirkus Djajengwasito**.

'70

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During this time of social distancing, ASC buddies Mary Wills Hatfield Lecroy, Edi McLeod Guyton, Lily Comer Keyes, Laura Watson Keys and Bryn Couey Daniel have passed the time playing bridge online. With audio turned on, it is just like sitting at a bridge table.

Celebrating the class of 1970's 50th anniversary with a Zoom conference were Mary Margaret MacMillan, Susan Ketchin, Hollister Knowlton, Betsy Sowers, Ruth Hyatt Heffron, Judy Mauldin Beggs and Deborah Kennedy Williams. They enjoyed catching up on goings-on since our 45th reunion.

'71

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Many of our '71 classmates are hoping and praying that we can meet in person for our 50th reunion. As one classmate advises, “Stay positive, but test negative.”

Margaret O'Neal, Paula Culbreth, Jane Hursey, Judy Hudgins and Bernie Todd Smith all attended the virtual Reunion Bootcamp on Aug. 29. They began the planning for our 50th reunion, which will be held in June 2021. Interestingly, the planning included crafting a virtual reunion. The group of representatives from all the classes ending in 1 and in 6 came up with some creative ideas. Hopefully, we won't need to use these ideas because we will have an actual face-to-face reunion.

G.G. Sydnor Hill reports that her new grandson, Curtis Granville Osborne, was born to her daughter and son-in-law Sims and Philip Osborne, on Aug. 11, 2020. Curtis joins 4-year-old sister Joy as well as cousins Sasha (9), Vera (5) and Darien (2), children of G.G.'s son and daughter-in-law Frederick and Julia Hill.

M.A. Isele, like most of us, has been doing lots of reading, streaming, cleaning and gardening at her home in Athens, Ga. She has expanded her patio and even added a water feature! She shares that it makes a lovely place to be isolated. Her older son, Alex, and his family, including Kellen (18) and Amelia (13), moved to Athens for one year and then returned to Denver. M.A.'s younger son, Brad, and his family, including Odin (4) and Nova (2), stayed with M.A. as they

prepared to move to Denver. Her boys will be 10 miles apart in Denver—perfect for M.A. to visit.

Ruth Reynolds writes that she moved from Durham, N.C., to Spokane, Wash., on May 1, 2020. Daughter Lucinda and her husband, Caleb, with Erik (5) and Keira (2), moved to Washington last year, and Ruth decided to move close to them. She reports that the scenery is beautiful and the people extremely friendly.

Peggy Davis shared that her daughter Lauren '03 was married to Will Kelly, a professor of history at Morehouse, on Sept. 14, 2019. Peggy and her husband celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 27. Their anniversary trip to France was canceled, but daughters Lauren and Sarah surprised them with a Zoom party attended by 57 friends and relatives. They hope to reschedule the France trip in 2021.

Bernie Todd Smith and Cliff Smith celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 28. The party they had planned was canceled, but their children, Alexander, Taylor and Morgan '09, surprised them with a video including almost 40 friends and relatives wishing them a very happy day.

Sarah Ruffing Robbins reports that she is still teaching at TCU in Fort Worth, Texas. She recently directed a five-day summer institute on American literature for secondary English teachers, all delivered via Zoom. She is now collaborating on a textbook for teaching 19th-century transatlantic literature. She is part of a faculty-and-staff collaborative studying ways to address legacies of racism at TCU. Sarah's daughter Margaret teaches seventh-graders at Mount Vernon Presbyterian School in Atlanta, and her daughter Patty is an attorney for Door Dash in San Francisco.

'72

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Ah, yes, the coronavirus, a blessing and a curse. **Louise Roska-Hardy** reports that, because of the virus, her seminars moved online, enabling her to go to Huntsville, Ala., to be with her daughter and family following the birth of her fifth grandchild, Eleanor Ruth, who was born in May. Eleanor has an older sister, Louise Scott. Louise's other three grandchildren returned to Germany after four years in London.

Montie Smith Acuff and Steve have a granddaughter! Reese Farren, the daughter of Katy and Montie's younger son, Drew, was born Feb. 24. After months of social distancing and not being able to "hold her or nuzzle her" like she wanted, Montie babysits her three mornings a week. Older son David lives in Boulder, Colo.

Pam Westmoreland Sholar is working full time as a medical oncologist and hematologist at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Statesville, N.C., where she has been for 34 years. She keeps in touch with **Helen Webb Godwin, Juliana Winters, Charlotte Stringer Stephens** and **Donna Diane "DD" Francke**.

Virginia Uhl Tinsley reports that her husband, David, retired in 2019 and they decided to stay in Young Harris, Ga., and build a home. The year 2020 was supposed to be a year of travel, but, instead, she has been enjoying nature in the mountains, working in the yard, reading, attending Zoom meetings and painting.

Sandra Smith Harmon and her husband, Paul, are staying safe in Santee Nacoochee, Ga., a rural mountain area, until November, when they return to Florida until spring.

While visiting youngest son William and family in London in January, **Belita Stafford Walker** was treated to an early surprise 70th birthday present of a weekend in Dublin, Ireland. Before the COVID-19 lockdown, Belita coordinated monthly dinners for her church's college ministry. Belita is actively involved in the church's Prayer Pen Pal ministry for college students.

Anne Kemble Collins and Steve are keeping busy around home, feeling very fortunate to have "kiddos that keep in touch and help out." They are enjoying furry and feathered friends, seeing and talking to neighbors (from a distance!), and having a large yard to work in and enjoy, making everyday life seem almost normal.

Mary Ann Powell Howard and Henry welcomed their newest grandson, Jack Everett Thrasher, son of their daughter Christy and her husband, Phil, on Jan. 23. Jack provides endless entertainment. When not playing with Jack, Mary Ann enjoys volunteer work, escaping to the park and virtual 5Ks.

'73

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Judy Hamilton Grubbs and husband Jake's daughter Catherine married John Yates in a very COVID-safe ceremony on the front porch of the couple's new home in Concord, N.C., on July 9. Judy reports that even with fewer than 10 attending, it was still lovely, and nice to have a few bright moments in this dismal year.

Hazel Jean Finlayson was born on June 16, 2020, to Maggie Churchman and Chris Finlayson in San Francisco. Grandparents **Ann Cowley Churchman** and Phil Churchman masked up and, brandishing disinfecting wipes, flew to SF to welcome her.

Barbara Black Waters and husband Mike of Jupiter, Fla., welcomed a new local granddaughter, Scotti May Waters, on Aug. 11, 2020. How long before her Baba showers her with Scottie must-haves: T-shirts, totes, etc.? Forbearance needed. That makes four grands for the Waters, who are trying to wisely navigate life in Palm Beach County in the time of COVID-19. Be safe, everyone!

'74

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Ann Early Bibb and her ASC roommate **Chris Weaver Ternenyi** had a wonderful week of visiting a winery and apple orchard, and catching up in Blue Ridge, Ga. Ann completely retired this year. **Anne Kerner**, Susie Ham Deiters '80 and Katie Lewis '82 joined Ann and other Avondale Estates residents for a social-distancing happy hour in the front yard.

Betsy Bean Burrell and **Karen Dick Bruhns** hiked Roan Mountain, Tenn., in August to prepare for their hike at Mt. LeConte Lodge, Tenn., the next week.

Zooming—for choir rehearsals and other get-togethers—is keeping **Pam Coffey** busy and healthy during the pandemic.

After three “COVID cancellations,” **Mary Jane Kerr Cornell** and Gary enjoyed having their whole family together in August. Glen and Alison drove from Massachusetts to Montreat, N.C., and from there the four of them drove to Texas, where they joined Alex, Kathy, Owen and Gabe for two weeks at Lake Travis and Dallas.

After teaching online all summer, **Cindy Goldthwaite Hames** will be going back to in-person teaching this fall. Her small class sizes

make physical distancing and wearing a mask less problematic for her than for husband Claude, who also teaches.

Teresa Lee has been in Alabama helping her parents for several months. Her dad passed away at the end of June. Her mom broke her shoulder three weeks later. She continues to keep in touch with her Bowen Cottage housemates by Zooming with them every other Thursday to catch up on each other's news.

Karen Lortscher is in her 35th year of being a member of the Benedictine Sisters of Cullman, Ala. She is currently development director for the community, as well as director of vocation ministry and social media committee chair. Karen writes, “It is quite the juggling act for my aging brain.”

Vivienne Drakes McKinney and Bob celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary last year. They have two daughters, two sons-in-law and three grandchildren. Vivienne is a part-time student in biblical studies at Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Fla., and loves it! She and Bob have enjoyed amazing trips to Israel, Greece and Turkey (Apostle Paul) and Tunisia (St. Augustine). Vivienne also writes (paints) icons during two spiritual retreats she attends each year.

Sandy Stogsdill Ogle reports the arrival of granddaughter Riley Rose Ogle, born July 6. Sandy's son Jason left five days later on deployment to Afghanistan. According to Sandy, she is “now ‘deployed’ to Norris, Tenn., to be with Mama, baby and big brother, Bentley (3).”

Mary Praytor's daughter Charlotte Madison Guest is finishing up her M.B.A. at Georgia Tech's Scheller College of Business. Charlotte currently works at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

Rosanne Harkey Pruitt and husband John have been happily married since August 1974. She has two sons, who are also happily married. After retiring last year as professor emerita from the Clemson University School of Nursing, Rosanne has been spending more time caring for her mom (97).

In April **Jamie Osgood Shepard** and husband Randall Shepard welcomed their second granddaughter, McKenzie Xiong-Lee, born in California. Jamie visits virtually now but looks forward to post-pandemic cuddling.

Kathy Maynard Swick and husband Bert's youngest daughter, Anna, married Bryan McVae in Annapolis, Md., in March. Looming pandemic

closures sped up the wedding by two months. Kathy and Bert participated via FaceTime!

'75

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In spite of COVID-19 shutdowns, our class has been busy and doing many things. We will have an actual class reunion in 2025 and hopefully a gathering prior to that. Our class officers for the next five years are President **Victoria Burgess Stephan**, Vice President **Ellen Phillips Smith**, Secretary **Marie Newton**, Webmaster **Margaret Williams Johnston**, Fund Chair **Virginia Parker Ennis** and Reunion Chair **Lyn Satterthwaite**. Lyn currently has a wonderful committee, and if any of you would like to help, let her know.

Victoria Burgess Stephan continues part-time work at Florida Southwestern State College Foundation, which continues her life's mission and passion for education. She also stays involved with Junior League, Rotary Club and playing the piano.

Mary Jones Underwood is happy to share that daughter Elizabeth will be married in October to Robert Scott, a Navy lieutenant. Their wedding plans changed because of COVID-19 restrictions. Mary enjoys occasional get-togethers with **Ruthie McManus Mansfield** and **Allison Grigsby Spears**.

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Margaret Williams Johnston and Rip have moved from Dalton, Ga., to Rome, Ga. They closed on the sale of their Dalton home at the end of July, and have rented a home in the historic downtown section while their new home is built.

Allyn Fine Linas and Rick have hunkered down in Virginia and are enjoying their spacious farm and many animals. Their children are intensely social distancing. Two grandsons are in Richmond; son Claud graduated from medical school at Morehouse in May 2020 and has begun his ob-gyn residency at Savannah Memorial; daughter Isabel married an Aussie, and the couple has moved to Australia. They have a baby boy due in September, and he may be a toddler when Allyn is able to visit. Allyn appreciates FaceTime!

Beth Wickenberg Ely and Duncan are new grandparents; Penn and Amanda had a boy, James Owen Ely on Jan. 23. They had a socially distanced visit recently. Another baby boy is due January 2021, so Beth is hoping to hold both of them soon.

Beth and Duncan are moving in the fall to a home on Johns Island, S.C., which is near Charleston.

India Culpepper Dennis has retired from full-time pastoral ministry and lives in Greenville, S.C. Ron is also retired, and they long for involvement in the area. College roomie **Mary Louise Brown Forsythe** and Bob have come for dinner; son David is an Arabic linguist; and son Robert will take classes at Greenville Tech in the fall.

Virginia Parker Ennis' daughter Anne-Laura Cook married Meredith McGinnis in February 2020. Her son George works in Logistics and Support Services at University of Alabama. He has made Virginia a grandmother with two daughters, Tinsley, age 4, and Penelope, age 2.

Lou Anne Cassels Rainey has retired from Siemens. Lou Anne and Brad enjoyed living in North Carolina but have moved to Roswell, Ga. They had planned a celebratory trip to Alaska but are deferring it until later.

Margaret Samford Day and John's home was hit by an F-2 tornado on April 25, 2020. A tree went through the end of their home where the master bedroom is. Had it been an hour later, they would have been in bed, but thankfully they were still up. The quarantine period has been spent dealing with contractors and other workers rather than planned projects. Margaret's 93-year-old mother lives in an independent senior apartment two miles from them.

M.A. Bleker's daughter Ella is a junior year transfer to Agnes Scott. Sadly, all classes are virtual this fall and will be a classroom interactive style. Ella is adjusting to the idea, and will take three classes online, share an apartment with a friend, and work at a part-time job.

