Graduates remember ‘amazing things’ from years at Bryan

A stroll down memory lane culminated in a March across the Triangle as 120 Bryan seniors received diplomas May 5.

As family and friends gathered for vespers on Friday night, the soon-to-be graduates turned their thoughts to the four years that were drawing to an end. Michelle Edwards of Statesville, N.C., spoke of three things she is taking with her from Bryan: service, relationships and worldviews.

As a freshman, she said, she learned about the attitude of service when she and her classmates were told to report to the gymnasium late one night early in their first semester.

“When we entered the gym, we saw the seniors holding towels,” she said. “I thought they were going to take us outside and throw mud at us or something.

“But they came to us and washed our feet. That was the seniors holding towels,” she said. “I thought they were going to take us outside and throw mud at us or something.

“But they came to us and washed our feet. That was one of the most defining moments of our freshman year; I cried. At that moment, I knew God was going to do amazing things.”

The faculty exhibited the same spirit in the days leading up to graduation ceremonies. Members of the Class of 2001 march from the Administration Building to the lawn in front of the Student Life Center for Bryan’s 58th commencement ceremony May 5. Reconstruction of the building had progressed to the point graduates could safely use the second floor hall to organize for their procession, and get a peek at what the “new” Ad Building will look like.

In recognition of his service, Bryan President Dr. W. Gary Phillips, professor of Bible and philosophy at Bryan College was named Distinguished Professor of Biblical Studies during graduation ceremonies in May.

Dr. Phillips, who taught at Bryan for 24 years, announced his resignation this spring to serve part-time as pastor of Signal Mountain Bible Church in Signal Mountain, Tenn.

In recognition of his service, Bryan President Dr. William E. Brown and Trustee Chairman Glenn Stophel announced the trustees’ decision and presented Dr. Phillips with a plaque to mark the occasion. The citation read, “In recognition and honor of 24 years of outstanding scholarship, teaching and service to Bryan College, the Board of Trustees of Bryan College bestows on Dr. William Gary Phillips the title of Distinguished Professor of Biblical Studies.”


Whenever he speaks, people listen because he lives a life of profound depth and caring. Bryan College has become an outstanding Christian college under his tutelage. We will miss him. But he will not be too far away and he still owes me five dollars.”

Dr. Phillips explained that, 15 years ago, he began a part-time ministry at Signal Mountain Bible Church. As the church grew, demands on his time grew. “There are now over 200 people in the church, and the needs of the church exceed my availability as a part-time pastor,” he said.

Dr. Phillips said he is grateful for the elders of the church and for his co-pastor, Tim Schoap. “They have done the lion’s share of hands-on ministry at Signal Mountain Bible Church over the years.”

“I am not leaving a bad ministry for a good one. I am leaving a great ministry for a great ministry. I want to invest the last years that the Lord gives me in ministry at Signal Mountain Bible Church,” Dr. Phillips said.

Dr. Phillips has been married for almost 29 years to the former Betsy Woodard of Signal Mountain. They have three children, David, Beth and Rebecca.
Theophobus Exposed!

Some people are so violently opposed to anything religious they go to extraordinary measures to insure that any hint of God is removed from the public eye.

Why do they protest so much?

Of course they are concerned with indoctrination of "false" ideas (God exists) and the power structures (churches and the religious right) that force their agenda on a naive and impressionable society.

The Bible is clear that God made us innately aware of His presence (Romans 1:18-20). The "God default" is so much a part of our culture that those who are openly antagonistic to religion are treacherous and misguided.

Most of my friends who have rejected Christianity did so for moral reasons. They did not like the (perceived) moral restrictions that go along with believing in God. They wanted to be autonomous. A number of them lost their faith in college when their newfound choices to celebrate sex, alcohol and cannabis required a transformed worldview that made those choices acceptable.

Aldous Huxley had similar thoughts when he admitted, "We objected to morality because it interfered with our sexual freedom."

Thomas Nagel, professor of philosophy at New York University, explains his atheism in like manner. "I want atheism to be true and am made uneasy by the fact that some of the most intelligent and well-informed people I know are religious believers. It isn't just that I don't believe in God and naturally hope there is no God; I don't want there to be a God; I don't want the universe to be like that."

Many of my formerly religious friends are now either viciously anti-Christian ("Christianity is a dangerous religion") or patronizingly Transcendental ("I have gone beyond Christianity and the Bible to higher truth"). They view Christians as treacherous and misguided.

I think of them as being "theophobic," violently opposed to God because deep in their hearts they know He exists. The only way to justify their unbelief is to loudly attack every vestige of God in society.

I was thinking about this the other day in relation to Dan Barker. Barker is a graduate of a Christian college, served in a hope there is no God! I don't want there to be a God; I don't want the universe to be like that."

Just Lost Faith in Faith, Barker says he was converted to atheism by taking a "reverse conversion" course in which he was asked to give intellectual reasons to reject his faith. He outlines the "intellectual" support for his conversion:

The design of the universe does not prove the existence of a designer;

The existence of the moral law does not require the existence of a moral lawgiver, etc.

He claims, "Atheism is the default position which remains true must have physical proof before I will believe it."

"Oh," I replied. "And what is the physical proof that the statement you just made is true?"

He sat back and looked perplexed. He realized he had just revealed his own faith - faith in the narrow confines of a materialistic world as the starting point for all truth.

Barker makes the same errors in his denial of God. He dismisses theistic arguments because they cannot be proven scientifically. In other words, Barker's starting point is, "Nothing exists but the physical world, therefore, there is no God."

No wonder he comes to an atheistic conclusion. That's where he started!

He claims, "Atheism is the default position which remains when all theistic claims are dismissed." This is not only a logical fallacy but also an admission of his own bias.

This is the essence of worldview thinking. We adopt a worldview by faith and then use it to explain and interpret the world around us.

Barker concludes in his book, "Since by careful examination of theistic arguments are faulty, atheism remains the only rational position." If the arguments against Theism are so clear, why do so many intelligent people find them lacking and the evidence for God's existence so compelling?

Take the well-known examples of Malcolm Muggeridge, C. S. Lewis or Mortimer Adler - brilliant scholars who traded their atheism for a vibrant faith in Christ.

The shallowness of Barker's thinking is compensated by the ferocity of his attacks. Now, as the public relations director for the Freedom from Religion Foundation, he spends his time writing songs about atheism, promoting the foundation's agenda and filing lawsuits.

He calls himself a freethinker and a man with no faith.

But what type of freethinking censors ideas you might disagree with? Here's where we differ. Barker is aggressively opposed to teaching the Bible in public schools. I am for it.

Why? Because every educated person needs to know what is in the Bible.

If you were to ask me if Bertrand Russell should be taught, I would answer, "Yes!" In fact, we read his works at Bryan College. Including Nietzsche, Marx, Freud, Beckett, Camus, Sartre, etc. We want our students to know the great ideas of the history of humanity and deal with them. I make my students develop arguments FOR atheism, agnosticism and materialism. I want them to be educated, not indoctrinated.

We are not afraid of the search for truth. We are freethinkers.

I would probably enjoy talking with Dan Barker. I love discussing ideas, even ones I disagree with. My many trips to Russia and conversations with atheistic Soviet educators were some of the most thrilling experiences of my life.

