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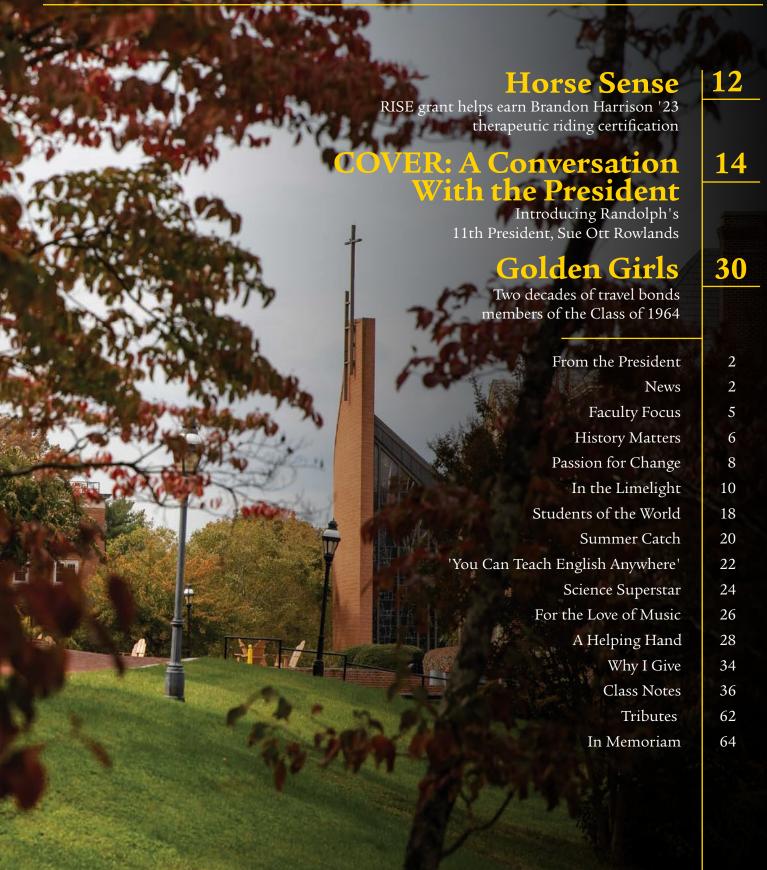








A fall view of back campus



## **AROUND RANDOLPH**

## FROM THE PRESIDENT



It is with a sense of gratefulness and wonder that I have watched the fall colors put on a spectacular show here on Randolph's campus. While I am not new to Virginia or its seasons, I have found myself in awe walking around campus this fall. We are so fortunate to be able to learn, live, and work here behind the Red Brick Wall, and each day I am reminded of why this College is so special.

As all of you well know, it is not just the beautiful campus that makes Randolph so distinctive, though it is a definite benefit. In just the few short months that I have served as president, I have been reminded again and again that it is our people who are at the heart of everything we do. Our students are passionate, energetic, and bring life to our campus community; our faculty and staff are some of the most dedicated I have had the pleasure to work with and bring a commitment to our students that is second to none; and our alumnae and alumni are successful and highly supportive of the College and what we do here. Together, we form a community that is committed to preparing our students to not just be successful in life, but to leave here ready to make a difference in the world.

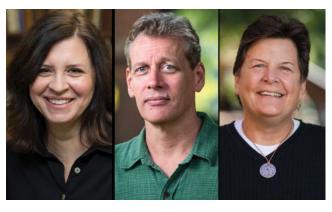
As you read the stories in this issue, you will see numerous examples of how our community members are living the life more abundant—both here on campus and out in the world. I look forward to meeting more of our alumnae and alumni during my travels around the country this year. And I invite each of you to join us here on campus for a visit if you are able. We are so proud of everything that is happening inside the Red Brick Wall, and we can't wait to share it with you.

Vita abundantior,

Sue Ott Rowlands

Sue Ott Rowlands President

## **NEWS**



## **Faculty award winners announced**

error olly Tatum, Randolph's Mary Sabel Girard Chair in Psychology; Bradley Bullock, the Charles A. Dana Professor of Sociology; and Carolyn Sarson, associate professor of sport and exercise studies, were all recognized with faculty awards during Convocation. Tatum received the Katherine Graves Davidson Award, Bullock the Katherine Graves Davidson Scholarship Award, and Sarson the Gillie A. Larew Distinguished Teaching Award.



## **New York Times columnist** gives 2022 Thayer Lecture

Jamelle Bouie, a *New York Times* columnist and CBS political analyst, gave Randolph College's 2022 Philip Thayer Memorial Lecture, "Why the Founders Still Matter," in September. Bouie's work focuses on American history, culture, and politics. Prior to joining the *Times*, where he covers U.S. politics, public policy, elections, and race, Bouie was the chief political correspondent for *Slate* magazine and a staff writer for *The Daily Beast*. His work has also appeared in *The Atlantic, The Washington Post, TIME*, and *The New Yorker*.

## SOCIAL MEDIA SPOTLIGHT



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## M.F.A. grad returns as Pearl S. Buck Writer in Residence

William Evans '21 M.F.A. returned to Randolph this fall as the 2022 Pearl S. Buck Writer in Residence and held a public reading of his work in September. Evans, an author, speaker, performer, and instructor, was Randolph's first Nancy Craig Blackburn '71 Fellow. The program provides scholarships to students who have already established themselves as experienced writers. He is the author of 2021's Black Nerd Problems: Essays and three poetry collections, including 2020's We Inherit What the Fires Left.



## Former USA South Coach of the Year joins MACSL program

Carly Pearce joined Randolph over the summer as the new assistant director of the College's Master of Arts in Coaching and Sport Leadership program. Pearce coached the Averett University women's soccer team for eight years, leading the team to its first USA South Conference Championship and NCAA Tournament appearance. In 2012, she was named USA South Coach of the Year and National Soccer Coaches Association of America Region Coach of the Year. She eventually transitioned to athletic administration before serving as executive director of student services, graduate and professional studies, and assistant vice president of enrollment for Averett Online.

## Randolph adds six new study abroad destinations

Randolph students can now study in Greece, France, Costa Rica, Thailand, China, and Morocco, joining programs already offered in the U.K., Japan, and Spain, thanks to a new affiliation with International Studies Abroad. Programs are offered for semester- and yearlong study.

## Filmmaker visits Randolph to discuss his work

Filmmaker Suman Mukhopadhyay visited campus this fall for a screening and discussion about his latest film, *Nazarband (Captive)*. The 2020 filmdescribed as a "a visceral look at survival and a heartfelt exploration into the depths of companionship and the meaning of rejection and acceptance"—is one of eight features Mukhopadhyay has directed.



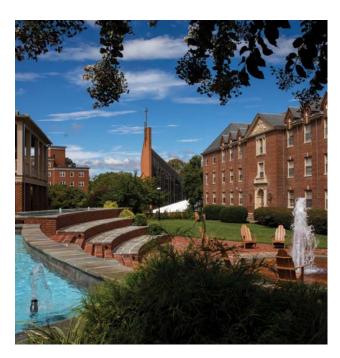
## Randolph professors ranked 12th in the nation

The Princeton Review ranked Randolph College 12th for Most Accessible Professors in the 2023 edition of its college guide, *The Best 388 Colleges*. Randolph was also once again included on the Green Honor Roll, which assesses a college's performance as an environmentally aware and prepared institution. Randolph has been included on numerous lists over the years, including #16 for Most Accessible Professors in 2021.



## M.F.A. grads take over Poetry Foundation podcast

A janae Dawkins '22 M.F.A., a poet, performer, and educator based in Ohio, and Brittany Rogers '22 M.F.A., a Detroit-based poet and educator, recently took over as co-hosts of the Poetry Foundation podcast VS, a bi-weekly series where poets confront the ideas that move them. Both Dawkins and Rogers were Blackburn Fellows who graduated from Randolph's Master of Fine Arts in creative writing program.



## Randolph named one of the nation's top liberal arts colleges

Randolph College has again been ranked among the nation's top liberal arts colleges by the *U.S. News & World Report*. The College was ranked #124 in the 2023 edition of its *Best Colleges* guidebook, up from #141 last year. Randolph was also ranked #144 in the category of Top Performers on Social Mobility, which focuses on enrolling and graduating large proportions of disadvantaged students with Pell Grants.



## **Professors granted tenure**

Theatre professor Stephanie Earl, art history professor Lesley Shipley, and mathematics professor Michael Penn were recently granted tenure by the Randolph College Board of Trustees. Shipley, who came to Randolph in 2016, received her B.A. in art history from the University of Maryland, College Park, an M.F.A. in painting from American University, and a master's and Ph.D. in art history from Bryn Mawr College. Earl, who joined the Randolph faculty in 2015, earned her bachelor's degree in theatre performance from Greensboro College and an M.F.A. from the University of Houston. Penn, who holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, a master's from Indiana University, and a Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Albany, started working at Randolph in 2017.



## Randolph announces highest fundraising total in three years

Randolph College wrapped up the 2021-22 fiscal year with the highest total giving in three years, raising more than \$8 million to benefit all funds. Student scholarships, capital improvements, academic resources, diversity and inclusion initiatives, and new graduate programs were made possible by these donors. Approximately \$2 million of the \$8 million was given by more than 2,000 individuals for the Annual Fund. These unrestricted gifts support many critical aspects of campus life, including experiential learning, Randolph's Innovative Student Experience Program, faculty professional development, and campus sustainability projects.

## FACULTY AND STAFF

### Sara Beck

Assistant Professor of Psychology

Beck co-authored "Integrated parent-child music classes for preschoolers with and without autism: Parent expectations and experiences," which appeared in *The Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences*, in August. Beck published a new poem, "flume," in *MUTHA Magazine*, a publication that explores motherhood, in October.

## **Suzanne Bessenger**

Associate Professor of Comparative Philosophy
In October, Bessenger presented her research
and translation of the sacred biography of 14th
century Tibetan female Buddhist saint Sönam
Peldren during Northwestern University's Second
Lotsawa Translation Workshop: Celebrating
Buddhist Women's Voices in the Tibetan
Tradition.

### **Patrick Earl**

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Theatre
Earl was named executive director of Endstation
Theatre Company, Randolph's theatre in
residence, this fall.

## **Stephanie Earl**

Associate Professor of Theatre
Earl was named artistic director of Endstation
Theatre Company, Randolph's theatre in
residence, in September.

## **Erin Heller**

Assistant Professor of Biology

Heller published the article, "Factors that affect migratory Western Atlantic red knots (*Calidris canutus rufa*) and their prey during spring staging on Virginia's barrier islands," in *PLOS One*. The peer-reviewed journal, published by the Public Library of Science, covers primary

research from multiple disciplines within science and medicine. Heller conducted the research, which aims to understand factors that influence a federally threatened shorebird species' distribution and abundance across the annual cycle, with six other scientists from 2007 to 2018.

## **Crystal Howell**

Assistant Professor of Education

Howell presented "Igniting the Spark: How to Use Author Visits to Inspire and Encourage Students at All Levels" at the National Council of Teachers of English in Anaheim, California, earlier this month. She also published the paper, "Embodied Curriculum," focusing on curriculum that is created and known through lived experiences, in *Routledge Resources Online*.

## **Michael Penn**

Associate Professor of Mathematics
In October, Penn presented at Representation
Theory XVII at Inter-University Centre in
Dubrovnik, Croatia, giving a talk about
permutation orbifolds of Virasoro vertex operator
algeciras and W-algebras.

