Computers a vital force in Bryan’s life

Computer labs, PowerPoint presentations and a presence on the world wide web may be the most visible evidence of Bryan College’s commitment to a high-tech education, but they’re only a byte on the hard drive.

From BryanNet’s development more than a decade ago, computer technology has made a dramatic impact on the way students learn.

For that matter, computers are an integral part of running the business that is Bryan College.

Freshmen or transfer students are introduced to BryanNet, the academic network, during their first weeks at the college. “We have a one-hour orientation course,” explained Maxie Green, 58x, director of technology services. “Basically, we show them how to log on to the network, how to use e-mail and a brief introduction to word processing. After that, they pick up skills on their own.”

Students are on their own, that is, except for the helpful input of Mr. Green, along with technology support specialist Matt Marcus, 96, and information technology professional Tim Mooney. The three, along with the support of computer-savvy students, soon have newcomers navigating their way through word processing, course-specific programs and library resources that are the hallmarks of BryanNet.

From the day students receive their log-on names, a world of computer-assisted living and learning is opened before them. Whether it’s simply being able to type a paper and let “spell check” catch spelling errors or sending e-mail messages to friends and family, most students spend some time on a computer every week.

Susanna Sharpe, a senior from Birmingham, Ala., said when she came to Bryan she knew almost nothing about computers and didn’t know how to type. “My freshman year I spent learning to use a computer,” she said. “I did a few papers, a few projects, and learned to type. I spent a lot of time on the Intranet chat that year.”

But in her junior year she became adept at Internet searches and other applications as she worked on an Origins research project for Dr. Kurt Wise. Plus, as an elementary education major, Susanna has spent time in the 21st Century Classroom using the wide variety of programs available for teachers and preparing for classroom use of computer technology.

That training paid off this semester as she is student teaching in Graysville, Tenn., a community near Dayton. Her cooperating teacher has a computer in her classroom, “but I was able to teach her how to get Internet access, use e-mail and show her how to get lesson plans from different web sites.”

One of the programs available to students and faculty alike is PowerPoint, a presentation application. PowerPoint is becoming a faculty favorite as professors seek ways to communicate effectively with a generation of computer-savvy students.

“We’re making an effort to get the faculty up to speed on what’s available,” Mr. Marcus said. “For example, two years ago nobody knew what PowerPoint was. Now it’s a very widely used program. ’I’ve held training classes, continued on...page 8

Mathematics Professor Dr. Phil Lestmann helps Tabitha Moe, left, and Ruth Johnson with a problem during a class session in the Hanna Technology Center. Designed as a community resource, the Hanna Center also is a popular classroom for professors who use computer technology in their presentations.
Forgetting God

When my father and mother were touring the historic churches of Sweden, the tour guide remarked that 95 percent of the people belong to the church but only about 5 percent actually attend. My father found this statistic interesting and asked the tour guide why so few people attended church. The tour guide shrugged and responded, "Who needs God when the government gives you everything?"

In our country, the government doesn't give us everything, but we may find ourselves in an even more dangerous position: we don't need God because we have provided all we need for ourselves.

In times of want, it is easier to express our dependence and need for God's provision. In times of plenty, however, we are prone to turn our eyes upon ourselves, our income and, well, anything other than God.

We live in a land flowing with a lot more than milk and honey. Our time of "profound prosperity" has led us to some interesting priorities for life in America. Many political pundits believe that President Clinton received a pass on his problems with sex, lies and videotape because the economy is humming along at record levels of efficiency and success. But while this one issue has dominated the social and political life of our country, does it reveal any spiritual tendencies?

I think so. We have forgotten God.

"Come on," you may be saying. "The most recent Gallup poll demonstrates that over 90 percent of Americans believe in God. This is an overwhelming statistic unmatched by any other country."

But there is no virtue in believing God exists. Even Satan believes that.

The temptation to buy into a secular mindset for temporal rewards is overwhelming. When Jesus Christ was tempted by Satan with promises of provision, power and position, he quoted Scripture to disarm the Tempter (Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13). At each instance of temptation, he referred to three separate passages from the book of Deuteronomy:

"Man does not live on bread alone" (Deuteronomy 8:3).
"Worship the Lord your God and serve Him only" (Deuteronomy 6:13).
"Do not put the Lord your God to the test" (Deuteronomy 6:16).

What makes these quotations so poignant is they occur in sections where God is admonishing the nation of Israel not to forget him:

"Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day" (Deuteronomy 8:11).

As a prelude to the last two quotes by Jesus is this warning:

"When the Lord your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to
A heart for ministry and a willingness to be where the Lord wants him helped bring Brett Roes, '88, back to Bryan. Brett, who earned a degree in music, then spent nine years in business and two as a pastor, succeeded Paul Ardelean, '55x, as director of alumni ministries on Feb. 1.

“We were looking to continue in ministry,” Brett explained. “The alumni director position was a good match for my personality style and competencies. Plus, I was looking for a Christian organization that models what it professes. We looked for something that would provide us with a healthy home life, could be sufficiently stimulating professionally and intellectually, an opportunity to use my spiritual gifts, skills and talents and something that would be a continuous challenge.”

As an alum, Brett has a goal of ministering to alumni, which motivated the change in title from “alumni director” to “director of alumni ministries.”

“I believe the trustees, Dr. (Bill) Brown and Tom Kenmer (vice president for advancement) have a heart to give back to our alums and not continually be on the receiving end. Life is about relationships. Quality of life equals quality of relationships; two-way communication builds depth of quality as well as giving to each other. That’s why we seriously considered this new opportunity.”

“We” means Brett and his wife, Becky (Naff, ’90x). They had spent the past two years serving at Calvary Christian Fellowship in Duluth, Ga., where Brett worked as pastor of children’s ministries. “I assumed responsibilities for Christian education and church administration as well,” he said.

The move back to Bryan actually began at homecoming 1998 when Paul Ardelean announced plans to retire. “My wife and I felt a quickening in our spirits, but we didn’t do anything other than talk with Dr. Brown and Tom Kenmer about their vision for the future. We spent about three months seeking the Lord, and the college did the same. We made our decision on Jan. 6.”

Brett and Becky, at this writing, are preparing for their move from Georgia to Tennessee with their five children, Mary Elizabeth, 9; BJ (Brett Jr.), 7; Carson, 5; Sarah, 3; and Christian, 2. Coming back in many ways seemed a natural move. “My experience (as a student) at Bryan College prepared me for this job spiritually and professionally,” he said. “Spiritually, I went from living in a home in a closed, secure, tight environment where moral decisions were made for me, unumbred under my parents’ values, to being trained and equipped to search for, and determine, truth.

“I was able to form a biblical worldview, to internalize a moral compass of my own. I discovered just how great a salvation we have in Christ Jesus. That experience happened here, and Dr. Brown and many other faculty were an integral part of that. My heart’s desire is for as many students as possible to discover this freedom in Christ and become a change agent for Christ when they graduate.

“Professionally, Bryan prepared me better in critical thinking, to be able to go into a new situation, analyze it and develop a strategic plan.”

The road back took a few turns, however. Brett returned home to Maine to work for his father’s company for a year after graduation and participate with a family-sponsored evangelical music ministry. Becky joined him as Mrs. Roes in November after he graduated, and after the year in Maine, they moved to Rome, Ga., where Brett went to work for Kraft Foods.

“I started as a sales representative, then was account manager, account executive, senior account executive and, finally, customer category manager,” he said. “But a short-term missions trip to the Dominican Republic confirmed a call to the ministry. ‘Life just seemed empty after my return from the mission field. I was making and managing millions of dollars for Kraft and was at the top of the field. I realized my great success was at the expense of my family and happiness.’

The combination of a ministry opening at their church and events at Kraft helped convince the Roeses that the pastorate was where they needed to serve the Lord, and the move was made.

The experience ministering in a church “helped prepare me for this opportunity,” he said.

One thing Brett has insisted on over and over in his first month at Bryan is that the job of ministering to alumni is not something one person can do by himself. “I think one of my first tasks is to communicate with alumni the excitement I feel about coming back to Bryan and get them excited about what God is doing here that will eventually impact the world.”