'76

Please send any news you would like to share to alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

Pam Braswell shares, "My first book, *Rising From Rape, A Memoir of Justice and Survival*, is available on Amazon.com. ASC and alumnae are part of my story."

Brandon Brame Fortune retired in July 2020 from the National Portrait Gallery, where she had been chief curator, and had worked as a curator for 33 years. Brandon hopes, eventually, to travel, and looks forward to spending more time with family and friends, including dear Scottie friends!

After 43 years in Maryland, **Susan Grier** moved back to her hometown of Charlotte this past spring. She hadn't planned to move in the middle of a pandemic, so getting up and running has been slower than anticipated, but she looks forward to connecting with Charlotte alums when social activities are possible again.

'77

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Lynn Wilson McGee asks for prayers for those who serve in the military and their families, including her sons, Capt. Skip McGee USMC, deployed to the Middle East; Capt. Will McGee USMC, Supply/Purchasing, Quantico, Va.; Peter McGee, USN Naval Intelligence, Washington, D.C.; and LTJG Philip McGee, USS Detroit (Littoral Combat Ship), headed out the first week of August. COVID-19 has created all sorts of challenges and restrictions for our military. Lynn and her husband, David, are constantly trying to raise their game in care packages! Our prayers and heartfelt thanks to the McGee family.

Kathy Oates Roos and husband Steve have had a busy summer with both daughters and their families. In July they drove 11 hours to Missouri to camp with daughter Rebecca and her family—midpoint between their respective homes in Atlanta and Denver. Kathy is thrilled to announce the birth of her grandson, Noah Arthur Holtzclaw, born Aug. 3, 2020, to her daughter Deborah and husband Arthur. Kathy and husband Steve quarantined for two weeks before Noah's arrival so they could drive to the D.C. area and be with them for Noah's first week. What a blessing!

The first days of 2020 were busy for travelers **Linda Shearon Wistrand** and husband Harry. They went to Easter Island, spent a few days in Buenos Aires and then traveled down to Patagonia, where they were able to hike to see some of the rapidly diminishing glaciers up close. They sailed around Cape Horn and were fortunate to go ashore there. Only a small percentage of travelers are able to do this, as the winds and ocean currents, more often than not, prohibit it. The last stop on their trip was Iguazu Falls, where they experienced both the Argentinian and Brazilian sides. They arrived home in early February, only a few weeks before the lockdowns. As have many, they have done the requisite cleaning out and catching up on tasks they don't like, read some really good books and taken a lot of walks. Now they are trying to figure

out how to maintain friendships with all the proper social distancing!

Kandace Fitzhugh Carty shared that her youngest son, Andrew Joseph Boyd, married his fiancé, Stephanie Nicole Tucker, on Friday, June 26, 2020. They met as students at High Point University in High Point, N.C., and dated for eight years. Stephanie was very patient! Their original wedding date was April 4, 2020, but plans had to change, and they had an intimate, lovely ceremony at The Retreat in Ball Ground, Ga. They reside in Smyrna, Ga., with their two Shelties, Moki and Ellie. Sadly, Kandace also shared the news that her father passed away in early May with COVID-19. Her mother, who also contracted the virus, is, however, doing amazingly well for a 90-year-old. Her parents were married for 67 years!

Susan Smith Perry retired recently as executive director of the Southeastern Museums Conference. She is looking forward to spending more time with her five grandchildren and on her own artwork. Congratulations, Susan!

'78

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Judy Miller Bohan's son Rankin and his fiancé, Nancy, have postponed their wedding twice. They are not even trying to set a date now. Judy has experienced small losses—40th anniversary cruise and other trips canceled. But a small camper van picked up in San Antonio allowed them to drive to Berkeley to visit son Patrick and his partner V. They brought V. back on the return drive to N.C. so she could nanny her three-month-old niece. It was a fun trip with beautiful hikes almost every day and utilizing curbside pickup for supplies.

Barbara Duncan's COVID-19 routine changed at the end of July when she enjoyed a week's stay at a friend's family mountain home in Waynesville, N.C. Although they spent a lot of time watching the clouds, trees and hummingbirds from the home's deck, they also walked the trail around Lake Junaluska, visited Brevard and drove on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Now it's back to walking, weekly grocery shopping trips, making crafts with her great-nieces, attending Zoom meetings and helping serve meals with her church for the homeless.

Trish Huggins Dale reports learning how to teach third-graders from her computer in March was not easy and not really effective. This fall, the school system in Morehead City, N.C., will begin

with a schedule of half the class on Monday and Tuesday and half on Thursday and Friday. Both her children are back home. Andrew (22) finished college at North Carolina Central University with no ceremony this past spring and is unable to return for his last senior red-shirt year of football, so he is working as a mate on a fishing charter boat and comes home exhausted but with a smile on his face. Michael (25) is two years out of college at Norwich University and is working from home for a software developer.

Sharon Hatcher Anderson has great fun watching her 2-year-old grandson two days a week. Husband Steve works for an Austrian company, spending weeks abroad. He just made it back to Arizona in the nick of time before all the madness started. Helping Sharon feel connected and accepting of the new normal are two online classes—Writers Critique Group and Travel Sketching Watercolor.

Cindy Peters is working from home now and for the foreseeable future as Duke opens for the fall with a combination of in-person, hybrid and online courses. Cindy sees her mom occasionally, but both are masked and they don't touch. Zoom has allowed Cindy to stay in touch with friends and classmates. She reports her 25-step commute working at home makes it hard to leave the computer at the end of her workday.

Theresa Crane is in her 21st year at Duke Energy as a large account manager and storm warrior. LOL. She's worked 73 major storms and assisted other utilities with their respective storms. Theresa finds it unsettling working from home in Florida as hurricane season starts and wonders how power restoration will work in the new world of social distancing. She truly misses her "bucket truck" life. Two years ago April, Theresa received her first grandbaby, Miss Jane Kelley. Both had April birthdays minus the usual celebrations.

With all travel canceled, **Janet Kelley Jobe** is treating COVID-19 time as a sabbatical, creating a basement studio, where she is sculpting again after 40 years.

Over Zoom, **Mimi Holmes** reconnected with Rev. Shariya Molegoda '81, rector at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Madison, Conn. They were roommates Mimi's senior year, when she was president of Walters dorm.

'79

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Evelyn Kirby Jones and husband Casey both exchanged their work hats for their retirement and travel hats on New Year's Eve in 2019. Their travel hats had to be put back on the shelf due to COVID-19, but they are healthy and happy and have turned their energies to long-overdue home projects.

Angela Carter Sprunger and husband Mark returned from West Africa, where they were working with the Mennonite Central Committee as directors for the West and Central Africa Programs for five years. While there, Angela had the opportunity to work with the American College of Nurse Midwifery Global Health unit, updating midwives and family practice doctors. Upon returning, she began working with inner-city women and new refugees from Congo, Nepal and Burma. Angela says this has been a wonderful segue from bush medicine to high-tech U.S. birth. She laughs that she has washed her hands so many times during COVID-19 that the freckles are coming off.

Virginia "Ginny" Lee McMurray is still working as associate VP for development at Hendrix College. She states how challenging it can be to raise money during a pandemic. Son Michael married in January—thankfully before the pandemic—and Eleanor Graham and husband Jay joined the celebration. Daughter Kathleen has moved back to Little Rock and is associate pastor at the same church where Cindy Hodges Burns '77 is on staff. Small world! Ginny is keeping up with her book club, her church Sunday school class and small group, and her Scottie friends via lots of Zoom meetings, which have been a real blessing.

Debby Daniel-Bryant has fully retired after 39 years as director of a church preschool. Not to escape children, she and Bill now have four grandkids and care for two of them three days a week. She and Bill celebrated 40 years of marriage with a fabulous trip to Hawaii. Bill now sports a daily dose of loudly colored floral shirts, and Debby has become quite attached to her grass skirt and bikini top. Dance lessons ensue!

Susan Gledhill Pendergrass and husband Phil added a granddaughter to their family in June. Emily Scott "Scottie" Pendergrass and her parents live only 14 miles away, so there is lots of grandparent time. Susan has been working from home in her role as

paralegal since March. Although she misses her work family, Susan is thrilled not to waste time, oops, spend time, in traffic.

Sadly, **Mari Perez Hobgood** lost her sister, Lulu Perez Lopez, in March, shortly after she was diagnosed with lymphoma. Our sympathies go out to Mari and her family.

'80

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Just as the pandemic began to explode, **Sherri Brown Breunig** and Melinda Tanner White '79 and their husbands (Mike and Peter) met up for a trip to the Duck, N.C., in the Outer Banks. When they left, the airport was busy, and when they returned three days later, it was a ghost town. They were glad they got that last vacation in before having to quarantine.

Cynthia Evans reports that during quarantine she has been able to continue weekly rehearsals/workshops with her improv group via Zoom. She has left Washington, D.C., only one time in five months, and that was to take her son Langley to Cambridge, Mass., for his junior year at Emerson College.

The COVID-19 crisis has called **Carol Wiley** back into editorial work, completing three publications for the Atlanta Civil War Round Table to replace live programs and beginning a newsletter for the Joseph Habersham DAR. She did get to travel to New York City for the first time in years last summer and was moved by Leonardo da Vinci's St. Jerome at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum at Ground Zero. She also got to have some fun family time.

Sally "Sally" Harris dusted off her ICU skills from 27 years ago to help out in Boston during the spring COVID-19 surge. She and Flo have been staying close to home tending their garden, which is enjoying all the attention.

Debbie Boelter Bonner has been spending pandemic time at their condo in Perdido Key, Fla., starting their quarantine by homeschooling their 6-year-old granddaughter for three weeks. Debbie continues to work as a contractor for the company she "retired" from, scheduling her work duties around her tennis matches.

Sarah Hunter is living in Huntington Beach, Calif., with husband Rob and their two Scotties, Rory and Fiona. Sarah reports that

although retired, she is busier than ever with church and politics.

Ann Huffines Neel and her husband, David, have moved permanently to their Montreat, N.C., home in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains (a dream come true!), where they enjoy working from home with a view.

Gwen Spratt informs us that working from home with a 5-year-old has been quite a challenge—lots of energy! With her work at Georgia State, Gwen has been able to facilitate some university-company scientific collaborations directed to identifying and testing potential COVID-19 therapies. Gwen reports that she is very grateful they have been able to escape isolation by meeting up with extended family on their family lake property.

Kathleen "Kathy" Hollywood and her husband, Bruce, traveled to Alaska to visit their son before COVID-19 reared its ugly head. It was a busy time, including experiencing the ceremonial Iditarod start as well as the real Iditarod start in Willow (complete with blizzard conditions), hiking a glacier, fat-tire biking, snowshoeing, dog mushing and visiting the Alaska Sea Life Center in Seward. In April, Kathy's mother was diagnosed with COVID-19 and, sadly, she passed away in early May. A week later, Kathy's first grandchild, Weatherly Indigo Adams, arrived!

Judy Smith Willis and husband Mike still work at Georgia Tech, and retirement is starting to seem less distant. In October, Judy's oldest daughter, French son-in-law, and 2-year-old granddaughter moved to Paris. They had all been hoping 2020 would be a year of family travel and are grateful that the "Frenchie" were able to still get to the United States in August to join the rest of the family for a vacation.

'81

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Leigh Armour Waters and **Lynda Wimberly** got together for dinner in Nashville during the summer. It was a great evening and fun to catch up during COVID-19.

Darby Bryan Craddock and Hood are splitting their time between Tampa and Cashiers during the pandemic. Their daughter, Mabry, lives in

Tuscaloosa and is the events coordinator for the University of Alabama Gymnastics Department for home meets.

Nancy Griffin Paulette and Greg have been living at Lake Rabun along with their new chocolate lab puppy, Hatcher, and their other chocolate lab, Hooch, since March. Their daughter, Caitlin, graduated from Cornell in May with an M.B.A. She and her husband, Spencer, live in NYC working for the NBA and Accenture. Son Sam lives in their Atlanta house and works for Sterling Seacrest Partners.

Kim Lenoir Taylor's youngest daughter, Anne, finished LSU in three years and was accepted to the Pharmacy School at the University of Mississippi this fall.

Laura McCrary Hurban and Bob have been in "quarantine" as they live in Rye, N.Y., which is close to one of the original hot spots. Laura was able to escape to Seabrook for a few weeks of sun and fun and a change of scenery. Her son, Jack, joined her—as well as her daughter, English, and future son-in-law, Thomas. Laura was elected to the Alumnae Board recently! We are so very proud of her and excited to have the class of 1981 represented.

Prior to having to travel for her consulting work canceled by the pandemic, **Lucia Rawls Schoelwer** enjoyed trips to Skopje, North Macedonia, last fall and Bucharest, Romania, in January and February of 2020. Unless things change substantially and international travel is safe and fun again, she likely is retiring for a second time and will focus on her volunteer work, EfM (she's starting year two), and kayaking. She and her husband, Mike, hosted their annual "family week at the beach" for their three daughters and their families in July. After a family Zoom conference, they merged their quarantine bubbles and relished a week of "normal," particularly playing with the grandkids.

