Enrollment jumps 10% as college rebounds from fire

The largest entering class in more than a decade drove up Bryan Hill in August, finding a campus disrupted by construction projects but greeted by faculty, staff and students determined to make them welcome in spite of the inconveniences.

By the time the dust had settled, 199 new students had taken their place at Bryan. Another 364 returned from the 1999-2000 year, and nine part-time students were enrolled to give a full enrollment of 572, up from 512 a year ago. In addition, another 40 students are enrolled in the ASPIRE degree completion program.

Despite construction (please see a related story on Page 1), the check-in and getting settled process went smoothly, thanks in part to more than 100 upperclassmen who returned early to be part of the annual student leadership retreat. These students directed traffic—both foot and vehicular—from Bryan Drive to the Student Life Center where new students picked up their room assignments to the residence halls. They also helped move everything from clothes to appliances from the parking lots into the students’ rooms.

While college officials had considered the possibility of a drop in enrollment following the February Administration Building fire, the opposite actually happened. Because of a surge in applications and lack of beds, the college had to limit enrollment by men and was close to that point for women.

Admissions Director Mark Cruver said his office received 525 applications and 199 students actually enrolled this fall.

During their first orientation meeting, new students introduced themselves and told what they hoped to be doing in 10 years. The most Continued on page 8...

Future is now for campus improvements

Even though plans for rebuilding following the Administration Building fire were not finalized, maintenance crews and contractors did a lot of work preparing for opening school this fall. Here, conduit for the new communications network lies between the new campus perimeter road and the ditch that will hold the lines in front of Rhea House, which, itself, was a construction site. Formerly the president’s home, Rhea House, became a men’s residence with the college’s jump in enrollment. While “Rhea House” is the official name, some residents have been heard calling it the “Shelter Shack” in honor of Resident Director Tim Shelter, ’00.

Bryan’s 20-year campus development plan, a plan initiated only five years ago, should be completed within the next year as the college surges into the new century on the heels of a disastrous fire in February.

Vice President of Operations Tim Hostetler said key elements for the campus include reconstruction of the Administration Building, construction of a library, construction of a new home for the college president and renovation of Rhea House.

The $18-million project builds on work begun or completed during the summer as college personnel prepared for the opening of the 2000-2001 school year. Continued on page 9...
What Would Buddha Do? Teens and the New Spirituality

A high school English teacher gave her class an assignment to describe the perfect parents. The perfect parents, the students wrote, "never discipline me and let me do what I want to do."

Their response is typical of a mood that dominates contemporary culture. That teenagers have a desire for autonomy and independence is nothing new, but the extent to which American society reinforces this desire in every area of life is jarring. Take, for example, data showing a renewed interest in religion among American teens.

A recent Newsweek poll of teenagers found that 78 percent claim that religion is very important in their lives. While this percentage is a strong showing of religious interest, less than half of the teens reported they attend religious services regularly. Youth, it seems, find solace in spirituality rather than religion. One teen commented that when she prays she is really "asking myself to be strong." The act of believing is more important than what is believed. George Barna's 1999 poll confirms that over half of teenagers agreed. "All religious faiths teach equally valid truths." Their focus is less on what is true and more on enhancing the experience of the individual.

This should come as no surprise. Futurist guru Faith Popcorn calls this "individuation:" the desire to have everything conform to our own preferences. The "bar code" mentality of mass culture drives people to seek opportunities to express themselves individually. From dolls that look like your daughter (or son), to personally designed dashboards in cars, to customized cookies, Popcorn warns marketers to prepare for an insatiable need for personalized products, a phenomenon she calls "egonomics."

In our culture, we pride ourselves on being all we can be. We are looking for a worldview that fits me, not one that fits that world. We have so twisted the idea of truth that we no longer consider it a worthy concept to pursue. An administrator from another college was discussing with me their institution's policy of mentoring students in meaningful discussions. I agreed with him and mentioned that likewise, at Bryan College, we enjoy the vigorous search for truth.

Suddenly a horrified expression crossed his face. "We don't use that word . . . truth," he said. "It is too divisive."

Truth? Divisive? I thought truth was supposed to be liberating. Not in today's "me-first-and-only" culture. The idea of absolute truth is oppressive to the individual who has the "right" (according to the Supreme Court in Casey v. Planned Parenthood) to define truth and reality the way we want.

Egonomics in religion is no different. In a society where personal choice is the highest virtue, American teenagers tend to take a smorgasbord approach to religious truth—a little Christianity, a little Hinduism, a little paganism, and a lot of pop culture.

Rather than being a direct attack against organized religions, the new designer religions foster a mood of transcendence beyond the "stale trappings" of dogma. Christian ideas and themes are not rejected; they are borrowed, stripped and transformed. The goal is to arrive at a spirituality and "God" that fit their own personal needs. Jesus has become one of many choices in the American religious buffet.

For example, a popular book, What Would Buddha Do?: 101 Answers for Daily Dilemmas, by Franz Metcalf promotes itself not as an alternative to the teachings of Jesus but as a source of "valuable advice on improving one's life by following the wisdom of another great teacher - Buddha."

The book even includes an offer to receive a free WWBD? bracelet.

Transcendental teachers and movements reinterpret the life and ministry of Jesus to make Him fit an agenda of self-actualization and empowerment. From the Heaven's Gate cult to the Celestine Prophecy, transcendentalists are telling us to "follow Jesus" - at least their new and improved version of Jesus.

There is little difference between this popular approach to God and the Transcendental Eastern religions and Western movements, particularly the New Age versions of the sixties. Wicca, Scientology, astrology, psychics—all attempt to capture the energizing divine force of a feel-good religion with no responsibilities.

Rejecting a personal God of authority and replacing an impersonal God of comfort and provision is the natural bent of the human mind, says C. S. Lewis, a philosophy he refers to as the "Life Force" worldview. He goes on to note, "The Life-Force is a sort of tame God. You can switch it on when you want, but it will not bother you. All the thrills of religion and none of the cost. Is the Life-Force the greatest achievement of wishful thinking? he world has yet seen?"

This approach, says Rabbi Harold Kushner, "infantilizes our relationship to God. It would take us back to the premonal stage of religion, asking for something, trying to manipulate God to get what we want without having to meet any standards at our end of the relationship."

There was really nothing "new" about the New Age movement. It is the same old human impulse toward pantheism that dominated ancient societies and comes back in different manifestations. "Yet, by strange irony," Lewis chides, "each new relapse into this immemorial 'religion' is hailed as the last word in novelty and emancipation."

Teenagers are providing the latest incarnation of this "old time religion." A God who never disciplines and lets them do whatever they want. A God created in their image of the perfect parents.
Meet Bryan’s new Presidential Scholars

Jessica Hogan, daughter of Theodore and Norma Hogan of Prairie Village, Kan., received one of two Presidential Scholarships in Natural Sciences. Jessica, a homeschool student, was active in Junior Achievement, Toastmasters, 4-H and youth soccer. She was a National Merit Finalist and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was a volunteer at Ronald McDonald House and has volunteered at St. Joseph Health Center.