“With prayerful encouragement from our alumni, I think we can expect to see God do even greater things here than He has done in the past.”

With a heart set on ministering to alumni, and an infectious enthusiasm, expect to hear from Brett, and expect to get excited with him.

**Conference takes new approach to missions**

**By Michelle Rich**  
**Triangle Staff Writer**

Although Bryan College hosts a missions conference every two years, this year’s conference was full of many unprecedented events. The conference was held the week the students returned from the holiday break, Jan. 13-15.

With the completion of the new cafeteria, 28 mission organizations set up their displays in the Rhea County Dining Room adjoining the Alumni Cafeteria so students could browse at leisure before or after a meal. As well as browsing, the students had the opportunity to purchase significantly marked-down books and Bibles from Operation Mobilization.

The largest change in planning and organizing the conference was the establishment of a missions committee of 15 students and two faculty advisors. The Missions Conference Committee met every Wednesday night from October to December in Director of Spiritual Formation and Leadership Development Matt Benson’s apartment to plan the conference.

The committee broke into four subcommittees to delegate responsibilities. The pre-conference committee was established to prepare students for the conference by organizing a “Round-the-Clock” prayer chain for the conference and having “Missions Moments” in classes and chapels. The publicity committee designed the logo for the “Commission to Completion” theme and ordered T-shirts with the conference theme on them. The programming committee handled the schedule of events, as well as the main sessions. The missions agency committee invited and found housing for the mission representatives.

Senior Heather Hammond, a member of the missions agency committee, said, “Everyone worked hard and all the planning, which was a lot of, went well. We laid the groundwork for the next missions conference with the committee structure. Now we see what to do and what not to do for future missions conferences. It was our hope in the committee that the conference would impact the lives of the students, change some hearts, and show them opportunities available in missions.”

This year’s theme had a new emphasis to it as well. Mr. Benson said, “The theme had a double meaning. It is based on our theme verse in Colossians 1:28 where the Bible talks about completeness in Christ. On one hand, you need to be made complete in Christ, and on the flip side we share the gospel so all the world will hear. Our vision on the committee to produce an understanding that missions is the life of a Christian, to be available to God, and that missions is attainable.”

The Commission to Completion theme was carried out through the messages of the speaker, Ricardo Escobar. He challenged students to examine their motives in their lives and encouraged them to determine their strengths and weaknesses in their character based on the four faces of the cherubim in Ezekiel. During the next two sessions, Mr. Escobar explained how to find identity in Christ and how to determine the measure of success. His overall emphasis of becoming a willing servant of Christ tied in with the theme, a different approach to missions from that of many mission conferences that encourage students to go overseas.

Another new event was the International Coffee House. Advised by Resident Director Nicole Arias, ‘95, a team of missionary kids (MKs) and international students prepared booths decorated with maps, pictures, and flags from the country in which they were raised, and offered samples of some of the favorite foods enjoyed in those countries. Sophomore Judi Toliver, an MK from Peru, said, “The purpose of the coffee house was to introduce students to new cultures and new foods, to open their eyes to other worlds and help them realize that in missions overseas there is a lot you need to adjust to.”

Laura Foxworth echoed Judi’s thoughts, saying, “The purpose was to help students understand the heart of missions because we’ve been there. We also like to share about our homes, and in doing so, hopefully, it will open their eyes to different cultures and how God is working there.”

The coffee house was set up in the Lion’s Den and exceeded the expectations of the MKs and the International Students Club. Judi said, “We had about a hundred people show up. It was neat to see people from off-campus, the missions representatives and the students eager to come to the coffee house and sit around and talk.”

In retrospect, Mr. Benson said, “The results of such a conference are yet to be seen. But hopefully, a result of the conference is an increased awareness of opportunities and an emphasis on sharing the Gospel to further God’s Kingdom.”
College celebrates new cafeteria (continued from page 1)

Ralph Green and Bill Hollin, from left, were among members of Bryan’s board of trustees who enjoyed lunch in the Alumni Dining Room as the new building was dedicated in February, joining them are State Rep. Raymond Walker and Sue Ann Walker, who were among friends of the college who attended the event.

The harmonies of a male quartet and prayers of thanksgiving opened and closed the dedication program for the Alumni Dining Room and Rhea County Banquet Room in Bryan’s new Student Life Center in February.

President William E. Brown stressed that “we’re not dedicating the whole building. There are a few details to be finished—the folding doors hung, some decorations, the second and third floors.” But what has been completed is cause for rejoicing.

The dedication came at the conclusion of the February meeting of the Board of Trustees and National Advisory Council, and Dr. Brown thanked those groups for their leadership in The New Century Campaign, which raised money for the building.

“We have raised more than $7 million of our nearly $10 million goal, and we are continuing to work. We need about $3 million to complete this building,” Dr. Brown said. He asked prayer for the continued success of the campaign and the speedy completion of the building.

“Delivered,” a quartet of seniors T.R. Black of Charlotte, N.C.; Matt McFarland of Winter Garden, Fla.; junior Shane Maxwell of Pikeville, Tenn.; and admissions counselor Simon Sakatos, ’98, provided a musical interlude after Trustee Chairman Glenn Stophel told the crowd, “We miss the intimacy of the Lion’s Den, but it’s nice to have a chair for everybody.”


Alumni Association President Steve Stewart, ’85, offered the prayer of dedication for the Alumni Dining Room and trustee Bill Hollin, who also serves as executive director of the Rhea County Economic and Tourism Council, offered the prayer of dedication for the Rhea County Banquet Room.

Mr. Stophel closed the program with a challenge for friends of the college to have vision and passion. “Imagine what Bryan College could be for the kingdom if we can pay off the debt for this structure, finish the building, build a new gymnasium and expand the library. That’s vision.

“To quote Dr. Brown, ‘one person fully committed to a cause is worth more than 100 who are merely interested.’ Invite people to campus, let them know what the Lord is doing here. That’s the passion we want to show.”

Faculty/Staff Notes

Dr. Bill Brown led students in Worldview Weekend programs at Faith Baptist Church in Anniston, Ala., and New Haven Baptist and Silverdale Baptist churches in Chattanooga, Tenn., in January. He also spoke to certified public accountants in Chattanooga in January about ethics. In February, he attended the Coalition of Christian Colleges’ Presidents’ Conference in Washington, D.C. and spoke at an Association of Christian Schools International conference in Three Hills, Alberta, Canada.


Dr. David Luther performed as a soloist in a production of Messiah at Signal Mount (Tenn.) Presbyterian Church in December.

Mr. Jon Mosby spoke and held an estate planning seminar at Factoryville Bible Church in Battle Creek, Mich., in January, and held a seminar at Fellowship Baptist Church in Phoenix, Ariz., in February.

Jeff Myers spoke at Evangelical Bible Church in Omaha, Neb., the Chattanooga Resource Foundation in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Faith Evangelical Church in Billings, Mont., in January. In February he spoke at the Minnesota Summit Project in Minneapolis, at the Origins 99 conference at Bryan and at a regional homeschool meeting in Charlotte, N.C.

Mel Wilhoit served as a clinic judge at the Tennessee Trumpet Competition and Seminar sponsored by Tennessee Technological University in January. He also performed in a trumpet ensemble on tour.

Dr. Wilhoit and Mr. Bernie Belisle led a group of 24 students and adults to London for a 10-day fine arts and theater tour. The group visited sites including Canterbury Cathedral and the new Globe Theater.
SEMESTER IN MIDDLE EAST
A CHALLENGE TO MATT PIERCE

Challenging, eye-opening, affirming. These are all terms Matt Pierce could use to describe his semester in Cairo, Egypt, as part of the Mid-East Studies Program sponsored by the Coalition of Christian Colleges and Universities.

“It was a very challenging semester,” he said. “The Arabic class alone would have been challenging. But we also had cultural adjustments to make. There were new situations to cope with every day.”

The junior Bible major from Nashville, Tenn., said the intense concentration on Middle East culture, the Sixth Century, Mohammed and the rise of Islam “changed our way of thinking.