Malinda Roberts Hill's daughter, Maggie, graduated from Furman in May 2020 with a double major in psychology and French. She currently lives in Atlanta.

Claudia Stucke and Carl "celebrated" their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 4. They dislike big receptions and large celebrations, and really just wanted to mark the occasion by taking a couple of special trips—springtime in Giverny and in Jane Austen's England, and visits in the early fall to some

ancestral spots in France and Germany. They had the England-France portion all planned out and were ready to make reservations when COVID-19 popped up in Europe. They put their plans on hold, where they still are. Claudia writes these are truly the "problems of privilege" and we have so much to be grateful for that she cannot complain.

We just have more incentive to stay healthy in anticipation of the time that we can once again travel and celebrate yet another year together. Mark your calendars for our 40th reunion in April. Please make plans to attend! Stay tuned for details!

On Aug. 1, **Lisa Merrifield** writes, "in my role as clinical psychologist, I gave a professional workshop as part of the 28th annual conference for the International Society for Neuroregulation and Research, 'Medical Impediments to Successful Neurofeedback.' We had to go virtual this year because of COVID, and I can now say with certainty that three hours of Zoom is a lot of Zoom! Please tell my classmates that I am always happy to talk about neurofeedback or biofeedback if anyone has questions. They can email me directly at psychologies@yahoo.com."

Our class expresses sympathy to **Catherine Craig Threlkeld** on the death of her mother, Marilyn May Craig, on July 17, 2020, in Newport, Ark.; **Pamela Mynatt Moser** on the death of her husband, Floyd Moser Jr., on March 3, 2020, in Dalton, Ga.; **Laura Newsome Pittman** on the death of her father, Dr. James Newsome Jr., on July 16, 2020, in Atlanta, Ga.; and **Malinda Roberts Hill** on the death of her father, Lamar Roberts, on June 6, 2020, in Atlanta, Ga.

'82

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W. Burlette Carter is now professor emerita of law at the George Washington University Law School. Within the past 12 months, she has submitted four briefs in cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. The issues ranged from whether gender identity and sexual orientation are covered under Title VII to the scope of the civil rights statute, 42 USC section 1981, to whether House committees investigating President Trump can obtain his tax records.

Kathy Helgesen Fuller-Seeley is a professor in the Department of Radio-Television-Film at the University of Texas at Austin, and was

awarded a Dads' Association Centennial Teaching Fellowship. This fellowship is awarded to faculty members who are actively engaged in the instruction of freshmen undergraduates, demonstrate excellence in teaching, and make significant contributions to undergraduate education at UT Austin.

'84

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Janet Bundrick Burnley, a human resources executive with Disney in Orlando, was grateful to work from home consistently throughout COVID-19 as Disney's theme parks effectively shut down and then reopened. Husband Rick, a safety auditor, was furloughed for eight weeks. On the family front, son Ben is starting a Ph.D. fellowship in political science and public policy at Georgetown University. In July 2020, he and wife Katie had a successful pandemic relocation from Nashville to Washington, D.C.

Caroline Cooper Wilhelm—given the shutdown of her local chorus in Charlottesville, Va.—joined a virtual “quarantine chorus” based in the UK, attending virtual YouTube rehearsals. She's had a wonderful experience, as the music director brought together 1,500 singers from around the world, even featuring guest living composers conducting their work, and then concluding each “concert” with tea and cake. It was so successful that Caroline plans to join the chorus in person for an “out of quarantine” performance when the pandemic ends.

Lizanne Edwards Stephenson, of Atlanta, enjoys volunteer leadership positions including a board membership with Seedco Inc., a nonprofit that provides support for economic development and employment. She serves on the endowment committee of Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church, is finance chair of Mercy Care, which provides healthcare to underserved populations, and is on the advisory committee of L'Arche Atlanta. On the family side, both Lizanne's daughters—Claire and Katherine—live in Atlanta, as does her grandbaby, Eleanor. Lizanne and her partner, Alan Kendall, spend time paddling, hiking and staying at her cabin in Ellijay, Ga.

Colleen O'Neill Gould has settled into life in Tampa, Fla., and her new job as assistant state attorney for the 13th Judicial District in Tampa.

Alicia Paredes Laramy continues her transition to Palm Springs, Calif., and was thrilled when her daughter Emily, a New York City resident, spent the entire COVID-19 summer in California, where both worked remotely. On a sad note, her family was deeply affected by COVID-19 as she lost her uncle, Omar Paredes Aleman, MD (age 78), on July 17, 2020, in Honduras.

Betsy Shaw Brown is a third-grade teacher in Greenville, S.C., and husband Keith works for Hitachi. Daughter Ashley is enrolled in seminary in Austin, Texas, and Katherine is attending medical school in Greenville.

Cindy Stewart Stauffer, Lt. Col. USAF retired, now a high school counselor, has seen all four children—even those in college—return home to Knoxville, Tenn., for impromptu and thoroughly enjoyable family time.

On Aug. 9, 2020, **Linda Soltis**—joined by former ASC board member Bernie Todd Smith '71—hosted a dinner for two of three local ASC first-year students from western New York State! It was the first time ever for a local cohort of that size. The students were so impressive and enthusiastic despite having a first semester of COVID-19-induced remote learning.

Thanks to the technical skills and enthusiasm of **Fran Ivey Lemmen** and Rachael McConnell Berg, the class of 1984 had three COVID-19 Zoom happy hours, which were wonderful and inclusive as we had 20+ alumnae each session and all shared current life stories.

'85

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Ann Fitzgerald Aichinger went on her lifetime dream trip with her mother, Stella Biddle Fitzgerald '56, to the Galapagos Islands in Ecuador. They flew to Guyaquil and spent two days there seeing an amazingly beautiful city with all kinds of history. They then flew to the islands and had five days exploring six of the islands. Most of their time was spent on Santa Cruz Island, where they went to the Tortoise Park and the Darwin Institute research center, where they saw the nursery areas for the baby turtles. They took several boat trips around the area. Ann snorkeled for about two hours in the beautiful waters, looking at all the amazing sea life. They saw all kinds of animals and birds, including the Galapagos tortoises, Darwin finches, frigate birds, blue-footed boobies, Galapagos penguins,

marine iguanas, lava lizards, Sally Lightfoot crabs (which are bright red) and playful sea lions. They also toured the top of a volcano crater called Los Gemelos, or the Twin Craters, which are massive collapsed lava pits in the highlands of Santa Cruz Island. They learned about the volcanoes and about the vegetation and plant species growing there. It was a fast-paced trip, and they saw a lot and got to eat some wonderful food. Ann is ready to go back and to spend several weeks exploring other islands.

On their return, they spent a few days with Ann's son, his wife and Ann's four grandchildren. During this pandemic, Ann has learned a lot about technology and how to record worship and provide connection for her church family at Central Presbyterian, Bristol, Va. She does record a daily video update, giving helpful tips and reminders about life in this strange time as well as trivia on many different topics. You can see her videos on her Facebook page or at www.CentralPresBristol.org.

On April 18, 2020, 38 Sundance Kids logged in for a virtual REZOOMION. Although not the same as getting together in person, it truly was "the next best thing." What fun we had connecting and getting caught up!

Election results for your new class officers for the next five years are President **Bradie Barr**, Vice President **Jennifer Gazzola Parker**, Secretary Ellen **Grant Walker**, Reunion Chair **Ellen Grant Walker** and Fund Co-Chairs **Donna Connelly Cash** and **Anne Coulling**. Thanks for your confidence in us!

Condolences to **Belinda Yandell** on the death of her mother in February, **Jennifer Gazzola Parker** on the death of her father in March, **Sharon Bennett Linxwiler** on the death of her father in March, **Holly Nelms Winter** on the death of her father in April, **Frances Knight Hartigan** on the death of her father in April and **Jill Whitfill** on the death of her father in August.

'86

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Kimberly Scott Posey's son, Leathan Posey, is headed to Georgetown University this fall to study political economy and French.

Barbara Bell's best pandemic news is that she gained a son-in-law and a granddaughter! Her daughter, Caitlin, and husband Cory welcomed baby Krissy on June 13.

Andrea Morris Kasuya and husband went to Japan in March to serve short-term at a Christian retreat center as facility managers. For 2021 they've been invited to serve as hosts for TEAM Center, a guesthouse and meeting place for people doing ministry located in Mitaka, Tokyo. Their son (29) is working in California for King's Hawaiian Bread Company. Their daughter (25) is working in Atlanta as an actress as well as a virtual assistant for an executive in Philadelphia.

Edie Hsiung Krakowiak is celebrating graduations! Daughter Lacey graduated from Georgia State with a degree in middle school education and is launching her teaching career in Gwinnett County teaching eighth-grade science. Son Van graduated from high school and decided to take a gap year. Andy and Edie are fortunate to be able to continue to work through the pandemic. They also stay busy in their vegetable garden and stay connected with friends and family on Zoom and Facebook.

Sandy Dell Futch and Trey became grandparents in December. Asher Garrett Quick was born on Dec. 4. Sandy says it is absolutely the best!

Laura Smith took a new job with a new company. Starting in May, she is the business planning and optimization lead for the Development Operations team at Ascendis Pharma. Krista is teaching all her voice classes remotely.

Amy Hoskins' Nashville Interfaith Collaboration to End Gun Violence had a successful virtual vigil on June 18: "We Miss You Every Day: A Call to End Gun Violence." The group is developing its mission and goals. Amy and Rob renewed their vows May 2! New last name of Hoskins!

Ruth Feicht reports that one of the good things to come from COVID-19 is that, for a few months, Ruth did some of the grocery shopping for Lynn Frederick Williamson '59, which allowed them to chat outside about once a week. Ruth is also enjoying their new boat, the Lazy Mays!

Pam Tipton shared that her mom, Nona Tipton, died peacefully on March 14. She and two of her siblings were with her mom. This summer, Pam completed nine years of service on the Alumnae Board and four years on the Board of Trustees. Pam said two of her most treasured moments were alumnae celebrations for President Kiss and co-chairing the inauguration celebration for President Zak. Thank you for your service, Pam! Even in times of social distancing, Pam was thrilled to have

Beth Davis '85 and Dee Moore '85 join her for cul-de-sac karaoke on her birthday.

Ginger Berry Verch's mother, Doris Berry '47, died peacefully on May 13 surrounded by her daughters.

We are so proud that classmate **Elizabeth Hardy Noe** has been appointed president-elect for the Board of Trustees! Elizabeth will assume the reins next summer.

Lena Ansley Scoville has weathered the wait for USPS to make her a modified job offer that is much less physical. She still enjoys delivering mail again on a limited basis and other, office-type duties while keeping an ear out for another suitable desk job (without the delivery part), per doctor recommendations. Mail and package delivery during this "Time of COVID" has been interesting, to say the least. She says, "Please keep shopping, everyone, and tell your dogs that we are the good folks out there."

Holly Rogers Markwalter's mother, Helen Claire Smith Rogers '59, died on Feb. 10.

'87

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Pam Callahan Sandlin's son, Jonathan Sandlin, married Annie Campbell in a small ceremony June 6. Although the wedding plans were changed due to the pandemic, it was a lovely ceremony, and they all joined in on Zoom.

Rose Mary Hopton White and Bennett celebrated 32 years of marriage in March. In May, Rose Mary retired as a high school Spanish teacher after 30 years of teaching. Rose Mary earned her E-RYT as a yoga teacher in May, too. It was a big spring!

Sarah Goodwin Rollins and her husband, Tom, are proud to announce their daughter Madeline Rollins Honey graduated from the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine in early May. Dr. Honey will be doing her family medicine residency at the University of South Florida in Tampa. They are also proud to announce that Madeline married Tyler Honey on May 23 in Tampa. The beautiful celebration was a delayed and much scaled-back affair due to COVID-19. They are hoping to have a reception in November.

Natalie Whitten Irwin and her family have downsized with the help of their realtor, **Jennifer**

Spurlin Barnes. They were Jennifer's first listing during the pandemic. The empty nest part has been delayed due to COVID-19, but the move went on regardless. Natalie has moved to a townhouse in downtown Duluth and loves the sound of the train coming through—it reminds her of being at Agnes Scott. Natalie's oldest son, Peter, is a junior at Sewanee: The University of the South, where he studies math. Her youngest son, John, is attending the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Va. Natalie hopes to see any classmates who come to downtown Duluth for the many festivities once they resume.

This spring **Kathy McKee** started a new professional role with the Center for Arts, Migration, and Entrepreneurship with the College of the Arts at the University of Florida.

'88

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Before COVID-19 stopped all international travel, **Julie McConnell** traveled three times to Malta to consult with the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law. In that role, she helped train attorneys and judges from Asia, Africa, Europe, the Middle East and Serbia on best practices in juvenile terrorism cases. In January, she had the privilege of working with, among others, three attorneys from Burkina Faso, where she traveled as a Scottie with **Camille Burton Mentzer** in 1987. In the meantime, she is helping organize a project to provide pro bono representation to Black Lives Matter protesters in Richmond, Va., and preparing to remotely teach her fall classes at the University of Richmond School of Law.