She learned about Bryan College when she attended a homeschool debate competition at Bryan in 1999. She heard Dr. Brown speak at the debate banquet and liked the college’s emphasis on worldview studies.

She is a biology major and plans to attend medical or graduate school after completing her studies at Bryan. Eventually she would like to be a doctor on the mission field.

Jessica, a pianist, hopes to be involved in music at Bryan.

Dr. Donna Binkowski has earned the B.A. and Ph.D. in Spanish from The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Before coming to Bryan she served as a learning specialist for The Learning Center, Foreign Language Software Division, in Knoxville, Tenn.

Mr. Ted Boyd is the new admissions counselor for North Carolina, Southeast Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of The Citadel and worked closely with Dr. Jeff Myers through the Summit program. He will be recruiting for both the college and Summit.

Mrs. Beth Bradshaw is the new part-time mailroom assistant. Her husband, Steve, is professor of psychology, and their daughter, Jenny is a student at Bryan.

Mrs. Jody Cheon is the new on-campus admissions counselor. She will coordinate campus visits, events and oversee the Ambassadors and telecounselors. Her son, Jeremy, is a member of the Class of 1998.

Matt Jones, a member of the Class of 1996, is a new admissions counselor. His responsibilities include Knoxville, Nashville and Chattanooga, Tenn.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Birmingham, Ala., as well as working with transfer students.

Mrs. Darlene Lestmann is the new part-time secretary for the Music Department. Her husband, Phil, is professor of Mathematics. Their daughter Keri-Lynn Paulson, 2000 graduate of the college, and daughters Kristi and Katie are students at Bryan.

Mr. Earl T. Reed has been appointed assistant professor of computer science and director of computer science programs. He earned the B.S. and M.Ed. degrees in mathematics from Auburn University and the M.S. in computer science.
THE FLAMING’

By Herman Shakespeare (ret.)

[From the Brazos Post, 1999, 75, and annotated by R.H. Carothers (ret.)]. Title to be pronounced more or less rhyme with poem to which it is indelible.

more or less - "The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe.

[i.e., Here’s another ps’ poet Poe poem.]

Once upon a Sunday's gloom, a fire made our lives less cheery.

A busy call to nine-one-one, brought fire units on the run

With pumps enough to save a city, but not much water what a pity!

Big rigs raced some files to save (or unused coloring books) from the grave.

Those less artful, computer servers did grab, and in went Rogers Simmonds to rob.

Smoke and fire did wax and wane, but hot tears snuffed out not a flame -

Though they cleansed minds grown much too bold and warned some hearts that had been cold.

If the Evil One rejoiced to relish this hint of his eternal state, He ignored Isaiah's truth in his hellish abode.

That "Beauty for Ashes" is the song of the Calvary Road.

Smoke billowed high in the darkening sky, and dust drifted down by and by.

Flames shot forth like the ride of Valkyries, and the stench caused many to sneeze.

[Okay - Let's see you try rhyme something with "Valkyries."]

Winowpanes pinged, pinged, and pinged in the heat of a furnace like Nebuchadnezzar's.

Students were forced to admit they were wrong when prof's tests they had said were "as hard as nails" did not survive the fire. [Which is a line to distract you from noticing that I could not think of a rhyme for "Nebuchadnezzar's," and if you think of one, keep it to yourself and try not to gloat.

Remember I came up with one for "Valkyries."]

The aquarium fish got boiled, the lion cremated, teachers' slides got smeared to a crisp, Which raises the question many have asked - "Where was God in all of this?"

The same place he was when he warned that because

The world passed away, we should love Him always and consider its stuff mighty slim.

Symbolic lessons abound and are everywhere to be found:

The crispy critter croaker in the case was roasted, but the Lion of Judah twins on the steps weren't even toasted.

The two busts of Bryan came through entirely safe and sound,

As if to say that loss like an election need not keep a good man down.

Though Bryan's copy of Charlie Darwin's Origin of Species was not fit enough to survive,

The monkeys in two exhibits came through looking very much alive.

It was like back in the days after World War II, when we had trailers for the GI crew.

The caravans were built with a speed that left one dizzy.

Based on administrative wisdom that came from above, arrangements fit together with hardly a shove.

If more proof is sought of our God's great might - not a soul was lost at the fiery site,

Miracle Monday came and with it God's grace of strength and peace the media to race.

Taj Mahal.

Deep appreciation goes to Tim Hostetler, who never seemed to tire and earned his vice presidency in a glorious gilding.

Then began the Great Game of hide-and-seek and trying to find where classes meet.

Colonel Ron and his French Lieutenant with a strategy reminiscent of Patton

Deployed the think tanks in marvelous fashion

All the way from Rudd Auditorium to a locker-room emporium.

The financial Aid Office was in Bennett Chapel there to let students know they had a prayer.

Admissions when to the Taj Mahal to "wine" (grape juice) and dine (biodegradable food) new prospects in Argus' hall.

The computer guys were an innovative crowd and built a balcony that would make even Juliet proud.

Meanwhile back at the fire scene were brigades of workers with white suits, hard hats, and many a machine.

The soaring worked extremely well and left our books and files with nary a telltale smell.

Human nature continued to rear its ugly snout when thieves stole from us, who had been knocked down but not out.

One benefit of the many buildings galore was the exercise we got every day more and more.

One challenge our tired brains did tax was to find the closet with the machine that sent fax.

The library, which ended up in Brock, had special perks - you could buy a snack there from the book-store desks.

Though the library was small, it was about the same size that students in the fifties thought quite a prize.

If College Security is ever short-handed and needs to get some rowdies disbanded,

They should get the librarians to bail them out, for their muscles are strong from moving some 16,000 books around and about.

Whenever we were tempted to whimper and moan, we could go to the warehouse and see how much we owned.

The blessings started coming in too by torrent all new science stuff and computers for almost everyone.

People's prayers and gifts were encouraging to see as well as helping hands, such as the men from Lee.

In spite of the ruckus caused by the fire, Bryan life kept its focus altogether and entire.

Heritage Day, for instance, welcomed Mr. Bryan's family clan, and other college events went according to original plan.

With foresight of faith as laid by the Lord, the Administration gave the go-ahead word To have on May 1 standing complete and quite tall, the Student Life Center, a.k.a. the Taj Mahal.

Although there was rubble and a blackened main building, there were efforts which gave the college a glorious gilding.

In all its seventy years, the campus looked the best thanks to the crew of hard-working Yvonne West.

Dee Mooney, whose name should be spelled "Money," supervised insurance arrangements for a settlement that was a honey.

Deep appreciation goes to Tim Hostetler, who never seemed to tire and earned his vice presidency in a baptism by fire.

Many thanks to President Brown, a man with a unique sense of humor, who can put a positive spin on the biggest, darkest doomer.

One question should concern us as we catch up and make do - What lessons are to be learned from the trial we are going through?

Do we substitute work for worship and chiefly do our thing and only if convenient heed the voice of our Saviour King?

How do we respond in words or actions when Jesus knocks on our hearts' doors? Do we quote Poe's famous Raven and answer, "Nevermore?"