“In a lot of ways, this is one of the most beneficial things I have ever done. I can better understand the average Arab’s perspective on current events. There are so many things the average American doesn’t understand about why they think like they do. Even though some things seem illogical from our viewpoint, I can understand better where they are coming from.”

Matt was one of 21 students from the United States who spent the fall semester coming to grips with life in the Middle East. From their home base in Cairo, they visited nearby sites in Egypt including the pyramids, Alexandria and Luxor. On longer trips they went to Israel and saw Tel Aviv, the Gaza Strip, Galilee, the Golan Heights and Jerusalem.

They also spent a couple of weeks in Jordan, Syria and Turkey.

“I grew a lot in understanding the diversity of the Middle East,” Matt said. “We generally see one mass of Arabs, but there are a lot of groups which would never call themselves Arabs. There is a rainbow selection of ideas — I grew to respect that.”

His adjustment began the day he arrived in Cairo. “There were two major impressions,” he said. “First, Cairo is a really, really big city, about 20 million people live in the city. The second is that it is a very dirty city in terms of pollution, litter and, except for the upper-class areas, sewage. It’s next to the desert, so there is a lot of dirt and sand blown in from the desert.”

Classroom academics were mixed with first-hand observations in the field, so “there weren’t too many typical days,” he said. “But if there was a typical day, we would be in class at 8 a.m. for a couple of hours, take a break, then have a two-hour class in Arabic. After lunch we would have a seminar class in the afternoon.” Afternoons and evenings often were given to field trips in the Cairo area.

Being on the streets of a huge city was daunting but not frightening, Matt said. “There were situations where we misunderstood people or were misunderstood, problems with communication. But I never felt physically threatened. I felt more safe over there than in America. The crime rate is really low.

“Being an American, we hear about terrorists in the news. That’s our general impression. But I had so many people beg me to come home and tell people ‘We’re not terrorists.’ That (terrorism) is so far removed from the general population.

“To them, a guest in their country is special. They would do anything for you. We were always taken care of.”

Because the course of studies focused on history and culture, the academic credits he earned will help meet requirements for his history or philosophy minors. But he still faced the challenge of reconciling his Christian faith with what he saw. “We were stretched to consider how what we saw fit in with our understanding of God and what He’s doing in the Middle East.”

And though he learned a lot, Matt said the program really didn’t change his mind much. “I’ve had an interest in Islam and the Middle East for a number of years, and the trip affirmed that interest.

“I want to go on to graduate school and language school to get fluent in Arabic. I’d like to be in the Middle East more.”

Clarksville, Tenn., becomes Bryan’s back yard

Bryan’s back yard got a little bigger recently in the wake of tornadoes that swept through Middle Tennessee in January.

Reading about and seeing reports of damage to Clarksville, Tenn., some three hours northwest of Dayton, a group of 15 Bryan College students spent Saturday, Jan. 30, assisting in cleanup efforts in that stricken community.

The students, participants in Bryan’s Backyard Missions program, spent that day hauling limbs and logs to pick-up points after other workers with chainsaws cut up trees that had been felled in the storm.

Project coordinator Don Hixon, a senior from Renfrew, Pa., said there were many hundreds of people at the Red Cross staging area when the Bryan group arrived in Clarksville, waiting to be assigned to worksites.

“The whole community was involved,” he said. “The people who couldn’t work brought food for us. Somebody even donated work gloves. It was a mass community project.”

Backyard Missions teams generally work in Rhea County, helping deserving homeowners tackle projects they often can’t handle themselves. Their goal is to “show Christ’s love through actions,” Don said. But the situation in Clarksville was much bigger than that, presenting an opportunity to help where much help was needed.

Rachel Mizell, Sonya Warren, David Henderson and Don Hixon carry branches to a pick-up point on a Clarksville street.
Rebuilding year sows seeds of promise

The Lions' men's basketball team started the 1998-99 season with a bang,-whispered for a stretch, then finished strong enough to make the coach proud.

Coach Morris Michalski said a nine-game losing streak on the road put the brakes on a 7-3 opening run and made the team do its own mid-season rebuilding. Even though they finished 6-8 down the stretch, the spirit the team showed was heartening to the coach.

"We had a good rebuilding year in my view," he said. "We saw there wasn't anybody who could fully dominate us, including Tennessee Tech." He pointed out that in the final 14 games, the worst loss was by five points in overtime, and the Lions won their games by a total of 73 points.

Even their losses to TVAC champion Milligan were by four points in three games.

"I felt like we got better at the end of the year," Coach Michalski said. "We got off to a good start, but we finished even stronger after that strangleing road stretch."

Another encouragement was that the starting five at the end of the season included three sophomores, one junior and a senior.

The coach had praise for his lone senior, Randy Evans. "He revived for his senior year," he said. "Without the kind of year he had, we wouldn't have had the year we had."

Coach Michalski also praised Jason Beschta, who was named to the TVAC All-Conference team, "only the second Bryan player in the 90's to make the all-conference team as a sophomore." The other was Mark Pack. Jason hit 110 three-point goals during the year.

He saluted Eric Zensen. "In my mind's eye, he is clearly the most improved player over last year," he said. Eric ranked fourth in both the NAIA and NCCAA in three-point attempts, ranked third in the NAIA for three-point goals, 12th for field goal percentage, third for three-point percentage and eighth for free throw percentage.

"This was the best-shooting team since I've been here," he said.

Coach Michalski is relieved that four of his five starters are returning for next season, and is expecting help from players who gained experience on the junior varsity squad.

"Having Jared Jones and Shun Malone step up from the JV demonstrates again to me why that program is so important," he said.

Playing close, playing tough, helped team members realize they have the capability to compete with — and beat — any team on their schedule. "It's much easier for us to set our sights on a championship now, having gotten as close as we did," Coach Michalski said. "We can smell it, taste it, feel it. Now, there's no question we can do it."

Along with quality on the court, the coach is pleased with the efforts of his squad to be good role models off the court as well. This year team members visited Rhea Central Elementary to read to classes and play an exhibition game for the students. They also were hosts to children from Graysville Elementary at a home game. "I'm pleased the guys were willing to put themselves in to the community, and I'd like to see that expand," he said.

Dismal record hides signs of hope

Hard work and dedication paid off in terms of growth, but not victories, for the Lady Lions basketball team this season.

Coach Sherri Mao said the Ladies' 1-25 record overshadows the team's hard work and commitment in face of stiff challenges.

"This young group, they're wonderful," Dr. Mao said. "They have a very clear idea that they are here to serve the Lord. They didn't give up. From the beginning to the end of the season I saw definite improvement."

"The girls showed confidence, Christian character and worked as a team. I enjoyed working with this group. I believe they will keep working and come out as a stronger team."

Freshmen Robin Wedekind and Sarah Cantrell provided strong leadership for the young team, which had only one senior. Robin was in the top 10 in the conference in rebounding, and Sarah was in the top 10 in blocked shots.

"Most of our scoring came from inside, which means we had a strong post," Coach Mao said.

Senior Jenny Mathis played the important role of pulling the team together from her point guard slot.
Tennis teams looking for ‘Year of the Junior’

Members of the men's tennis team include, from left, front, Adam Parker, Coach Bob Andrews and Josh Johnson. Back are Kent Suter, Tyler Seera, Matt Snead, Jeff Hall, Bryan Osborne and Steve Jones.

A conference title run by the women, and the potential for the men to keep stride has Coach Bob Andrews, ‘67, eagerly awaiting the spring tennis season. “Juniors will be the backbone for the teams,” he said. With the only seniors first-year team member Bethany Toliver and fourth-year veteran Brian Osborne, he doesn’t have much choice except to look to his juniors. “The top players on both teams are juniors,” he said. So are the captains. Matt Snead and Tyler Seera share those duties for the men, while Alison Villanova, Wendi Bauman and Amy Ford are the women’s captains.

The women face a 1999 campaign defending their second-place TVAC conference finish of a year ago, led by Alison Villanova. Wendy Bauman will step up to No. 2, filling the slot left vacant when Melinda Snead graduated. And Amy Ford will move to No. 3. “Amy is the most improved player over the past three years,” Dr. Andrews said. “She started at No. 6 as a freshman, and had never played on a team before. But once she won a match, she didn’t lose again as a freshman.”