I think Dan Barker has every right to promote atheism and to challenge those who disagree. But he needs to have some degree of honesty about his views. He has chosen to shift his worldview from Theism to Naturalism and has accepted all of the metaphysical assumptions that go along with it. The reasons for his decision must go deeper than he is letting on. Only he knows.

But he is wrong if he thinks he has no faith. His faith is stronger now than it ever was.
Bryan recognizes students on Honors Day

One hundred and eight students were recognized for their achievement or contribution to life at Bryan College during Honors Day and graduation ceremonies this spring.

Students and their honors include:

- E.A. Boyd Prize, Travis Stevens, Knoxville, Tenn., and Vashti Pearson, Birmingham, Ala., seniors; Sarah Martin, Erin, Tenn., junior; Valerie Petitte, sophomore; Dayton, Tenn.; Veronica LeGrand, Winfield, Ill., freshman.
- Bryan College during Honors Day and graduation ceremonies this spring.

- Robert D. Marston Scholarship, Kelly Elledge, Hickory, N.C.

- Jason Storie, Stephen Myers, Norcross, Ga.; and Jason Storie, Decatur, Ga.

- Lizzie Reis-Orin A. Keach Educational Fund, James Wolfe, Chippewa Falls, Wis.


- The Rev. Sypold Athletic Leadership Fund, Cesar Silva.

- Helen M. Johnson Scholarship, Jason Lamb, Columbus, Ind.

- Paul Long Scholarship, Quentin McCuiston, Dayton, Tenn.

- Dwight W. Ryther Memorial Scholarship, Jana Sault, Lookout Mountain, Ga.

- John D. Lawson Scholarship, Nathaniel Isler-Williams, Decatur, Ga.

- Triangle Service Award, Matt Williams, Decatur, Ga.

- Commoner Award, Sarah E. Drake, Franklin, N.C.; and Erica Herman, Chattanooga, Tenn.

- Doris Morgan Scholarship, Katy Abercrombie, Soddy-Daisy, Tenn.

- History of Western Civilization Awards, Melissa Conner, Ooltewah, Tenn.; Dinisha Brown, Roanoke, Va.; and Veronica LeGrand, Knoxville, Tenn.

- CRC Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award, Anne Robb Jones, Birmingham, Ala.

- Ralph E. and Rebecca H. Toliver MK Scholarship, Miguel Aylon, Lima, Peru.

- Paul McCarthy Scholarship, Melinda Pangel, Spartanburg, S.C.

- Richard "Archie" Cole Memorial Fund, Henry Barrios, Clute, Texas.

- Virginia M. Schmick! Music Award, Mary Tomyn, Soddy-Daisy, Tenn.

- Mary McDonald Groves Music Scholarship, Elizabeth Murphy, Glennallen, Alaska; and Jeremy Hatfield, Auxier, Ky.

- M.A. Cooley Memorial Music Scholarship, Claire Williams, Crossville, Tenn.; Suzanne Rogers, Knoxville, Tenn.; Celeste Stanley, Springfield, Va.; and Donnie Gleason, Talbott, Tenn.

- James H. Cooley Scholarship, Jonathan Blalock, Burlington, N.C.

- Flora and William Henson Jr. Music Award, Kent Ashley, Midlothian, Texas.

- John Graves LeDu Scholarship, Norissa Martin, Anna McSpadden, Chastity Oldham, Heidi Seera, Quentin McCuiston, Joshua Carden and Chris Travis, all of Dayton, Tenn.; Donald Price, Spring City, Tenn.; and Michael Sheddan, Evansville, Tenn.

- Charles A. and Thea F. Thomas Scholarship, Scott Wells, Montgomery, Ala.

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American Bible Society Award, Debra Smith, Memphis, Tenn.

Psychology Achievement Award, John Michael Hughes, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Adam Parker and Laura Luster received Business Department awards.

Mercer and Bernice Clementson Scholarship, Adam Parker, Covington, Ga.

Al Page Memorial Scholarship, Laura Luster, Mansfield, Ohio.

Tennessee Political Science Award, Emily Smith, Rome, Ga.

Frank J. Schmickl Scholarship, Wendi Wall, Graham, N.C.

Fred and Dot Waggoner Scholarship, Toks Olowola, Jos, Nigeria.


Highest Scholastic Record, ASPIRE Program, Amy Parrnell, Monroe, Mich.; traditional program, Sarah Hess, Atlanta, Ga.

Most Progress Award, Moises Drumond, Listowel, Canada.

Faithfulness and Loyalty Award, Zac Brown, Dyersburg, Tenn.

F.R. Rogers Senior Award in Bible, Richard Barnes, Carlisle, Pa.

John C. Anderson Award, Judi Toliver, Dayton, Tenn.

Melvin M. Seguine Award, Scott Wells, Montgomery, Ala.

Senior Communications Arts Scholarship, Christine Dennis, Englewood, Colo.

E.R. Rogers Senior Award in Music, Suzie Schmoyer, Fredericksburg, Va.

Chorale Member of the Year, Michelle Phaneuf, Longwood, Fla.

Outstanding Senior in Business Award, Lesley Cole, Rose Hill, Kan.

The Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award, Matthew Johnson, Windom, Minn.

Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability/Richard F. Chapin Outstanding Student Award, Karin Chamberlin, Cincinnati, Ohio.

History Department Senior Award, Vashti Pearson, Birmingham, Ala.

Tennessee Political Science Award, Vashti Pearson, Birmingham, Ala.

Senior Math Award, Peter Mitchell, Freehold, N.Y.

Mrs. E.B. Arnold Student Teacher Award, secondary education, Laura Yates, Snellville, Ga.; elementary education, Shannon Kilgore, Soddy-Daisy, Tenn.

Psychology Award, Terry Turner, Knoxville, Tenn.

The Robert and Nancy Spoede Sanctity of Human Life Award, Amy Bushey, Dallas, Texas; and Vashti Pearson, Birmingham, Ala.

Outstanding Senior in Exercise Science, Jan Moore, Cleveland, Tenn.

William Jennings Bryan Philological Award, Christa Neeley, Grecely, Colo.

Outstanding Teacher Award, Dr. Ernie Ricketts, Staff Member of the Year Award, Mrs. Pat Kinney.

FACULTY/STAFF NOTES

Dr. Bill Brown was the Staley Lecturer at Southwestern Bible College in Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 26 to March 2. He spoke at fund-raising dinners at Prince Avenue Christian School in Athens, Ga., and Mountain Area Christian Academy in Morganton, Ga., and attended the Appalachian College Association executive committee meeting in March.

Dr. Richard Cornelius lectured on the Scopes Trial to a University of Tennessee Law School class in March. In April he presented a program on the Scopes Trial to the Bradley County Historical Society in Cleveland, Tenn.

Dr. Dennis Ingoldsby's article, "An Evaluation of Bart Ehrman's Historical Jesus," was published in the April-June, 2001 issue of Bibliotheca Sacra, and his review of the Dictionary of Judaism in the Biblical Period was published in The Christian Librarian.

Mrs. Lavonne Johnson attended the Association of College and Reference Librarians conference in Denver, Colo., in March.