Dr. Todd C. Wood has accepted a position as assistant to Dr. Kurt Wise, director of origins research. Dr. Wood earned the B.S. in Biology from Liberty University and the Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Virginia.

Mrs. Brenda Wooten, formerly administrative assistant to the vice president for advancement, has returned to Bryan as financial aid assistant.

from the University of Alabama, Huntsville. It comes to Bryan from a position as an assistant computer specialist at the Department of Defense in Arlington, Va. Mr. Reed and his wife, Melba, are the parents of Bryan alumnus Tommi Leigh Reed Starich, '93.

Miss Jill Reeves, a member of the Class of 2000, is the new admissions counselor for South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Northeast Mississippi, and West Tennessee.

Mrs. Polly Revis, formerly an assistant in the Advancement Department, has returned to Bryan as a cataloging assistant in the library.

Mrs. Lenta Sanders is a new assistant in the Advancement Department. She is retired from the U.S. Navy and lives on Dayton Mountain. She and her husband, Daniel, are the parents of two children.

Miss Allison Womble, a member of the Class of 1998, is the new web coordinator, working in the Advancement Department. She is nearing completion of an M.A. degree in English, specializing in rhetoric and composition at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. She is responsible for coordinating a major overhaul of the Bryan College website (www.bryan.edu) and for regular updates to the new site.
God offers 'something sure' in changing world

Convocation marks opening of school year

In a world that offers only moral relativism, "there are seven things you can count on," the director of a ministry to Hollywood executives told Bryan's convocation audience in August.

Dr. Larry Poland, chief executive officer of Mastermedia International, said, "This is a confusing world. With all the moral relativism around you, you have to have something to count on, something sure."

Dr. Poland's address capped off the formal opening of the school year as President Dr. William E. Brown welcomed students to the college's 71st academic year.

"Over 70 years ago, the first group that called itself 'Bryan College' gathered like this. Five years before, William Jennings Bryan had died, but his legacy lives on. Over those years, 'Christ Above All' has not changed."

Academic Vice President Dr. David Masoner told students, "We at Bryan College want to award you a degree, a degree in understanding, mature thinking and changed." On over those years, 'Christ Above All' has not changed.

Dr. Poland reminded the audience that, as Paul said in II Timothy 3, the last days would be marked by perilous times, then read from the front page of that day's (Aug. 24) USA Today newspaper, pointing out the uncertainties of modern life.

"You're facing an entirely different world," he said. "In the shifting currents of beliefs, values and anything goes culture, you've got to have something that is sure." He pointed out that, despite the current culture, "There are seven things you can count on."

"People are as lost as ever," Dr. Poland lamented the evangelical community's loss of the word "damnation," because "there are two types of people: saved and damned. It's some kind of responsibility on us to make sure they hear about Jesus."

"Truth is still absolute." Speaking from his experience in Hollywood, Dr. Poland said the people he meets "are in love with religion. They just can't stand any religion that has an absolute definition of sin."

He said the entertainment industry "twists history to fit its own end, and cited Inherit the Wind as an example of that distortion. Despite Hollywood's efforts, "it doesn't matter how the media spin truth, truth is still truth. I challenge you to find the truth, and pointed to Jesus, who said, "I am the Truth."

"God's morality is still non-negotiable. "Nobody defies God's moral law and wins," he said. "I've discovered that people in Hollywood are bright, creative people who are just lost." Mastermedia seeks to mobilize prayer for people in the industry, seeking to win them to Christ and let Him supervise their creative output.

"God's Word still prevails." He said his father advised him to "just trust this Book. Every time I did, I succeeded. In my arrogance, when I didn't, I got whipped." He encouraged students to follow the principles and directives in Scripture because God is faithful to uphold His Word.

"Only God satisfies," Dr. Poland said he learned this truth from watching the life of the teacher of a class he had to repeat. "He was the first man I saw that personified the Spirit-filled life. He created in me a thirst for God that hasn't been slaked yet." He cautioned that seeking satisfaction from any source but Christ would be futile.

"Miracles still happen." "I love what God said to Moses: 'When was My arm shortened that I cannot save?' One of the lethal problems in Christianity today is that we don't believe God works miracles. Coincidence is just God choosing to remain anonymous."

"We're on the winning side." "I read the last chapter, I know who wins. We have never seen a time in history when the power of God is being poured out stronger. We lose a few battles, but the war was won at the empty tomb."

Scripture provides ammo for battle of life

Understanding our position as children of God in battles with life’s giants can keep believers from being molded into something besides soldiers of the cross, Bryan's Spiritual Life Conference speaker told students as the school year began.

Dr. Tim Kimmel, a member of the Bryan Class of 1972 and president of Family Matters, used the story of David and Goliath from I Samuel 17 to illustrate his point that God has equipped his children to successfully battle what appear to be larger, stronger foes.

"Israel had made the mistake of letting Goliath set the ground rules," Dr. Kimmel said. Goliath issued the challenge for one man to come face him. "Then David showed up. David understood his position in the context of a sovereign God, and how he fit into God's plan to bring His glory to the earth.

"Things have not changed. You are just as significant in God's plan as was David," he said.

He named the five stones David picked up before he faced Goliath and said that, together, they provide a believer's ammunition to face today's battles.

The first stone is truth. "The most effective weapon in Satan's arsenal is doubt, and it has been ever since the Garden of Eden. The only way to overcome doubt is with truth." He urged students to understand the truth of verses such as Psalm 119:11 that tell us to memorize Scripture as a weapon against sin. "We don't go out in our own power to face Satan, but in the power of God."

The second stone is rest. "It is going to be hard to defeat the giants you will face if your are consistently tired. Cars, stomachs and bank accounts don't run on empty - neither do you.

"Some of you burn the candle at both ends and torch it in the middle. It's going to catch up with you. Slow down, please." He reminded his audience that Jesus even gave a command for his followers to rest. "That is one of the sins in the evangelical movement that is never addressed from the pulpit."

The third stone is quiet. Psalm 46:10 says to be quiet and know that God is God. "Quiet down your life," he said. "God visited His prophets in the quiet, and that's where he will meet you."

The fourth stone is prayer. "Prayer is the logical conclusion of a truthful, rested, quiet heart. This doesn't need proof, it just needs practice. The Bible is full of answered prayer. Abraham was given a son, Moses had the sea parted, Joshua had a wall fall down, David killed a lion." From history, he said, the prayers of John Knox made Queen Mary shake, and George Mueller built and ran orphanages on prayer.

The final stone is laughter. "Don't take yourself so seriously. No matter the challenge, no matter how great is your strength, we will all be better if we lighten up. It's a great weapon against fears within and foes without."
Youth, enthusiasm plusses for volleyball squad

A young team with a lot of enthusiasm and promising talent has Lady Lions Volleyball Coach Jerri Beck thinking her squad can have a good showing in the conference this year and improve on last year’s 18-14 mark.

“I haven’t seen any of the competition yet,” she said before the first match on Sept. 2, “but judging from comments at the coaches’ meeting, everyone has young teams this year. It sounds like the conference is young. Whoever comes together the quickest will have an edge.”