## **Peter Sheldon**

The Charles A. Dana Professor of Physics and Engineering

Sheldon presented SUPER project details and research, co-authored by Sarah Sojka, Meghan Halbrook, and Jesse Kern, at the American Association for the Advancement of Science S-STEM Symposium in Washington, D.C., in September. He also presented "2022 Exam Results" as the chief reader associate of the AP Physics Exam during the AP Annual Conference.

### **Aaron Shreve**

Assistant Professor of Political Science
Shreve presented his research, "Importing

Status: US Arms Sales, Military Aid, and Importer Prestige," at the American Political Science Association Conference in Montreal in September.

## **Laura-Gray Street**

Professor of English

Street was named a 2022-2025 Black Earth Institute Fellow over the summer. The institute was founded in 2004 as a progressive think tank dedicated to creating a more ethical world. The artists and scholars who make up the group focus on social justice, environmental issues, and the spiritual dimensions of the human condition in their art and work.

## Sarah Sojka

Associate Professor of Environmental Studies and Physics

This summer, Sojka appeared on the *JENerational Change* podcast to discuss her research on rainwater harvesting.

## **Holly Tatum**

The Mary Sabel Girard Chair in Psychology
Tatum's research on honor codes was featured in the BestColleges.com article, "College Honor Codes Evolve to Meet the Times."

## **Karin Warren**

The Herzog Family Professor of Environmental Studies

Warren began her term as president-elect of the Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences (AESS) Board of Directors over the summer. The AESS serves the faculty, students, and staff of the 1,000-plus interdisciplinary environmental programs in North America and around the world, seeking to strengthen teaching, research, and service in environmental studies and sciences.



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The trail marker, near the corner of Rivermont and Norfolk avenues, was unveiled during a special ceremony in September.

## Randolph's role in women's suffrage movement recognized with trail marker

As women fought for the right to vote in the 1800s and 1900s, some 900 separate legislative campaigns were waged, at both the state and federal level.

Most failed.

"The suffragists had to dust themselves off and start over again," said Nancy Tate, Virginia State coordinator for the newly created National Votes for Women Trail.

The trail, a project of the National Collaborative for Women's History Sites, seeks to tell the story of that long struggle through both a website and a network of free roadside markers at significant sites around the country.

Randolph is one of two sites in Virginia to receive one. The marker, near the corner of Rivermont and Norfolk avenues, honors

English professor Nellie Powell and the students who formed an Equal Suffrage League chapter at the College in 1913.

"I've spent the last few years trying to share the inspiring, but little-known story of women's fight for the vote," Tate said during a September ceremony to unveil the marker. "Women had virtually no legal rights during the first 200 years of this country, and it wasn't until 1848 that the right of women to vote was even taken seriously. And after that, it took 72 years of organized struggle to reach the goal."

Among those engaged in the fight were Powell and Lucy Somerville Howorth, a member of the Class of 1916.

The Equal Suffrage League chapter they founded at the College boasted 140

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- Nancy Tate, Virginia State coordinator for the National Votes for Women Trail

members by 1914 and sponsored talks by students and faculty, as well as local, state, and national suffrage leaders. Powell and Elizabeth Lewis, the president of the League's Lynchburg chapter, also hosted suffrage schools on campus, covering public speaking along with political, social, and legal topics.

Lynchburg was a center of activity for the suffrage movement in Virginia, second only to Richmond, despite its conservative culture.

Ted Delaney, director of the Lynchburg Museum System, offered two reasons why: Lewis, who would eventually co-found the League of Women Voters, and the College.

"The campus was home to the only other suffrage organization in the city of Lynchburg," he said. "In fact, the only photograph we have ever found of suffrage activity here in the city of Lynchburg was a photograph taken of eight students standing in front of Main Hall that was reproduced in the 1915 Helianthus yearbook. Those were students at this institution, 100 years ago."

The National Votes for Women Trail was launched online in 2020 to coincide with the centennial celebration of women's suffrage in the United States. The virtual database has more than 2,300 sites, including Randolph, and became a physical reality with the markers this fall.

While she was on campus, Tate emphasized the work still to be done and what can be learned from the fight.

"History matters. Knowing what came before broadens our understanding of who we are and what we can become," she said. "Every individual can make a difference, whether it be in their own community or in the larger world. Perseverance is important, for both individuals and social movements. Change can be slow, and it can be frustrating. Finally, the fight for equality is not over. It needs to be fought in every generation."







Natalia Hernandez Berrios '23 plans to leave her mark on the world.

"Immigrating to this country at an early age is one of the reasons why I became interested in human rights, public policies, and the world," she explained. "I want a solid foundation in order to give back to my community. I want to learn and have a deep understanding of the policies that move the United States and other countries in order to create change in the future."

Her path began to take shape at Randolph, where she took political science and economics courses as a first-year.

"The material covered was what I had been looking to learn since my freshman year of high school. It connected with some life experiences I had and allowed me to voice them," said Berrios, who declared a double major in global studies and economics.

She has been an active member of the campus community during her time behind the Red Brick Wall. In addition to playing on the women's lacrosse team, she is chair of the College's Judiciary Committee and president of both the Randolph

Programming Board and Omicron Delta Kappa.

Berrios plans to continue her studies in graduate school, focusing on public policy or international affairs, and would eventually like to work on projects that address immigrant justice and equity issues.

"Many immigrants come to the United States to get a better education, better jobs, and a better future for their families," she said. "The United States is built by immigrants, but our public services do not reflect that. A degree in public policy would prepare me to make these changes happen."

Berrios recently took another step toward her goals by earning a spot as a Public Policy and International Affairs Junior Summer Institute (JSI) Fellow at Princeton University.

The fellowship program was started to address the lack of diversity in professional public service careers, including government, nonprofits, public policy institutions, and international organizations.

The curriculum is rigorous, with graduate-level work that prepares students to eventually go on to obtain a master's or joint degree in public policy, public administration,

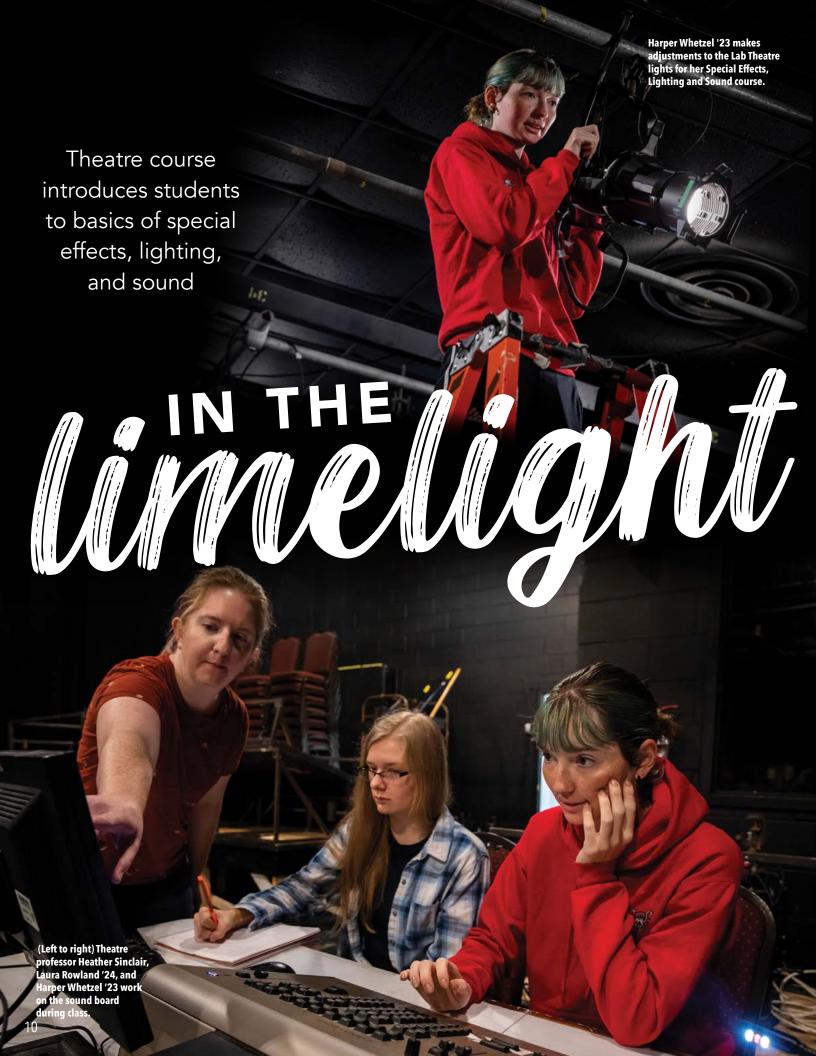
international affairs, or a related field. Over six weeks, they study economics, statistics, domestic and international policy issues, and leadership topics.

Berrios was among 27 students selected to attend Princeton, one of six universities that participates in the prestigious program. Completing a summer institute also qualifies fellows to potentially receive financial support for graduate school.

Her time at JSI helped Berrios hone her writing skills, while also diving deep into statistics and calculus. She also made connections through networking events with national organizations, senators, government officials, and other JSI fellows.

"It has given me the drive to finish my senior year strong," Berrios said. "As an immigrant and Latina woman, it has opened up many doors for me and shown me how far I can go and reach. I am blessed to have met individuals who are highly motivated and are changemakers. They have come from all over the country, bringing different perspectives and ideas, but all with the same passion to learn and change policies while making a positive impact in the present and the future."





The familiar strains of Queen's "Under Pressure" rang out in Randolph's Lab Theatre, the overhead lights pulsing with the beat.

The only other light in the room came from a lamp pointed at the lab's lighting console, where Laura Rowland '24 played maestro to the show–a mid-session project for professor Heather Sinclair's Special Effects, Lighting and Sound course.

The fall class offered an introduction to the professional standards and practices of each design area, with an emphasis on how they support and enhance theatrical productions.

For this particular project, Sinclair tasked Rowland and classmate Harper Whetzel '23 with designing a light show around a song of their choosing—the Queen classic for Rowland and, for Whetzel, a song by her favorite band, 21 Pilots.

"I picked the one that would have the best vibe if you were at a concert," said Whetzel, who incorporated strobe effects into her show.

Topics covered in the interactive course included photometrics, lighting control, recording and sound creation, acoustics, sound reinforcement, atmospherics, and practical stage effects. Each project built on the next, with a final design that combined all three areas.

"I'm a hands-on learner," said Whetzel, a theatre double major who is studying both acting and design and technology at Randolph. "That's one of the reasons why I like this class. I get to work with my hands so much."

This is the first time the course has been taught in this way, with all three disciplines combined. Sinclair built several buffer days into the seven-week session, so they'd have time for in-depth discussions along with the hands-on work.

"If students have questions, I'll pause the class so we have that time to get into it," she said.

On that particular day in mid-September, Rowland and Whetzel were working together to set up their respective projects, climbing up and down ladders to change out the color gels in each light before taking their turn at the console.

In a professional setting, each aspect of the work would be its own job. The lighting designer and sound designer would collaborate to bring a production to life onstage. There would also be a master electrician hanging and repairing the lights and a programmer to helm the lighting board.