Rachelle Elliott, a sophomore, will play at No. 4. Freshman Tammy Dyer will play at No. 5, and Bethany Toliver will play No. 6. Even though they have never played at Bryan, Dr. Andrews is familiar with Tammy and Bethany since both played high school tennis for his wife, Lil, ‘67, at Rhea County High School near Dayton. “Our strength for the women is in the top four positions,” the coach said. “The top four guys, on any given day, can beat each other. The second four can do the same,” he said. “The second four will win matches for us, because most teams generally have a couple of strong players, then the quality drops off.

“We’re pretty even across the board. We can win No. 2 doubles and four and five and six singles. If we win No. 1 doubles and one, two, three singles, that will be a bonus. The strength of the freshmen will determine where we win.”

Freshmen Adam Parker and Kent Suter will join the team this season, and Coach Andrews is already excited about their potential. “Kent was Matt Snead’s doubles partner in high school, and Adam will be one of the strongest players on the team,” he said. Sophomores Josh Johnson and Jeff Hall return to the squad, and will be joined by Steve Jones, a junior who made the team this year.

Cheerleaders make up Bryan’s 8th varsity sport

They come to school early for pre-season practice. They try out for the team and wear uniforms for each game. They must pass physicals and maintain an acceptable grade average. “They” are members of Bryan’s eighth varsity sport — cheerleading.

“We enjoy cheering for all home games and a few away games at the coaches’ request,” team Captain Shay Laymon explained. “Our season is the longest, since we cheer for soccer and basketball. Then we’re in charge of preparations for the athletic banquet.”

Coach Jeannine Ardelean, ‘87, who cheered during her years at Bryan, explained that cheering is not just a matter of jumping and yelling. “They must have agility and strength and be able to perform specific gymnastic skills,” she said. “We do personal training once a week, and have access to the trainer. We also take a stunt safety course so we can do the stunts without injury.”

Unlike other sports, Mrs. Ardelean said, there is no “bench time” for cheerleaders. “All eight must have the same ability. They can’t sit on the bench until their skills develop through the year. If we don’t have eight with the necessary skills, we only choose six or seven.”

Right now, the cheering squad is all female, but the coach hopes that will change. “We’re hoping to get guys back on the team, like we had a few years ago. Then we may look into some competitions with other schools.”

That prospect is attractive to Shay, although, as a senior, she won’t be able to take advantage of those plans. “I cheered in high school, and competitions were a big part of that experience. I miss it,” she said. But competition or leading crowds in support for teams on the field or court are only parts of the job cheerleaders take on. “We are there to encourage the teams at games,” Shay said, “but our goal off the court is to encourage people in their spiritual lives.”

To that end, the cheerleaders have their own Bible study and adopt secret pals on the soccer and basketball teams to encourage those players throughout their respective seasons.

And they want other students to catch to excitement, to believe with them that Bryan College is something to cheer about all year long.
Computers in Bryan's life

and some faculty even keep a notepad by their computers and jot down questions when they come up. When they get a pad-full I’ll go spend some time with them, so the training is really user-specific.”

A professor’s example may spark some use of computer systems, but a professor’s assignment is the source of many more log-ons.

Vonnie Johnson, public services librarian, said, “Because computers are such a part of daily life, students see them as their first resource — not books. I hear the phrases ‘I’ll check on the Internet’ or ‘I found my information on the computer’ a lot.”

But once students sit down at the computer they often find they need more information than is available electronically. “Then they have to go to books,” she said. “I think they are programmed to look first at computers.”

Mitch Hoskins, a junior business administration major from Cedar Springs, Mich., fits that mold. “I do a lot of work on computers, for everything,” he said.

“ProQuest gives a time frame for articles from major periodicals, a lot of different sources. On the Internet I can find a lot of history off economics web sites. There’s pretty much anything and everything I want to know on the Internet.

“I haven’t run into a wall where I couldn’t find information on my topic, although sometimes you have to refine the topic or rephrase your search. The Internet is best for general information, but I’ll go to the books for in-depth analysis,” he said.

The wealth of resources — both Bryan College and Internet — available by way of BryanNet, allows students to complete many of their projects — research and all — in their residence halls or in the computer lab on the third floor of the Administration Building.

One of the prime features of BryanNet is the ability to transmit a number of class-specific programs and much library reference material over the network.

“Most other colleges’ Intranets are simply faculty home pages,” Mr. Green said. “But ours runs CD-ROM reference materials through the Intranet. In some cases, we duplicate to a lesser extent what’s on the Internet, but with our system, access to the information is virtually instantaneously available.”

Director of Library Services Dennis Ingolfsland said among resources available at any BryanNet computer is First Search, a service with 50 to 60 databases worldwide; WorldCat, a listing of some 40 million items in members’ libraries; and JSTOR, a resource with full-text copies of some 1,200 scholarly journals from the earliest editions to the present, and indexes for about 2,000 journals.

Mr. Mooney pointed out that the network capability allows students to do research on one computer, save the data in their home file, then work on their reports in the computer lab in their residence halls.

“The whole idea behind BryanNet is that people don’t notice BryanNet. They sit down to do e-mail and get e-mail. They want access to their home files, to the library or to turn in work orders for the maintenance staff, and they get what they’re after. They don’t know they are being bounced from server to server,” Mr. Mooney said.

Unimpeded access, however, does not extend to the computer system that runs the business side of Bryan College.

AdminNet, available in administrative offices, was designed as a self-contained network for security purposes. “The system is not available to anyone except employees of the college,” Mr. Green explained. “And there is no external e-mail, so there is no possibility of hacking into the system.”

AdminNet contains a database of college records, available on an as-needed basis. Mr. Green explained that when a student enrolls, the admissions office enters basic information. From that point, the registrar, business office or financial aid office can use or modify that information as needed. When the student graduates, the alumni office maintains the record as the college works to maintain a relationship with former students.

Mr. Green acknowledges that the administrative side of the college could operate without computers, but the process would be slower and more limited. “Now we can do in 30 minutes what would take a person...
There are two sides to the Year 2000 (Y2K) computer problem, and Bryan College has taken care of both, Director of Technology Services Maxie Green said.

The hardware aspect involves the memory chips personal computers use for their brains, and the software part involves the programs that run on computers.

"All personal computers have a clock/calendar inside that can be set to any date the user likes," Mr. Green explained. "Usually it is set to the current date. The first PCs were developed in 1980, and their built-in clock/calendar registered only through Dec. 31, 1999. When 1999 becomes 2000, the computer chips would think it was 1980 again.

"With the later-model 486 machines, chips began registering 2000 and beyond in the calendar."

On the software side of the problem, many programs were written with two digits for dates, and 2000 became translated in the computer's mind to 1900. In the past several years, however, with programmers increasingly sensitive to the coming century, new programs have been written to include four digits for the year.

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Students take advantage of the computers in the computer lab in the administration building for research, writing papers or e-mailing friends and family members. Each residence hall has a smaller computer lab, with the same capabilities, on each floor.

Not all faulty members have enough to say to require two computers to hold it all, but Dr. Whit Jones may be an exception. Dr. Jones is working on his laptop computer, pushing the BryanNet monitor and keyboard to the back of his desk.

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Greetings fellow Alums!
What a joy it is to be back on campus again. It has changed. Walking around campus reminiscing of college days, with all their spontaneity and zest, has been good for the soul!
Can you remember the last time you said, “Let’s go to a movie tonight,” or “I’d love to go skiing with you this weekend!” without first consulting grandma for availability, packing up a minivan load of baby equipment or cross-checking high school basketball, children’s ballet, personal and church calendars for an opening?
Life has changed. Being surrounded by young people (who look much younger than we did at that age) filled with zeal, who have a passion for life and big hopes for the future has beyond a doubt proven one thing to me: I have changed.
The constancy of change is consistent. That statement is intriguing, not only because it is one of David Letterman’s Top 10 Oxymorons, but it also offers a glimpse into our perspective about things that change. Unfortunately, every time I've heard that statement interjected into a conversation it has been with a sigh of remorse.