Bryan is no exception. “We have two seniors and nine first-year players,” Coach Beck said. “We graduated a lot of power last year, and we have a lot of freshmen and sophomores in key roles.

“We’ve taken a different approach to our offense and changed our defense this year. I think this will work with our strengths—we’re committed to making it work. The girls worked on it last spring and did well. They’re excited about it and I think it should be fun to watch.”

Karen Chamberlin, a senior, will move from the back row to setter this year. “That’s a key position to our new offense. It’s a complex offense, and I’m counting on Karen’s composure and on her making wise decisions.”

Sophomore Brook Fleming and junior Kelly Ambrose are playing the strong side. “Both have stepped up a lot since last year. They’re in key positions and I’m expecting them to do a good job.”

The coach also praised sophomore Laura Smith, “who came into camp ready. I’ve seen a dramatic improvement all around since last year. Her control is so much better.”

Off the court, Coach Beck said Karen and Jan Moore, the other senior, are providing outstanding leadership for the team. “Being a leader is more difficult when a majority of the team is freshmen. There is more responsibility. But Karen and Jan have done a good job of focusing the team’s energies in the right direction.”

With each coach in the newly renamed Appalachian Athletic Conference (formerly Tennessee Virginia Athletic Conference) claiming young squads, Coach Beck said the field is open for the team that “comes together” first to claim an early advantage.

But, she added, King, Milligan and Tennessee Wesleyan probably should be considered conference favorites. “King has not lost a conference match in the last three years,” she said. “They have a lot of players, but will still be strong. Milligan will be strong as always, and I expect Tennessee Wesleyan to do well.”

She is hoping the Appalachian Classic tournament in Barbourville, Ky., in September and the Lincoln Memorial University tournament in Harrogate, Tenn., in October will give her team some good out-of-conference experience to prepare them for the conference stretch run and NCCAA and NAIA tournaments in October and November.

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Women’s Soccer Schedule

| 8/26                  | at Southern Wesleyan |
| 8/29                  | at Tennessee Temple |
| 9/2                   | at Brenau University |
| 9/5                   | North Georgia |
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| 9/9                   | Warren Wilson v. Brenau |
| 9/13                  | Bryan v. Hiwassee |
| 9/16                  | at Cumberland University |
| 9/16                  | Bryan College* |
| 9/26                  | at Virginia Intermont |
| 9/26                  | Trevecca Nazarene |
| 9/27                  | Tennessee Wesleyan* |
| 9/30                  | Montreat College* |
| 10/3                  | at Covenant College* |
| 10/7                  | Virginia Intermont* |
| 10/7                  | at Milligan College* |
| 10/10                 | at King College |
| 10/14                 | at Averett College |
| 10/26                 | Tennessee Temple |

Bold denotes home games
* - Appalachian Athletic conference games
**Conference tourney goal for soccer Lions**

A strong corps of returning players, bolstered by a good recruiting class gives Lions soccer Coach Sandy Zensen hope that the Bryan squad can earn a conference playoff berth again this season.

Key injuries at the end of the 1999 season cut short the Lions' post-season hopes, after surging to a 11-2 record. After the Lions clinched the conference regular season championship, the team went 2-2-2 and fell in the first round of the tournament.

Returning from the 1999 team are TVAC (now Appalachian Athletic Conference) goalkeeper of the year James Hutcheson and TVAC player of the year Moises Drumond, a forward. "Moises was our leading scorer last year, and I expect he'll be a marked man this year," Dr. Zensen said. "One of the keys to our season will be to find ways to free him into scoring position. That will increase our chance of winning."

"James had a marvelous year last year, and I expect that type of year this year. He is one of the best keepers I've seen in my 11 years at Bryan."

Also back are Isidro Louiza and Armando Durante. "Both had extraordinary years last year, and I expect them to pick up the pace this year," he said. Isidro will anchor the defense, and the coach is expecting Armando to control the midfield. "That's crucial to our winning games," he said.

Saulo Franca will work to set up Moises for the score.

Coach Zensen is looking to seniors Tim Unsicker, Nate Krogel, Peter Mitchell and Gonzalo Cerna to play important roles in the middle of the field. "Peter is a workhorse. He can play most anywhere. He's small in stature but huge in heart. I'll probably move him from midfield to defense consistently," he said.

He also is expecting significant contributions from freshmen Jamal Marshall, Josh Ray and Henry Barrios. Jamal has "blinding speed" at his outside middle position. Josh "sees the field very well. He's a good defender and excellent playmaker." Henry "probably will start."

Another freshman, Russell Courtney, will be red-shirted this year, but Dr. Zensen expects him to provide additional depth in the coming years.

Ben Carver, the only sophomore, will see play in the midfield and up front. "He's big, strong and can finish," Dr. Zensen said.

"The conference gets harder every year," he said. "Our opponents keep making progress, so we have to keep working harder. If we can stay healthy, that will be a factor in our success. I think we have a little more depth than last year, so I'm hoping experience coupled with an infusion of fresh talent will help us have a successful year."

**Women look to offense for season's success**


A more prolific offense is the big key to a successful season for the women's soccer team this year, Coach Marc Neddo said as the Lady Lions kicked off their fifth season.

Coming off a 4-11 campaign a year ago, the coach is looking to a crop of freshmen to score, score, score. "The defense was not bad last year and will be even stronger this year," he said. "One thing we lacked sorely last year was scoring. That's why I recruited three of the freshmen I did. Their mission in life will be to score or set up goals."

Coach Neddo is looking to Esther Bragg, a forward from Lima, Peru; Aubre Myolhus, a center/midfielder from Amarillo, Texas, who will be the playmaker; and Vanny Phin, a forward from Knoxville, Tenn., "one of our most skilled players."

All Conference goal keeper Mya Morrison, a sophomore, headlines the roll of returning players. Junior Becky Kalz, a defender; junior Adrian Dewhurst, a defender; and senior Lisa Booneher, a defender/midfielder will be keys to the team's success. "Since we are a young team overall, I'm looking to these girls to help the younger players step up as quickly as possible," he said.

He also praised sophomore Valerie Petitte for her consistency and endurance, significant factors early in the year as six players were sidelined by injuries in the preseason. "Valerie's consistency is important especially right now. One of the keys to our season will be how quickly we get back to full strength. I'm glad I didn't have conference teams scheduled at the beginning of the season."

Midfielder Kim Moore, a junior college transfer from Soddy-Daisy Tenn., "will add a lot in our transition game," the coach said. "She is a mature player, very quick in her soccer thought process."

Newcomers Jenny Hughes, a freshman, and Rachel Palmer, a sophomore, will add needed speed to the squad.

Coach Neddo will be assisted this year by Melody Owens, a 1998 Bryan graduate who was a member of the first two women's teams. "She said she wished she could play with this team," he said.

In his estimation, Bryan and three other conference members will be chasing Milligan, King, and Brevard colleges for conference honors. "Those three will be tough because they have national team players," he said. "Milligan has two members of the Nigerian national team and King and Brevard each have a member of the Jamaican national team. Those two will be the Goliaths in the conference. We should be competitive with the other three teams."