Dr. Ray Legg traveled with a Break for Change group to Chicago during spring break in March, where the team worked with Inner City Impact. He attended the national meeting of the Conference on College Composition and Communication in Denver, Colo., in March. While there, he delivered a paper entitled "Crossing Institutional Boundaries: Making Audience Read." The presentation will be revised for publication and presentation at a writing workshop in New York in October. He led a discussion of John Steinbeck's The Grapes of Wrath for the Book Talk series of the Clyde W. Roddy Library in Dayton in March.

Dr. Sigrid Luther attended the national convention of the Music Teachers National Association in Washington, D.C., in March. Dr. Sigrid Luther presided at the southern division meeting and reception and spoke at a session o student chapters. Her piano judging this spring included the National Federation of Music Clubs in Johnson City, Tenn., in March, and the National Piano Guild Auditions in Indianapolis, Ind., in May.

Dr. Jeff Myers spoke at Upton Lake Christian School, Clinton Corners, N.Y., New Jerusalem Church, Rochester, N.Y.; the Summit Adult Conference I in Manitou Springs, Colo.; the Creation Society of Santa Rosa and Santa Rosa Bible Church in Santa Rosa, Calif., in March. He spoke at the hatfield Construction Co. Leadership luncheon in Greenville, S.C.; the Summit Adult Conference II; the CWA State Leaders' Conference in St. Louis, Mo.; and the ASCI Northwest conference in Seaside, Ore., in April.

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One hundred twenty students were honored during graduation ceremonies May 5. Among them were 58 Bachelor of Arts graduates and 62 Bachelor of Science graduates. Members of the Class of 2001 include:

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE
Jessica Andrews
Psychology
Fountain Inn, S.C.

Susan Dianne Baker
majors cum laude
English: Secondary Education
Harfield, Pennsylvania

Richard L. Barnes
summa cum laude
Bible
Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Krista Michelle Breuninger
summa cum laude
English: Secondary Education
San Diego, California

Michael Thomas Brown*
cum laude
Communication Arts
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Amy L. Bushey
Bible and Psychology
Dallas, Texas

Roger Edward Carroll++
cum laude
Communication Arts
Pineville, Kentucky

Antonia Ireyon Celius
English Literature
New Orleans, Louisiana

April Faith Cottrell*
Psychology
Fort Myers, Florida

Jalena Lynn Cruse
Christian Education: Youth Ministry
Redford, Michigan

Christine Noelle Dennis
summa cum laude
Communication Arts
Centennial, Colorado

Jennifer Ann Dillinger++
cum laude
Psychology
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Julie Ann Drown++
cum laude
Communication Arts
Roswell, Georgia

Laura Michelle Edwards
summa cum laude
Communication Arts
Statesville, North Carolina

Kristal Lynn Flores
magna cum laude
Psychology
Knoxville, Tennessee

Laura Lorraine Foxworth
summa cum laude
English Literature
Parksville, Mississippi

Melissa Robbins Gann
summa cum laude
Music: Applied Piano
Lawrenceville, Georgia

Mary Ruth Green
cum laude
Liberal Arts: Humanities
Dayton, Tennessee

Shadrick Lewis Guinn++
cum laude
Psychology
Chattanooga, Tennessee

David R. Haase*
summa cum laude
Communication Arts
Benson, Minnesota

Erica Pauline Herman
cum laude
Communication Arts
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Sarah Elizabeth Hess
summa cum laude
Psychology
Atlanta, Georgia

Kellie Marie Hill
Christian Education
Dayton, Tennessee

Bradley Scott Holliday
Bible
Athens, Tennessee

Darwin Joshua Hood
Psychology
Dayton, Tennessee

Kristin Lee Hudlow
Psychology
Dayton, Tennessee

Kristin Elizabeth Hughes++
cum laude
Christian Education: Youth Ministry
Meridian, Mississippi

Esther E. Bitterman Jackson
cum laude
Christian Education: Youth Ministry
Duncanville, Texas

Joshua John Johnson
Christian Education
Kansas City, Missouri

Brenda Danielle Jordan
cum laude
Psychology
Trinidad, Colorado

Benjamin Joseph Lavoie
Psychology
W. Warwick, Rhode Island

Jennifer O. McCafferty++
Psychology
Carrollton, Alabama

Krista Marie McCaleb
magna cum laude
Liberal Arts: Humanities
Scottsdale, Arizona

Eryn Eyleen McGary++
magna cum laude
Christian Education
Joppa, Maryland

Deborah Michelle Mundy*
cum laude
Psychology
Knoxville, Tennessee

Jennifer Anne Musselman
magna cum laude
Communication Arts
Covington, Georgia

Christina Michelle Neeley*
summa cum laude
English Literature (Honors)
Greeley, Colorado

Jenny Denise Norton
Psychology
Chester, Alabama

Angela Dawn O'Keefe+
summa cum laude
Liberal Arts
Dayton, Tennessee

Christopher Thomas O'Keefe+
magna cum laude
Bible
Atlanta, Georgia

Micheal Ryan Odor
Communication Arts
Las Vegas, Nevada

Vashti Elizabeth Pearson
magna cum laude
History
Birmingham, Alabama

Charlotte Renee Revel
Music Communications
Smithfield, Virginia

Michael Anson Roukas
cum laude
Christian Education and English Literature
Highland Lakes, N.J.

Jennifer Ashley Sams*
Bible
Tucker, Georgia

Suzanne Renee Schmoyer
summa cum laude
Music: Piano Pedagogy
Fredericksburg, Virginia

Christina Elizabeth Senter
Psychology
Atlanta, Georgia

Matthew S. Sneed
summa cum laude
History (Honors)
Cumming, Georgia

Travis Michael Sturdivant Stevens
Bible and Christian Education
St. Augustine, Florida

Andrea L. Thedford
Psychology
Dayton, Tennessee

Judith Ann Toliver
summa cum laude
Bible
Huanaco, Peru

Terry Lee Turner
summa cum laude
Psychology
Knoxville, Tennessee

Timothy Dean Unsicker
Bible
Atlanta, Georgia

Scott A. Wells+
summa cum laude
Bible
Montgomery, Alabama

Matthew David Williams
magna cum laude
English Literature
Decatur, Georgia

Wenda Kay Willour
magna cum laude
Psychology
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jillian Faith Womack+
cum laude
Communication Arts
McMinnville, Tennessee

Laura Ann Yates
magna cum laude
History and Secondary Education
Snellville, Georgia

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Kenneth E. Akin
summa cum laude
Business Administration:
Organizational Management
Pikeville, Tennessee

Jason Douglas Beattie
Business Administration:
Economics/Finance
Orlando, Florida

Jason Andrew Beschta
cum laude
Exercise Science
Columbus, Ohio

Ms. Anne Rader and Mrs. Judy Shetter attended the Spring 2001 Tennessee Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators Conference in Kingsport, Tenn., in April. Ms. Rader participated in two panel discussions.

Mr. John Stonestreet and the Bryan College Worldview Team presented Worldview workshops at an Alumni/Admissions reception in Atlanta, Ga., in January; at a retreat with meadowview Baptist Church and Tyner United Methodist Church in Chattanooga; and at Legacy Community Church in Dacula, Ga., in February. They participated in the Hanson Youth Crusade in Hanson, Ky., in March; the Clinton Baptist Association in Newport, Tenn., and at Central Baptist Church, Hixson, Tenn., in April.