**ALUMNI MATTER** in a new way

**QUESTION: WHAT IS ‘ALUMNI MATTER’?**

A. Commentary and items of interest for Bryan College Alumni
B. Residue and debris left on campus after homecoming.
C. Alumni are very important to Bryan College.
D. All of the Above.

**ANSWER: Must read tremendously interesting article below to find the answer**

We assume things are always going to change but our attitude comes from our assumptions about that assumption. Why is it that when we look at our history we associate comfort with consistency and progress with change? For example, I feel wonderful about my old slippers and my last pay raise, comfort and progress. However, when we look at the present or the future we link boring and stale with consistency while intertwining fear and trepidation with change.
One of my goals as director of alumni ministries at Bryan College is to infuse the positive nature of the historical perspective of change into “Alumni Matter,” that is, “D. All of the Above.” I want us to look forward with anticipation to the changes that will be occurring over the next few years in alumni events and programs.
Bryan College is changing: A new Student Life Center, new programs, sharper focus, new staff and new master plan. Accomplishing vision is progress. That’s good.
Life is changing: marriage, new career, different house, new baby, empty nest and retirement. Moving to a new chapter of life is progress. That’s better.
I’m looking forward to serving you and building relationships with those of you who share the Bryan College experience. I’m looking forward to changing and progressing with you. My hope is that together we can build new and exciting memories and that today’s progress will be tomorrow's comfort.
Always remember, Alumni Matter!

We are changing: Becoming more Christlike in graciousness, clothes are a little snugger, less hair, more aches and pains, a lot less hip, more seasoned by experience and, finally, more fond of the events and people who got us here. Gaining wisdom and perspective is progress. That’s the best.

**Lion Tracks**

**30’s**

**Reunions**

*Class of ‘34*
Oct. ’99 (65 years)

*Class of ‘39*
July ’99 (60 years)

RALPH TOLIVER, ’37, continued as pastor of Cranmore Cove Baptist Church in Dayton, Tenn., after his marriage last year to Kay Fries, a missionary widow from the Philippines. He completed five years as interim pastor until a new pastor took over and he and Kay moved to Lititz, Pa., to Kay’s home to be near her 91-year-old mother. Together they share in Cornerstone Baptist Church and visit the elderly in Audubon Villa as well as participating in two mission prayer meetings—SEND and OFM.

**40’s**

**Reunions**

*Class of ’44*
Oct. ’99 (55 years)

*Class of ’49*
May ’99 (50 years)

CONNIE (PENICK) FORD, ’40, Ashland, Ky., continues a busy round of activities with her church and women's clubs, plus her children and grandchildren, who shared a special celebration for her 80th birthday. She is especially enjoying her new recliner with heater, vibrator, telephone, and storage space.

WARD, ’43, and Agnes (Fay), TRESSLER, reside in Fremont, Ohio, where Ward is still working with the Grace Brethren Church to minister to the elderly and ailing. They shared a family reunion in July with their three daughters and their families.

SOLON, ’43x, and KATHRYN (HIRSCHY), ’43x, HOYT, Winona Lake, Ind., keep active at their Lakeland Conservative Grace Brethren Church, where Solon assists in teaching the adult Sunday School class and plays the trombone or baritone while Kathryn plays the organ. They enjoy visits to and from their five children and their families scattered from Florida to Colorado.

JEAN (CLARK) EARL, ’45x, Nashville, Tenn., enjoys her adult Sunday school department at church and the company of a few close neighbors, but is limited in other activities which require standing or walking. Her daughters from Maryland and California joined her for Thanksgiving, and she enjoyed the peace and quiet of her home at Christmas.

ROBERT, ’44, and ALICE (TUCKER), 47x, ST. JOHN, Tacoma, Wash., are grateful that the doctors’ reports on both of them indicate freedom from cancer for which they had been previously treated. Bob teaches a Sunday school class and works in the Presbytery; Alice does a lot of crocheting.

MIRIAM LEVENGOOD, ’47x, Dayton, Tenn., participates in the ladies’ fellowship at Cumberland Springs Bible Camp, shares in mission work around the world by sorting and mailing letters for missionary friends on three continents and helping with the Women’s Care Center and TMM Ministries in Dayton.

Charlie and ANN (WILDERN), ’46, MORGAN, Shalimar, Fla., are enjoying their retirement near Fort Walton Beach by staying close to home, but they hope...
to attend the May '99 graduation to share with the 50th anniversary class.

MIRIAM UPHOUSE, '48s, Winona Lake, Ind., has included visits to her three daughters in 1998—Debbie and family in Florida, Hannah and family in California and Abby and family close by home. She also attended the 50th anniversary class of which she was a part at Bryan College and the 60th anniversary of her class at the Philadelphia College of Bible. In September, she joined a group of 18 aboard the Vision of the Seas for Ocala, Fla., held their family reunion with WEYRICK, Hotel in Nashville and enjoyed the sights and sounds of three children and seven grandchildren at the Opryland of 1949 at Bryan in May.

EN ROUTE she celebrated her 81st birthday.

WANDA BURCHAM, '49, St. Petersburg, Fla., served last summer with the Hindu Track of Summer Training Outreach Program (STOP) in New Jersey. After studying the basics of Hinduism or Islam, students go to parks and homes to witness among the 60,000 Hindus and Muslims there. While in New Jersey, Wanda fractured her ankle but had a good recovery after she returned home in August. She is considering a move to Penney Retirement Center in north Florida and is planning to attend the 50th reunion class of 1949 at Bryan in May.

Jim and GEORGIA (STANDEW), '49x, WEYRICK, Ocala, Fla., held their family reunion with three children and seven grandchildren at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville and enjoyed the sights and sounds of the area. Last year they attended the class of 1948 reunion at Bryan. At their home they entertained Bryan alumni JOEL, '51, and PAULINE, '51x, KETTENRING; TOM, '54, and RUTH (SUTTIT), '51, TAYLOR, and REBECCA (PECK) HUET, '40, who attended the same high school in Ohio as Georgia and her siblings.

LYMAN, '49, and HELEN (PARDEN), '48, GOEHRING, Lakeland, Fla., have found ministry openings in their local church and Lyman has been distributing "Our Daily Bread" booklets in their own neighborhood and another area of Lakeland. They have had some health ailments but are glad for recovery including a second cataract surgery for Helen.

NELL PEARSON, '49, Marlin, Texas, shared in DVBS last June and had the joy of seeing seven accept the Lord. In July and August she spent seven weeks in Germany, tutoring Americans in German at the Black Forest Academy, an English-speaking school primarily for missionaries' children. A freak accident in her apartment resulted in a broken arm for Nell and a cast that came off in September. She then rented a car and visited around Austria, where she had spent most of her career, returning to Texas in October.

CLYDE, '49, and RUTH (KUHN), '47, SIMMONS, Chattanooga, Tenn., have had some physical problems. Last January 1998, Clyde had a stroke which paralyzed his left side, but he has regained most of his ability to walk and drive. Their son, BOB SIMMONS, '76, is recreation director for the Baptist Children's Home in Chattanooga.
stroke, and is being cared for by daughter Andrea while Leonard is away in Brazil until April.

RONALD, '52, and GLADYS (JENNEWEIN), '50, MEZNAR, residents of Ocala, Fla., have enjoyed the third Christmas since retiring. Ron provided translation service in the Portuguese for Bible Visuals International and some taped studies and sermons for BBN's new FM radio ministry in Brazil. Gladys shares in the local Christian Women's Club and the Salvation Army activities begun in Brazil. Last October, they took a trip to Asia, planned by daughter JILL, '75, and husband, Lee, THOMPSON, who live in Bangkok, Thailand.

ROBERT, '51x, and Ida WAGLER, Morton, Ill., had a travel schedule that included Bob's accompanying "Ambassadors in Sports" teams for ministry in France during the Soccer World Cup season and also revisiting the church of La COUR, finding that they put some in their early years in the Paris region. One Sunday there Bob preached in French to four combined Antillian churches, for a great reunion. The Wagler family including six children and families had their reunion at Hebron Colony, near Boone, N.C., with a special sharing time "that went too fast."