Donna Beck Blanton and husband celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with an unforgettable trip to Nice in February. They loved creating many special memories with longtime French friends Cécile and Jean-Paul Begin. (Donna and Cécile met in 1986 during Donna's junior year abroad in Paris.) Vive la France et les amitiés franco-américaines! Donna is greatly enjoying utilizing her UGA Global TESOL Certification in teaching ESL to immigrants and refugees. Since July 2019, she's also been taking conversational Arabic lessons with the Alif Institute, Atlanta's Arab cultural center. Hubs Robbie is still "talkin' trash" after 13+ years as SVP at Oasis Consulting Services in Solid Waste Engineering and Management in Roswell. Donna affectionately refers to him as her Vélo-Boy for his avid love of century cycling events and mountain biking. Donna and Robbie's daughters, Hannah and

Sylvie, are excited to be high school seniors at last at Norcross HS in Gwinnett County (albeit with digital learning only, thanks to COVID-19). As for college plans, Hannah hopes to study nursing and Chinese at Emory, and Sylvie hopes to study chemical engineering at Georgia Tech. Both girls are 4.0+ IB students at NHS, and they're busy working on those college and scholarship apps.

Dawn Bennett Baker reports that their youngest son, William, graduated from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, with a master's in psychological research in November 2019. Dawn, Scott and their oldest son, Bennett, along with Scott's mom, attended the graduation and spent a week in London beforehand and almost a week in Scotland. William has since found a job in Atlanta and is living in his own apartment. Bennett is currently living with Dawn and Scott and working with a computer game design company doing their artwork for an upcoming video game. Dawn trained with Team in Training for a full Ironman Triathlon (2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run) that was supposed to happen in Santa Rosa, Calif., on June 25 of this year but with cancellations because of COVID-19 has been pushed to October 2021 in Sacramento. Dawn continues to train to keep her baseline. She is hoping she will be able to do a Half Ironman Chattanooga next year in May. Scott is her awesome ride buddy and support person and hopes to do even more cycling and running once he retires from Coca-Cola (30+ years!) in two or three years.

◀ 48 **Susan Martz Hutchinson** is enjoying the new title of grandmother and getting to spend time with the new grandson, who has brought such delight and joy into the family. The Hutchinsons just completed a vacation trip to the Montana/Flathead Lake/Glacier National Park area and fell in love with the drier, cooler air and nature/wildlife in that area of the country.

'89

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Some of our classmates have been very busy throughout our strange 2020. **Allison Adams** presented a national webinar on tenure and promotion, launched her fabulous Etsy "Tweedies shop," added the Schuyler chicks to her urban farm, and indulged in various gardening feats and an even more impressive hula hobby complementing her yoga head-standing hobby. **Rebecca Bradley Fretty** shares synergistic feats, including her new Farm-

to-Needle blog, Pink Imperfection, which helps needle art consumers link with local fiber farms, boutiques and pattern designers.

Some of our classmates have relocated in beautiful ways. **Angela Snedden Studer** has moved with her husband from Gallup, N.M., to Summit, Miss., into a farm about 90 minutes from New Orleans that will be populated with chickens, bees, a garden and livestock. She's continuing with her retirement vocations of painting and life coaching, and hopes classmates will visit. **Suzanne Pesterfield** has moved from Candler Park to a mountain home she designed in Blue Ridge, Ga. Her activities have included turkey hunting, fly fishing, hiking and the documentation of a Native American cemetery nearby. Speaking of fly fishing, **Eleanor Dill Russo** and her husband bought a place in Highlands, N.C., and it has been the best place to quarantine! Already **Ebie Blizard Camelo**, **Lisa Slappey** and **Sally Mairs Dugan** have been for separate visits! Everyone enjoyed hikes with Eleanor's new dog, Finley. Eleanor is also enjoying mountain biking and fly fishing.

Along with many NYC residents, **Jill Jordan** has relocated with her husband to their second home on the Jersey shore. Her "Master Gardener" self enjoyed time in her yard, and also stayed busy with baking, dog walks, virtual church, Pilates, continuing education and time with friends. As New York comes back to life, real estate is busy and sidewalk cafes are adding a new charm to the streets.

Dolly Purvis has enjoyed a transition to the communications department at the Professional Association of Georgia Educators, where **Mary Ruth Oliver Ray** works as well (in a different department).

Tara Sipes Lynch continues to work on the front lines in community mental health as a psychiatric nurse practitioner, and is continuing her work on her doctorate (DNP).

Mandy Roberts Fisher and her husband, Britt, have ventured into the world of Airbnb hosting, and they've been juggling Wheeler's 10th grade being virtual, Britt working as an essential worker through COVID-19, and Mandy finally returning to work after a furlough.

Mary "Tina" Carr is now an expert of all Marvel movies with 14-year-old Charlie's help, and she and husband John laid a brick patio that will be wonderful for parties when we can have them again.

Heidi Staven Carpenter's daughter Joy graduated from the Dekalb School of the Arts this spring and is now a virtual Oglethorpe student. She has found an online home for puppetry and participated in a virtual puppet SLAM.

Mini Abraham Panikar enjoyed the COVID-19 gift of her daughter Meera living at home for an unexpected while, and they welcomed their mini labradoodle, Lola, to the family, and celebrated Mini and Jacob's 30th anniversary as well. Work as a physician has definitely been a challenge, as Mini either meets her clients via telehealth or gears up for safe in-person encounters.

Nela Nanayakkara De Soysa has been grieving the loss of her dear mother. She is happy to have her daughter Naomi home from Malaysia to continue college virtually. Nela is planning to take a registered behavior therapist course in October, and reports that mask-wearing and social distancing are enforced very well in Sri Lanka.

'90

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Katie Pattillo Fisher writes, "I'm beginning my 12th year as the assistant provost and dean of student life at Lenoir-Rhyne University (18th year overall at LRU). There will be many new challenges as well as uncharted territory this fall with COVID-19 still in the picture. Our family was hit with COVID-19 in July, but we were fortunate enough to all recover. Both our sons will continue their education this fall at LR. William is a senior music education major and Samuel is a sophomore management major. Our daughter, Gracie, will be a sophomore in high school. With much luck and a hopeful discovery of an immunization for COVID-19, I hope to visit with many of my 1990 classmates in January since we missed our 30th class reunion.

Claire West Jones' daughter, Shelby Jones, finished her senior year at Pope High School in Marietta, Ga. She applied to both Agnes Scott and Oglethorpe University, and was admitted to both, but ultimately chose Oglethorpe, where she will begin in September. Claire was happy that Shelby considered ASC and enjoyed the campus visits in 2019, but she is thrilled that Shelby made an independent and thoughtful decision about where she felt most comfortable!

Claire sold her house in January 2020 and moved

to a property she is renting, a little over five miles from the old house. She intends to stay in the Pope school district until her son, Dalton, completes the three years he has left in high school.

Claire took a business trip to Vilnius, Lithuania, in February 2020, and on his return home on Feb. 29, experienced the very beginning of the pandemic, as people were traveling in masks as the virus made its way from one part of the world to the other. It was a surreal time, but nothing compared to what the month of March brought!

Claire's brother Andrew is retiring from the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve in August after 20 years. She and her boyfriend, Eric Palefsky, along with the kids and her parents, will plan to attend the ceremony in Chattanooga, Tenn. She is very proud of Andrew's service to his country.

'91

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Stephanie Wallace and Annmarie Anderson visited Italy in late January. They toured Rome and Florence, took private tours of the Vatican, the Uffizi and Michelangelo's David. They both had a wonderful time despite making a small detour by getting on the wrong train (an admitted Stephanie gaff) and adding two hours to their journey back to Rome. It clearly did not dispel any of the joy of the trip because they both submitted news about what a great time they had. They both also mentioned how good the gelato was—Annmarie mentioned it twice—so it must have been really good. A month after their amazing trip, Stephanie moved to Athens, Ga., where she hasn't really gotten to know the town since everything has been mostly closed since then.

Suzanne Sturdivant has been marveling at the small pleasures that surprise you in a time of isolation and quarantine. She inadvertently bumped into **Allison Burroughs** walking the dogs. She got to watch her son learn to ride a bike, ride a horse, hike a hard trail and hit a tennis ball. She even learned to make biscuits from an Alabama lady Michelle Irvin recommended. Professionally, she hit a milestone when her company, Warner Media Entertainment, launched HBO Max in May. She leads the legal team that clears intellectual property rights for all the content on the service (including the family-favorite Harry Potter

movies). She has been working remotely from her home office, collaborating with new colleagues in L.A. She encourages everyone to try and find joy where you can.

We are missing lots of email addresses of class members. If you are not getting notices about class news from me it is because I don't have your updated email. Please send it to me, and send in your news. Wonderful memories come to mind when I see your names, and I know others feel the same way—keep us updated! We want to know!

'93

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Members of the class of 1993 have enjoyed reconnecting over Zoom gatherings over the past few months and hope to continue to connect in this format throughout the year. They have had at least five “virtual happy hours,” including one on May 15 to celebrate their graduation date. They have supported each other through these very difficult months, sharing personal anecdotes and pandemic struggles, but also many laughs.

Mary Curtis “MC” Lanford Pizzano has found a silver lining from this whole pandemic; it was having her two boys at home this summer, which was unplanned. The youngest, a high school senior, was finally able to walk across the stage and officially graduate at the end of July. He will be off to Auburn in August while the older one will return to Middlebury College in Vermont for his first fall without football since he was 6 years old! To keep herself occupied, MC will be the moderator of the Presbyterian Women's group at her church this year, which will be very different during this unusual time.

Tonya Grieco and her family have recently moved back to the Sunshine State. They also recently spent some time with Tonya's ASC roommate, Robin Lane Lamb '94, and her family while they were in Florida recently.

Meredith Jolly recently remodeled her (now very fabulous) kitchen in her Montana home and has started a Facebook cooking group called Mere Mere's Cooking Catastrophes.

Teresa Tidwell, an RTC student, is pleased to announce that her daughter, Joy, will be part of the freshman class of 2024. She is disappointed to not be moving onto campus this fall. They're hoping that students can return to campus in the spring.

Alexandra Wack is proud to announce that her son, Spencer, is starting his freshman year at Chatham University in Pittsburgh. He is on the soccer team, though they are not sure when there will be a soccer season (which is understandable during a pandemic).

Patricia Wooldridge and **Deborah Watters Adams** went to see the Indigo Girls with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra! They had so much fun watching such an impressive combination! The concert took place at the Meyerson Symphony Center.

'96

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Karin Ford Marsh has not submitted anything to the newsletter in a while, so she thought it was about time. A little over four years ago, her husband, Lee, retired from the Navy. After living in 13 houses and six states, she found it was wonderful to come back home to Tallahassee, Fla. Their permanent location has allowed Karin to get back into her field of early and special education. The past three years, she has enjoyed tutoring children with autism and leading a ministry group for young adults with special needs. Last year, she began doing research at Florida State University in the areas of literacy and learning disabilities. She has accepted a full-time position as an early education teacher and special education teacher at her church's preschool. She is also involved in developing their scholarship program. She wishes all her classmates well and hopes they are staying healthy and safe!

Tish King married Bob Schuit on Nov. 9, 2019, at Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club in Oxnard, Calif. Tish arrived by boat to walk down the aisle. Tish's dad, Judge Durwood King, not only walked Tish down the aisle but also performed the ceremony.

'97

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Keri Randolph graduated with her doctorate in education leadership in May from Harvard. Her partner, Brian, and 8-year-old son, Sam, were her biggest supporters, moving with her from Chattanooga to Cambridge to New Orleans in just three years. The last year of her program was a residency at Tulane. In June 2020, she started a new job serving on the leadership team of Metro Nashville Public Schools. Keri looks forward to

reconnecting with classmates in the Nashville area.

'98

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Sharon Bowen is entering her second year of Ph.D. studies at Antioch University New England. Her research focus is soundscape ecology and zoo ecosystems.

Christina Doner Murray married in 2009. She missed the last two reunions due to having her second and third children, a boy and a girl. She is grateful to be starting her 18th year as a special education teacher in Georgia. Thankfully they are virtual until further notice. Her liberal arts background is helping her feel confident teaching five subjects. She has had a very busy year, as in December 2019, her mom's home burned (total loss), and she took on being impromptu contractor for her home replacement. (She tried to take the easy route—modular home. Did you know they can have nine-foot ceilings and crown molding throughout?) She hopes it is finished next month!

Cynthia Audain, Erica Stiff-Coopwood and Shymeka Hunter-Crigler were very much looking forward to their annual girls' trip. This was to be girls' trip number 10. Fabulous plans were in the works until the COVID-19 pandemic changed things, to say the least. After nine years of trips to four American cities (including a repeat trip to Key West) and four Caribbean islands, the trio ended up (temporarily) taking this year's trip virtual. They have held a series of long, fun and much-needed videoconferences, one of which included their annual book club meeting. This year's book was *The Water Dancer* by Ta-Nehisi Coates. Breaking from tradition, they even allowed children and significant others to make an appearance on this virtual girls' trip. The ladies are looking forward to taking their real trip when the pandemic ends.