Dr. Jack Traylor has published an annotated bibliography of computer-related articles of interest to historians in the Spring 2001 edition of History Computer Review. Dr. and Mrs. (Karin de Rosset, '64) Traylor attended the Abraham Lincoln Symposium history conference at Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tenn., in April. They were accompanied by Mrs. Melody Riddle Durham '96, a Bryan history major, now a James Madison Fellow and history graduate student at the University of Tennessee. Also attending with them was Karin's brother, Mr. Ed de Rosset, assistant to the president, Union College, Barbourville, Ky.

Dr. Mel Wilhoit has been selected to deliver a paper on "The 3 R's of Music History, Realistic Rating Requirements," for the Conference on Music History, Theory and Education in the Christian College Curriculum, to be held at Gordon College in Wendham, Mass.
Lisa Marie Bohmer++
Exercise Science
Elgin, Illinois

Erin Chadwick Brogan
cum laude
Mathematics:
Computer Science
Birmingham, Alabama

Zacery Bernard Brown
cum laude
Mathematics:
Secondary Education
Dyersburg, Tennessee

Melissa Rose Cairns++
magna cum laude
Liberal Arts:
Elementary Education
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Byron Gilbert Campbell
Exercise Science
Walland, Tennessee

Benjamin E. Carden
Mathematics:
Computer Science
Hixson, Tennessee

Daniel E. Carver
cum laude
Exercise Science
Greenville, S.C.

Isidro Loza Centeno++
cum laude
Business Administration:
Accounting/Finance
Cartago, Costa Rica

Karen Ann Chamberlin
magna cum laude
Business Administration: Accounting
Cincinnati, Ohio

Deanna J. Chastain
cum laude
Business Administration:
Organizational Management
Cleveland, Tennessee

Peter Ezekiel Cleek
Business Administration:
Management
Orland, California

Lesley Diane Cole
magna cum laude
Business Administration:
Management and Economics/Finance
Gadsden, Alabama

Vicki Crumpley
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Business Administration:
Organizational Management
Cleveland, Tennessee

Jayson Daniel Davidson*
Exercise Science
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Kenneth Darrell Day
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Business Administration:
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Business Administration: Management
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Economics/Finance
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Management
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Roger Stephen Kalenza Jr.
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John Andrew Bruce Lytle
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Branden LaShun Malone
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Jonesboro, Georgia

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English: Secondary Education
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Business Administration:
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Note: (Honors) denotes earning an honors diploma, requiring 18 hours of honors courses, not graduating cum laude.
College prepares to move into Ad Building, library

By the time the summer edition of *Bryan Life* arrives at your home, the college community will be gearing up to move into a new "old" building and into a new "new" building.

As this is written in late May, construction workers and college officials are targeting July 10 as the "turn over the buildings to the care of the college" day, according to Tim Hosteller, vice president for operations. At that point, the rebuilt Administration Building and the new library should be ready for occupancy.

"That's pending availability of water," Mr. Hosteller said, "but the City of Dayton has promised to have their project finished no later than Aug. 1, if not before." That project, which will provide water for sprinkler systems for the two buildings, as well as stabilize pressure to other buildings on campus, must be completed before the new buildings can be occupied.

"We plan to move the support offices into the Administration Building first—the computer technology staff and the mail room and printing operation—because there is going to be so much they will have to have ready before faculty and staff move in," he said.

The Administration Building will resume most of its former functions-space for faculty and administrative offices, classrooms and laboratories—but minus the library. Of course, the kitchen and cafeteria moved into the Student Life Center in January 1999.

With completion of a separate library building, college officials decided to leave approximately half the third floor of the Administration Building unfinished and ready for future development. The remainder of that floor will be occupied by science laboratories, offices and classrooms.

While the building will have a new look, perhaps its striking feature will be the classroom technology. Each classroom will be equipped with "smart boards," essentially computer screens that allow professors to write and manipulate information on the wall screen as if they were at a computer terminal. The computers will be linked to the campus network and to the Internet.

Classroom board work can be stored on the BryanNet computer network so students can access it later for review.

In addition, classrooms will have video projectors which have access to the college's satellite reception technology.

"These classrooms are designed for teachers to teach using technology, no to teach technology. There will be other labs for teaching technology," he said.

The 22,000-square-foot library will have space for some 100,000 volumes, compared to the approximately 84,000 items in the collection when the library was housed in the Administration Building.

In addition, there will be three study rooms, a computer/instructional lab, a special collections room, an educational curriculum lab and a general purpose room.

While the primary focus is on completion of the two major buildings, there are a number of other capital projects planned for this summer.

First is completion of the president's new home on Faculty Circle. Dr. B.J. Brown and his family actually moved into the house the third week of May before the basement, which features an area for informal entertainment was finished.

The new maintenance building is to be built on the hillside overlooking the new baseball field, and is to be finished before school starts.

The baseball field, including lights and an irrigation system, is to be finished this summer, thanks to another major gift for that project.

Six study rooms in Long and Husler residence halls are being converted to rooms for resident assistants. And lights are being upgraded in each residence hall to improve energy efficiency.

In the midst of construction, the college will host six weeks of conferences beginning June 18.

At the conclusion of conferences, the college will have a week to complete a transition in food service companies before student leaders arrive for the beginning of the new school year.
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following the Feb. 6, 2000, fire, she said, “To see how the faculty pursued God, trusted Him no matter what happened on campus, made a major impact on me.”

Michelle said relationships built in classes, dorm rooms and throughout the college community are among the most precious gifts Bryan has given. “I’ve realized that even more as I’ve talked with friends at state schools and other, larger, Christian schools,” she said.

And worldview thinking is a third distinctive of her Bryan experience. “I had heard of worldviews growing up, but the chance to delve deeper and establish my Christian faith and study other worldviews has been so significant. We are able to understand what the world and other people are about, and thereby have a bigger impact.”

“As I leave Bryan, I want to be a good steward of what I have learned, to go out into the world and make an impact for Christ.”

Moises Drumond came to Bryan from a different worldview, and was changed by his experience here.

Moises, from Listowel, Ontario, Canada, heard about Bryan from a friend who suggested he could play for the school.

“Coach Zensen called and told me there were about 600 students,” he said. “I laughed. He told me how much it cost. I laughed. He told me about the rules. I laughed again.”

Dr. Zensen picked him up at the airport in Chattanooga before soccer practice opened his freshman year. On the way to the school, “Dr. Zensen asked me if I had a Bible. I said ‘no.’ He said we would have to stop and get one. I said, ‘No, I’ll be OK.’ He said, ‘If you’re going to be at Bryan I think you’ll need one.’”

When a classmate had to help him find Genesis in his first Pentateuch class, “I just put my head down on the desk and thought, ‘What am I doing here?’”

He said the lives of his fellow students challenged him to “work harder” until he realized that “they had Jesus; I didn’t. During my sophomore year, I got saved, and started to realize that these people are genuine here.

“God has blessed me with wonderful friends who have helped me in my walk with the Lord. I worked inside me - He started inside and it worked its way out to where people can see it.”

“Four years ago, if you had asked me what brought me here, I would have said, ‘soccer brought me to Bryan College.’ Today, I say ‘God brought me here, and I’m so very thankful He did.’”

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“I caught what one man said about being a survivor - believe in yourself, go day-by-day, and be focused,” Mr. Unsicker said. “But I Corinthians 4:16-18 tells us instead to believe in Jesus, not self; be renewed day-by-day; and focus on Jesus.”