ALLEN, '52, and Shirley JEWETT, Morristown, Tenn., are involved with the music ministry at First Baptist Church in Sneedville, Tenn., about 38 miles from their home. Three choirs presented the Christmas musical and Shirley plays the piano part time. Their six children all live in East Tennessee except Dennis, who lives in Minneapolis, Minn.; grandchildren number 13.

RICHARD, '52, and BARBARA (BECKER), '53x, MCINTOSH, live in Xenia, Ohio, half-way between two of their four married children, who have added nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. They have joined Grace Baptist Church in Cedarville, where they were very active from 1960-1984, while they were serving at Cedarville College. Last July they both retired from positions at First Baptist Church and Galion Christian school, sold their home in Galion, and moved to Xenia. Richard was a patient in Galion Community Hospital three times and once in Riverside Hospital in Columbus, but he is walking and getting strength.

DAVID, '52, and MARY (GROVER), '53, NAFF have been working at the SIM office in Charlotte, N.C. Dave has been building equipment for the radio station in Abidjan and is now doing wiring for buildings on the USA campus of SIM. Mary helps with mail for all U.S. missionaries and works in the literature department, invoicing, packaging and mailing literature. They have been asked to consider serving part time in Everywhere so Dave can help prepare Radio ELWA with final installation and testing of broadcast equipment to go on the air again. They hoped for departure in February.

DON, '53, and JOYANN (CONLAN), '54x, WALKER, live in Crawfordsville, Ind., with Don's parents. While Joyann cares for the home and parents, Don spends about half of his time in Germany training and assisting Christian leaders, especially in Eastern Europe. The Walkers' two sons, Matthew and Mark, with their families, also minister in that area.

RALPH, '54, and MELBA (MAYS), '55, MAYNARD, Kissimmee, Fla., have been invited to go back out to Irian Jaya, where they lived for 15 years some 26 years ago, and also to visit son TIM, '83x, who is an MAF mechanic. They have been asked to consider staying a year to teach Bible at the English-speaking school. Their son Grady graduated last year from Moody's Mission Aviation course and with his family hopes to join MAF for service. Their oldest son, Dwight, had a tour with the Marines and is pursuing international studies and global affairs at Eckerd College.

THOMAS, '54, and RUTH (SUTTON), '51, TAYLOR, Dublin, Pa., declare that retirement is just another word for new and different jobs, but it does allow taking time off for things which could not be done otherwise. They both were very active last year in a full schedule of conferences, meetings and teaching opportunities with prospects for a similar schedule this year.

MILLIE MOSBY, '55x, Harwood Heights, Ill., continues her special interest in international students, which is also a major concern of SIM which now consists of four missions since its last merger with Africa Evangelical Fellowship. Millie teaches one class a week (instead of three as she did before) and enjoys more time reading God's Word, missionary letters, and other literature.

ROBERT, '55x, and BETTY JOY (RANKIN), '54, HORNE retired from missionary service under Baptist Mid-Missions after many years in Liberia, and more recently in Guiana, South America. They are living in southern Michigan.

RICHARD, '55, and DONNA (BLACK), '57x, CORNELIUS recorded several departures in 1998. Their daughter, CRISTA, '90, left in January for China to serve as director of the English Language Institute China school in Changchun. Donna's father and mother both departed for heaven just five months apart. Dick has announced his retirement from teaching English at Bryan in May this year, completing 38 years at Bryan.

WILBUR, '56, and Ida Lou PICKERING, Valparaiso, Brazil, have recorded 14 graduates from the missionary training school started in 1996, but the board of directors decided to suspend operations because of the lack of faculty and two other schools that have started. After a short furlough, the Pickerings will continue ministry through the Internet, CDs, books and articles, video and audio cassettes, as well as teaching and preaching live. Ida Lou is on the board of directors of a small Brazilian mission, and Wilbur has returned to the board of the "Beyond" Mission that he helped to organize in 1982. His main work will be concentrating on the defense of the authority of Scripture, mainly in Portuguese, with preparation of a Greek-Portuguese interlinear New Testament.

DAVE, '56, and Linda HARMON write from Glenwood Springs, Colo. Dave, a professor of sociology at Colorado Mountain College, was recently named the Colorado Mountain College Faculty Member of the Year. BOB, '56, and Wanda HEARING, northern Indiana, drove almost 40,000 miles and flew as many more since Bob serves as an associate director with Child Evangelism Fellowship. He is interim director of the Southeast region of the USA. They are hoping to spend more time in Arkansas this year since this state has no established CEF ministry.

JIM, '56x, and Barbara PITTS, Azrou, Morocco, had a great time at their Children's Haven Christmas time fellowship and another Christmas program with a gathering of the Christian community in their section of Morocco. The Pitts are working with officials for written permission to secure property for a second orphanage for which they have verbal permission. The Pitts plan for furlough from May 22 to Sept. 22 with their base in Great Falls, Va.

CHARLES, '57, and Shirley MOORE, Upland, Ind., have changed their mission affiliation to OMS International, originally known as Oriental Missionary Society but now ministering in 16 countries. The Moores continue campus ministries with Taylor University, ministering to approximately 150 students.

DAVID, '57, and KAY (TEMPLE), '55, HENRY, Fairbanks, Alaska, with inter-act Ministries, were glad to be in Alaska when Dave had arthroscopic knee surgery in August and then a heart pacemaker to correct a defective heartbeat. The Henry's expected to return to Yakutsk in East Russia. They have continued Russian courses four days a week in Alaska and have collected 48 hymns written in Yakut language.

DAVID, '57, and SHIRLEY (PITCHER), '57, MARSTELLER, Hope, Mich., enjoyed a month of surprises during Pastor Appreciation Month at Hope Baptist Church. The youngest of their five children, Krysten, graduated from college last May, as a fulfillment of their dream that all of their children would graduate from Christian schools and colleges.

JACK, '58, and Norma CANADY, Dallas, Ore., shared in the Jubilee Year for Village Missions, which began in Portland, Ore., 50 years ago. In July 1998, they held a conference at Estes Park, Colo., to include missionaries and families, retirees, board members and representatives from Stonecroft Ministries and office staff. The entire Canady family of 25 shared their reunion four days after the conference. Jack and Norma have completed 40 years in Village Missions.
Balkos in Alaska

Director of Estate Planning
Terry Balko, '74, and his wife, Jan, '75, '88, traveled to Alaska recently and met with a number of Bryan alumni on their trip. Pictured at one of the get-togethers are, from left, front, Barbara Hodges, '77, who is secretary for Fairhill Christian School in North Pole, Alaska; Debbie Henry Rathburn, '88, a work-at-home mom; and Kay Temple Henry, '85, who works with her husband, David, with Far East Russia Ministry in the Yakutia Province in Siberia. Back are Dan Henry, '80, an insulation contractor in Fairbanks; and Jan Balko. They also met with Bob, '65, and Robin Seaver Crane, '65, who work in Magadan, Russia, east of Siberia, training pastors and leaders to plant churches.

Glen and SHARI (BENTLEY), '79, HANBEY are proud to announce the birth of their son, Logan Ash, on Jan. 25, weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs. Logan was welcomed by big brothers Devon, 6, and Lance, 4. The family resides in Montgomery, Ala.

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80's

Reunions

Class of '84
Oct. '99 (15 years)

GREG, '80, and NANCY JO (BAY), '80x, WRIGHT write from South Carolina, where Greg is headmaster of Dillion Christian School. Greg recently received the Charles C. Aimar Award, which is bestowed annually on a private school administrator in South Carolina for educational excellence. Nancy also teaches at Dillion Christian. They have two daughters, Katie, 9, and Emily, 4.

SCOTT, '81, and MARGARET (KOHN), '84x, SMITH, Madrid, Spain, made a second family trip to Equatorial Guinea (E.G.), Africa in their survey of Bible translation needs. They interviewed two chiefs of language groups and documented two languages that are new to their list. The Smith children are Rachel in fourth grade in Spanish public school, Christina in first grade at home, and Andrew, 4. Scott attended the marriage of his father, Don Smith to Mrs. Phyllis Baughman in November in the U.S. and Margaret's parents were expected to visit in Spain.