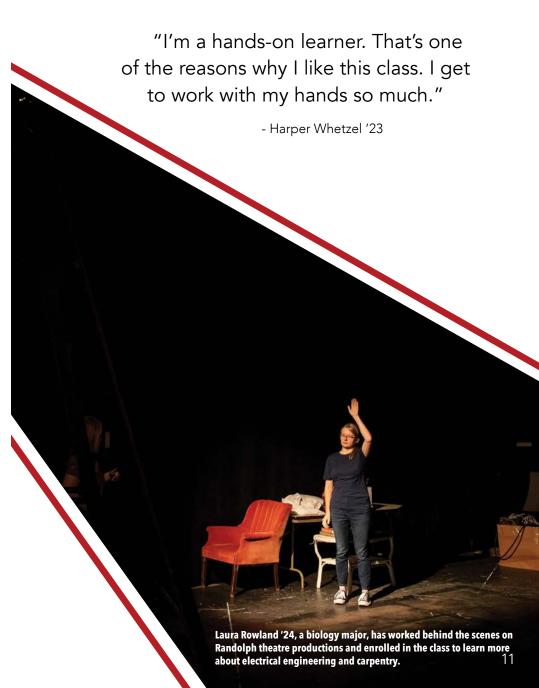
This class experience challenged Rowland and Whetzel to take on all of those roles.

Rowland, a biology major, has worked behind the scenes on the College's theatre productions in the past and wanted to learn more about electrical engineering and carpentry.

"The class offers a whole variety of different things I like, all combined," she said. "It's a good learning experience."

For Whetzel, acting is a primary focus, but she's used her time at Randolph to explore backstage work as well. Prop design is another one of her passions, and she served as props master for the fall theatre production, *Dr. Faustus*.

"The world of acting is a hard industry to get into. It's a one-in-a-million chance," Whetzel said. "I'm the type of person who has a Plan A through Z. I want to be versatile and have an understanding of every aspect of theatre."



RISE grant helps earn Brandon Harrison '23 therapeutic riding certification

## 101SC Sense

**B**randon Harrison '23 believes we could all learn a thing or two from horses.

"They don't think ahead or dwell on the past. It's a gentle reminder to live in the moment," he said. "But they also know when something is truly not right."

Harrison, a biology major, has ridden since childhood and was always stirred by the bond that develops between horse and human.

"It's rewarding to sit in the pasture and observe them," he said.

Harrison has continued to explore that love while at Randolph. The Portsmouth native originally planned to be a veterinarian, but he changed course after taking an equine studies class with biology professor Amanda Rumore and Jo Ann Miller, who owns a horse farm in Bedford County.

His coursework included a therapeutic riding class at Miller's Brook Hill Farm. The nonprofit provides rehabilitation services and a safe haven for unwanted horses,

along with community riding programs for veterans, seniors, and those with disabilities.

"Therapeutic riding offers many mental and physical benefits," said Harrison, who started interning at Brook Hill a year ago. "People who can't walk can ride a horse and exercise muscles that are otherwise not used on a day-to-day basis. Horses are also mirrors of our emotions. You can't have a bad day and expect your horse to have a good one."



At Brook Hill, Harrison is responsible for horse care, in addition to writing lesson plans and teaching children with disabilities how to ride.

"Brandon has a lot of experience in the able-bodied riding world. What I love most is that he does not look at the participant's disability any differently than any other student. He just finds a way for them to be successful," said Miller, the farm's owner. "He is also willing to be flexible and change his plans, based upon how the participant is doing, which is key in this field."

Most recently, Harrison used a Randolph Innovative Student Experience (RISE) grant to help fund his therapeutic riding certification.

The grant money will pay for the application, exam fees, and other costs involved in becoming fully certified through the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International. Candidates must complete certain education requirements and pass both written and practical exams.

After graduation, he hopes to stay in the area to work as a riding instructor at Brook Hill.

"My experience at the farm has been amazing and allowed me to work with different types of horses and riders," he said. "I've gotten so much experience just from being an intern, and I am excited to see how that translates into the rest of my life."

Harrison credits his time behind the Red Brick Wall with helping him stay true to himself while stepping outside of his comfort zone.

"If it wasn't for Randolph, I don't believe I would have found a career path I enjoy and love," he said. "Being here has encouraged me in all aspects of my life and allowed me to explore opportunities I couldn't have gotten anywhere else."







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## CONVERSATION with the established

## SUE OTT ROWLANDS

ue Ott Rowlands, Randolph's 11th president, began her tenure July 1. She brings a wealth of experience and background in teaching and administration, with a keen focus on, and a successful track record with, student success.

Ott Rowlands previously served as provost and executive vice president for academic affairs at Northern Kentucky University, where she was also a professor of theatre arts. Prior to her tenure at NKU, Ott Rowlands was the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences at Virginia Tech and interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, as well as professor and chair of the Department of Theatre and Film at the University of Toledo in Ohio. She has also served as chair of The Ohio State University's acting/directing program in the Department of Theatre and head of the acting program at Webster University in St. Louis.

Keep reading to learn a little more about Randolph's newest president.



## **TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.**

I was born and raised in Oklahoma, in a relatively small town. I went to undergraduate and graduate school in Oklahoma, and then I left that state and have traveled around due to my jobs, since the late 70s. I've lived in quite a number of places, from St. Louis to New York, Cleveland to Washington. This is my second time in Virginia, after having been at Virginia Tech for six and a half years a few years ago. So I've really enjoyed returning to Virginia. I like it here, and I love living here.

I have two daughters. My oldest daughter lives in Charlottesville. She's

married and they have six children, so I have six grandkids. It's a very busy household. The oldest two are now in college, and the other four still live at home. My younger daughter lives in Seattle and she and her husband and their dog live right on the water outside of Seattle. They love it there.

I spend a lot of time traveling to see, not just my daughters, but my sisters as well. And I love traveling in general. I travel overseas several times a year usually, and I try to go as often as I can.

## WHY DO YOU LIKE TRAVELING?

I've learned so much as I've traveled.

I meet people. I experience different

traditions, cultures, and food. I've been to almost 60 countries and just adore it. It fills my soul. I want our students to travel also, so it's really important to me that we get them out of their comfort zones and challenge them in ways that international travel does. It's also important that we bring international students here to broaden our own community.

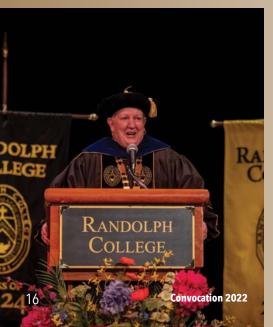
## WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE PLACES?

I tend to return to Sri Lanka quite a lot. I love Sri Lanka, have a lot of good friends there, and I know the country very well. I've also always loved Morocco, Turkey, and Vietnam.









## WHAT ATTRACTED YOU TO LYNCHBURG?

I think the size of the town is very familiar to me. It's a little bigger than where I grew up, but it's a medium-sized city. I like the fact that everyone I've met who lives here loves it. I enjoy the burgeoning restaurant scene—that's a lot of fun. I love the fact that the arts are very prevalent here, and that people are very welcoming. They've been just terrific in wanting me to get to know the town, introducing me to people, and trying to get me connected. I appreciate that hospitality and that warmth of the welcome.

## WHAT MAKES RANDOLPH DISTINCTIVE FROM OTHER SCHOOLS?

Everyone says they have a close-knit community, but what I have found is that this community manifests itself in a very palpable sense of caring, of support, of people greeting each other in the halls and on the sidewalks. Everyone says hello when you walk by. People know each other's names. Staff are very caring about the students. Faculty are very engaged; we know that from the recent ranking of the 12th most accessible faculty in the country.

There's real evidence that the community here at Randolph is something special. It's tangible. There's a pride in being within the Red Brick Wall, a pride in being part of this community.

The fact that we have an innovative curriculum model makes Randolph unique. There are not very many places in the country where you'll find something that sort of disturbs the semester model, the traditional model for higher education. Students tell me they come here for TAKE2, that that's what attracted them and drew them.

It's unique that it was designed, developed, and implemented purely by the faculty. It wasn't a top-down program in any way, and that is incredibly unique. It speaks to innovation, which I think is another thing that makes Randolph special. This is a very innovative place, and TAKE2 is evidence of that. Another piece of evidence is the low-

residential master's program in creative writing and, the newest, soon to be in theatre.

The fact that our history was as a woman's college, and 15 years ago, we transitioned to coeducation also makes us very unique and very special. The way that manifests itself in our day-to-day life here is that we have brought traditions from our time as a woman's college that still are cherished today, but we also love our male students and really appreciate the richness of the coeducational environment. We look toward the future while honoring our past.

## WHAT ARE THE COLLEGE'S STRENGTHS?

Our people, first of all. The faculty are all incredibly talented, and they have the courage to innovate and to be creative with teaching modalities. You can tell how wonderful they are by looking at their credentials, their research, and what students say about their classes.

The dedication of the staff is also one of our great strengths. They have a commitment to Randolph that is evidenced by how long many of them have been here, how close they are to the students, and how the students know and care about them, as well.

And then our students. I describe them as feisty a lot of the time because they are. They're sassy, they're smart, they're bright. I walk into the dining hall, and their faces are just so alive. They brighten this place.

So I would say one of the big strengths is our people. The history of the College is also one of our big strengths. I get to meet with alumnae from when we were Randolph-Macon Woman's College. They just love what they experienced when they were here. They're very loyal, very dedicated and are just huge supporters. They want their children and their friends' children to have the Randolph experience.

Another strength is there's something about the Randolph experience that's real and authentic. We start with Be An Original, and we talk to students about celebrating

their own specialness, celebrating who they are, challenging themselves to go further and develop and find their own niche in life, their own original self.

Just the whole experience of being on the campus for four years and going through that process with the support of faculty and staff and fellow students gives us something akin to a Randolph experience. TAKE2 requires our students to be tenacious, creative, and disciplined to manage the workload and the independent learning that goes on.

I think back to strengths, people, history, traditions and the Randolph experience, including Be An Original. Those are all major strengths.

Pragmatically speaking, we're a very strong institution financially. We have a wonderful campus, and it's in good shape. We have a strong bank balance. We're in very good shape. Yes, we have challenges with growing our numbers, but those are just opportunities we need to capitalize on. We have so much to give to any student who comes here. We just need to get the word out more.

## FOR YOU, WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN ORIGINAL?

One of the things that I have charted my life around is finding my own voice and my own unique, independent self. That's what it really means. It means taking advantage of every opportunity presented to you to learn about yourself, to grow in the directions you want to grow, to build on your talents and your strengths, and to create new talents and strengths.

To learn how to articulate who you are, what you want, and what is meaningful to you, is part of being original. It's about being independent, confident, and knowing that you are unique. There may be many people who like what you like and do things you like to do, but no one does it the way you do. You have to trust that, put that out in the world, and leave

college relying on your unique abilities and strengths. To me, that's what Be An Original is about.

## TALK TO US ABOUT YOUR PASSION FOR A STUDENT-READY CAMPUS.

Too often, we fixate on whether students are college ready or not. We put all the burden on the student to prove to us that they're ready to come be successful in our environment. But if we flip that around, the question is really are we ready to serve the students at whatever point they come to us in their lives? We have to (and this is building on the work of many others who have already talked about and written this) examine everything we're doing on campus and the way in which we're doing it.

Are our student support offices open at times where students can get to them? Do we have hours that our commuter students or students who work off campus can access these services? Are our payment policies relevant to the ways in which students are financing their education today? Do our policies put the students at the forefront and not just focus on what's most convenient for the institution?

It's really auditing in a big way, everything we do, and every attitude we have on campus. People resist the idea that students are customers, that parents and families are customers of higher education, but they are. They absolutely are. And we must have customer service at the forefront of our thinking.

It's attitude, processes, and policies. It's accommodating the student of today, who is very different from the student of 10 or 20 years ago. These students have expectations of on-demand service.

It might sound a little too coddling to some people, but it's not that. On the opposite end, it's really about being a university in the 21st century that says we have to serve our constituents in ways they expect to be served.















Gillian Marbury spent part of her summer studying abroad in Greece. She toured the country by day, but at night, she'd log onto her laptop to take a series of intensive Greek courses through Randolph College's online program.