Mandy Ptacek Biebel is in her fourth year of being a preschool teacher for four-year-olds, and she loves it to pieces! Her husband retired in April of this year from the Air Force after 25 years of service. They live in Yorktown, Va., and have made it their permanent home as they raise their three children, ages 15, 14 and 11.

Dinah Conti's pediatrics practice in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is going very well. Her family has not contracted COVID-19 yet, despite her work on the

front lines of the pandemic. After four and a half years in Iowa, she and her family still believe it's the best place to live! They survived the derecho storm in August 2020, the first of its kind in Iowa. She had never heard of a derecho before, and she hopes she never sees another one. Their home has been easy to repair, which is a blessing. Dinah and her husband, AJ Huff, celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary this May. Their daughter, Rose, is 14 years old now and entering ninth grade. Rose is surviving the COVID-19 quarantine, despite not having seen her friends in person since March 15, 2020. Dinah loved catching up with old friends at virtual happy hour this summer and can't wait until the next one!

Colleen Quinn Surette's family is navigating the challenge of virtual learning, network bandwidth and the Tetris game of fitting five people and technical accoutrements into a postage stamp-size home! Every room in the house hosts virtual learning or work. Her kids are thoroughly enjoying online learning and her husband adores the commute, although the kitchen-to-bathroom rush hour has its moments. Colleen, a veteran online high school teacher, misses the quiet of being home alone, but is extremely grateful her family has the opportunity to stay safer.

Keep up the social distancing, Wonder Women!

Tracy Oliver-Gary is a new member of the Alumnae Board — congratulations from the class of 1998!

'99

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What an unsettling time we are all experiencing these days. I find myself at a bit of a loss as I draft our update. We use this space to connect, generally sharing our most joyful or triumphant stories. And now we find ourselves in a time when—more than ever—simply making it through each day is its own enormous triumph. I hope that each of you finds some joy each day among the challenges, that you are supported by your community and that you feel empowered to reach out to your Scottie sibs for connection as often desired. My wishes for you this autumn are that your Internet be reliable, your healthcare remain accessible, your vote be counted, your life be full of love and you feel proud of every victory (no matter how small). Best, Amelia

Annie Chanpong Kuo's husband of 16 years, Victor Kuo (Pomona '92, Columbia, Stanford), died June 18 from complications of a heart attack and stroke at age 49. Their daughter, Vivian, is 8. Victor, a former teacher and servant leader in the social impact sector, died in Annie's arms after a week in the ICU. Annie and Viv have been learning to grieve in the environment of the pandemic. They hosted over 600 attendees at a Zoom memorial and Annie, recognizing that she heals through storytelling, is writing, making videos about Victor, and gathering footage for a short film about grieving during COVID-19. She hopes the film will play at a future Seattle Asian American Film Festival, where she volunteers as public relations director. "I welcome any other widows in the Agnes Scott community to reach out to me at anchankuo@zohomail.com. xo"

After a decade in the Pacific Northwest, **Jennifer Jacob** still misses cicadas and warm summer nights. But she's embraced Seattle coffee, Subarus and woolen accessories. Her family loves exploring the outdoors, and this year they are extra thankful for the majestic nature surrounding them up there, which provides a lot of soul food during this crazy time. Jennifer and husband John are experimenting with the best ways to bring 1-year-old Luke and 3-year-old Anna up mountains. Those two help ground their parents in the moment and give them lots to laugh about. After 12 years as a pediatric emergency medicine physician in a big healthcare system, Jennifer transitioned to primary care pediatrics in a small community clinic. This has been a wonderful change, as she loves getting to know the diverse families of South Seattle—and no more night shifts, too! Cheers to all the Green Berets, and peace during this time.

The pandemic may slow down a lot, but it can't slow **Birgitta Johnson**. In June, she curated a playlist for the Columbia Museum of Art to accompany its new exhibit of photographer Kwame Brathwaite's work, *Black Is Beautiful*. The playlist can be accessed at <https://www.columbiamuseum.org/view/black-beautiful-photography-kwame-brathwaite#layer-wysiwyg-1344>. Also, in June, Birgitta was interviewed with other scholars, musicians and activists for WFUV's Juneteenth celebration, part of the New York station's "A Little Bit Louder Now," which can be heard at <https://wfuv.org/content/little-bit-louder-now>. In July, Birgitta was appointed interim associate dean of diversity, equity, and inclusion for the School of Music at the University of South Carolina and joined the Board for the Society of American Music, and she presented a research paper at

the SAM Virtual Conference. And in August, she joined a panel on choral music education, ideas for implementing policies of inclusion and equity, and practical steps toward enacting true, effective diversity in our music making and in the classroom. Video of the panel can be viewed at <https://www.facebook.com/GIAMUSIC/videos/327032911671397/>.

'00

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Kira Barden was recognized in July as the first "People of PepsiCo (POP)." People of PepsiCo is an associate-focused program that explores the incredible ways PepsiCo employees create more smiles each and every day. Kira was honored for her leadership in EQUAL, the LGBTQ+ employee resource group at PepsiCo, and for being one of the employees who pushed the company to create a Pride-themed PepsiCo logo four years ago. In addition, Kira was re-elected as vice president of the Board of Directors at The LOFT, LGBT Community Services Center in White Plains, N.Y., where she has served in various volunteer leadership roles for 14 years now.

Carolyn Stover Harvey earned a Master of Arts in writing and digital communication from Agnes Scott this past May. Although there was no actual graduation, she celebrated at home and watched the commencement program on Facebook Live. Carolyn was in good company, as **Courtney Massey Perrin** and **Crystal Renee Perry** also graduated from the same program. Carolyn was thrilled to be part of the first class in this program in her 20th reunion year.

Saycon Sengbloh will co-star in the upcoming biopic honoring music icon Aretha Franklin, *Respect*. The movie is scheduled to premiere Jan. 15, 2021. Saycon will portray Aretha Franklin's sister, Erma, as part of a star-studded cast featuring Oscar winners Jennifer Hudson and Forest Whitaker and Tony winners Audra McDonald and Heather Headley.

'01

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Adrienne Manasco was transferred in May 2019 to the Pacific Northwest to fill a newly established embedded mental health billet in support of ships in home port at Naval Station Everett, Wash. In October 2019 she was promoted to lieutenant

commander. In May, Adrienne and her husband, Phillip, welcomed a son, Ranier. Their daughter Pearl is thrilled to be a big sister!

'03

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Sarah Gillooly is still based in Washington, D.C., and began attending seminary as part of a long-term path toward becoming a Quaker chaplain. If you noticed an unusual noise in June 2019, it was God laughing when she heard that news.

Gretchen Buckalew celebrated 15 years with Georgia Power this year and was promoted to its Online Department in 2018, where she is now an online representative. She will be having shoulder replacement surgery, but otherwise, she, her husband, and their two cats and two dogs are healthy, happy and living life!

In September 2019, **Charlee Bennett**, Ph.D., was promoted to primary examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) after a rigorous two-year program. Her new role entails having full signatory authority in the examination of patent applications in the semiconductor technologies field. Additionally, in October 2019, she received the Department of Commerce Bronze Medal Award, which is awarded to less than 4 percent of the federal agency, for five consecutive years of superior service and contributions to the federal government. Her father, Mr. Joseph C. Callender, passed away in December 2018, but she was honored to be able to help provide care during his last six months of life, along with her family. She and her dear husband, Andrew, will celebrate 16 years of marriage this winter.

Chanika R. Perry graduated from Georgia State this spring with her Ed.D. in educational leadership, rounding out five degrees from four institutions. Needless to say, she is done-done.

Melissa Blazek married Adam Pearson on July 25, 2020, in Chattanooga, Tenn. **Lori Johnson** and **Melanie Davis** attended. Melissa lives in her hometown of Chattanooga and works for BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee in Information Solutions.

'04

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Courtney Dredde Carter was elected to the 2020 Board of Directors for the Association of Lay Firm Diversity Professionals, a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

Emily Bielawski Buckley has started her own horticultural consulting business, Buckley Gardens LLC, and showcases her latest gardens and designs on her website at Buckleygardens.com. Her daughters, Miranda (7) and Frances (4), often request Agnes Scott stories. During this outstandingly strange pandemic, she's reading autobiographies, walking to the park, and camping in Colorado and Wyoming.

Martha Dawsey, her husband, Erich, and their two children recently moved from Tucson, Ariz., to Lafayette, Colo., where they've happily purchased a new home and started new jobs at Ball Aerospace.

Martha Gaston moved to the Charleston, S.C., area in April and does not recommend moving long distance during a pandemic if you can help it. She is looking forward to being able to really explore her new area (and the restaurants) sometime in the future but has enjoyed some evenings at the beach in the meantime.

Sarah Simmons was named Teacher of the Year at Nowlin Middle School in Independence, Mo. This marks Sarah's 12th year teaching middle school social studies.

Amy Zvonar and family moved to Auburn, Ala., in 2020. She is currently working as an adjunct in the Department of Curriculum and Teaching at Auburn University and teaching science and nature-based classes for children in virtual school at the local nature preserve. Amy and her daughters are getting to know their backyard really well during this pandemic!

'05

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Amanda Compton moved to Austin, Texas, after purchasing a beautiful new home in the Steiner Ranch neighborhood.

Frances Nguyen Ha started a new job working in fair housing investigations and enforcement at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in San Francisco, Calif. She and her husband also bought their first home in the San Francisco Bay area. On May 22, 2020, in the midst of the pandemic, she gave birth to her second child, Thomas Vu Ha.

Ashley French got “quaran-gaged” to her fiancé, Mike Schnider, on April 18, 2020. They plan to marry in 2021.

Katie Rubesch Owenby discovered a hidden talent for abstract painting while staying at home during COVID-19. She started in early July and has already sold three paintings, including one to Angie Macon of the Decatur Arts Alliance, who commissioned a painting for her house.

Kenyetta Henderson York (aka author Kenni York) released her first major film on Amazon Prime on July 30, 2020. The *Secrets That Bind* was written and produced by Kenni and filmed exclusively in the metro Atlanta/Decatur area. The production provided opportunities for aspiring Atlanta-area talents including actors, musicians and crew members.

Michelle Berg Tyson married Daniel Tyson on Sept. 21, 2019, in Marietta, Ga. Darcy Shores '00 was maid of honor, and **Lucy Dodd Roth** and Anla Gisclair Etheridge '03 attended as guests. Michelle also started a new job as a chatbot research associate with the Division of Student Success at Georgia State University in February, after pivoting to research from working in career services for six years.

Malathia Mobley welcomed her son, Godric Hodges, on March 27, 2020, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic in Queens, N.Y.

Charlisa Daniels achieved tenure and has been promoted to associate professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Northern Kentucky University.

'06

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On June 26, **Amy Herring** married Natalie Hanson in Washington, D.C., COVID-style. Post-elopement festivities included cake with Lauren Butler '05 and Alice Li '05.

Dr. Mollie Barnes was tenured and promoted to associate professor at the University of South Carolina Beaufort, where she teaches 19th-century U.S. literature.

Laura Richardson Brownlee, her husband, John, and their son, John James, welcomed a daughter, Greer Saoirse Brownlee, to their family on Nov. 19, 2019. In March, they moved from Richmond, Va., to Denver, Colo., where Laura serves as the Title IX/nondiscrimination coordinator for Adams 12 Five Star Schools.

Cailin Copan-Kelly and husband Daniel Scallet welcomed Delphine Heather Scallet on April 28. She was 19 inches long and 6 pounds exactly. Amanda Harris is her godmother.

'07

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Laurel Graefe was named as one of the 2020 Women of Influence by the Nashville Business Journal in the category of top executive. The award recognizes women “having a positive impact on their community [and] making tomorrow’s history today.”

Kristin Hall began earning her master’s degree in library and information science at San José State University in spring 2020. She also served as chair on the young adult fiction review committee for the California Independent Bookseller Association’s 2020 Golden Poppy Awards.

Bailey Chanel Jeremie started a new position and a new business. She serves as the director of learning and development at CASES (Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services) in New York, N.Y., where she teaches the importance of racial equity and effectively serving the community. In addition to obtaining her new position, Bailey recently co-founded Black Wellness Initiative, a Wellness Brand with a quarterly self-care subscription box.

Casey McIntyre was diagnosed with Stage 3C ovarian cancer in October 2019. Now, after surgery and seven months of chemotherapy, she is cancer-free and looking forward to hugging every class of 2007 member she sees at the 15-year reunion in 2022!

Spring Walker and husband Adam O'Donnell relocated to Atlanta, to the Lake Claire area, after 12 years in San Francisco. Spring celebrated her ninth year at Capital Group with a new role as project manager in the Enterprise Project Management Office, working on enterprise change projects.

'08

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Elizabeth "Liz" Hartnett Santamaria and her husband, Jason, welcomed their first daughter, Clare Morgan Santamaria, on April 24, 2020, in Atlanta. Our future Scottie of the class of 2042!

Lauren Yeager Turner married Troydawn Turner on Dec. 31, 2019. Together they have a 19-year-old daughter and a 14-year-old son.