DAVID, '81, and KATHY (DAY), '82, CLASSEN, White Lake, Mich., are involved in planting a new church in an area near the Grace Countryside Church where they have served for 10 years. A core group of more than 100 adults was commissioned to help at the new Ore Creek Community Church, which had 200 people attending the first public Sunday service. Last November Kathy and her brother visited their sister in Belgium and had side trips to Paris and Amsterdam. Their children are Cristina, 11; Kelly, 8; Kyle, 5.

Ken and ROSEMARIE (SLATE), '82x, NORTON write from Douglasville, Ga., where Rosemarie home-schools their four children. Jonathan, 14; Daniel, 12; Jesse, 10; and Elizabeth, 7. Rosemarie also has a business painting murals and pen, ink and watercolors. Ken is employed at Lucent Fetal in Carrolton, Ga.

ANDREW, '83, and CAROL ANN (PERSIANI), '85, PATTON send greetings from Crownsville, Md., where Andrew is a senior programmer/analyst for Data Processing Solutions and Carol is self-employed in network marketing for Nixke, a company which uses magnets and infrared products to aid healing. They have a daughter, Kylie, 2.

TIM MAYNARD, '83x, spent nine months in language study in Bandung, Java, (Indonesia) and is stationed in Sentani, Irian Jaya, where he was born and went to school for a number of years while his parents were missionaries. He is a trained mechanic with MAF, serving other missionaries in that area.

David and MONIQUE (PIERCE), '83, COCANOUGHER write that David recently was promoted to project manager at Eglin Air Force Base, in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Monique stays busy shuttling their two children Caitlin, 9, and Robert, 4, to and from activities and appointments.

Monique also enjoys singing in a trio and the church choir. She also plays in the handbell choir. Robert is still in remission and is doing great, and treatments were to have ended in February or March.

David and YVONNE (HEFFNER), '83x, DEAVER announce the birth of their daughter, Lauren Thelma, on Jan. 10. They reside in Springfield, Va.

GARY, '85, and DEANNA (FLORES), '86, ELLISON, with their six children live in Mexico City, sponsored by Calvary Baptist Church, Smyrna, Ga. At Christmas the children baked bread and included Gospel leaflets for their neighbors and also shared treats and tracts with trash men and children. Nathan at 12 years plays for the children's choir and was asked to play for the adult Christmas cantata, which he did with much practice. The other children are: Rebekah, 10; Elizabeth, 8; Hannah, 6; Timothy, 4; and Joshua 18 months. Gary is preaching in Spanish (three times in January, and two times in February) and Deanna is preparing a study for ladies and also for children.

TITUS, '85, and Anya HANHAM with their son, David, in Miami, Fla, plan to return to Russia this year as the Lord provides financial and prayer support. They

70's

Reunions

Class of '74
Oct. '99 (25 years)

BRUCE, '73, and Naomi PAULEY live in Lake Odesa, Mich., where Bruce is the part-time pastor of First Baptist Congregational Church. In addition to part-time pastorate, Bruce also works full-time at Lowell Engineering. Naomi is employed by Oliver-VanDyke Insurance Agency in Grand Rapids. Their children are Sarah, 19; Sabrina, a high school junior; Shaun, a freshman in high school; Stephen, in junior high; and Sadie, a fifth grader.

Steven and JANICE (RASH), '74, TROSTLE, Malveira, Portugal, were pleased that nine teenage boys responded to invitations by high school students to their Christmas program, and these students gathered around the visitors to plan future contacts in soccer, etc. The Trostles request prayer for teachers for next year and continued contact with the nine teenagers.

LOREN, '75, and PAM, (MARTIN), '78, BAUGHMAN, Mineral Springs, N.C., seek additional training, especially in computers, before returning to Papua New Guinea under Wycliffe. Their children are Matt in ninth grade, who plays the saxophone in the marching band, and Katherine in sixth grade who plays clarinet with the middle school band. A significant family event in November was the marriage of Loren's mother to Don Smith, father of alumni SCOTT SMITH, '80, and SUSAN (SMITH), '80, HARRIS. The new couple had attended Moody at the same time and were both affiliated with Wycliffe—Loren's father and Don Smith as pilots.

STEVE, '76, and MARCIA (KRICK), '78x, STRAUSS, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, are encouraged by the response of former Muslim students at the Evangelical Seminary to the need of Muslims to whom they are ministering. Their children, Cara, Mark and David, contribute to the challenges and accomplishments of the Strauss family.

Bartolome and REBECCA (GOLDSTON), '77x, CALLES, Villagordo, Spain, welcomed the help of six Americans to cover 15 neighboring towns door to door with about 97,000 Gospel tracts, booklets, some books and Bibles to reach a population of more than 440,000. A special joy was the response of Bartolome's 83-year-old father to accept the Lord Jesus as his Savior. They pray now for a church building in Villargordo with about half of the needed money on hand, and for fruit from God's Word in the villages contacted.

John and RACHAEL (COWEN), '76, SHERWOOD, Havertown, Pa., are planning a trip to their former field in Indonesia next mid-September for a month's stay. They are involved at the headquarters of UFM. John was ordained last year at his home church, Berachah Bible Church. Their children are Charissa in high school and Pete in middle school.

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Oct. '99 (25 years)
Lion Tracks

have about half of their finances and are affiliated with The Navigators. The Hanhams met in Magadan, Russia, when Anya worked along with the CoMission Team on which Titus served; they were married in Miami in September 1997. They visited in Dayton, Tenn., with 5-month-old David for fellowship with Bryan friends in February, sponsored by STEVE, '85, and LISA (BARTH), '87, STEWART at the home of JIM, '57, and JUDY (KING), '57, BARTH.

Randy and RUTHIE (GOETZMAN), '86x, COLLIER announce the birth of their third child, Chad Michael, on Sept. 14, 1998. He is welcomed by his brothers Caleb, 6, and Colton, 3. Ruthie is enjoying homeschooling Caleb. The family lives in Lake Worth, Fla.

Dan and LINDA (FOLEY), '86, WOOTEN express their appreciation for prayers and encouragement concerning Linda's health. Linda was diagnosed with a rare ailment called Cushing's Disease in 1993, which involved a tumor at the base of her brain. She has undergone two brain surgeries and two separate treatments of radiation. They are happy to report that 1998 was an encouraging year. Dan is a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary and has pastored two churches over the past nine years. He is director of the Troup County Senior Center in LaGrange, Ga. Linda is a full-time mom to their daughter, Beth, 1 1/2.

JOHN, '86, and SAN- DRA (ROSS), '84, PIERCE announce the birth of twin daughters, Carlee Elizabeth and Catherine Ross, on Dec. 18, 1998. They each weighed over 6 lbs. They joined their big brother, Andrew. The Pierce family lives in Matthews, N.C.

Scott and NAN (COX), '87x, MORRIS write from Birmingham, Ala. Nan homeschools Matt, 8, and Randy, 7. They are big brothers to Rebecca, 4, and Katherine, 2. Peter and TAMMY (SILL), '87, HALTER announce the birth of their daughter, Natalie Noelle, on Dec. 11, 1998. Natalie weighed 8 lbs. and was 19 in. long.

Ruthie and Chad Collier

JUDY STEWART, '87, and DONNA MARIE (HOWELL), '87, ACKENZIE announce the birth of their third son, Adam Brian, on Feb. 20, 1998. He joins brothers Jesse and Kevin. Brian and Donna and their family live in Allen, Texas, where Brian is the regional sales manager for Clawson Container Co. and Donna is a full-time mom.

Wade and BECKY (HILL), '88, ARNOLD announce the birth of their daughter, Lydia Ann, on June 11, 1998. Welcoming Lydia were her brother, Luke, 7, and sister, Leah Catherine, 4.