For years, the College has offered Beginning Ancient Greek as part of its summer online program. The two five-week, four-credit classes make up a full traditional year of Greek.

Now, the same material is available yearround as eight sequential modules, worth one credit each, with the intention of appealing to students like Marbury, living anywhere in the world.

"The reason I chose the intensive Greek program at Randolph was the modules," said Marbury, a student at the University of Iowa. "I was able to take less modules in the first half of the summer, so my workload wasn't as heavy while I was abroad. I might have been able to manage a traditional course, but the modules definitely made it so much easier."

Amy R. Cohen, classics professor and Randolph's Catherine Ehrman Thoresen '23 and William E. Thoresen Chair of Speech and Theatre, has taught the two original Greek courses online since the College's summer program launched in 2019.

"I had increasing numbers of students every year," she said. "But I've also had people who've said it was too fast for them or have done the five-week first half and can't keep going at that pace, either because the intensive pace doesn't suit their learning style or they've got other things to do during the summer. Now I have students who started in the summer and are continuing into the school year, and students who are spreading out their study of Greek in creative ways that suit their needs."

Students can start the modules any of six times throughout the year and can also choose how many they want to take at a time. They can even stagger their enrollment.

"It's always better to do it continuously, but if there's a time they need to take a seven-week break before the next module, that's fine too," Cohen said. "You just have to complete the one before it. At any time of year, a student can do any of these eight, one-credit classes."

The courses are mostly asynchronous, using videos and online drills that give students instant feedback.

"Her videos really helped me make sense of the content I was reading," Marbury said. "I also loved how she formatted the homework drills in a Google spreadsheet—the cell would turn green if you typed in the right answer, so you'd know right away after doing it if you were understanding the material."

Since Randolph's online program launched, Cohen has taught students in all stages of life, including high schoolers looking to jumpstart their college careers, college students studying religion or archaeology at other institutions where Greek isn't offered, working teachers, retirees, and even archaeologists in the field.

"There's been a nice level of demand, with a record number of students this past summer," Cohen said. "One of the things that is most delightful is the variety of students. It is really wonderful to meet these people from all over the country who have found what we're doing, which is one of maybe two online Greek programs in the United States."

In addition to the videos and online drills, Cohen meets with students virtually every week.

"Among the things I'm proudest of with this course is that it's not just, 'Here, I give you the keys to the course and I send you away,'" she said. "The Zoom meetings are really fun for me. This is when I get to know these people."

Marbury said that she, too, looked forward to those meetings.

"Dr. Cohen is very kind and understanding, and the way she explains concepts is really accessible," Marbury said. "I am very happy I took Greek at Randolph. I'm doing really well in the second-year Greek classes here at my home institution because of how well the course was designed and taught."



The work ethic Daniel Bickey '23 honed at Randolph College served him well during a recent internship with the Rocky Mountain Vibes, a Pioneer League baseball team based in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"Being a business major at Randolph isn't like being a business major at other schools," he said. "Our business department is very demanding of its students to show up and show out everyday. It has taught me a lot about discipline and how to achieve academically. The tough standards and high expectations have molded me into the person that I am, and I have been able to translate that into my internship by showing up every day ready to tackle whatever task is in front of me."

He took those lessons with him to Colorado, where he was ready for anything. Bickey's attitude was something his supervisor, Dan Ortiz, noticed.

"He always had a smile on his face and wouldn't stop until the job was done," said Ortiz, the Vibes' clubhouse manager. "You could tell he wanted to be better every day and jumped at every task that was given to him."

As a stadium operations intern, Bickey ensured the stadium was set for every game, from the restrooms to the concession stands.

"It gave me the opportunity to go behind the scenes on the field and see everything that it takes to run a sports organization from a business perspective," said Bickey, a business major and member of the College's men's basketball team.

While he first came to Randolph to play basketball, Bickey stayed because of the community he found here.

"Our professors know who we are and can tell when we fall behind. Because of these close relationships, it allows them to pull out the best in us," Bickey said. "The connections I've made with so many different people here and the experiences we have had together—I wouldn't trade for the world. That, to me, is living life abundantly."

Bickey received support from the Randolph Innovative Student Experience (RISE) grant program, which paid for his housing in Colorado during the internship.

After graduation, he plans to apply for Randolph's Master of Arts in Coaching and Sport Leadership program.

"This internship has provided me with great experience and lessons that I am very grateful for," he said. "I am sure that will help me in my future."

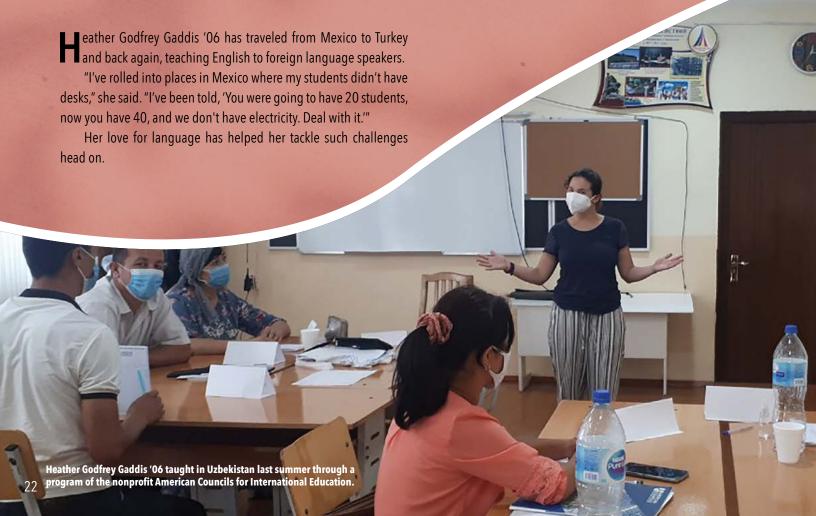
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# You can teach English anywhere'

Heather Godfrey Gaddis '06 selected for State Department's prestigious English Language Fellow Program



"I was always really interested in linguistics, and applied linguistics is one of the main ways to use it, to get into English language teaching," she said. "It also allowed me to go abroad. You can teach English anywhere."

For her latest adventure, Gaddis is overseas once again. She's currently in Lithuania in the midst of a prestigious 10-month fellowship with the U.S. State Department, training teachers and teaching English at Vytautas Magnus University (VDU). She was one of only 200 U.S. citizens selected for the 2022-2023 English Language Fellow Program.

Since September, she has been leading courses related to teaching methodology and the integration of technology to pre-service instructors at the university's Academy of Education in Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania.

Fellows also pursue secondary projects that address needs in the communities in which they serve. Gaddis has been volunteering at VDU's Ukrainian Center, organizing English speaking clubs for Ukrainian refugees in Vilnius.

The English Language Fellow Program is one of several offered by the State Department.

Gaddis has also participated in the English Language Specialist Program, which provides in-country and virtual appointments that last for three months or less and require expertise in a specific subject. She completed that program during the pandemic, part of a team that created a webinar series to help Mexican teachers transition to virtual schooling.

"We were each in charge of different topics based on our backgrounds," she said. "I had more experience working with older children and doing online course design, so I was the leader in those. Most of our participants were from Mexico, but there were also people from other parts of the world."

Before she left for Lithuania, Gaddis completed another virtual fellowship, working

with pre-service and in-service teachers in Sri Lanka, through the State Department and also provided some programming for its Access Program, a scholarship the United States government awards to 12- to 17-year-olds from low-resource areas to study English for free.

Her interest in languages can be traced back to high school Latin classes and summers working at a Mexican restaurant, where she learned Spanish.

Gaddis majored in international relations and religion at the College and also took classes in Russian. During her time here, she was the recipient of a Gottwald Scholarship, which she used to fund two trips to Mexico to take an intensive Spanish language course and earn an English language teaching certificate.

"It's directly related to what I do now. The freedom of that scholarship was pretty amazing," said Gaddis, who went on to earn her master's in applied linguistics at Old Dominion University.

She began teaching after graduation, first at an intensive English program in the United States, then later at a university in Mexico and a college in Turkey, where she developed an interest in educational technology.

She also spent seven and a half years working as the academic coordinator for a K-12 girls' school in Mexico before becoming a full-time freelancer in 2018. That work finds her conducting teacher training and giving English proficiency exams for her clients.

Last summer, she taught in Uzbekistan through a program of the nonprofit American Councils for International Education for teachers with a low level of English.

The project brought things full circle, in a way, requiring Gaddis to pull from her previous travels.

"There, language was more of an issue because I was in a small city," she said. "I used a little bit of Turkish I still remember, a little bit of French, and the Russian I remembered. I used all of the languages I knew, and probably some I didn't, in order to communicate."



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## Sold English Randolph physics professor earns top national honor

or as long as Peter Sheldon can remember, he's taken to heart an important notion: Science cannot be successful without the support of the general public.

It drives the work he does with students as Randolph's Charles A. Dana Professor of Physics & Engineering and at events he oversees, like the Randolph College Science Festival and a Science + Art Saturdays program for high schoolers.

"Science and engineering are a big part of what advances us, and in order to be successful, we need support from those who are not scientists and engineers," he said. "It has only become more poignant in recent years with so much distrust of science. I feel an urgency to encourage people to see its beauty, wonder, and relevance."

This fall, Sheldon's work was recognized when he earned a top national honor–the Society of Physics Students' Outstanding Chapter Advisor for 2021-22.

The award is the most prestigious Society of Physics Students (SPS) award, given annually based on the leadership, student leadership development, support, and encouragement the advisor has provided to the chapter.

"The students and I have been working together so closely for years on SPS and the Science Festival, and we always figured that we are too small to be recognized by SPS national," said Sheldon, who holds a Ph.D. and an M.S. in physics from the University of Massachusetts and a B.A. in physics and a B.A. in mathematics from Amherst College.

"I am so honored that our students have nominated me for this award, and it speaks volumes about not just the academic and co-curricular advising system at the College, but also about how we work in partnership on student success," he added. "Our amazing science students are a big part of making this happen, and I am so happy to be able to work with them to make us all successful together.

This award is not just for me, but is for the amazing work of our students and faculty. It is recognition of the excellence of Randolph College's learning environment."

Sheldon, who has received more than \$5 million in grants for research and programming during his time at Randolph, started the College's chapter of SPS and Sigma Pi Sigma, the physics honor society, in 1999, and has been the chapter advisor since its inception.

Under his leadership, Randolph students have won the Outstanding Chapter award more than a dozen times, most recently in 2020. In 2019, Sheldon was named Outstanding Chapter Advisor runner-up.

"One of the things we do so well at Randolph is mentor students," he said. "That is the hallmark of what we do, and this award is just evidence that we do that with consistency, and we do it well."

In their recommendation letter to SPS,

"We need more scientists and engineers of all and any sorts, but there is a particular need to help clear the path to success for students who are typically under-represented in science. We are missing out on so many opportunities by not encouraging and engaging all students in science."



Sheldon's students wrote that he represents the true goal of the organization—to help students grow and become part of the larger community of physicists and engineers.

"If you look at any snapshot of Dr. Sheldon's history at the College, you will see his continued commitment to students and science outreach," said Hailey Gilman '22. "He is a great mentor. He has incredible confidence in each student's ability to succeed and always does his best to set us, as students, up for success. He is willing to work with us at all hours of the day and will make time to help whenever we've approached him."

Gilman, the lead nominator for his student submission, was president of Randolph's SPS chapter for four years and interned each year for the Science Festival, the College's largest event.