Faculty members led the graduation procession from the second floor of the Administration Building, cleaned of construction debris specially for the occasion, to begin Bryan’s 68th commencement service on Saturday morning.

During graduation weekend, members of the Class of 2001 pointed out that they were the last class to
greetings to the graduates from the parents. “What better greeting from parents than the greeting that Paul gave? ‘Grace and Peace to you. I thank my God on every remembrance of you.”

He challenged the class to remember that, “The grace of God saved you. The grace of God brought you to Bryan College. The grace of God helped you complete four years. The Grace of God will allow you to work for Him. The grace of God will take you to heaven.”

In their commencement addresses, Amy Parnell of Dayton, representing the ASPIRE degree completion program, and Travis Stevens, representing traditional students, urged their classmates to remember the lessons learned in college.

Mrs. Parnell reminded graduates that a strong foundation is critical for personal happiness and social improvement. Quoting Robert Fulghum’s All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten, she encouraged the audience to take to heart the book’s lessons including “share everything,” “play fair,” “don’t hit people” and “clean up your own mess.”

Graduates have the opportunity to influence children, she said. “Children learn by example. We must be good examples as to the type of adults that we want children growing up today to become.”

Mr. Stevens said the seniors’ four years at Bryan made them wrestle with “the big questions in life; questions of the origin of things, the meaning of life, morality and questions of destiny. We have been taught to think deeply and broadly. We have been exposed to the Word of God and the world of God.

“Over the past four years, Bryan College has given us a foundation from which to live life well. We have been taught to discern, to engage culture, to share the truth in love. How now shall we live? Will we apply this phenomenal education we have received? We now have a huge responsibility, seniors, being accountable to God for what we have learned here.”

Soccer Coach Dr. Sandy Zensen has a last breakfast with five of his team members who received their degrees in May.

Lions fall in regional tourney

Bryan’s men’s tennis team advanced to the NAIA regional tournament before falling in a season-ending match to King.

Coach Bob Andrews said the 5-4 season record is the best for a Bryan team in the Appalachian Athletic Conference, a record that could have been 6-3 except for a regular season 4-5 loss to Milligan.

He complimented seniors Matt Snead, Josh Johnson and Jeff Hall for their leadership and effort during the season. “Matt and Josh played four years and were co-captains this year,” Dr. Andrews said. “They held down the heat at the top and allowed us to win matches at the bottom of the lineup.”

He said he is looking for the same kind of leadership next year from Kent Suter and Carlos Ayala. “Kent really improved this year. He was very strong. I’m looking for good things from him next year. And Carlos transferred to Bryan this year as a junior and played No. 1 for us all year. I’m looking for him to play at No. 1 all next year.”

The women struggled through a 2-9 season as injuries crippled a rebuilding effort. Rachelle Elliott, the only senior on the squad, moved from playing No. 3 or 4 a year ago, to playing No. 1 this year. “She only won one match, but helped take the heat from the other positions,” he said. “And Andrea Thedford started at No. 4, but moved up to No. 3 because of injuries.”

A stress fracture took freshman Heidi Seera out of the lineup, and freshman Courtney Roberts was out because of severe tendinitis in her wrist by the end of the year. Other regulars stepped up to fill the vacancies, and Sylvia Ayala, an alternate at the first of the season, finished the year playing regularly.

“Next year Jessica Weil, Heidi, Courtney, Katie Lestmann and Sylvia should be back, so I’m hoping we can build on their experience this year and recruit some freshmen,” Dr. Andrews said.
Steward or Trustee?

Have you ever felt like you have so many responsibilities that your life seems like that of the Gong Show comedian who comes out and tries to spin as many plates on the end of a stick as possible without dropping any on the floor? I don't know about you, but I've often found my life resembling this scene.

One of the many reasons, I believe, that our lives get cluttered and hectic so much of the time is actually because of something “good.” That's right, something good! Like so many Christians, we all have had access to healthy doses of truth in the area of stewardship. You say, “Brett, are you suggesting that our lives are unbelievably busy because of good stewardship teaching?” In a word, Yes!

Biblical training in stewardship principles teaches us to plan properly, manage diligently, account accurately and accept responsibility for the results. This is all wonderful and good. Problems arise however, when we, like the man spinning the plates, jump from one area of stewardship in our lives to another, and then another and another. We run into difficulty when we cast the entire focus of our lives towards one stewardship area at the expense and exclusion of all the others.

We are called and required as Christians to be stewards in many things: our spouse, children, the gospel, our time, talent, money, careers, possessions, etc... And most of us are wholeheartedly diligent as we strive to hear “Well done” from our Lord on the day we will give an accounting for our lives. But if you're like me, when you shift your focus from one category to another, all the other areas fall apart like plates falling off the sticks and crashing to the floor.

Sound familiar? Why?

I believe it is partly because we are thinking like stewards and not like trustees. A steward is given a responsibility in a “particular area” (singular) and develops a plan to manage it, for the good of that particular area. A trustee, on the other hand, is given responsibility in “multiple areas” (plural) and develops a plan to manage all of them, for the good of the parts combined. Understanding the concept of stewardship is the steppingstone to the greater concept of becoming a trustee. A trustee literally means, “One entrusted with much.” Our lives contain many facets that need to be stewarded by a trustee who has in mind the good of the whole.

Our lives, like in the parable of the talents, will never earn interest for the kingdom of God if we do not mature and become faithful trustees over the many areas in which God has given us stewardship responsibilities.

If your life has become a daily Gong Show and you are the comedian who is forever spinning plates, I would encourage you to take a step back and take stock of all the areas of your life in which God has called you to be a faithful steward. Begin to prioritize them just like you would the particulars of a given stewardship area.

Then, with prayerful consideration, ask the Lord to help you grow and mature to become a wise trustee of the precious life He has entrusted you with. Remember Luke 12:48, “To whom much is given, much is required.”

ALUMNI MATTER

Brett Roes

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LOWELL, '42, and REBECCA (PECK), '40, HOYT are planning to move from their home in Dayton to Forsyth, Ga., to be near son Stanley Hoyt and family and closer to ROY, '73, and BARBARA (PECK), '73, (niece) REMINGTON in Roswell, Ga. Their address after July 1 will be 740 Juliette Rd., Forsyth, GA 31029.

CLYDE, '44, and FRANCES (REED) BROGAN, '46, have lived 54 years in many states before moving to their native Ohio three years ago. The proximity of most of their eight siblings has enabled them to get together frequently for the celebration of birthdays, anniversaries and family reunions. Their youngest daughter and family live nearby, while their three older children and families live in Minnesota, Alabama and Texas. The Brogans say that their chief joy is all their children and their family's love for the Lord and all are actively engaged in local church ministries.

ROBERT, '44, and ALICE (TUCKER) ST. JOHN, '47 wrote to Alumni Ministries this spring. They had just experienced the earthquake in Tacoma, Wash. They have now been married for 57 years.

KENNETH MARKEN, '47, and his wife, Evelyn, have celebrated 55 years of marriage. Their seven children and families celebrated this joyous occasion in Richmond, Va. After retirement 11 years ago, the Markens went on staff at Immanuel Baptist in June 1990, where they have served since on a part-time basis as associate pastor of visitation. Rev. Marken also has a weekly Bible class at Virginia Baptist retirement home, where several of the ladies of the church reside. They would love to have you email them at: kenmark@mac.com.