ANDY, '88, and KAY (POWELL), '88, BRUNER, Honiara, Solomon Islands, are translators for the Arosi language with the help of two nationals, Shadrack and Zeburon. They expect to have the entire New Testament in first draft sometime this year. They live at the Honiara base where Andy is a deputy group coordinator who manages a multitude of practical details for his family and other missionaries on base, while also serving as Arosi Translation Project Advisor.

BONNIE WAGLER, '88x, is teaching learning disabled students in Hudson, Fla., which she finds to be a challenging mission field. She had spent 18 months teaching in Budapest, Hungary. She was pleased to be with her family at the Wagler reunion of all six children last August.

Eric and DENISE (WAGNER), '89, MILLER announce the birth of their second son, Luke Donald William, on Oct. 24, 1998. He joins brother Ian, 3. Denise, Eric and their family live in Paradise, Pa., where Denise enjoys raising their family and Eric is finishing his doctoral work in American history at the University of Delaware.

DAVID, '89, and Kim ERSKINE send greetings from Hannibal, Mo., where David enjoys coaching the men's and women's soccer teams as well as teaching four classes at Hannibal-LaGrange College. The Erskines have 2 daughters Madeline, age 2, and Liliana, born Nov. 20, 1998.

TOM, '89, and Jennifer SHANLEY announce the birth of their son, Trent William, on Nov. 21, 1998, weighing 7 lbs., 10 oz. The Sheralys reside in Annapolis, Md.

Dan and PRISCILLA (COLLINS), '85, THACHER announce the birth of their fourth child, Abigail, on Nov. 11, 1998. She weighed 11 lbs. 4 oz. She joins Noah, 6; Hannah, 4; and Victoria, 2. The Thachers live in Bluffton, Ohio.

90's

Reunions

Class of '94
Oct. '99 (5 years)

Bob and ANITA (REUTER), '90, URBAN rejoice in the birth of their second child, Peter James, on Feb. 8. He weighed 8 lbs., 14 oz. Peter has a sister, Anna Beth, 1 1/2.

DAMMON, '90, and LEA (JOHNSON), '89, KELLY send greetings from Bryan, Texas, where they recently moved from Knoxville, Tenn. Dammon is serving at Park Cities Presbyterian Church as youth pastor. Kelly is a consultant for Creative Memories and a full-time mom. The Kellys have two boys, Taylor, 6/2, and Trent, 4. Their new e-mail address is Creative.K@AOL.com or Dammon@PCPC.ORG.

JAMES, '90, and CHRISTINE (MASSEY), '91, DAVIS accepted a call for Jimmy to be assistant pastor to middle school students at Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, Tenn., beginning in March. They left Pensacola, Fla., where Jimmy was assistant pastor of student ministries at the McIwan Memorial Presbyterian Church. Christine has continued to recover from her severe burns. On Jan. 28, they welcomed twins Emily Abigail (Abi), and James Micah (Micah.) Gerson and TANIA (TUSSUZIAN), '91x, live in the superpopulated city of Sao Paulo, Brazil, with about 10,000,000 people. Gerson is pastor of their church which has completed a new building after nine years of construction by "funds available." They are emphasizing a discipleship ministry to train others and also to seek deeper fellowship of the Christians in the church. At home three sons keep life busy—Lucas, 4; Marcel, 3; and Jonathan, 1. Gerson served in the seminary of Sao Paulo in two classes last year and will continue with Principles of Hermeneutics and Missions this year. A special family blessing was the provision of a house in a location convenient to shopping center, church and school.

BETH HORNISH, '91, San Jose, Costa Rica, arrived last August for language school. She is living with a Costa Rican family who are very helpful to her, sharing with their three children, ages 12, 5, and 2 months. She is hoping to leave for Spain this summer with the additional $200 monthly support she needs, as advised by her TEAM mission.

SHARON BRADFIELD, '91, writes from Ft. Worth, Texas, where she is pursuing a master's degree in church music from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Starting in January, she began a new position as minister of worship at Trailwood United Methodist...
Church in Grand Prairie, Texas. She directs adult and childrens choir, a handbell choir and a new praise band for a new contemporary service.

MARK, '92, and NATALIE (CAWOOD), '97, CRUVER announce the birth of their son, Seth, on Nov. 3, 1998, weighing 8 lbs., 5 oz. The family resides in Dayton, Tenn., where Mark is employed by the admissions department at Bryan College.

STEVE, '92, and BEV (HEWITT), '90, OATS announce the birth of their second daughter, Kelsey Rene, on May 1, 1998. She joins Ashley, 21/2. Steve is pastor at Grace Community Church in Moorsetown, N.J., and Bev is a full-time mom. Their e-mail address is stevoats@juno.com.

ANNETTE STONE, '93, was graduated from Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas, with a master's degree in music/vocal languages. While she loved to analyze Bryan and found that he

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GRADUATING FROM THE SUMMER INSTITUTE OF LINGUISTICS AFTER COMPLETING THE DIPLOMA IN WORLD MISSIONS, the son of Wycliff and Jule Albright, '94, and the late Margaret Albright, was married Dec. 1998, in Hardin Chapel at the Rose Center, Shreveport, La. Jamie owns Red River Stars Dance Studio. George is the head men's soccer coach at Evangel Christian Academy and teaches exercise science courses at Louisiana State University.

David and MELISSA (MEADOWS), '91, STEWART announce the birth of their son, Zachary, on Sept. 5, 1998, weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz. The family lives in Hinson, Tenn.

ERIC ALBRIGHT, '94, the son of Wycliffe missionaries, went to the Summer Institute of Linguistics after graduating from Bryan and found that he

loved to analyze languages. While working in Greensboro, N.C., he assisted with the middle school youth and missions committee at Grace Community Church. Last September he was accepted by Wycliffe Bible Translators and will get more training this spring in Dallas. He expects to be involved in language survey work since over half of the world's 6,000 plus language groups don't have God's Word in their languages.

ANDY, '95, and KIM (NICHOLS), '94, DANIELS are on staff with New Tribes Mission in Sanford, Fla., where Andy works in the publications department and Kim is working in the resource department. They await the birth of their first child in June.

GLYNN STONE, '95, announces his engagement to Angie Hoenenphyte of Arlington, Texas. Glynn is associate pastor of Fielder Road Baptist Church in Arlington, and is working on his Ph.D. in evangelism from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. Glynn and Angie plan to be married June 23.

PAUL, '96, and MELISSA (LUBKE), '98x, BARTH announce the birth of their son, Paul Robert Barth III, on Dec. 10, 1998. He weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz and was 19 inches long.

GEORGE, '96, RAEV and Jamie Dromgold were married Dec. 12, 1998, in Hardin Chapel at the Rose Center, Shreveport, La. Jamie owns Red River Stars Dance Studio. George is the head men's soccer coach at Evangel Christian Academy and teaches exercise science courses at Louisiana State University.

David and MELODY (RIDDLE), '96, DURHAM write from Knoxville, Tenn., where Melody teaches seventh graders at Christian Academy of Knoxville. She also coaches volleyball and oversees service project work and assists in sponsoring competitions such as the National Geographic Society's Geography Bee. She is pursuing her master's degree in U.S. history at the University of Tennessee and plans to graduate in December. David has just completed management training with Cracker Barrel Old Country Store and Restaurant. In March he was to become manager at the Campbell Station Cracker Barrel in Knoxville.

MATT, '97, and ANDREA (KEMP), '97, BOSTIC announce the birth of their daughter, Alea Marie, born Jan. 3. She weighed 6 lbs., 3 oz. Matt teaches Bible at New Life Christian School, where he is also assistant coach of the boys varsity basketball team. Matt and Andrea serve as junior high youth leaders at New Life Foursquare Church. Jeremy and AUTUMN (HALSEY), '98, DAVIS were married on April 10, 1998, and are living in Charleston, W.Va., where Autumn is teaching pre-school and Jeremy is completing his degree in mechanical engineering.

MICHAEL, '98, and ALYSSA (WELDON), '98x, MOBLEY recently moved to Dallas, Texas, where Michael is pursuing a Th.M. from Dallas Theological Seminary. Alyssa is employed by Faith Works in Dallas. Their home address is 5440 N. Jim Miller Road, Apt. 1616, Dallas, Tex. 75227.

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