"In my experience, a unique way he mentors is that he is not afraid for us to struggle and learn by failing a little bit too," said Gilman, who is working at the College this fall as program coordinator for Randolph's SUPER program and Science Festival assistant. "There is a lot of trust placed in students. He has no fear of assigning students responsibilities that may have larger consequences if they don't happen. Personally, I feel a greater sense of accomplishment and achievement when completing these kinds of tasks."

The importance of educating more scientists and engineers cannot be overstated, Sheldon said.

"My goal has always been to contribute to that need through encouragement and enthusiasm rather than through a traditional/stereotypical elitism," he said. "We need more scientists and engineers of all and any sorts, but there is a particular need to help clear the path to success for students who are typically underrepresented in science. We are missing out on so many opportunities by not encouraging and engaging all students in science."



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# LOVE OF MUSIC

## Beloved music professor leaves enduring gift

**E**laine Dahl St. Vincent loved music and sharing it with others.

St. Vincent, who died in 2020, served on the College's faculty from 1947 to 1980 and chaired the music department from 1957 to 1979, influencing hundreds of students.

That legacy continues today with an estate gift from St. Vincent and her husband, Edwin, for the performing arts at Randolph.

The Edwin H. and Elaine Dahl St. Vincent Music Fund will be used to bring to campus outstanding musicians, including performers, teachers in residence, master class instructors, and composers.

"It further strengthens the resources we have for what we offer the students and what we offer the community," said Emily Yap Chua, chair of the performing arts department and director of the Guest Artist Series. "It really facilitates a robust guest artist series. We can bring in a wider range of artists, both in the instruments and styles of music they play."

It also allows guest artists to have longer residencies and more interaction with students.

"They're here on campus for a longer period of time and have more opportunities to engage with students and the community," Chua said.

The funds were used earlier this fall for a guest concert featuring fiddler Andrew Finn Magill and three collaborators.

The College will honor St. Vincent with a dedication concert in January, featuring pianist Soyeon Kate Lee. Like St. Vincent, Lee is a Juilliard alum.

"I really do think Elaine would approve," Chua said. "She loved the piano, and she just had a really high standard for what she expected of students and the kind of music she wanted to share with them. Soyeon Kate Lee really exemplifies what Elaine valued in her teaching and her playing."

St. Vincent, a Chicago native, began her professional career while completing her certificate in piano at Juilliard. She worked as a collaborative pianist and also served as organist for several churches in New York City

She later earned a master's degree

in musicology from Boston University and taught piano at Green Mountain Junior College in Vermont.

At the College—where she taught piano, music history, music literature, and form and analysis—St. Vincent was the first female faculty member to be awarded the prestigious Gillie Larew Award for Distinguished Teaching.

She also performed often, both on campus and off. After retiring, she would return to teach piano for those on sabbatical and also organized the College's first women's studies program.

"Elaine and Edwin St. Vincent both embraced the arts and touched the lives of so many students during their combined 65 years of teaching and mentoring, and now, their example and legacy will endure in perpetuity through their amazing generosity," said Farah Marks, vice president for institutional advancement. "Their gift will cultivate the understanding of and appreciation for music at Randolph College for many years to come."



Soyeon Kate Lee will perform at Randolph College on **Sunday, Jan. 29**, in honor of former professor Elaine Dahl St. Vincent. The concert is scheduled for **7:30 p.m. in Wimberly Recital Hall**.

A laureate of the Santander International Piano Competition and the Cleveland International Piano Competition, Lee is a graduate of Juilliard and earned her doctorate at the CUNY Graduate Center.

She recently joined the faculty at Juilliard and also serves as an associate professor of music in piano at the Cincinnati-College Conservatory of Music, where she received the 2021 University of Cincinnati Mrs. A.B. "Dolly" Cohen Award for excellence in teaching.

Lee is co-founder and artistic director of Music by the Glass, a concert series dedicated

to bringing together young professionals in New York City.

She won first prize at the Naumburg International Piano Competition in 2010, and the Concert Artist Guild International Competition in 2004, and has performed with the London, San Diego, Hawaii, Louisiana, and Naples symphony orchestras, among others.

In recent seasons, Lee has appeared at the National Gallery, Library of Congress, Cleveland Art Museum, and Purdue Convocations.

Her discography includes the words of Scarlatti, Liszt, Scriabin, and Clementi, and her eco-awareness album, *Re!nvented*, won her the Classical Recording Foundation's young artist of the year award.







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## Alumna works to feed those in need in her native Sri Lanka

ike many across the world, Surani Dias '81 found solace outdoors during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dias, who lives in Sri Lanka, began spending more time in her garden and wanted to share the peace it brought her.

"I had a keen interest to encourage and give hope to people who felt hopeless," said Dias, who started a business to help those living in apartments grow their own plants in November 2020.

"I prepared potted vegetable plants and also a few flower and medicinal plants they could easily grow with the package I provided," she added. "All they had to do was water, fertilize, and nurture the plants."

By the spring of 2021, Dias's work had evolved to include a separate home-cooked meals business that fed those who were sick.

"We were able to provide a basic meal to those who needed support, which we were happy to provide," she said. "This was at the start of my business. Our family, over the years, has fed the people in our area, since my grandfather and father's time. So I have a history of feeding people because of my parents and their love for others."

Born and raised in Sri Lanka, Dias came to the United States in 1977 to study chemistry at

the College on a full academic scholarship. She moved back home in 1983, but struggled to find employment.

"I looked for a job in the industry, but at that point, most Sri Lankan companies were not happy to have women working quality control in labs," Dias said. "I searched for a job in the business field and finally joined the largest finance company in Sri Lanka and pursued my MBA after three years."

After working in the Sri Lankan financial sector for 17 years, she spent seven years in marketing for the University of Moratuwa.

In 2020, she retired from Cargills Ceylon PLC, a Sri Lankan retail, banking and restaurant company, after 12 years in various leadership positions, including head of training.

In addition to pursuing her entrepreneurial spirit, Dias has been working toward her Ph.D. at the Postgraduate Institute of Management in Sri Lanka.

Her latest focus has been helping the people in her community affected by the Sri Lankan economic and political crisis, which came to a head this summer after President Gotabaya Rajapaksa fled the country after months of escalating protests.

Sri Lanka's economy collapsed as it defaulted on international loans and faced food and fuel

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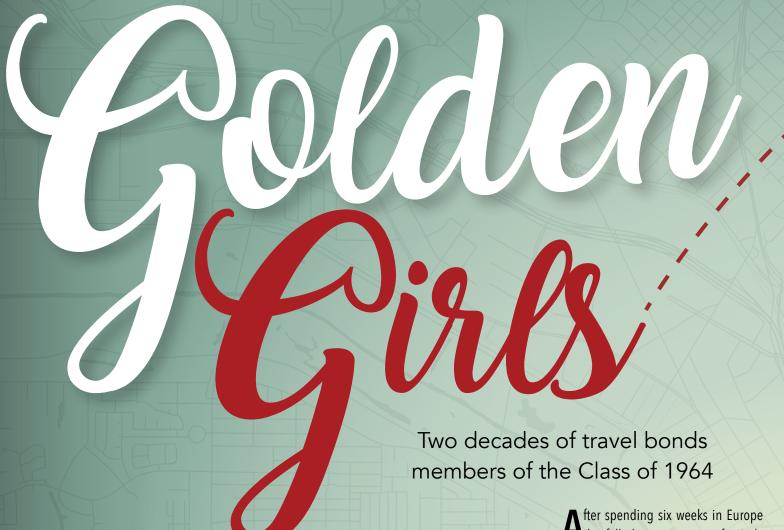
"Taxes have increased on food and medicine, making it difficult to survive," Dias said. "This is worse for the poor people who depend on the government hospitals to provide them with medicines that are no longer available. We had no gas for cooking, nor petrol, from April to July 2022, so people had no means to cook."

Working with a professional chef, Dias was able to use her connections to secure firewood to cook the meals. Soon, they were churning out between 200 and 300 meals a week, funded by donations.

And while a new president and cabinet have been appointed in Sri Lanka, the need remains.

"We search for sick, helpless persons and those with children who have lost employment," said Dias, who shops for the food herself. "Many in the urban areas are poor, and everything is very expensive. We want to provide for those in need."





After spending six weeks in Europe this fall, there was no rest for Judy Nicholson Frey '64 when she returned to her Westport, Connecticut, home.

"Two days after I got back, I had 14 people to entertain," Frey said. "I filled my freezer with food before I left."

That's just how it goes when you're a "Golden Girl."

Frey is among a group of more than a dozen women from the Class of 1964—and one from the Class of 1961—who have traveled together for more than 20 years.

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Since the first trip in 1999-a hike in the Swiss Alps-the group has bounced around the globe, taking a trip together nearly every year. They've hiked all over the world, from France and Italy to the coastal path of Wales, Denmark, and Nova Scotia.

They've gone on an African safari, visited the Scottish Highlands, toured Civil Rights sites in Alabama, and, the year they turned 60, kayaked on the San Juan River.

Along the way, the group of women has become a family.

"When somebody's hand is out, saying, 'Give me your hand, I'll help you up,' it's just a metaphor for whatever you do in life," Frey said. "Helping you climb a rock, it's the same thing as helping you in your career. So that really does bond you together."

That bonding began during the 1998 Reunion and one late-night conversation.

Julie Block Milstien '64, who was working for the World Health Organization in Geneva at the time, talked to classmates about her passion for hiking in the Swiss Alps.



"You always looked back for the person behind you."

- Harriette Moskowitz Will '64



That piqued the interest of several fellow alumnae and, by the end of the weekend, Milstien headed home charged with planning a hiking trip.

In the year between that Reunion and the trip, Milstien sent out packing lists and an exercise program designed to prepare them for the rigors of hiking in high altitudes.

Harriette Moskowitz Will '64, an avid tennis player, walked around her Richmond neighborhood daily with a backpack full of either water bottles or cinder blocks to mimic what she'd be carrying on the hike.

"I'd put on my boots and here I am, hiking up and down the street in the hot sun," she remembered.

The actual trip took place the first week in August 1999 and featured a series of daily hikes, with nights spent in alpine lodges.

"We thought we'd be strolling through the Julie Andrews' meadow," Agnes Fitts Marshall '64 recently joked, referring to *The Sound of Music*'s picturesque setting.

The setting was indeed beautiful, but the terrain unforgiving at times.

"It really tested our stamina," Will said. "If we got to a difficult place, we all helped each other. You always looked back for the person behind you. It was just a real exercise in teamwork, with everyone looking out for each other. We all felt like we had accomplished so much by doing that."

They waited two years for the second trip, a hike that spanned areas of Switzerland, France, and Italy. Their travels continued from there, usually one a year with some domestic trips worked in between their overseas adventures.

Trips are usually planned by one of the classmates, barring the few times they've used travel companies.

They've gone out west to Santa Fe and Taos, New Mexico; Seattle and Orcas Island, the largest of the San Juan Islands of the Pacific Northwest; and Portland, Oregon.

The group has also spent long weekends in spots like the Outer Banks, Eastern Shore of Virginia, Fairhope, Alabama, and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

In 2018, they did a reprisal of the original hike in Switzerland, and their most recent adventure found them at Frey's house in Connecticut for a few days before they took the train into New York City.

"It's absolutely amazing because we have so much shared experience," Milstien said. "On the second trip, we had three people fall off the mountain. They slid down the side of an ice-covered hill. They weren't seriously injured, but we were in the middle of nowhere and we had to walk out to find help. When you've been through things like that, you bond."

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Together, they share more than 20 years' worth of memories-like the time they had car trouble in Barcelona and practically ran on fumes to get to the airport. Or when Marshall's suitcase fell off the jeep during their African safari.