Chevonne Golden Sajous and her husband, Jean Sajous, celebrate the first birthday of their youngest child of six and 10 years of marriage this year! Sajous family growing strong!

Emily Lake Hansen's first full-length poetry collection, *Home and Other Duty Stations*, was published in April 2020 by Kelsay Books. She is currently at work on a second manuscript and entering her second year of the English/Creative Writing Ph.D. program at Georgia State University.

In 2019, pre-COVID-19, members of the class of 2008 traveled to Berlin, Germany, for a biennial friends journey. Calling themselves the Traveling Lunas, the group for the 2019 trip included **Kimberly Crews**, Ga.; **Carmella Manns**, N.Y.; **Judith Pierce**, Calif.; **Julia Wilkinson Reyes**, Colo.; and **Sydney Rucker**, Ind.

Emilie Jones completed her Big Apple Teaching Award fellowship in June, during which she served on NYC DOE Chancellor Carranza's advisory board. In August, she joined the founding board of NY PRISM, a Teach For America organization supporting LGBTQ+ educators and students.

Sydney Rucker celebrated the completion of her coursework and graduation on May 9 with members of the Agnes Scott class of 2008, who gathered via Zoom to celebrate. She is obtaining

her doctorate in education at Indiana University. The call included **Carmella Manns**, N.Y.; **Lauren Dukes**, Va.; **Timinika Rucker**, Mo.; **Judith Pierce**, Calif.; **Adria Toliver**, Dubai, UAE; **Kimberly Crews**, Ga.; **Melissa Tolley Nink**, N.C.; **Briana Cox**, Ill.; **Heather Rankins**, La.; and **Julia Wilkinson Reyes**, Colo.

Adrienne Zingrich and her husband, Jango, welcomed their first child, Zeno Janos Zingrich, on May 13, 2020. A happy, healthy baby boy!

Lyndsey McAdams recently accepted a position as the founding theater teacher of the brand-new P.S. 939—the Sunset School of Cultural Learning in Sunset Park, Brooklyn. In this position, she will help build the elementary school curriculum and programming from the ground up. She looks forward to helping families and children feel safe, welcome, included and at home during these challenging times.

Evan Joslin and her husband, Shawn, are enjoying all the amazing memories they are making with their 1-year-old daughter, Stevie. They cannot wait to bring her to campus so she can see her future home as a Scottie!

Melissa Foiles is proud to announce that she was recently elected as the chair-elect of the U.S. Council for the Professional Background Screeners Association. Along with her role as the chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Board with the PBSA, Melissa continues to foster awareness and growth within her professional industry.

'09

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Despite the uncertainty and anxiety during this pandemic, the class of 2009 still had plenty of good news to share.

Scotties with backyard chickens now have a preferred vet to flock to: **Judith LaBounty** is now a boarded specialist in poultry veterinary medicine, after completing all requirements to become a diplomate of the American College of Poultry Veterinarians in August 2019. She previously graduated from veterinary school at Oklahoma State University in 2014, and then she completed a Master of Avian Health and Medicine from the University of Georgia in Athens, Ga., in May 2019, all while working as a poultry veterinarian. We're all very egg-cited for her!

Leticia Urieta's first book of mixed-genre poetry and prose, *Las Criaturas*, is coming out in 2020 from FlowerSong Press.

Coronavirus certainly didn't stop **Pauline Worusski** from marrying Sebastian Downs in New Hope, Penn., on May 3, 2020. Only about 10 people were physically in attendance, but thanks to the Internet and Zoom, 120 representatives in nine time zones were able to watch her say "I do." The bride and groom wore decorated masks on the day. Fun fact: Sebastian's aunt, Carol Kobayashi, worked at Agnes Scott for several decades!

Tiffany Claiborne (your apparently fearless class secretary) and husband Diego Martinez moved from Quincy, Mass., to San Jose, Calif., in July 2020. By car. With their cat, Honey Bunches of Oats. During a pandemic. While they will very much miss Massachusetts and Class President Rachel Wacks and their weekly taco nights (before quarantine hit, anyway), the tacos in California are obviously much better and they do have a spare room (hint). The 3,200-plus-mile trip included a stop at the Salt Lake City home of Annalise Ford '11 for a much-appreciated home-cooked meal. Tiffany joined Intrado Digital Media as a client services delivery analyst in May 2020 and now works with a team spanning continents to deliver news and insights to a growing portfolio of clients. With the move, she has officially transferred to the San Francisco location of her company and is seeking Bay Area Scotties for dinners and camaraderie.

Births:

Imani Irving-Perez welcomed home baby Asahd in May 2020. At birth, he weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces. Asahd's loving parents, Nile and Imani, and awesome big brothers, Chinua (10) and Kosan (6), are spending plenty of time with the newest family member.

Lauren Beacham Grant and her husband welcomed twins Cooper Wesley and Eleanor "Ellie" Renee on Feb. 12, 2020. They both love music and keeping their mom and dad from sleeping.

Hannah Peters and wife Eileen Lorenz welcomed Lionel August Peters-Lorenz earth-side to the tune of our Queen Britney's "Stronger" on May 12, 2020, in Annapolis, Md. Apropos. Lionel has stayed above the 90th percentile in size, earning the nickname "Chonk."

'10

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Sarah Kielborn married Christopher Rock on July 4. They met while Sarah was a first-year student at Agnes Scott College in spring 2007.

Savannah Parison started a new job as the student affairs manager at the College of Creative Studies at UC Santa Barbara. This unique college within a larger university fosters undergraduate research in eight different majors and, happily, reminds her very much of Agnes Scott College.

Renu Urvashi Sagreiya started a new position as a reference librarian at Western State College of Law in sunny Orange County, Calif. She was accepted to a Master of Library and Information Science graduate program at Rutgers University, for which she was awarded the American Association of Law Libraries' George A. Strait Minority Scholarship.

Kulthum-Nishaat Patel is currently a second-year internal medicine resident at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Ill.

Catalina Ford gave birth to her second child, Calvin Felix Ford, on Feb. 6.

'11

Sarah Bowen Hersh
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Samantha Tanner Allen won the 2019 Tony Hillerman Prize for best debut mystery novel set in the Southwest. Her novel, *Pay Dirt Road*, will be published by Minotaur/St. Martin's Press in early 2022.

In January 2020, **Skye Conners** was promoted to section curator at Save the Chimps in Fort Pierce, Fla.

Lintonia Davis has been living in Costa Rica for over three and a half years with her mother. She works at a local company in administration and was recently asked to do some voice acting for English learners!

Brittany Bromfield Diaz, who got married to Marvin Diaz in 2016, graduated from Atlanta's John Marshall Law School with her Juris Doctor

degree and Certificate in Civil Mediation. She also published a book, *Only Diaz: Freedom to Live, Freedom to Love*, in 2020 and founded two startups, LingoQualifier App, which helps verify language proficiency for jobs, and Cultural Equity Consulting, an intercultural sensitivity training firm. Her book is available on Amazon.com, and her startups are on Facebook.

On May 24, 2020, **Sarah Bowen Hersh** tied the knot after six years with Eric Hersh. The couple celebrated their wedding “COVID-style” at their tiny house on a farm in Snohomish, Wash., with two witnesses, their two cats and an officiant present, plus a livestream of guests from all over the world, including Germany, Slovenia, Ireland and Singapore! Sarah and Eric hope to have a sequel wedding at their original venue in Asheville, N.C., at a later date, once it is safe to do so.

Lucia Hulsether finished her doctoral work at Yale University and began a job as assistant professor of religious studies at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. This makes three ASC alumnae on the Skidmore faculty: Margaret “Maggie” Greaves ’08 is in the English Department, and Nancy Thebaut ’08 is in Art History.

Chan Jin started an online master’s program in public health biology from Johns Hopkins in fall 2020, while also working full time in HIV surveillance at the CDC.

Mary-Kate Laird married Savannah Anderson on Oct. 13, 2019, at Barnsley Gardens in Adairsville, Ga. Shannon McKnight ’08, **Natalie Stadnick-Uhl**, Leila Chreiteh ’17 and Sarah Bowen Hersh were in attendance.

Jillian Morn accepted a new position as a research scientist in the Office of Educational Assessment at the University of Washington in November. She and her husband (along with their two dogs, Josie and Nora) relocated from Atlanta to Seattle in October 2019.

Lauren Welch O’Connor and her husband, Patrick, are happily residing in Decatur, Ga. Lauren continues to work as an archaeologist in Midtown, and she is thrilled to see Sarah Batchelor on a regular basis, as they live only 10 minutes apart!

Britni “Kris” Phelps started a new job as the country director for War Child in Iraq in March 2020.

Elizabeth “Lizzie” Naddra-Palleson and Xander Naddra-Palleson celebrated their marriage in Lebanon, Tenn., with friends and family on Dec. 31, 2019. Scotties from the class of 2011 in attendance included Ashley Williams, Britni “Kris” Phelps, Melissa Griffith and Sarah Bowen Hersh.

Mehwish Shaukat works with the law firm O’Melveny & Myers in its San Francisco office, where she recently won a grant of asylum for a political asylee from Nicaragua and filed derivative status applications to bring his wife and two children to the United States. In 2020, Mehwish published an article in the UC Hastings Women’s Law Journal called “American Muslim Women: Who We Are and What We Demand From Feminist Jurisprudence.” A toxic consequence of the rhetoric on American Muslim women is the complete erasure of Black American Muslim women’s experiences and contributions. Mehwish would love to present and discuss her call for intersectionality in gender studies and critical race theory.

Caity Walker started a new job at the University of North Georgia on the Gainesville campus, in the office of Faculty Records on March 9, 2020. She also bought a house in the Flowery Branch area.

Callan Wells got married in September 2019 to Nick Stephens with many Agnes Scott alumnae in attendance. She also traveled to France and Italy in June with Rachel Cushing ’13, along with Rachel’s longtime partner, James Baynum, who proposed in Sempione Park in Milan.

’13

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Elle O’Brien completed her Ph.D. at the University of Washington and is now working on a software startup (Data Version Control) as a data scientist. She is quarantining in Seattle with her partner.

Sumyat Thu graduated with a Ph.D. in English language and rhetoric from the University of Washington in June 2020 and has started working at the university as an acting assistant professor of writing in the UW English department and writing programs.

Ruby Kett Bloom and her wife, Ashlee, sold their Old Fourth Ward townhouse this summer and bought a single-family home in Decatur.

Chesya Burke received her doctorate from the University of Florida and accepted a position as an assistant professor at Stetson University.

Caitlin White completed her Master of Arts in Teaching (Theatre) at the University of South Carolina in May. She is looking forward to starting a new job this fall as the theater teacher at Airport High School in West Columbia, S.C.

Aditi Adhikari and her husband welcomed their son Anupraas to the world and to their family in January.

'14

Aminah Hussain
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Elvina Nah Densua Mould passed away Jan. 2, 2020, in Mauritius.

Amelia Golcheski is in the third year of her Ph.D. in American history at Emory University. She is researching and writing about women's caregiving labor in Appalachian labor movements, and how that labor transitioned to activists' later careers in education and the healthcare industry. All scholarship is biographical in some form, so after thinking about care and gender for two years in Atlanta, she decided to move back to Virginia to be closer to her family and loved ones. She is thrilled to be back in the Blue Ridge and would love to connect with fellow Scotties in Virginia! Before the pandemic, she was lucky to travel to see **Elizabeth "Lizz" Higgins-Gabriels** in Austin and **Elizabeth "Betsy" Apple Eldridge** in Seattle. She has been fortunate to FaceTime with these friends, along with **Phoebe Perry**, regularly.

Lex Pulice-Farrow proposed to Halden Ingwersen '16 in April 2019.

Maija Hatton moved from Austria to Finland in January 2020 with her fiancé. They got engaged right before the New Year and are planning their wedding for July 2021, in Germany. She completed a Montessori certification (MCI) this year, and is currently a Montessori teacher at a kindergarten in Helsinki. She adopted two cats from a shelter in March 2020 (Albert and Sebastian), and they are her spoiled, ungrateful, lovable sons.

Kathryn Nowack was recently nominated for president of the Local 540 International Alliance of Stage and Technical Employees, aka IATSE. She didn't win but is the youngest in the union. Since there will be no productions of any kind

for the rest of the year, she is working with close locals to provide online training.

Emerson Reed were accepted to pursue an M.A. in history at GSU and awarded a graduate research assistantship and a departmental fellowship for their work in Southern history. They deferred for a year because of the pandemic. They plan to follow the program's public history track, with a research focus on queer history. They were also in a Mal Blum music video last year at A-Camp.

Jessica "Jess" Magno celebrated her three-year anniversary on June 17 and adopted a puppy in early April. She is aiming to apply to grad school in 2022 and has plans to go back to Atlanta in 2023 to buy a house and have kids ... that'll happen eventually.

Chandler Converse was the performance director for the Paw Patrol Live! international tour as well as a director/choreographer in New York prior to COVID-19. She is currently teaching online at Virtual Babysitters Club and teaches dance classes for nuggets.