Hazel Nell Geiger, '47, Middleburg, Fla., continues to volunteer four days a week in the media center at the Bryan Jennings Elementary School in Orange Park. She also tutors occasionally and by request she spoke recently to the first-grade class to tell them what school was like when she was in the first grade. There were 12 grades in one school with reading, writing, spelling, math, no computers, no air conditioning, no cafeteria (she walked home for lunch), no refrigerators, (the ice wagon came by each day), no TV (just silent movies at the theater) and only a narrow road through the woods to go to Jacksonville in cars that traveled about 25 miles per hour. She attends the Chimney Lake Baptist Church and sings in the choir.

NELL PEARSON, '49, moved last November to Edenburg, Texas, to a house on the campus of the Rio Grande Bible Institute. She is grateful for improved health after a bout with Lyme disease and an infection which required 28 days of IV antibiotics. She serves with Global Baptist Mission which has headquarters in Asheville, N.C., at the Rio Grande Bible Institute.

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also the speaker at the Sunday morning service of ICA, and at the Bamako Christian School chapel where grandsons Jeremy and Matt attend.

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**60’s**

**Reunions**

**Class of ’61**

October ’01 (40 years)

CLARENCE J. SCHULTZ JR., ’60, e-mailed the Alumni Ministries office from Lake Elmo, Minn, where he is senior pastor of St. Lucas Community Church. He and his wife, Marti, have two children,

-Russell and NANCY (GOODMAN), ’60, EBERSOLE

have shared the concern for the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism’s plane that was shot down in Peru, resulting in the death of their missionary Roni Bowers and her baby daughter, and severe injury to the pilot, Kevin Donaldson. The Ebersoles continue their debriefings of forthcoming missionaries and will be working along with several debriefing teams during the ABWE Missionary Enrichment Conference in July. They expect that this summer’s candidate class will be one of the largest in ABWE’s history.

JOHN P., ’61, and JoAN (DOWELL), ’64, RyNDeRS, reside in Littleton, Colo., where he is pastor of Bethany Evangelical Free Church. They have five children.

JANET CLayCOmB, ’64, was happy to return to Jamaica after a six-month visit in the U.S., where she had two operations on her knee. She is preparing for Vacation Bible School this summer and continuing vigorous therapy for her knee.

DAVID, ’65, and ANN (KELLEY), ’65, LIND continue their work with MKs at Fortaleza Academy in Brazil and with their church. Graduation for senior students means that they will leave for the U.S. to seek the Lord’s leading for the next step in their lives. Plans for the new church building in Fortaleza are awaiting city approval, and the Lindos rejoice that a substantial amount of money is already in the construction fund.

DAN, ’65, and LOUISE (GRAHAM), ’68, SHEYDA are grateful for safe travel to Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, New England and Florida during furlough time. They also shared in ministry at 26 Wycliffe banquets until May 10.

They are accepting a new assignment as church missions consultants for Wycliffe for the next two years. This will include considerable traveling from their home base in Charlotte, N.C.


Tom and MARY FRANCES (RUDDE), ’67, CARLSOn report a busy year of traveling after Mary Frances’s retire-

ment a year ago from high school teaching in Knoxville, Tenn., their home. They have enjoyed trips to visit relatives in Arizona, Ohio, North Carolina, Missouri, including RUUE (RUDDE), ’44, and Doug PRINGLE in Cape Girardeau, Mo. During Tom’s annual business trip to Slovakia, Mary Frances enjoyed shopping and other tourist attractions. At home in Knoxville, she is involved in Christian Women’s Club and is a coordinator for monthly events of a neighborhood lunch bunch.

WILLIAM, ’68, and Eleanor REID continue ministry at a church in Brimmon, Wash., where they have served for five years. Bill is eligible for retirement, but they plan to stay at the same church for another year. Three of their grandchildren are graduating from high school this year.

Richard and NITA (KARGES), ’68, PApdWORTIc continue their leadership of Radio Voice of Christ to prepare and transmit messages that are aired in Iran in the Farsi language 17 times a week from three powerful radio stations. They are amazed at some of the stories of lives changed as a result of the radio ministry. They are praising God for additional office space rented next door and for an Iranian broker who is helping part time in their program production department.

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**70’s**

**Reunions**

**Class of ’76**

July ’01 (25 years)

JOHN and JOYCE (BUICE), ’76, LARRABEE have been encouraged in their evangelism program in the Amazon Basin of Brazil. They were able to show a Gospel film at the New Hope Church at the community center where they had been restricted last year. They were also asked to return to show the Jesu film in Portuguese. This was done on Thursday before Easter with 55 people attending, and eight made professions of faith in Christ. In their own town the Jesus film was shown on Good Friday night in an outdoor event with over 400 attending. Other ministries have resulted in individuals receiving Christ and on Easter Sunday they had a public baptism for four believers in the Amazon River.

MIRIAM GEBB, ’71x, has been grateful for an eight-month sabbatical and a four-month home ministry assignment with plans to go back to Ecuador the first of June to continue her medical assistance to reach people in the jungle for Christ. She is thankful for two nurses that are joining the HCJB staff to help in jungle work after their preparation at the Shell hospital that serves different cultural groups and diseases prevalent in the jungle region. Miriam would be pleased to hear from friends via E-mail: mgebb@hcjb.org.ec.

JOHN PETERSON, ’73, is executive director of Seattle Area Youth for Christ in Seattle, Wash., where he and his wife, Helen, reside.

SHIRLEY BURROWS, ’73x, continues to be busy with ministry as an evangelist, visiting each of the Bahama Islands, and also working fulltime with the Bahama’s environment program.

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**ROBERT BRENNA, ’73, is affiliated with Brazil and Jewish Missions, under Baptist International Missions, Inc., and lives with his wife, Marilyn, in Chattanooga, Tenn. Bob recently traveled with a team to Zambia and stayed in the city of Livingston. The first week they had a training institute for 209 national pastors and other leaders and their wives. In the evenings they held evangelistic meetings, with more than 9,000 responses for follow-up by local pastors.

RICK, ’74 and EMILY (SCANDLYN), ’73, EFIRD just celebrated 28 years of marriage. He is senior pastor of Desert Springs Bible Church in Phoenix, Ariz., and she is self-employed in real estate sales and development. To celebrate Emily’s 50th birthday, they hiked in and out of the Grand Canyon.

JON, ’74, and MARYLAIN (HAWKINS), ’75, EISENBACK reside in Blackcubuc, Va., where Jon is a professor at Virginia Tech. They have three sons.

EUGENE, ’74x, and LYNN (PUFFER), ’75, JORDAN make their home in Redlands, Calif., as they continue serving with Missionary Aviation Fellowship. Eugene is MAFF’s communications director to let people within the organization and friends outside MAFF know what is happening through MAFF’s global ministry. His schedule this year included trips to Ecuador and to Dallas, Texas, in January, and in February to represent MAFF at the National Religious Broadcaster’s Convention. Lynn is processing her credentials to substitute teach in California, with hopes to teach fulltime later.