Will vividly remembers hiking up a steep ski slope in snow and sleet and the Hungarian goulash that warmed them all up at the lodge after.

And they all still laugh about the group of younger women in Capri who told them they wanted to be them when they grew up.

"Climbing in a castle in the south of France and there are no handrails, the knowledge of your friends behind you and in front of you, you know they've got your back," said Nancy Burch Wilkinson '64. "And it's only grown over the years."

They've seen each other through the births of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and have lost two of their own, Kate Cudlipp '64 and Suzanne Savedge Wescoat '64.

"We all feel that sisterhood," Will said. "If something happens to one, we all feel it and gather

around to give our support."

Pam Pitman Turner '64 recently found herself talking to her grandchildren about the Golden Girls.

"They wanted to know about these people I keep disappearing with," she said. "I told them we live all over the world, with all kinds of backgrounds. We're all different, and we learn from each other. Our children are learning, too, that we have to reach out. We're not in our own little bubbles."

They used to plan their trips through email. But, since the pandemic, they've been having monthly virtual meetings to talk about an illustrated journal they're putting together documenting their travels. And, of course, planning what's next.

"The common denominator is our shared background at R-MWC," said Susan Walton Carroll '64. "We always agree that the education we received was a very important part of who we became. This together. Just wait for our 60th reunion."

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## Ackie Hockersmith Roos '09

## **TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF?**

In the years since my graduation, I earned a master's degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York City, served as the executive assistant to the director of the Women's Prison Association, then moved on to a few tech start-ups such as WeWork, Glossier, and Lyft. I am now a senior executive assistant at DigitalOcean, a cloud computing company. In the next five to 10 years, I would like to enter local politics. These opportunities would not be possible without my Randolph education.

## WHAT DID YOUR EXPERIENCE AT THE COLLEGE MEAN TO YOU?

My college experience truly shaped me into the person that I am today. The sisters that I bonded with, the educational environment that challenged me, and the one-on-one attention that I received from my professors are what made the College the perfect place for me to grow as a person.

It's perhaps my relationship with Dr. Sherayko that stands out as the life-changing thing for me. Even though it's been over 10 years since I graduated, I still try and make time for him. We've talked on the phone, over Zoom, and met up in New York City. Not only was Dr. Sherayko a great professor that I spent hundreds of hours with, but I'd also like to think that he's my friend (and at points during my time at the College, my surrogate father).

## TELL US ABOUT A MEMORY FROM THE COLLEGE.

I remember my overnight visit behind the Red Brick Wall as a prospective student. I experienced the College's academics and rich social history that are treasured by generations of alumnae, alumni, and students alike, and I fell in love with this wonderful place.

## WHY DO YOU GIVE BACK TO THE COLLEGE?

I give to the College because I know the lasting impact that place had on me as a person, and I think it's important that the College is there to continue doing that work.

## WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE TRADITION?

As for my favorite tradition, that would have to be the Odd/Even rivalry. I love everything about being a part of the Gamma13; my hat, my amazing red shirt with a big blue devil face on the front, my spooky ring, our secret meeting spot. The relationships that I forged with my friends became even deeper as we bonded through Gamma13 initiation, and when we carried on the tradition. Being a Gamma allowed me an outlet to yell and scream and come out of my shell. For that, I'm deeply grateful.



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A close-up photo of the Engagement Tower

#### FROM THE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT



ello, alum family! Another fall is upon us, and campus is alive. The association board gathered on campus for our first live meeting, and it was glorious. We dined with students, heard updates from around campus, met future WildCats, AND had a blast at WildCat Weekend. If you missed it, there are ample opportunities to visit this year, including President Ott

Rowland's inauguration April 14-15, 2023, and Reunion June 2-4, 2023! When was the last time you were back? What are you waiting for? (Watch the newsletter and the alum website and social media pages for President Ott Rowland's visits - coming to a city near you!)

The board is hard at work revitalizing our role in serving you, our alumnae and alumni, and the College. Our College is where the future of our Association—and more broadly, our communities—are born. For our connections, the online directory is back! You need to register/confirm the info YOU want to share. Join in! We are also improving communications and access to the board with new email addresses that follow the board member's role (e.g. AABpresident@randolphcollege.edu). Send us feedback, ideas for connecting, or ways you want to be involved. We have also completed work for revision to the Association Bylaws which will support our goal to increase representation on the board and pursue equity and inclusion in our work. I am also excited about a new mentoring program developed in partnership with the Office of Diversity, Identity, Culture and Inclusion, and our rising role in admissions support.

Our College and our Association would not thrive without YOU! There are many ways to be involved—attend events, host an event, nominate yourself or another alum for board service, serve as a mentor, refer a student, support an internship, be a resource for students and alums in your area. YOU are the alum network. I am sending a challenge to you—refer one student and make a gift to the Annual Fund. Two simple acts. Be a leader. Be a WildCat!

Vita abundantior,



Katie Stewart Page '08 Association President



Randolph-Macon Woman's College Alumnae and Randolph College Alumni Association

#### **■ CLASS NOTES**

Keep up with your classmates and share your own news! We want to know what you are doing. Please keep your class secretary up to date on news and happenings.

**Deadlines:** Please send your information and photos to your class secretary by the deadlines stated below. When no class secretary is named, you can send your notes to *classnotes@randolphcollege.edu*.

**December 9, 2022** (for the spring 2023 issue) **August 11, 2023** (for the fall 2023 issue)

**Word Count:** In order to get as much news as possible about classmates, each class entry can be no longer than 800 words. Please be concise. Class Notes may be edited for clarity, length, style, etc.

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#### 1951

Ann Boon Rhea 1951@randolphcollege.edu

"Hey there, y'all" – from Yarmouth, Maine old folks home! Jane Dillard Knight is in The Oaks in Columbus, Georgia. The only reason I am so far north is because my only offspring lives nearby. I am in Yarmouth - she's in Freeport. Remember our serenade song - "Father Time is a crafty man, set in his ways and we know that we never can bring back past days" - indeed! Some of us gone too soon and some of us here too long. I read (if I can find the right pair of glasses), and I walk with a Rollator when I leave my room. Nancy Beane Wallace lives in town halfway between her two daughters in a house she and her husband built years ago. She has three grandchildren. She enjoys watching the flora and fauna in her backyard, her two dogs, and playing piano in duets and solos for her church. Ann Nowell Evans and her husband live in a very large retirement place in different buildings too far apart to walk. Liz Oglesby Haugh still drives - enough to take her husband to appointments. "Grizanna" sounds on the phone just as perky as she always has. Her 3 daughters all live in Atlanta, not too far from her. Griz moved into her Episcopal run home years ago - before she got OLD. Kim is still a young chicken - the proof is she still plays golf AND recently marched in a "Right to Choose" rally. Yea, Kim!! Joyce recently traveled out of state to visit her daughter. My own activities can be done sitting or in bed - thinking of phrases we used to say - Examples: "I declare" and "Goodness gracious" and also, "The cat's got her tongue" and "You're the Cat's Meow." "Pitiful!" you're probably saying. I read a lot of Louise Penny and Donna Leon. Please send me your news: Ann Boon Rhea, #308 Bay Square, 27 Forest Falls Drive, Yarmouth, ME 04096. Phone: 404-718-9474. Hugs & Kisses, Boon

#### 1952

Lucy Foard McCarl 1952@randolphcollege.edu

Thursday, April 28, 2022 was a special day for the Class of 1952. On that day, we had our first-ever Reunion via Zoom. Considering how many of us are no longer with us or have become incapacitated (including not feeling able to navigate the college's hilly campus) we were extremely pleased to have twelve enthusiastic classmates excited about sharing their lives with one another. Those in attendance were Mary Earle Nock Scovil, Bunny Willis Webb, Susan Gravely Wingfield, Margot Holt Gill, Barbara Shrewsbury Rennie, Betty



Marge Corlett Dillard '49 after a ride with her neighbor on his motorcycle

Taylor Allen, Peggy Wier Evans, Mary-Morrison Harper Harris, Penny Kenney Partlow, Mary Craig Fishman, and Lucy Foard McCarl. Another of our classmates, Helen Burnette Harvey, was featured in the Lynchburg newspaper in a picture of her with her grandson, Keith Harvey, who graduated this year from Randolph College— exactly 70 years after his grandmother. We would like to express our deepest sympathy to Barbara Stanley Welsh, whose husband, Cecil, died on June 24.

#### 1953-55

In need of a Secretary. Email classnotes@randolphcollege.edu to volunteer or send your updates.

#### 1956

Margaret Whitney Shiels 1956@randolphcollege.edu

Thank you to those who answered my request for news. Nancy Staley Rettig wrote, "My guess is that I'm doing pretty much what all of us are doing. Living alone in an empty house, walking a mile a day, joining the Ladies' Night out at my club and other Happy Hours, managing my stock accounts, and seeing my local children and grands." Judy Merriwether Arnold is doing well. "Dealing with some arthritis in my knees, but walking a mile a day and being faithful. Stable chronic kidney disease doesn't cause problems. Am blessed to have a wonderful internist who has taken good care of me for the past 15 years. Son Duncan and Jill moved from Texas to Maryland a month ago, and I am ecstatic to have them so close at last. Now all three sons are east of the Mississippi for the first time in many years. Grandchildren are all doing well. Granddaughter at Vassar. Oldest graduated from Texas A&M and another is in high school here in Lancaster and is a horsewoman. Duncan's youngest will be a freshman at North Texas State. His middle child, Sarah, lives and works in Arlington. I like to read,

read, read. I also enjoy knitting and pretty much live a guiet life which suits me to a T. Sending love and a shout to all!" Bruce Koolage Forsberg is moving to Crozet, outside of Charlottesville, to be near a daughter. She is busy with moving and will send news at a later date. Shirley Wood McCreedy replied: "Hi, Margaret! Where have all the years gone? We are fortunate to be here at our age. Bruce and I have been married 66 years. We downsized six years ago and built a house in a Del Webb community in Raleigh-Durham. Our son and daughter are in Raleigh and only 15 minutes away. Our older daughter lives in Oregon. This is an active community with lots to do, and we made good friends. We used to travel frequently, but don't move around as easily as we used to. I'm looking forward to our granddaughter's graduation from Vanderbilt as a nurse practitioner/acute care specialist next month. We have 5 grands and are proud of all their accomplishments. I stay in contact with Babs Brown, my roommate, who now lives in Mexico. I haven't seen many of our classmates recently, but I do stay in contact with Betsey Casey Metz and Mabel Wynne Allen since a high school reunion a few years ago. I look forward to hearing more news about classmates." Maryjane Buhrer Beach: "So nice to hear from you and know that you are alive! Me too! Although my husband, Carl, died 2 years ago, just before our 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary. I'm still at the same address and phone number and doing well. I have a large vegetable and flower garden that I share with the neighbors and my 2 children. And I have little calico kittens which have replaced Laura and George W (the Himalayans I had for many years). Hopefully these 2 will outlive me-the kids have promised to take care of them when the need arises. My preferred email address is: cd29beach4@aol. com. Hope to hear from you again. Stay well!" I hear from Olive Worth McCord from time to time. She is doing well. "Robert and I have been married 66 years and are thankful for our 3 attentive children. The grands are scattered, but we are looking forward to granddaughter Sara's marriage in October to a fine young man who we all love. They live in Waco. I still drive locally and am thankful for a great county library. I read, read, read. Since Robert's eyesight is not good, I read to him. He loves history and WWII biographies and autobiographies. I prefer stories about mysteries and spies. Robert wonders if he should be concerned. Ha! If you have any recent favorite books, please share their titles with me."