Gabriel "Gabe" Hall is excited to be returning to a gender-diverse women's college setting in his new role as assistant director of campus diversity programming and LGBTQIA+ initiatives at Mount Holyoke College.

Amanda Vincent Pettinger started a new position as a COVID-19 corps epidemiologist at the CDC Foundation and is assigned to the Georgia Department of Health.

Emily "Gwen" Angleton is getting married on Aug. 20, 2020.

Samantha Allen graduated with her Ph.D. in physical chemistry in May 2020. She got married last year to Robert H. Wells III.

Phoebe Perry relocated her comedy to Amsterdam this year. She writes and produces her comedic sketch web series Normaal Geneog at night, and by day she teaches Australian children how to make grilled cheese sandwiches.

Brittany Williams graduated with a master's in counseling in 2018 from Southern Methodist University, specializing in adolescent therapy, addictions and trauma-informed practices. She has worked for KIPP TX: DFW since graduating. She currently serves as a school-based mental health professional working in the middle school

setting. Within the KIPP TX network she serves as a mental health lead, where she co-leads the charge for all things mental health and social-emotional awareness in the Dallas-Ft. Worth region. She also works as a private practice clinician with clients of all ages.

Jessica Mejia is having an upcoming two-year job anniversary working as a library assistant. While not working, she's either spending time with her family and traveling with her boyfriend or writing for her blog, *Bringing Up Curls*.

Kerry Ayres-Smith took on the role of annual giving manager at The Lovett School in Atlanta, Ga., in December 2019.

After docenting at the Houston Museum of Natural Science for three years, **Maggie Berardo** has started working full time as a development writer at HMNS this year. In 2019, she started hosting panels at conventions across Texas and in Atlanta about cooperative creative writing in *Dungeons & Dragons* and helping people use world-building techniques to write their own stories and encourage group problem-solving. During quarantine, she perfected a recipe for almond-flour brownies and reignited her embroidery hobby.

Joelle Atere-Roberts is spending her social distancing time in North Carolina as she enters year three of her Ph.D. in the epidemiology program at UNC. When she's not studying, she spends her time baking, cooking and buying too many houseplants.

Amelia "Anna" Ruple Johnson moved to Jackson, Ala., and bought a new house. She is now teaching high school math at Leroy High School.

'15

Shekinah Phillips
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Nicole Caldwell graduated from Brenau University with a Master of Science Clinical Counseling Psychology in May 2018, gave birth to her son, Oliver Springer, in January 2019, and was married in July 2020!

Kristen Knowles Arceneaux graduated with an M.B.A. from Boston University this month and will be relocating to Dallas this summer to continue a position in Human Resources at Keurig Dr Pepper.

On May 10, **Martha C. Wallace** released a food memoir titled *A Sampling of Life, One Taste at a Time*, which is now available on Amazon.com.

Elizabeth Rowe graduated from the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke University and received a master's degree in environmental management.

'16

Claire Kircharr
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Grace Starling, an employment attorney, joins Barrett & Farahany as an associate, where she focuses her practice on representing individuals in employment law matters. She also is a registered mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Before joining Barrett & Farahany, Grace spent a year as a staff attorney with the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in Atlanta. She also was a summer associate for a boutique trial firm in Atlanta.

Rebekah Frishe Rowland married her husband, Ryan, on May 1, 2020, in a small, coronavirus-style digital/in-person hybrid wedding. The wedding recording is available on YouTube if you search *Rebekah and Ryan Rowland Wedding!*

Rachel Brazeale is now the archiving director of The Storyline Group and is conducting research for DeKalb County's 200-year anniversary!

Caroline Igraine Barkley Coyle married Alex Coyle this past January. Fellow Scotties **Marguerite "Maggie" Moreton** and Laura Heyman were bridesmaids, and the engagement photo was taken by Laura at Byodoin Temple in Kyoto, Japan.

Brigit McGuinness graduated from Georgia State University with her M.S. in neuroscience (the diploma is comically large!). She will now be working at GA Tech in its intro bio labs.

Madeline Chenevert graduated from the University of New Orleans with a master's degree in biology back in December. She began working at Tulane University School of Medicine as a molecular biology technician in January.

'17

Please send any news you would like to share to alumnae@agnesscott.edu.

Sarah Meaghan Eiler finished her first year of teaching and has been staying home with her family during quarantine. Despite the struggles that come from being stuck at home, she's been taking the opportunity to reconnect with some Scottie friends virtually.

Jennifer Marshall is a second-grade teacher at Uplift Ascend Charter School in Fort Worth, Texas. While teaching, she is also completing her Master of Arts in Elementary Teaching.

Samikshya Siwakoti, in addition to working on her master's in quantitative methods at Columbia University, started working as a research specialist at Princeton University under Professor Jacob Shapiro. The research role gives her an opportunity to use applied data science skills within the intersection of economics, political science and data science.

Lois Sharpe finished her first year of medical school at Morehouse School of Medicine and is beginning her second year. Keep up the great work, Lois!

Imani Young Bey graduated from Georgia State University with a Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics-ESL and a TESOL Certification in December 2019. In January, she moved into her first apartment and adopted a kitten named Velvet. The kitten has a hashtag (#velvetspyce), so be sure to follow along on Instagram! Professionally, Imani gained additional duties with the Center for Writing and Speaking, overseeing the day-to-day activities of the new professional success tutors as they complete their work through the Center for Writing and Speaking.

Denise Saucedo Petree married Alan Petree on March 14, 2020, right before quarantine started.

'18

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Sydney McClure was accepted to the Master of Marriage and Family Therapy program at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. She started in fall 2020.

Alison Hopkins was accepted to the Georgia Institute of Technology to pursue a master's degree in city and regional planning, which she began in fall 2020.

Bharti Rausch graduated in June 2020 with a Master of Science in Special Education from California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Naomi Smith graduated from the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University in 2019 with an M.Sc. in Infectious Disease and

Global Health. She now works as manager of partner success at Clean Hands – Safe Hands in Atlanta, Ga.

In August 2020, **Camille Wilson** began a master's program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N.C. She is a member of the Sport Administration cohort. Prior to starting at UNC, she worked at the Washington and Lee University Athletic Department.

'19

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Alex Brown, a Decatur-based freelance writer, will be Decaturish.com's intern for 2020. During her time with Decaturish, Brown will assist in Decaturish's daily reporting and help with local election coverage.

'20

Madeline "Maddie" Brasgalla
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Olivia Ancrum has been accepted to the University of Washington in Seattle for a master's degree in epidemiology on the maternal and child health track.

Taylor Arnold will be receiving her master's in biomedical science at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

Destiny "Briana" Barnett has been accepted to and will attend the UGA School of Law, class of 2023, to pursue a Juris Doctor degree.

Madeline "Maddie" Brasgalla has been accepted to the University of Missouri-Kansas City. She will pursue a Master of Fine Arts degree in Technical Theatre, focused on stage management.

Sophia Elzie is starting her Master of Studies in Greek and Latin Languages and Literature at the University of Oxford in October. While at Oxford, she plans to study classical reception.

Courtney Godwin has received acceptance to all nine graduate programs she applied to and chose to complete her master's degree at Harvard Divinity School.

Since graduation, **Kristina Kimball** has joined the Democratic Party of Georgia as the political assistant and scheduler to Chairwoman Nikema Williams.

Peijia Liu has been accepted to the Quantitative and Computational Finance program at Georgia Tech. She will start her graduate study this fall.

Sylvia Marshall will be attending the University of North Carolina at Charlotte for a master's in history with a concentration in public history. While attending classes, she will also be working as a graduate assistant for the Special Collections and University Archives at the J. Murrey Atkins Library.

Amber Mills has committed to serve as an AmeriCorps Wraparound this year! She will be serving her community by helping with mental health and finding ways to help underprivileged children in her hometown of Augusta, Ga.

This fall **Tatiana Nigh Rothchild** is beginning the Political Science Ph.D. Program at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass., where her research has received the highest funding the program has to offer.

Alexandra Opdyke has been accepted into the Emory University School of Law. She will be starting the Juris Doctor program in fall 2020.

Anoushka Pant recently started working as a content creator and social media analyst at Banyan Infomedia, in Noida, India. She has also been selected by a talent/model agency in India. She loves her jobs and has really been able to use her management and artistic/creative skills for both jobs (which is the best part!).

Indiana "Indy" Ravenhill will be attending University College London for an M.A. in principles of conservation starting this fall.

This fall, **Jessa Rhea** will begin working toward her Ph.D. in applied mathematics and computational sciences at the University of Iowa. She will also start a part-time position as a calculus teaching assistant, so she is very grateful for her three years of teaching experience in the Resource Center for Math and Science.

Catherine "Gracie" Seaver has recently been accepted into the M.S. in Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program at Mercer University.

Briana Tolman has been working in a clinical pathology services laboratory in Metro Atlanta called BakoDX as a molecular technician since early June.

Jhodi Webster has accepted an offer from the University of Alabama at Birmingham to pursue her Ph.D. in neuroscience in the Graduate Biomedical Sciences.

Devyn Wittmeyer is working as a lead teacher in a Primrose school. This summer she led the school's summer camp.

Xiyuan Wu has been accepted to George Washington University for an M.A. in Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies.

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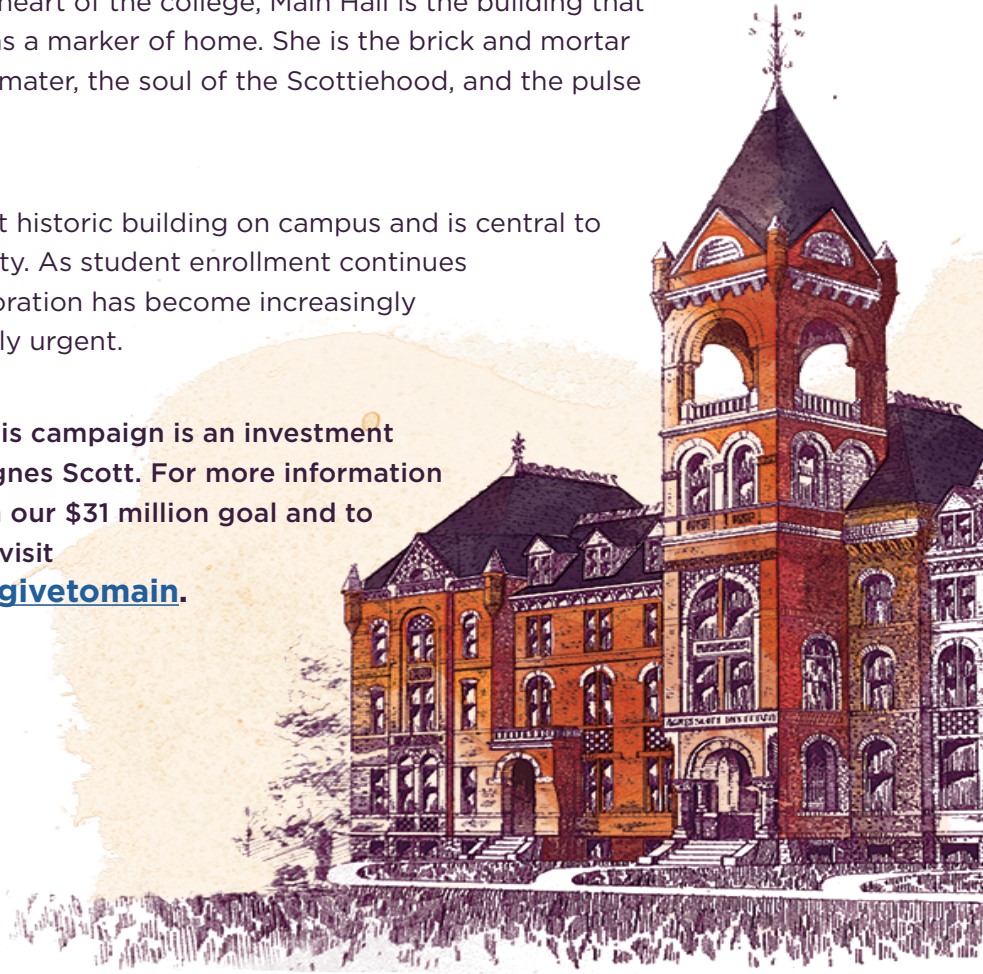
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The Agnes Scott Alumnae Association is happy to announce the births of these alumnae children.

'01

Ranier, born to **Adrienne Manasco** and Phillip, May 2020

'03

Theodore “Theo” Xavier Adam Behnsen, born to **Maya Woodnika** and Dirk, June 2, 2020

James T.M. Nielson, born to **Allison Mercer** and Kevin Nielson, July 2, 2020

'05

Godric Hodges, born to **Malathia Mobley**, March 27, 2020

Thomas Vu Ha, born to **Frances Nguyen Ha**, May 22, 2020

'06

Delphine Heather Scallet, born to **Cailin Copan-Kelly** and Daniel, April 28, 2020

'07

Mia Suri Goldberg, born to **Nisha Malani** and Todd, November 23, 2019

Cillian Ansel O'Donnell, born to **Spring Walker** and Adam, January 24, 2020

Ireland Aubrie-Reign Wilson, born to **Itohowo Ekanemesang**, May 27, 2020

'08

Clare Morgan Santamaria, born to **Liz Hartnett Santamaria** and Jason, April 24, 2020

Zeno Janos Zingrich, born to **Adrienne Zingrich** and Jango, May 13, 2020

'09

Cooper Wesley and Eleanor ‘Ellie’ Renee, born to **Lauren Beacham Grant**, February 12, 2020

Asahd, born to **Imani Irving-Perez** and Nile, May 2020.