CHARLES P. “CHUCK” DAVIS, ’75, e-mailed Alumni Ministries from Austin, Texas, where he and his wife, Janelle, reside. He is pastor of Crossroads Fellowship Church. He also reported to us that his parents, Phil and Ruth Davis, who worked at Bryan in the ’60’s, have just celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary and live in Powder Springs, Ga., with his sister, MARY DAVIS, ’75.

JAN (LEININGER) IUBER, ’75, and her twin sister JUDY (LEININGER) KALENZA LEE, ’75, share a somewhat unique twist. They both have children who graduated from Bryan this year: Jan’s daughter, SUZANNE IUBER, and Judy’s son, RUSTY KALENZA. Judy also has a daughter, Michelle, who was a freshman at Bryan this year.

DONALD and CONNIE (PEACOCK) BLANTON, both ’76, from Mandeville, La., and their son James Robert and daughter Ann kale attended Homecoming 2000. Don arranged for three other Bryan alums to surprise Connie at the Chattooga Choo Choo. Joining in the reunion were CAROL (NICKEMY) HUBEL, ’75, Tyronc. Ga.; and DEBBIE (BOWMAN) MORRIS, ’76, Marietta Ga.; and DEBBIE (DOWDY) BROWN, ’76, Andrews, SC.

M. LEE RIDGELL, ’76, lives in Santa Monica, Calif., where she is employed as a senior policy analyst by RAND Corp., a non-profit institution that helps improve policy and decision-making through objective, non-partisan research and analysis. Susan has graduate degrees in law and community organization and most of her work at RAND has focused on the intersection of law and health. Before working at RAND, she was associate professor of mental health law and policy at the University of South Florida and research associate in the Center for Mental Health Services Research at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

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STEVE, ’76, and MARCIA (KRICK), ’78x, STRAUSS with their children, Cara, Mark and David, have returned to the U.S. after 19 years of ministry in Ethiopia, to receive SIM’s appointment of Steve as U.S. Director to succeed FRED ELY, ’74, who is now the stewardship director for SIM. Steve’s responsibility includes preaching, teaching, writing and vision building along with more limited administrative duties. The Straussés believe this new assignment supplements their training and discipling of servant-leaders in Ethiopia and prepares them to the deeper call to obey Jesus’ command in the Great Commission from their new location at SIM’s headquarters in Charlotte, N.C.

JANICE (HAMILTON) JONES, ’77, is a teacher at Panama Central School in Lakewood, N.Y. She has five children: Jennifer, Jessica, Joshua, Justin and Jolene.

PAUL, ’77, and ANGIE (LAYMAN), ’79, COMBS are completing their eighth and final year at Singapore American School where Paul had been serving as the middle school deputy principal for more than 600 students and Angie has been teaching fifth grade. In August, they will head back to the Middle East. Paul has accepted a position as the middle school principal at the American Community School in Beirut, Lebanon. Angie will teaching fourth and fifth grades at ACS. Their son, David, is in Hollywood, Calif., completing his film internship for a film major.

DENNIS, ’77, and RENÀ (HANNA), ’77, METZGER are thankful for friends from their home church in St. Petersburg, Fla., who came to help in the roof construction of their new church in San Luis, Argentina. During their visit they shared in special meetings in all three Baptist churches, and with the Lord’s blessing at least 18 decisions for Christ were made for salvation plus numerous rededications. The Metzgers were able to share in a pastor/misionary retreat in Buenos Aires to be refreshed by good teaching and fellowship. They were expecting another group of building helpers from May.

MARY (LANE), ’78, and husband Robert STEWART of Orlando, Fla., celebrated their 10-year anniversary in November, with Pioneers Mission Board. Bob is an accountant/CPA and is a controller in the finance department. Mary is a substitute teacher in their church pre-school, participates in the ladies Bible studies and supports Bob with their ministry.

JEAN (HAWKINS), ’78, and Jim EBEL, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Charlotte, on their 20th wedding anniversary, Aug. 9, 2000. She weighed 7lbs. 2.4 oz. and was 19 in. long. They reside in Drexel, Mo.

PETER and KAREN (NESTOR) TIMMINS, both ’78, emailed Alumni Ministries from Meadville, Pa. Peter is an administrator of Calvary Baptist Christian Academy and Karen is a fourth grade teacher at the academy. They have two children, Sarah and Jenny.

JONATHAN K. OTTO, ’78, and wife, Elizabeth have one daughter, Sarah. They live in Royal Palm Beach, Fla., where Jonathan is the elementary principal of The King’s Academy.

Steve and RUTH (VANDERMOLEN), ’79x, PORTER returned last fall to Nigeria to find their equipment all in good order and Steve worked a busy schedule with their patients until December when the power began to fail. They ordered a new generator, but many roadblocks seemed to detain that order. They are ministering to a group of young people and in March began meeting with their discipleship group of men and women, studying the Christian home and concentrating on Christian marriage. Their son, Matt, has finished high school and is interested in going to a Christian college this fall to prepare for a career in law enforcement/criminal justice as well as ministry.

JOHN L. CARVER, ’80, and his wife, Rene, are living in Columbia, Mo., where he is the minister of education and administration of a Southern Baptist church.

DAVID R. SALYER, ’81, and his wife, Faith, sent their greetings from Dayton, Ohio. David, (most knew him by his alias of “Sauce”), practices law with E. S. Gallon & Associates. His practice areas are plaintiff’s personal injury and product liability law. David and Faith have three children, Katie, 6, Christian, 4, and Allison, 16 months. The family is actively involved in the Fair Creek Church in Fairborn, Ohio, where David serves on the elder board.

PAMELA (HENRY) ROWE, ’81, recently traveled to Spain with CONNIE (REEHOFF) BRANSON, ’82, and JANET (ARDELEAN) SCHMIDT, ’81, to visit SHARON (WOYCHUK), ’81, and CHARLIE, ’79, GOODMAN and family. Pamela tells us they haven’t laughed so hard, since their college days. It was a special “girls’ road trip” across Spain.

SCOTT, ’81, and MARGARET (KOEHN), ’82, SMITH completed their Spain assignment after 12 years. Their plans are to move to Africa to begin the work of Wycliffe/SIL in the tiny Spanish-speaking country of Equatorial Guinea. Margaret will be home schooling their three children, Rachel, 11, Cristina, 9, and Andrew, 6. If you would like to be a part of their prayer/support team, you can contact them at Scott and Margaret Smith, SIL, BP 1299, Yaounde, Cameroon, AFRICA or email scott_smith@sil.org.

KATHY (PIERCE), ’82, MOORE and her husband, Jon Steven, have let us know that they live in Fayetteville, Ga., where Kathy teaches third grade at River’s Edge Elementary. They have two children, Laura and Jacob.

MARTHA (MASSEY), ’82, WOOD and her husband, Larry, live in Orlando, Fla., with their two children, Ryan, 11, and Jamie, 9.

CHERYL (HOFFMAN), ’82, LITTLE and her husband, Stephen, have notified us from Knightdale, N.C. Steve and Cheryl are staying busy starting a home business “A Little Editing.” They do writing, editing, layout, publicity and other print and online work. They have an 8-year-old cocker spaniel named Honey.

DEBRA J. RICHARDSON, ’83, from Plantation, Fla., has changed careers. After 15 years working in apartment community property management, she has traded in her keys for a pair of silver wings. She is an attendant at America Airlines, internationally based in Miami, Fla., flying mostly Caribbean and Central American routes. She loves her job with a passion and has said that most days are like a paid vacation.