#### 1957

Aileen Wilson Kelly 1957@randolphcollege.edu

Ladies, I received very little news from you all to

report for the Alumnae/Alumni Magazine this time. However, a faithful few did send me a bit of what they are doing. First I would like to say that it was sad that we had no one who was willing or able to come to our 65th reunion in June.

Win Sykes Koontz and her reunion committee spent time calling many of you, but because of our age, transportation problems getting to Lynchburg and not driving any more, we had no one coming. Sad, because we have had a lot of wonderful reunions with big turnouts to remember. Mary Martin Davis Bowen wrote, "I'm doing much of the same old things. Have spent the summer driving myself and cat back and forth between Lake Rabun and Decatur with a lot of time at the lake. I have 7 grandchildren: one out of college, two at the University of North Georgia, two at Auburn, one at Ole Miss, and one in middle school. I'm still gardening and taking chances on new plants. I planted a lot of iris last fall. They've been very rewarding this summer. I'm trying Iris tectorum Alba, white Japanese Iris, and am taking a gamble on the "lost" Franklin Alatamaha, a tree I've long wanted to plant. Next spring should be interesting." Also, she says, "I'm in pretty good shape for the shape I'm in." **Judith** Hill Lawes never fails to write me. She says, "I have not gone anywhere. I am enjoying the fact that my woman's club, The Town and Country Club, has reopened, and I have enjoyed participating in our "Reader's Feast" book club, which meets for dinner and discussion each month. Here are some of the books we have read this year and enjoyed: "Citizens of London" by Lynne Olsen, "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah, "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett and "The Vanishing Half" by Brit Bennett, I am looking forward to a visit next week from my Richmond daughter, Catherine, and Louise, who lives in St. Louis. At the end of the summer, I will have granddaughters living in Los Angeles; Bozeman MT; and Richmond. Also, my grandson, Sam will be in Salt Lake City. Wish all were closer. I am still in the house I have been in since 1968 and navigating from basement to attic, albeit slowly." Joan Jorns Atkins. "I am doing fine, happy to be living in a convenient apartment in Annapolis, close to one daughter and long time Naval Academy friends made during the many years my deceased husband Pope taught on the Academy's civilian faculty. My other two children and spouses live in a NYC suburb and in Charlottesville. Out of my 6 grandchildren, 3 have graduated from college, 2 are in college, and 1 is a junior in high school. Two of my best friends, who were widowed this last year, have moved to my apartment complex. I have enjoyed the many zoom lectures given during the COVID isolation times. With friends I walk in Historic London Town and Gardens. The nearby senior center has courses I have taken which have been



Three generations of one family: (Left to right) Mary Martin Bowen '57, Randall Johnson Watts '77, and Jessica Johnson Moorhead '97 in LaGrange, GA.

so interesting. I have lunch once a month with retired civilian Naval Academy professors and their wives. I follow the healthy rules for exercise and food. So far I have stayed in good health and have not caught COVID. Sadly, my roommate of 2 years at R-MWC, Grace Sutelan Fazio, died of COVID, as did her husband Mike. I also had my 2021 Christmas letter returned from Susie Carr Hinton, saying DECEASED. Now, to tell Sarah Willingham Hawkins that I am not really crazy yet!!! When I read your note signed Sally (Hawkins), I immediately forgot I was getting mail from R-MWC friends, and thought Sally Hawkins, a high school friend was writing me....thus all the stuff about Tampa, where I lived while at R-MWC. I loved your first note to me which I'm sharing with all. Sally wrote, "Having a great time playing tennis every morning, then go for a hike every afternoon. Go dancing every night. Love being 87." Then she writes, after hearing from me: "I live in Atlanta, originally from Macon. I see Mary Jenkins Baird and Nancy Rankin Tarbutton. Paul died 14 years ago, and I sold our home and moved into a condo. I enjoy my 7 grandchildren and 2 greats. Love to read, lunch with friends and my church. Nothing exciting going on but many happy memories. Among them my 2 years at R-MWC." Mary Jane Pfuatz is sorry to hear her freshman roommate's husband passed away recently, as did her husband Maj. Gen James C. Pfautz years ago. Joyce Bass Henley called me to tell me the happy news of a new great grandson in January, followed by the sad news of the husband of her daughter Devany dying of anaplastic thyroid cancer on June 2. It was very rare and aggressive, and he passed away one week after the diagnosis. She writes, "We were heartbroken, but thankful he didn't have to go through months of struggle and pain." As for me, I am still living in a great roomy apartment at The Colonnades, an Independent Living establishment here in Charlottesville since Jim died 5 years ago. Fortunately, I am still quite active,



Katie Kelly Richards '91 and Aileen Wilson Kelly '57

making myself get up and walking my 2 + miles each day around the area by 7 every morning. I'm awake by 5:30, make coffee, eat breakfast, take a blood pressure pill and many vitamins, do Wordle, and dress. I have 10 grandchildren: 2 granddaughters at UVA, 1 in her second year and 1 in her 3rd year. One grandson just graduated from VA Tech in May. One grandson graduated from LSU and is selling real estate in Baton Rouge. One granddaughter is married and living in Baton Rouge. 2 granddaughters live in Yorkshire, UK. 1 granddaughter is in high school at EC Glass in Lynchburg, while 1 younger sister is in middle school and 1 younger sister is in elementary school. In March, I went to the memorial service in New Orleans for Ben C Toledano, Sue Toledano Redmond's brother and best friend of my husband, Jim. Growing up in New Orleans, I visited the Toledano tomb in the 3rd oldest cemetery, where Sue is buried. The cemetery had huge old oak trees with their roots growing all over the place uplifting the sidewalk and in the roads, making it hard to walk. It was a very nostalgic trip. At Christmas 2021, I was finally able to return to Yorkshire UK for a month to visit my older daughter, Megan and her family. COVID kept me away for a year. She and her husband came over in late November to celebrate my birthday, then the three of us flew back together, having to get tested for COVID before we left the USA and immediately upon entering the UK, being tested again. Also, had to be tested again when I left in January. Glad that is all over. I have visitors coming in August and October, and with the community garden at the Colonnades that I am in charge of, I stay active. I now read voraciously, and I'd like to suggest "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles. Would love to hear from more of you...never a word from any of you at Westminster Canterbury in Richmond. If, at my age, I am going to keep writing news, more of you please write to me. One more thing. I hope to get to Randolph College soon to meet our new president, Sue Ott Rowlands.



Renie Ferguson Steves '58 waving goodbye to Toni Scott Day after Toni visited Renie in May 2022



(Left to right) Betty Lou Newcomb '59 and Louise Cobb '35's daughter, Ellen Yates.

#### **REUNION** JUNE 2-4, 2023 1958

Virginia Broaddus Patel & Dorothy Harris Zehmer 1958@randolphcollege.edu

Dear Fabulous '58ers, We are still influenced by COVID-19 when making decisions about going shopping and traveling. We have our 65th reunion on the weekend of June 2 to June 4, 2023! We hope you will consider attending, but understand if you feel you shouldn't. We are hoping to set records again as we did for our 60th reunion! We all are very sad, because we lost our beloved Lorene Ferguson Steves in July. We send our heartfelt condolences to her family. In response to this sad news, Frances Zollinger White wrote, "Such sad news; will miss Renie. She was so brave through all of her medical problems— a big loss to her family, friends, and the class of '58." Martha Weisiger Fraher wrote, "This is so very sad. Renie had not had an easy life, physically, and she always seemed to bounce back. May she rest in peace." Martha McKay Jones wrote, "So very sorry to hear this sad news. May light perpetual shine on Renie. Thanks be to God for the gift of her friendship to us all through the years." Julia Polk Lawson responded, "That is a real loss. I am so glad she was able to be with her family in June." Antonia Scott Day informed us about Renie, she wrote, "Renie enjoyed a large extended family gathering in the Florida Keys in early June, and felt well. Upon her return she began to feel pain, and this began her downturn." Louise Kerfoot Payne-Hasselmann wrote, "With great sadness, I extend my sympathy to Renie's family. With thankfulness my life was richer from knowing and loving Renie." Ann Verbeke Richards wrote, "Renie was so special. We were always enjoying her bright personality. I am sorry she suffered from lymphoma. She will certainly be missed by many. Glad to hear that she went to a family gathering in June. We know it is hard for you, Toni. You shared

some wonderful times with Renie." Now for happy news of Renie and her amazing gift to live life to the happiest and fullest! In November 2021, Renie reported on the Ferguson Girls birthday celebration. She wrote "Happy 85th to the class of '58! Those of you who are lucky enough to still be on this earth. We celebrated in our own way. In Fort Worth, I had a Fabulous Ferguson Girls seated dinner for 40. My sister, Barbara Rodes turned 80 in November and all 20 family members came an anomaly in itself! My dining room table seats 20, including a highchair, three other tables were filled with friends. Black tablecloths made the mixed festive colorful china and pottery pop. Cut glass candlesticks were accented with six colors of ribbon streamers centered with fresh flower bouquets in the same colors as well as candlesticks with complementary colors on each table. My favorite wines Cakebread and Trefethen were plentiful along with a family favorite, TX Whiskey. The chef, good friend Lori Finkleman, came from Dallas. The food was fantastic!! Shrimp on polenta made with mascarpone and served with Romesco sauce was a favorite of mine with the Cakebread Sauvignon Blanc. Two cakes, Italian Cream and Chocolate Blackout, made by student and friend. Keith Crow were beyond delicious. The cover and back of the menu featured the Ferguson Scottish Crest and the Ferguson Coat of Arms bringing home to the younger family members their heritage." Renie's description of the Ferguson Girls birthday celebration and the photo of Renie and her sister were emailed to classmates who have email addresses. Louise **Kerfoot Payne** in response to the email wrote, "I so appreciated you sending the pictures of the fabulous celebration of our beloved Renie. She looks so lovely and happy. It really cheered me up as I recalled Renie's friendship at RM." Barbara **Deery**'s son, Samuel Joel Deery IV, passed away on March 23, 2022. Pat Parrish Harris wrote, "Thank you for sending me the link to Renie's



Renie Ferguson Steves '58 (right) and her sister,
Barbara Rodes, at the Fabulous Ferguson Girls birthday
celebration held in Renie's home

photo. Wow- I am impressed by how young 85 and 80 look on both of them. I do appreciate the contact and look forward to hearing any news. My only contact now is my roommate Anne Harden **Bradford** who lives in Durham, but has no interest in RM. She's a BIG donor to Duke, where Bill was a doctor and supporter of sports. Bill was recently honored on prime time tv for the contribution that they've made. We meet for lunch when we have a doctor's appointment at Duke." Mary Will Copes Browning wrote, "My daughter, Brook, whose husband died in June 2015 was married on Oct 23, 2021 to a wonderful, charming man who was a widower. They are giddily happy, and I am very happy to see them both glowing. Their young adult children are happy for them and all like each other and have a good time together. We are all feeling blessed." In February, Ann Verbeke Richards wrote, "Just back from Hilton Head for a chilly stay with our daughter, Carol. For Christmas, our son and I went to Eugene, Oregon to be with our daughter and family. They had a record amount of snow while we were there. Good times with both visits." Stay safe and well. Please plan to come to our 65th reunion!

#### 1959

Marilyn Messerly 1959@randolphcollege.edu

Many of us are getting back into the activities we have missed over the past two years, and there is limited news to share. **Betty Lou Atkinson Newcomb's** husband, Fred, sadly passed away on August 19 shortly after having moved to The Cypress, a retirement community in Charlotte, NC. If you would like to contact her the address is 3518 Cypress Club Dr. Unit A-302, Charlotte, NC 28210. Betty Lou encourages classmates who want to honor Fred's memory to give to the Annual Fund. Enjoy the rest of the year and do let me hear from you.