Lionel August Peters-Lorenz, born to **Hannah Peters** and Eileen, May 12, 2020

'10

Calvin Felix Ford, born to **Catalina Ford**, February 6, 2020

'12

Nina Elizabeth Hofman, born to **Layne Johnson**, August 15, 2019.

Charlotte Amelia Monroe, born to **Caitlin Herring Monroe**, November 7, 2019

Wesley Dean Drake-Reveal, born to **Ruth Reveal** and George, April 8, 2020

Charlotte Helen Parker, born to **Stephanie Scott Parker**, June 15, 2020

Harlan Marlowe Aytac, born to **Hannah Marlowe**, July 30, 2020

Lanie Caroline Weiss, born to **Emily Moore Weiss** and Freddie, August 6, 2020

'13

Anupraas, born to **Aditi Adhikari**, January 2020

'15

Oliver Springer, born to **Nicole Caldwell**, January 2019

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deaths

The Agnes Scott Alumnae Association offers condolences to the classmates, alumnae and families who lost loved ones over the last reporting period.

'37

Rachel Glazer, March 26, 2020

'43

Catherine Bizzell Roberts Shanks,

November 28, 2019

Betty Brougner Campbell, June 13, 2020

'44

Frances "Polly" Cook Crowley, January 21, 2020

Anne Sale Weydert, April 6, 2020

Anne Hagerty Estes, April 2, 2020

Ann Helen Jacob Toms, April 4, 2020

Leila Burke Holmes, April 30, 2020

Peggy Gaines Page Pennock, May 23, 2020

Martha Ray Lasseter Storey, July 9, 2020

'45

Jean Satterwhite Harper, January 25, 2020

Elizabeth Charlotte Zumwinkel Fulton,

April 10, 2020

Joyce Freeman Marting, May 7, 2020

'46

Margaret Henegar Broudy, sister of Jane Loudermilk '55, November 29, 2019

William B. Reeves, husband of Mariana Kirkpatrick Reeves '46, Father of Laura Reeves Scanlon '72, April 22, 2020

Mariana Kirkpatrick Reeves, mother of Laura Reeves Scanlon '72, May 27, 2020

Jane Anne Newton Marquess, July 14, 2020

Alvara Frazer Allen, July 14, 2020

'47

Mary Mayo Wakefield Tipton, July 19, 2019

Edith Merrin Simmons, January 8, 2020

Doris Roddick Berry, May 13, 2020

'48

Paul Gann, Husband of Elizabeth Blair Carter '48

Patricia Felton Anderson, March 10, 2018

Nancy Jean Geer Alexander, September 5, 2019

Betty Bayne Powers Crislip, October 19, 2019

Barbara Marcis Darby, April 20, 2020

Emma Jaquelinie Stewart, April 26, 2020

'49

Dr. Larry Rogers, Husband of Joan Lawrence Rogers, June 26, 2019

Susan Bowling Dudney, October 1, 2019

Mary Elizabeth Hays Babcock, May 16, 2020

Mary Jo Ammons Jones, May 30, 2020

Lee Cousar Tubbs, Husband of Leonora M. Cousar Tubbs, July 9, 2020

Leonora M. Cousar Tubbs, July 10, 2020

Betty Jeanne "B.J." Candler, August 17, 2020

'50

Sally Ann Green Walton, March 22, 2019

Barbara Lanier McGee, January 20, 2020

Martha Stowell Rhodes, August 16, 2020

'51

Charlotte Key Marrow, January 31, 2020

Martha McGregor "Gregor" Mitchell Smith,

May 13, 2020

Catherine "Kitty" Warren Dukehart,

May 17, 2020

Betty Harrell Brownlee, June 5, 2020

'52

Charlotte Allsmiller Crosland, December 4, 2019

LaWahna Rigdon Smisson, mother of Summer

Smisson Neel '83, February 25, 2020

Robert F. Seaton, husband of Jean Seaton '52, March 7, 2020

J.O. Buchanan, husband of Phyllis Galphin Buchanan, April 2020

Josephine Taylor Wells, July 10, 2020

'53

Carol Jacob Dunn, sister of Ann Toms '44, Irene

Sturgis '46, and Jane Thomas '47, February 13, 2020

'54

Farlie Naomi Frost Brown, April 19, 2020

'55

Margaret Henegar Broudy '46, sister of Jane Loudermilk, November 29, 2019

Sarah Petty Dagenhart, daughter of Sarah Frost Petty '29, February 9, 2020

Mary Love Hammond, February 23, 2020

JoAnn Hall Hunsinger, March 11, 2020

Sallie Irene Lambert Jackson, April 17, 2020

Jane Clyburn Sutlive Collins, May 19, 2020

Joan Hathaway Cadden, May 28, 2020

Constance Curry, June 20, 2020

'56

Eve Young Moffa, July, 7, 2018

Shirley Hurt Davis, April 29, 2019

Alvia Cook, August 24, 2020

'57

Mary Jamison Anderson-Burrell, daughter of Marilyn L. Anderson '57, February 8, 2020

Angeline Pope Malcolm, March 8, 2020

Frances McSwain Pruitt, March 28, 2020

Rev. James DuPre Newsome, Jr., husband of Suzella "Sis" Burns Newsome '57, July 16, 2020

'58

JoAnn "Joie" Sawyer Delafield, July 31, 2020

'59

Helen Claire Smith Rogers, mother of Holly Rogers Markwalter '86, February 10, 2020
Bona K. Allen IV, husband of Jane King Allen '59, March 21, 2020

Ann Rivers Payne Hutcheson, May 6, 2020

Ann H. Harvey, July 10, 2020

'60

Joanne Hoffman, stepdaughter of Elisabeth Lunz, November 25, 2019

Wendy Boatwright McCain, sister of Elizabeth Goksel '62, mother of Roberta A. McCain '93, and aunt of Tuba Goksel Malinowski '87, February 6, 2020

'61

Mildred McCravey Clarke, January 15, 2019
Robin M. Beechey, husband of Ann Crichton '61, March 17, 2020

Hope Gregg Spillane, June 8, 2020

Joe Bryan Robertson, August 16, 2020

Betty Bellune Alpern, August 17, 2020

'62

Joanna Praytor Putman, Aunt of Mary Praytor '74 and Great Aunt of Anna Field '17, January 27, 2020

Sara Ector Vagliano, May 16, 2020

Patrick E. Boyt, Husband of Elizabeth R. Boyt '62, July 3, 2020

'64

Peter Rippe, husband of Maria Wornom Rippe, January 19, 2020

'65

Charles E. Thompson, husband of Merian Elyene Thomson '65, February 29, 2020

Katherine Cook Schafer, June 7, 2020

'66

Leslie Damasceno, October 6, 2016.

'67

Janet Ann Putnam, February 12, 2020

Mary Eilene Folger Moorman, June 20, 2020

Rosalind Todd Tedards, August 20, 2020

'68

Dr. Hutton Barron, brother of Lucie Barron Eggleston and Sally Barron LaBadie '72, December, 9 2019

John Williams, husband of Joy Griffin Williams '68, May 24, 2020

English Rutherford Josey, brother of Adele Josey '68, June 27, 2020

Louise Bruechert Richardson, July 15, 2020

Walter Hunter McCreary, husband of Dr. Samuel "Sammye" Burnette Brown, July 26, 2020

'69

Cheryl Bruce Kragh, May 8, 2020

'70

Harriet Lee Long Williams, March 29, 2020

Nancy Rhodes McCrummen, June 5, 2020

'71

Roy E. Truslow, MD, father of Janet C. Truslow, February 23, 2020

'72

Dr. Hutton Barron, brother of Lucie Barron Eggleston '68 and Sally Barron LaBadie December, 9 2019

William B. Reeves, father of Laura Reeves Scanlon, April 22, 2020

Mariana Kirkpatrick Reeves '46, mother of Laura Reeves Scanlon, May 27, 2020

'74

Arla Bateman Redd '83, mother of Ellen Redd McKenzie and Madelyn Redd Shepard Foard '78, July 24, 2019
Joanna Praytor Putnam, sister of Mary Praytor '74, January 27, 2020

'77

Chelsey E. Lyon, Father of Marianne Lyon '77 and Virginia "Ginger" Lyon '82, May 7, 2020
Charles I. Babcock, brother of Evelyn E. Babcock, March 24, 2020
Mary Elizabeth Hays Babcock, mother of Evelyn E. Babcock, May 16, 2020

'76

Grace Casburn Allen '78, Ph.D., sister of Lucta Allen Nolan '76 and sister-in-law of Eugenia Collins Allen '78, August 19, 2020

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'79

Lulu Perez Lopez, sister of Mari Perez Hobgood, March 4, 2020

'80

Carolyn Garrison Bunce, February 18, 2018
Marie Hollywood, mother of Kathleen "Kathy" Hollywood, May 8, 2020

'81

Floyd William Moser, Jr., husband of Pamela Mynatt Moser '81, March 3, 2020.
Lamar Roberts, father of Malinda Roberts Hill, June 6, 2020
Dr. James Newsome, Jr., father of Laura Newsome Pittman, July 16, 2020
Marilyn May Craig, mother of Catherine Craig Threlkeld, July 17, 2020

'82

Chelsey E. Lyon, father of Virginia "Ginger" Lyon '82 and Marianne Lyon '77, May 7, 2020
John H. Carpenter, father of Margaret Beain '82, July 12, 2020

'83

LaWahna Rigdon Smisson, mother of Summer Smisson Neel '83, February 25, 2020

Arla Bateman Redd, mother of Ellen Redd McKenzie '74 and Madelyn Redd Shepard Foard '78, July 24, 2019

'84

Omar Paredes Aleman, MD, uncle of Alicia Paredes Laramy, July 17, 2020

'86

Helen Claire Smith Rogers '59, mother of Holly Rogers Markwalters, February 10, 2020
Winona "Nona" McCord Tipton, mother of Pamela Tipton '86, March 14, 2020
Doris Roddick Berry '47, mother of Ginger Verch, May 13, 2020

'89

Manel Nanayakkara, mother of Nela Nannyakars De Soysa, June 7, 2020

'93

Deirdre McClain Holloway, April 16, 2020

'99

Victor Kuo, husband of Ann U. Kuo, June 18, 2020

'02

Mary Jo Ammons Jones '49, grandmother of Laura F. Farber, May 30, 2020

'08

Cassandra Helms, MAT, May 16, 2020

'13

Daniel Greene, father of Avignon T. Greene '13, April 5, 2020

'12

LaTisha Hipp, August 12, 2020

'14

Elvina Nah Densua Mould, January 2, 2020

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Dr. Sara L. Ripy, Professor of Mathematics (1958-1989), April 10, 2020

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While I don't have one of those "phenomenal" ring stories, I do have two small stories that demonstrate the quiet ways that the onyx ring becomes such a meaningful part of a Scottie's life.

First, as I was growing up, my mother was in the middle of going back to school and getting her bachelor's degree after having originally gone to nursing school after high school. She was doing this work at Mount Holyoke College, and so I was introduced to the world of women's colleges. My mother was pleased to receive her college ring — a gold band with an onyx stone and Mount Holyoke College engraved around it.

Following in her footsteps to a women's college, I came to Agnes Scott. When my sophomore year arrived and it was my turn to receive the ring, my mom flew down from Massachusetts to be at the ceremony and celebrate with me.

She had long since stopped wearing her ring due to a chip in the onyx. After seeing me proudly holding out my left hand with my new onyx ring, she was moved. She returned home, hunted to find the paperwork for her ring, and sent it to the jeweler to be fixed.



Now we both wear our onyx rings every day. When I look down at mine, I am reminded not only of my wonderful time at Agnes Scott, but of my mother, the strong woman who raised me, and the women's colleges that bind us.

A second memorable story comes from working at the Eric

Carle Museum of Picture Book Art in Amherst, Mass. Because I'm so far away from Decatur, I never expect anyone to recognize my ring. One day, while talking to two guests — a mother and daughter visiting the museum for the first time — the mother commented on my black onyx ring, saying she loved how unique and beautiful it was. I thanked her and told her it was my college ring. She asked where I went, and I said, "Agnes Scott." She suddenly froze, her hands shot up to cover her mouth and she gasped. She told me her mother and all her aunts had gone to Agnes Scott! (She also shared how disappointed her family had been that she chose a different college.) Together, we admired my ring and talked about how much this symbol connects us. With tears in both our eyes, we embraced in a hug contemplating the bonds of Agnes Scott that brought us together.

Do you have a special onyx ring story? Let us know at alumnae@agnesscott.edu!

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