JOY (RUTH), ’83, SKINNER and her husband, Dave, returned to India for a leadership course in November and December 2000. Two of the weeks in India were at the OM India Center in Hyderabad for an intensive course in leadership. This training equipped them with excellent skills and tools for their ministry in Papua New Guinea. Joy, Dave and their three children, Shawn, 10, Jed, 9, and Trina, 7, will be on furlough, traveling in Australia and the U. S. from July 2001 to April 2002.

JOSEPH (JOE) KRUEGEL, ’83, COLVIN, and her husband, Stephen, announces the birth of their latest blessing, Faith Anne. She joins nine other brothers and sisters: Matthew, 17, Melissa, 15; Hannah Grace, 14; Hope, 12; Adam, 10; Caleb, 8; Isaac, 6; Titus, 4; and Noah, 2.

TRISH (LILLY) EDWARDS, ’83, and her husband, Russell live in Dallas, Texas, where Russ works in training large companies. Trish is enjoying being a stay-at-home mom for Alex, 3, and Chad, 20 months.

JESSICA (ODALIS) MIEDEMA, ’83, is serving as medical director and family medicine/OB physician for Community Health Center in Holland, Mich., a practice for the underserved. She recently traveled to Bolivia, Honduras and Yucatan of Mexico on medical missions trip. She and her husband, Gary, have two children, Michael, 11, and Kristin, 8.

JEFF, ’84, and ANGELA (HOLLOWELL), ’84, NYBERG, announce the birth of their daughter, Christin Angela, on Nov. 13, 2000. Christin joins her brother, Jon, 2. The Nybergs live in Prosper, Texas, where Jeff is pastor and founder of Cornerstone Baptist Church of Plano.

MARK, ’84, and Candy GARRETT welcomed their fourth child, a daughter, Anne Elizabeth, born on May 19, by C-section in Thies, Senegal, where they minister under SIM International. Their three other children are Kathy, Bryan and Ethan.

Brad and KATHY (DALLINGA), ’84, KOENIG, working in Cameroon, W. Africa, with the Esimbi language, are encouraged that their yard worker, Paul, has declared his faith in Christ. An Esimbi Language Committee was formed in March to finalize the alphabet and the rules for writing their
two years on the board of elders. He also helped to start the Cornerstone Evangelical Free Church in Verona, Wis. He received his Master of Divinity degree, summa cum laude, from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

JON BOGGS, '88, e-mails us from England, where he is employed as a publications coordinator for Ambassadors in Sport. Dennis and CELESTA (BEACHY), '88, RICHARDSON, in Anchorage, Alaska, are reaching native Alaskans for Christ through leadership development and ministry training. In February the annual Native Musicaile was a five-night event, with Jimmy Anderson, native American preacher and teacher from Oklahoma, speaking on the topic "Keep the Fire Burning." At the end of February, Dennis spent a week at Kako Retreat Center in western Alaska to teach the doctrines of salvation. They have been visiting with people in crisis at the local hospital, ministering to patients and their families.

THOMAS C. STANLEY, '89, and his wife, Jennifer, live in Annapolis, Md., with their son, Trent, 2.

GREG LILLEY, '89, is serving with New Tribes Mission in Venezuela. He and his wife, Hannah, are dorn parents in the jungle. Their children are Luke, 6, and Levi, 5, and both are home-schooled this year.

GINA (RAGGIO), '89, and Kevin MCNELLY, sent a photo of their family to Lion Tracks. They are involved in Life Changer Ministries.

PATRICK, '89 and TRACI, '91, RAGAN lives in Harrison, Tenn., where they are employed with AMG International as coordinator of church relations and short-term missions. The Lord continues to allow them to minister alongside Bryan students. They recently traveled with a team of Break for Change students from Bryan to Nicaragua.

ALAN, '89, and BETH (HANNA), '91, MC MANUS plan to become full-time missionaries with CAM International in June. Their son, Cameron, is 3.

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They will be living in Salt Lake City, Utah, for approximately a year. Dave is staying busy at work, both with the organizing committee and the new Global Events Group. The Global Events side of work causes him to travel out of the country much of the time.

DAVID EDWARD ELMORE, '91, is pursuing the call to missions. He married Amy Hutchinson in November 2000. They live in Tallahassee, Fla.

RONA HALCOMBE, '91, recently decided to return to Brazil as a missionary with South America Mission (SAM). She will be working with deaf people in Cuiaba, Brazil.

DAWN (SHOOK), '91, and her husband, Jeff BIDDY, announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Joy, on March 1. They have a son, Bryson, 3.

ROBERT, '91, and KARIS (WHITE), '90, KOEHN, and their family are serving with Africa Inland Mission, traveling to northern Mozambique from their home in Beira, Central Moz, to do dental work. They went at the invitation of fellow AIM missionaries who are working amongst the Mwani, an unreach ed people group. Karis provided dental treatment for some of the people in the village while the resident missionary team talked and shared portions of God's Word with those who were waiting. The Koehns will be in the U.S. on home assignment between May and December of this year.

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LENORE (FINDER) PRIEST, both '92, live in Oneida, Jacob, Abigail and Jonah Rowls

February 1. She joins sister

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local church—Ademola was ordained as a deacon and

live in Ondo, Nigeria, where they are active in their

mer.

began completing her master's degree in accounting this sum-

ter, Fiona Marie Wade, on April

WADE, '93,

SARAH (SHARPE)

Ashlyn, 4, and brother

Graham Stephen, on April

ST3 Productions in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Denise and Fred, and first grade assistant al Covenant Day School in Matthew,

in Chattanooga, Tenn.

KATHLEEN

HICKS,

'98, has been

taking month-long summer trips to

Hungary/Romania to teach English as a

second language with Association of Baptist for World

Evangelism. During the last two summers, she and her sister

AMANDA (HICKS) PARIS,

'98, have taught conversational

English classes as a means to build relationships and to share

the hope of Christ. This summer Kathleen will return to

Eastern Europe for a third stint of teaching, then travel into

China and Tibet. Both sisters teach at Grace Baptist Academy,

in Chattanooga, Tenn. Kathleen teaches middle school and

high school English, while Amanda teaches sixth grade sci-

ence and math.

DIANA (WHORLEY),

'98, and Robert D. NAYLOR II

were married Dec.

16, 2000, in

Michigan. They

live in Whitwell, Tenn.

JAMIE

COOPER,

'98,

was promoted to

hub controller for

America West Airlines at Sky

Harbor International

Airport in Phoenix, Ariz., the headquarters and hub for

America West Airlines.

MARTY MANOR,

'98x, graduated with a bachelor's

degree in social science education from the University of

Central Florida in May 2000. She is now employed with

Campus Crusade for Christ, where she is completing a one-

year internship in Eastern Europe doing mission work with

Slovak University students.
Mark your calendars for **HOMECOMING** 2001

October 4-7, 2001

- Dedication of the Administration Building and library
- Alumni Golf Tournament
- Veggie Town Values day camp for kids K5-6th grade
- Alumni soccer game
- Family outing at the soccer field with games and refreshments
- Alumni basketball game
- Alumni choir reunion
- Alumni worship service on Sunday

Look for details in your mailbox later this summer!