The team will sponsor its first invitational tournament this season, and will follow last year's "first"--a night game--with several games under the new soccer field lights.

**Men's Soccer Schedule**

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As the students broke up into small orientation groups, parents met with Dr. Bill Brown and other administrators to give their perspectives on the coming year. That session included a brief overview of campus development plans and an explanation of how school will operate for the new year with its temporary facilities.

It was also a time for parents to ask questions about their concerns and interests.

Questions ranged from what exercise facilities are available (a weight room in the maintenance building until the new gymnasium is completed) to health facilities on campus (none, but the college has a good working relationship with Rhea Medical Center nearby) to programs to promote spiritual growth among students.

Mr. Matt Benson, director of spiritual formation, explained that the college, in addition to three chapels each week, offers ministry outreach through the Practical Christian Involvement ministries.

In addition, there are student-led Bible studies and a prayer group focusing on the persecuted church. This year his office is substituting the Tuesday chapel service for a small-group reading program to expose students to Christian classics under the leadership of faculty and staff members.

On top of the formal programs initiated through the Student Life office, he said, "The upperclassmen have caught a vision for building into the lives of freshmen. We want students to capture that coming to a Christian college won't make them grow spiritually. We want them to catch the passion for Christ, for building into each other's lives for developing key mentoring relationships."

Other questions included what kind of computer access do students have (one computer for every six students) and how does enrollment this year compare with "normal" years.

Dr. Brown responded that last year there were some 500 students enrolled in the traditional program, and this year's enrollment appeared to be close to 560 [final figures available two weeks later put the number at 572]. "A prayer concern is what we should do for next year," he said. "Our goal is not to be large-we're aiming for 800 students-but to get much larger than we are we will have to do something about residence hall space. Please pray with us about what to do."

The all-school picnic was a time for relaxing and getting acquainted after the first two days of classes. Taking advantage of the sunshine at the picnic are, from left, Cassie Smith, Michelle Largent, Robin Wedekind, Brooke Wilson, Allison Johnson and Dawn Dresselhaus.

A new game during the all-college picnic this year was a swat-the-egg contest, with the guys doing the carrying duties and suffering the consequences when the egg, secured to their heads by a stocking, broke.

Beverly Davis, a missionary kid from France, settles into her room in Houston in a scene repeated many times in late August as new students arrived and upperclassmen returned for the new school year.
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- Many of the improvements completed during the summer helped lay the foundation for the building projects scheduled to begin this fall.

- Mr. Hostetler said contractors and the Operations staff completed or nearly completed the following projects by the time school opened in August:
  - Converted Bryan Village Apartment 17 into a science center, including two labs and offices for four faculty.
  - Moved the Advancement Department from two modular units to the duplex and Russell House on Faculty Circle.
  - Moved the Origins program into the Rudd home on Faculty Circle.
  - Installed a computer lab, education computer lab, language lab and moved two professors into the Student Life Center.
  - Moved Practical Christian Involvement offices, the Student Life offices and the bookstore into the Student Life Center.
  - Completed the food preparation area in the Student Life Center cafe.
  - Converted Rhea House into office space, then into residence spaces.
  - Built a perimeter road around the campus and removed interior roads.
  - Installed the conduit and much of the cabling for a new campus communications network.
  - Completed site work for the new baseball field.
  - Installed lights on the soccer field.
  - Moved the maintenance department from its building behind the Administration Building into temporary quarters and converted the building into library storage.
  - Installed a decorative clock on the Triangle.
Daddy...Where Are You?
A valuable lesson gleaned from the home-going of a 12-year-old boy

Most of you have never heard of the Schrauger family. Brian Schrauger graduated from Bryan College in 1977 with a degree in Bible. He went on to Dallas Seminary where he earned a Masters of Theology in 1982 and a Masters of Divinity in 1990.

Brian, now age 45, is husband to Debbie (who is of eternal youth) and dad to Christopher, 14, Taylor, 12 in Earth-years, and Jonathan, 7. He is also the reluctant guardian of the "double the fun" boxers, Dempsey and Jackie.

Taylor was diagnosed with osteosarcoma of the pelvis in May 1998. Brian wrote oflen during the succeeding years sharing with Taylor. Sixteen Kleenex's later I realized I had only read the first two paragraphs.

Like so many others, I too, was affected by the sheer magnitude of emotions that well up within when faced with seeing a young boy deal with the horrors of mind-boggling pain medication, chemotherapy treatments and amputation. What absolutely gripped my soul, as I peered through the window of Brian's letters, was watching his family's priorities emerge when faced with the possibility of not sharing a lifetime together.

With the passing of each Taylor Report I watched the vocabulary evolve. Words used by Brian to describe his son were infused with ever-increasing passion. Old family objectives were abandoned. Previous ambitions were laid aside for the opportunity to have meaningful interaction with his son. Why? Because...time was of the essence!

Their priorities became fixated on the eternal. All investments were redirected into an account that could never be taken away...relationships. How I coveted Brian and Taylor's deepening friendship. As their love for each other intensified so did the pleading of the Holy Spirit concerning my own relational inadequacies.

The conviction reached its pinnacle when Brian told of the nighttime struggles Taylor was facing. The excruciating phantom pain coming from his amputated leg would awaken him out of a dead sleep and he would cry out in the night, "Daddy, where are you?" As I read that note, with tears streaming down my face, the Holy Spirit whispered to me, "Daddy...Where...are...you...in your family relationships?"

That day I also laid aside prior ambition for the sake of avid relationships with my loved ones. With the importance of what is eternal having been so preciously modeled by the Schrauger family, I had but one response: "God, I confess my relational priorities are out of order. Please help me make them right!"

So I ask you, Daddy...where are you? Mommy...where are you? Is time of the essence when it comes to your family relationships? Are you depositing your life into the temporal or are you investing into what is eternal?

Taylor, in 12 short years, figured out the infinite value of having a fervent relationship with his dad...a relationship that he could never lose.

I pray that you will be influenced by the beautiful example of Taylor's life. And when the blessed hope of our Christian faith becomes reality, you too may have great reason, along with many others, to personally thank him.

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40's

Class of '40
October '00 (60 years)

Class of '45
October '00 (55 years)

EDWARD '39, and JOYCE (HIRSCHY) '40 deROSSET from their home in Evans City, Pa., maintain contact with their friends in Peru, where they spent many years in their missionary career. They are pleased to know that the seminary in Trujillo this year has enrolled 50 students—25 are first year students. In April, Ed had a pacemaker implanted and Joyce had special treatment for macular degeneration of the eyes.

SOLON, '43x, and KATHRYN (HIRSCHY) '43x, HOYT, who are retired from missionary service in Argentina, live in Winona Lake, Ind. They have two children in Indiana, one each in Michigan, Colorado and Florida. The Hoyts share in the music ministry of their Conservative Grace Brethren Church near Winona Lake. In July they attended the annual conference of their fellowship in Indianapolis, Ind. They also had a brief time with two brothers and their wives—LOWELL '42, and REBECCA (PECK) '40, HOYT, who also participated in the conference; and ELDON, '50, and Doris HOYT, who live in the area.
nation requires about 30 hours of travel as they seek to minister to missionaries according to their theme, "Serving the Servants of Christ Around the World."

Robert and Lois Ringler, '37, Schumacher moved to from Indiana to Lakeland, Fla., to retire. They are active at Lakeland Grace Brethren Church where Robert's brother-in-law is pastor.

DEAN, '58, and Edith Franklin of World Team reported on the July week-long conference of church leaders from the South East Caribbean area. About 100 leaders gathered in Trinidad for a time of motivation to reach their five-year goals with a new perspective of how God might work through them. In June Dean traveled with his successor, Kerry Kelly, and Roy Lytle to meet with 18 Trio Indian church leaders in a jungle village in southern Suriname. These Indians told about how they had been reaching out to an Apaih Indian tribe across the border in Brazil to teach them the Word of God. Another told about their outreach to Trio Indians in Brazil. A third team of two Wai Wai Indians are preparing Wai Wai Indian young people to go on short-term evangelism trips to reach teenage Wai Wais. Dean and his friends worshipped with 350 Trio Christians.

Gary and Alice Tobelmann, '59, Fredricks had several farewell parties and said their "goodbyes" before they left Nairobi, Kenya, where they have spent many years teaching at the Nairobi International Seminary. They left on June 17 to come to the International Headquarters of Campus Crusade in Orlando, Fla. They will focus on Africa and the Middle East to do recruiting, work with the national leadership in those areas and work with the American staff who serve there. Gary will teach Bible and theology part-time at the Orlando Institute of Campus Crusade.

JERRY, '59, and Amy Wilson, '59x, Smith, who live in Lawrenceville, Ga., have traveled extensively this year for Biblical Ministries Worldwide. Jerry was in Kansas City at Calvary Bible College, then in Cyprus for a week and in Louisiana for eight days, while Amy spent three weeks taking care of her mother. They both attended the missions conference at Southeastern Bible College and a conference in Epson, N.H., where the pastor was a man Jerry had taught in Bible college. In April Jerry went to the British Isles to visit missionary families and Amy joined him in Wales for the week of conference for the England/Ireland/Scotland team. In June, Jerry took training at Evantell in Dallas to become a certified instructor to teach evangelism seminars.

WAYNE, '60, and Gay Funderburg with their children Hope and Tim work with Child Evangelism Fellowship of Upper Michigan, where Wayne is state director. In June, Wayne was involved with training six teens to lead 5-Day Clubs. Wayne has been interested in CEF since he learned about it at Bryan in 1958 at a missionary conference and has been involved in some way ever since. He is taking a three-month "leave of absence" while still carrying on some of the state director's office duties but relinquishing other duties away from home.

RON, '68, and Inga Stenburg, '68, Neely rejoice in the growth of church membership at the Bible Baptist Assembly in Jonkoping, Sweden, and in the Lord's provision of a meeting facility which the members renovated. They are starting a Bible school which began on Aug. 1, with the first session on Old Testament Introduction. They have recently been on furlough, and Ron will be returning to the U.S. to help raise their needed support. They have lost their resident permits, but Ron plans to appeal to the government.

DONALD, '69, and Shirley Fleming, '69, Emerson completed the first semester of their teaching in Beijing, China, where they had 76 students in kindergarten through sixth grade. The new semester began with 95 students and three new teachers. Don is enjoying the interest the guys show in basketball and plans to meet with some Chinese fellows who invited them to join for games on Saturdays. Shirley plays a little badminton with the girls at a Chinese school gym.

Marge Scholz, '69, completed 30 years with SIM last June as she continues to minister to African internationals in the Chicago area, where she lives with her parents. On a Saturday this summer she heard a cry from their basement and found that her dad had fallen and in trying to help him, her mother also fell on the cement floor. Her mom had broken her hip and her dad had a cut above his right eye that required stitches. With help from friends at her church, she was able to care for her dad at home and visit her mom during her hospital stay.

Alan, '69, and Francine Graham noted that it was a year ago in March that they moved to Aworth, Ga., so they could be close to the World Thrust office. Alan is involved in holding Focus on the World seminars and consultative services in churches in the Eastern U.S. this summer and fall. They were scheduled to take a short trip in July to Guatemals with one of their board members to visit one of their missionaries who receives their Project Build Outreach teams. A main project for 2000 is planned for October, taking a newly planted church from Ohio to work on a newly planted church near San Jose, Costa Rica. Their son, Andy, is on a trip for two months to Ireland, and daughter Sherry, 15, went to Mexico for one week.

Remember how it looked?

Dayton watercolor artist Susan Cassidy Wilhoit has captured the beauty of the Administration Building and the Triangle in a new, limited-edition print that is available now!

The painting from which the prints are made joins others in a series of historic sites in Rhea County. Mrs. Wilhoit has done. Originals of these subjects are on permanent display in the Rhea County Courthouse.

Five hundred limited edition prints, signed and numbered by the artist, are available for $75; artist's proofs are available for $125 by contacting Mrs. Wilhoit at Pleasant Places Watercolours, 537 Evergreen Drive, Dayton, TN 37321; phone 423-775-6781.

e-mail swilhoit@volstate.net. Postage and handling is $10, plus 8.25 percent Tennessee sales tax, if applicable.

A percentage of the sale of the prints will be donated to Bryan College.
John teaching the last half of the subjects he had taught in "Teen Street" in Germany and "Teens in Mission" in Petersburg, Russia, with an OM outreach; Dale shared videos to 64 homes to people from 10 nations about Jesus Christ. DCS and other workers distributed 25 Jesus videos to 64 homes to people from 10 nations and six religions. The OM team of 110 members worked with InterAct Ministries from their home in Anchorage, Alaska. Dennis helped organize a Memorial Day weekend program with five native leaders and musicians who traveled to the small fishing village of Chignik on the Aleutian Chain for an evangelistic outreach. Through music and personal testimonies, a strong witness for Christ was given in Chignik and two nearby villages, all steeped in the traditions and control of the Russian Orthodox Church.

In July the Richardsons flew to Ohio for a three-month special assignment to meet friends who had been supporting their ministry the past three years. In October, Native Men for Christ plan a major evangelistic citywide outreach in Anchorage when thousands of native people from all over Alaska will be in that city for the annual Federation of Natives convention.

BRIAN, '77, and Debbie SCHRAGHER have had a stressful time over more than two years dealing with the cancer which robbed their son Taylor, of his leg.

Taylor dealt bravely with his limitation and the doctors did their best to cope with the problem which was dormant briefly but resurfaced with greater intensity. The many prayers for healing by a host of friends who shared with Taylor's parents, his two brothers, Christopher, 14, and Jonathan, 6, were answered on May 31, when Taylor slipped into the presence of His Lord. At his Celebration of Life on June 3, the day before Taylor's 12th birthday, children released helium-filled balloons and watched them disappear into the sky as a reminder that Taylor had slipped into the arms of Jesus and was more alive than ever.

DAVID, '77, and Lisa TURNER have completed their first year at the Oaxaca Christian School in Mexico, where David has been principal. They are seeking additional teachers and staff for the coming school. They planned to spend their summer vacation in Tennessee so both David and Lisa could renew teaching certificates and share a Turner family reunion in Nebraska in August. Their children are Calista, Steven, Justin and Donny.

Steve and WILMA (MASON), '78, BAILEY, are missionaries with the Grace Brethren Mission Board, serving in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where they are leading a growing church planting movement. Their three children scheduled special activities in June during their winter break—Tim, who is in the States; Erin, who went to Cordova to visit a friend; and Melanie, who is visiting friends of her father near home.

RICK FARNEY, '78, a Rhea County High School teacher, traveled to Ukraine to get acquainted with the people and culture through his visit to a youth ministry in Kiev with a view to determining how Grace Bible Church in Dayton, Tenn., could assist their program, possibly by sending a youth group from his church. He was impressed to see people on their knees and hear the choir singing with an echo that filled the Ukrainian Orthodox Church. This visit to a former Communist country helped Rick learn more about their culture and religious expression. He returned home to Dayton to be greeted by his Easter wife, KATHY (MURPHEY), '71, and their sons Chris and Ryan, and to report to his church.

VERNON STEVE), '79, and Dorris STEVENSON completed their year-long leave by car from Palmer, Alaska, to spend a few days with their daughter in Indiana while awaiting final plans to move on to the Czech Republic. In spite of Dorris having a back problem when it "went out" on Sunday night, by Tuesday she felt well enough to travel by plane to their destination in Prague in time to participate in SEND's North Central Europe Area Conference on August 18. Their SEND assignment fo...
two years is to work in the Czech Republic and Poland with a church-planting team of young missionary families and their national counterparts.

Steve and RUTH (VANDER MOLEN), '79x, PORTER have been in the U.S. visiting family, friends and churches to report on their dental clinic in Nigeria. They had the extra concern to pack their stored belongings and locate new storage since Ruth's mother is planning to move from Grandview, Tenn., to be close to other relatives in Michigan and will be selling the family home. The Porters with their children Matt, Nate, Julie, and Angie, left from New York to return to Nigeria on July 26.

80's

Reunions

Class of '80
October '00 (20 years)

DAVID, '80, and JILL (MCCORMICK), '81, SIMPSON, are serving with New Tribes Mission in Camdenton, Mo. The Simpsons learned that the recruiting department (the one they work in) will be moving to N TM's international headquarters in Sanford, Fla. They are praying for the Lord's direction about moving but definitely plan to stay through the school year for Kara to finish her senior year in Camdenton. They are investigating options that may enable them to continue their ministry and remain there. In April Dave broke his foot, so they cancelled their plans to visit Mexico and spend their family vacation at home. This fall the Simpsons will help launch the new orientation program for youth to assist missionary parents prepare their children for successful overseas living.

Class of '85
October '00 (15 years)

TERRY, '82, and PAULA (CHAPPELL), '83, PUCKETT announce the birth of their fourth child, Jonah Nathaniel. Jonah was born Feb. 16, and weighed 6 lbs., 12 oz. He joins his brother, Dusty, 10, and sisters, Laura, 12, and Kaitlyn, 8. The family lives in Memphis, Tenn., where Terry works with the U.S. Navy personnel command and Paula works as a full-time mom.

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Thoughts from the Spiritual Journey of the Bryan College Family

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Dr. Bill Brown, Dr. Richard Cornelius, Dr. Jeff Meyers, Dr. Gary Phillips, Dr. Ruth Kantzer, Dr. David Luther, Dr. David Barke, Dr. Louise Bentley, Dr. Ken Hanna, Rev. Bill Brewer, Drs. Bob & Bonnie Clouse, Reggie & Melanie Cook, Dr. Rosalie DelRosset, Dr. Fred Donehoo, Dr. Tim & Darcy Kimmel, Dr. Ken & Marcie Fromke, Dr. Ian Hay, Dr. Harold Jenkins, Dr. Sandra Matthes, Jackie Persoggetti, Dr. John Reed, Glenn Libig, Dr. Don Hill, Rev. Dean Ropp, Betty Ruth (Barrows) Seera, Dr. Clydie & Ruth Simmons, Dr. Stephen Strauss, Dr. Charles & Betty Taber, Rev. Alan Windler, Dr. Ray Legg, Mr. Matt Benson, Dr. David Fouts, Dr. Peter Held, Dr. Whit Jones, Dr. Ernie Ricketts, Dr. Kurt Wise, Dr. Jack Traynor, Dr. Sandy Zens and many others.

Church in Port St. Joe, Fla., where he, his wife, BETH (DAVIS), '85X, and their four children reside.

Pete and MARY ELLEN (LILLEY), '83, KLUCK are working with Wycliffe Bible Translators on the support team in Yaounde, Cameroon. After two years of waiting, they rejoiced to have the court order that the baby girl in their home would be "known by the name of Abigail Hannah Kluck and is declared adopted for life." She joins older brother Nathan. The Klucks had a short summer furlough in Florida with family members and returned to Cameroon at the end of July for another three years.

ALEC, '83, and TAMMY (GRAHAM), '84, HAR RISON are working with the Xavante people as Wycliffe Bible translators. In March they held a workshop to plan the Xavante program up to the completion of the New Testament. Last November they finished the first draft and now are working on revisions. In July they were in the Estrela village to teach women and revise Scripture. In January and February next year they plan for their annual translation workshop with consultants checking the remaining New Testament books. They have scheduled their furlough to begin in July 2001 when their daughter, Yvonne, 16, will enter college. Their other children are Natasha, 15, Andrew, 9, and Jessica, 7.

Brad and KATHY (DALLINGA), '84, KOENIG arrived safely in Cameroon under World Team this summer to continue their ministry with the Esimbi people and return to the same village where they had worked. Their 47 boxes and a washing machine were sent ahead by boat to Africa and had arrived safely. The Koenigs are accompanied by their sons, Wayne and Evan.

DR. SCOTT, '84, and PATTY (SOYSTER), '85, HANCOCK reside in Florence, Ala. Scott received the Ph.D. degree in early American history last summer from the University of New Hampshire. He teaches U.S., African, American and other related history courses at the University of North Alabama. Patty stays home to homeschool the children.

RANDY, '85, and CAROL (DAVIS), '84, VER NON made the second trip to Hungary in May with a team from their Evangelical Free Church in Johnson.
City, Tenn., to hold a retreat for the missionary and Hungarian staff at the Living Word Church in Budapest. This is the church that the Vernons plan to work with when they go to Hungary when support is available. This past summer the Vernons with their four children—Courtney, Dane, Garth, and Brock—volunteered at Doe River Gorge, a Christian camp near their home. Randy was the music/worship/skit coordinator, as well as mentor for younger staff. Carol was “lodge mother” for 18 staff girls and served in other areas as needed.

GARY, '85, and DEANNA (FLORES), '86, ELLISON are busy missionaries in Mexico City, where they have been teaching, preaching and singing in various services. In April, Iglesia Bautista Maranata (Maranatha Baptist Church) voted to have Gary serve as pastor during the furlough of the church’s regular pastor. The church is located in the Federal District of Mexico City and has an average attendance of 120 to 180. The church is involved with two mission churches and is supporting two missionaries. Son Nathan Ellison has been assisting with his piano playing, and his siblings join in family singing.

TITUS, '85, and Anya HANHAM arrived in St. Petersburg, Russia, with 2-year-old David on May 26, to join a lively group of students from the Nay university who welcomed them. They have been involved in Bible study with university grads, and Titus has been able to lead it in Russian. They shared in a Bible conference for university students from St. Petersburg and Tver and have a growing relationship with Russian church planting partners in Tver. Anya’s brother, who is young in Christ, and her aunt, who is still seeking, were guests. The Hanhams have been living in a vacationing family’s apartment and have discovered an ideal place for the family home and their ministry. A special surprise was the chance meeting in St. Petersburg when Eugene, a familiar face from Mexico and provide resources for families as well as tutor students in their own homes or in the McManus home.

DAN, '89, and JAMIE (JEWELL), '90, HARRINGTON announce the birth of their first child, Chase Daniel, on Feb. 29. Chase weighed 7 lbs. 7.5 oz. and was 20 in. long. The Harringtons live near Clearwater, Fla., where Dan is a channel sales representative for CTG. Jamie works as curriculum technician and production assistant for a multi-media production company. The two are active members of North East Park Baptist Church.

Several Bryan alumni celebrated the new millennium by renewing their decade long traditional golf outing. Every Memorial Day since graduation they have traveled to different locations around the country. Participants for this year’s outing were GREG VANDERGRIFT, '89, TOM SHANLEY, '89, DAN HARRINGTON, '89, SCOTT PINSON, '89, DAVID NELMS, '89X, DUANE JEFFERS, '89, KEN SMITH, '89X, and STEVE WANJI, '89X. Next year they plan to travel to the golf fairways in Las Vegas.

CRISTA CORNELIUS, '90, had a restful time with friends and family in Dayton, Tenn., during her short summer visit in the U.S. until returning to China on Aug. 10 to take up her duties as Director of the ELIC Language School in Changshun.

KIM LEE, '91, recently received a Bachelor of Arts Combined Honors Degree in Religious Studies and Education at King Alfred’s College in Winchester, England. This fall she is moving to Capernwray Hall to take up the position of assistant to the dean of students for Capernwray Bible School.

MARCUS, '92X, and DAWN (RAMSEY), '90, GOSS announce the birth of their daughter, Peyton Elizabeth, on May 17. Peyton weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz.

The family lives in Altamonte Springs, Fla., where Marcus works for a commercial concrete company and Dawn works at home as a full-time mom.

KEN, '92, and April GUTHRIE announce the birth of their son, Jacob Bryan, on July 12. Jacob weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz, and measured 20.5 in. long. He joins Brenden, 3, and Alayna, 1 1/2.

DAVID, '92, and JACQUIE (MEYERS), '91, JOHNSTON have relocated to Gunpowder, Md., where David works as a research biochemist with the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense. The family has recently grown with the birth of David and Jacqui’s fourth child, Kyrie Eleyson, on Feb. 19, 1999. MATT, '94, and TIFFANY (EARLE), '94, BRYAN announce the birth of their son, Everett Joel, on Dec. 15. The family lives in Little Rock, Ark., where Matt is completing a residency in dermatology. He graduated valedictorian from the Medical University of South Carolina. Tiffany plans to stay at home as a full-time mom.

BETHANY BURCH, '94, completed a second bachelor’s degree in secondary education from the University of Central Michigan. She is developing a broadcast and theater production course for L’Anse Creuse Public Schools in the metro-Detroit area. She will write the curriculum, oversee television and radio equipment, and recruit her own students. Bethany also works part-time for Palace Sports and Entertainment.

Tim and CASSIE (PAYNE), '94, FISH have moved to Singapore as missionaries with the Network of International Christian Schools.

TIM FARY, '95, received a master of divinity degree from Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, Fla., on May 26. He, his wife, SARAH (KINEY), '93, and their son, Malcolm Christopher,
Surgery to remove his spleen. While he is recovering well, he will receive annual shots. Mark resides in Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., where he is engaged to marry Jennifer Lindstrand in the fall.

ADAM VARNER, '98, writes from Memphis, Tenn., where he works with CIGNA Healthcare. He just completed a master's degree in industrial and organizational psychology at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga.

ALLISON WOMBLE, '98, joined the staff at Bryan College in August as web coordinator. She has completed coursework toward a master of arts in English with a concentration in rhetoric and composition at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga.

Reunions

Class of '00

October '10 (10 years)

MARY MACLEAN, '00, is working toward a master's degree in oboe performance at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Fla. She also serves as a teacher's assistant with the marching band.

With the Lord

Dr. Herman Hoyt, a member of the Bryan College Board of Trustees from 1946 to 1971, died Aug. 29, at a retirement home in Lancaster, Pa. He was 91. A graduate of Ashland College, in Ashland, Ohio, he continued there as a professor until he helped found Grace Theological Seminary in 1937 in Akron, since relocated to Winona Lake, Ind. Dr. Hoyt served as the second president of the seminary. He was preceded in death by his wife, Harriett, and is survived by two sons, Max Hoyt and Joe Paul Hoyt; four brothers, Garner, a former professor at Bryan, and LOWELL, '42, both of Dayton, TN; SOLON, '43x, of Winona Lake, Ind., and ELDON, '50x, of Noblesville, Ind.; and one sister, Thelma Gehman.

William E. Johnson, husband of RUTH ELLA (WILLIAMS), '48, went home to be with the Lord July 15. He was one of the pioneer students for Grace College.

LYMAN GOEHRING, '49, passed away July 5 after suffering from lymphoma. He had retired from missionary service in Brazil with Baptist Mid Missions and was living in Lakeland, Fla. He is survived by his wife, HELEN (PARDEN), '48, two sons, TIMOTHY, '70x, Michael, and a daughter, LYNETTE BROSIOUS, '78.

RALFE KAISER, '54, went home to be with the Lord Jan. 3. His wife, JUDITH (COX), '56x, lives in Kent, Wash.

JANET (CUMMINS), '59x, passed away Feb. 5, 1999. She is survived by her husband, Robert, and their three children.

EDWARD M. STEELE, '72H, passed away Aug. 9, in Chattanooga, Tenn. He served as director of public relations at Bryan before entering business for himself. He served as pastor of Morgantown Baptist church near Dayton and was chairman of the board of Cedine Bible Mission in Spring City. He is survived by his wife.

ELEANOR, '72H, and children JAMES, '74; JUDY, '75; JOY, '75; JOHN, '77; JOEL, '81; and Joanne Ward.

Glen McClain Sr., father of GLENN, JR., '87, and MATTHEW, '95, MCCLAIN, passed away July 15. Glenn Sr., opened his home to many Bryan College alumni and friends as well as current students who...
This architect's drawing shows the most recent version of the 20-year campus master plan. Already, the perimeter road is in place, although not paved; the baseball field (No. 18) is under construction; and work is about to begin on the softball field (No. 17) and maintenance building (No. 22).