Helen Barber Boone '61 with her grandchildren in Galapagos



Helen Barber Boone '61 with Sue Diuguid Neff '61



1962 classmates (Left to right) Susan Addington Hutcheson, Alice Carnan Winn, Fern Downes Newsome, Jane Fenlon Rowe, and BJ Dyer Durrill



Old 1962 R-MWC friends went on a Mississippi River trip. (Left to right) Gerry Zink Gray, Carolyn Reeves Hally, Dodi McKenna Peron, and Candy MacDonald Gibbons

1960

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#### 1961

Johanne Pryor & Lucy Russell Ellett 1961@randolphcollege.edu

As we write these Class Notes, we have to admit that COVID19 is here to stay, and we need to rise above it. It's time to begin to live our lives with vaccines and boosters, masks as needed, and testing. Some of us are starting to travel and some to move to new homes. Thanks to everyone who has shared their news. Susanne Burton Sawyer and George have moved to Southminster Senior Living Community in Charlotte; Susan Diuguid Neff has moved to Deerfield Retirement Community in Asheville; and Sue Pace Rector has moved to Aldersgate Retirement Community in Charlotte. In our May ZOOM call, Elizabeth Wingo Hicks told of an impending move, but we have not heard any later news. If other moves are planned or have occurred, please let us and the College know. If you need hints or tips, our recent movers are happy to share. One tip passed on by both Sue

Walker and Sue Diuguid was to use a company that specializes in transitions. Downsizing from a house to an apartment is major, requiring difficult decisions and can be exhausting. Family and friends are starting to resume their routines in our new normal. Lucy Russell Ellett reports that Suzanne Norman Avis is at last recovering from her January hip surgery and is glad to once again get out for bridge and lunch with friends. Both of her sons live in Roanoke and are doing well with their businesses. She sees them and their family members frequently, which of course is a joy. Lucy sees Sharon Glaize Duckwall and Joe frequently. Spuzzie and Joe have been traveling out-of-town to a graduation and an engagement party of grandchildren, and are now enjoying spending time with various family members at their Smith Mountain Lake cottage. Lucy and Frank hosted their children and families at DeBourdeau Beach in early June. The grandchildren each brought a friend or girlfriend, so there were a total of nineteen people in the cottage. A fun time was had by all! Alice Hilseweck Ball sent an email with an intriguing Subject Line- "I'm at Chautauqua!" Naturally, this required more information. She was indeed at the Chautauqua Institution in western NY and the birthplace of the Chautaugua Movement for a two week session and says, "Such a treat to attend lectures, concerts and plays. I am enjoying walking or rocking on a porch

with no agenda except learning and expanding my consciousness. The gardens are beautiful too. I'm at last ready to get back to traveling, delays and hassles notwithstanding. Resilience has no age limit!" Way to go Alice! Helen Barber Boone sent several pieces of information. "In June I was in Asheville for a family gathering and went to lunch with Sue Diuguid Neff. We had such a good visit. She had recently moved and was getting settled after her misadventure earlier this spring." Helen and family finally got to leave on their 2020 Covid-postponed trip to Galapagos. She writes, "This trip was about five years in the planning and something Walter and I had dreamed of doing years ago. All four of my children with their families plus one niece were with us. There were only 37 passengers on our small ship, and we were 15 of them. The naturalists are amazing and opened up a world of questions about our place on this earth." Johanne Pryor had the benefit of seeing many of the Facebook posts by Helen's family. They make you think about the dangers of climate change and habitat loss. Nancy Bourne left a phone message for Lucy that she keeps in touch with Nancy Ward Harwood and with Barbara Hoge Hearn, but no news to report. She also said that Anne Way Crawford's husband John had died 3/28/18. I am sorry we did not know of this before. More sad news: Streetie Hutchinson Morris, daughter of

**Dorothy McCaleb Hutchinson** died 12/28/21. Please keep their families in your prayers. It's not as good as an in person Reunion, but the ZOOM calls set up by the College are a way to stay in touch. Please join in when they are scheduled. Your smiling faces make our day! With an eye on health; please stay safe while enter this new normal phase of our lives! Thanks everyone for sending your news. Please keep it coming; we (and your classmates) love to hear from you. Emails, letters and phone calls are welcome. Also join our closed group Facebook page, Randolph-Macon Woman's College 1961 Friends. It is a great way to stay in touch, just Post or Share to your classmates only. Please keep your address, phone and e-mail current. We, and the College, want to stay in touch. Don't become a lost classmate! The next Class Notes are due to the College on Dec 9, 2022.

1962

Susan Hutcheson 1962@randolphcollege.edu

During the summer, Jane Fenion Rowe hosted a mini reunion luncheon with surprise quest Alice Carnan Winn. In attendance were Fern Downes Newsom, Elizabeth Janie Dyer Durrill and Susan Addington Hutcheson. It was fun to reconnect with Class of '62 friends. Estelle Woolwine Cole reported that she and John live in a retirement community in an independent living cottage in Lititz, PA. She has severe Glaucoma which has resulted in significant vision loss. Alicia Hazelhurst Ragsdale wrote that she has ALS which is progressing slowly. Plans include a move to a retirement home in October. Margaret Zink Gray and Betty Reaves Hally were the only members of our class who attended Reunion in June. Joan Leverton Covell sadly reported that her husband, Mike, passed away unexpectedly in June. Her son-in-law Bruce is recovering in Philadelphia from a double lung transplant due to idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, truly a miracle according to Joanie. Suzanne Mertz Smalley reported that she and Jim have been constantly on the go with granddaughter graduations and a wonderful trip to Switzerland. Grandson, Will, a student at UCLA, was awarded a semester at the U of Geneva in Global Studies. They traveled with daughter Anna and husband Chris for a week in Bern with Will. Mary Beth **Ketcham Maisel** and husband Charles Valentine moved to North Hill in Needham MA July 2020. She reported they are both healthy and continue to enjoy learning and exploring new things. They are still adjusting to being with so many new and interesting people with such extensive and interesting backgrounds. Many of her friends are graduates of women's colleges including

Smith, Barnard, Wellesley and Radcliffe. Mary Beth continues to paint and exhibit her work. See her website to enjoy her impressive body of work, https://marybethmaisel.com Candace MacDonald Gibbons reported that she went on a Mississippi River cruise with former Boston roommates including Betty Reaves Hally, Margaret Zink Gray, Doris McKenna Peron and their spouses. Candy and her husband still summer at their farm in Maine and winter in Sarasota. She stays busy with volunteer work and playing tennis. Emily Judkins Stewart and Jess are doing well in Florida, although Jess is currently being treated for cancer. Sue reported they are slowing down a bit, but continue to enjoy walking and riding bikes. They still enjoy their beautiful home in the Outer Banks and hosting college friends in August at a mini reunion. Those attending included Suzanne Mertz Smalley and Jim, Carolyn Davis Lilienthal, Helena Wetzel Roller, Eugenia Bibb and sister, Louise. Rebecca Baltzer and sister, Leslye Baltzer Wakefield '59 have moved in together in a brand new spacious senior living apartment after the painful job of downsizing and sifting through a lifetime collection of treasured items and memories. The difficult part was watching it all disappear during the estate sale. Many of us have done the same thing in the last few years and yet it seems we still have too much stuff. Becky has slowed down due to arthritis and back issues so her main exertion is walking to the dining room in another building. Nancy Matthews Cash reported she continues to serve on the Executive Board of the Women's Auxiliary of the local American Legion Post. She and Pete were sad they could not attend the mini reunion at Sue and Jess Stewart's Outer Banks home. As your class secretary, I hope you will continue to send news about your life and what you are doing to stay busy. Be on the lookout for postcards and emails from me requesting news. It is wonderful to hear from each of you.

REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 1963

Elizabeth Jones Corey 1963@randolphcollege.edu

Ann Trousdale wrote that in September 2021, she moved to Asheville, North Carolina to become a part of the Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community, which is "one of the most vibrant, alive, engaged, and welcoming places I've ever lived!" One of the joys of moving to Asheville has been reconnecting with Randolph-Macon friends, including Mary Margaret Hillman Saunders '64 who lives in Asheville; Lamar Jernigan Noriega '65 who lives in Asheville half the year and Coral Gables, FL, the other half; and Susan Diuquid Neff '61. Also at Deerfield

is Martha Anne Sewell Daily '62. It's also been a blessing for her to get to know Renee Renka Alexander '68. Ann's move was made much easier by encouraging words from M. Harriss Holden '67. They had connected when Pat initiated a Zoom memorial gathering for Linda Moroney '65 last summer. Ann had a wonderful Christmas with Constance Rogers Alford '65 and her family in Port Gibson, Mississippi, sharing dear memories of Muffie. She loves Asheville and says her welcoming mat is out. Margaret **Neely Lanier**'s biggest news is the birth of her first great-grandchild-Alexander Shibani, on May 11, a healthy, beautiful, alert baby. He is the son of granddaughter, Neely and husband, Akram. They are all ecstatic! Two of Vicki's grandsons, Todd Rushing and Charlie Lanier, graduated from high school this year and will be off to college soon. Granddaughter, Victoria Rushing competed in the national volleyball championships in Indianapolis doing well, but not winning first place. Vicki continues to play competitive bridge tournaments with a goal of achieving the ranking of Gold Life Master. She is within a few hundred points of being there. Holley Leventhal Kilcullen decided during COVID sheltering not to continue with teaching ESL and volunteering with the hospital which she'd done for 10 years. Instead she says yes to short term activities, like chairing a tea where they live. It suits her energy level better! They enjoyed a delightful time at the Vanderbilt Estate in Asheville. Letitia Montaque **Grant** wrote that in spite of being vaccinated and boosted, her husband, Will got COVID, but she did not. Quarantine wasn't too bad gazing out at the beautiful Ware River. Suzanne Van Kesteren Tankard wrote that all's well on the Eastern Shore. She continues as CFO for their nursery business and, thanks to the vaccines and boosters, she and David resumed traveling last summer. In February, Pepper, a German Shepherd puppy, joined Cookie, their six year old cat. They had not had a dog since their last labrador retriever died, and Suzanne is certainly getting her exercise. Their annual 4th of July house party continued at their beach cottage on the Chesapeake Bay. This is a delightful 55-year-old tradition which started with four couples and continues with their children and grandchildren. Louise Duis Cary abandoned music as a career in the 1980s and began a career in English literature. She wrote "Like many women of our generation, I needed to reinvent myself and never looked back. I married a professional tenor, Stephen Cary, 38 years ago and we've had a great run of it. I got a PhD in literature from the University of Alabama, where we ended up, taught many years in the English Department and Honors College, from which, of course, I'm long retired, and miss my young students. My seminars on the history

and persistence of Deep Southern attitudes were dicey to teach, but I hope they changed some preconceptions. I'd love to hear from classmates." **Elizabeth Jones Corey**, your secretary, doesn't have news to share, but wants to remind you that our 60th reunion will be next June 2-4, 2023. Plan to be there! **Barbara Mackowiak Harps**, who lives in Oberammergau, says regarding the Oberammergau Passion Play, "It takes place every 10 years."

#### 1964

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Greetings! I hope that you are enjoying more freedom since COVID vaccinations and boosters make getting out and about more enjoyable. I also hope that you are staying in touch with our Alma Mater by making sure that the College has your correct email address and that you are using the online resources to stay in touch with the rest of us - use this address https:// www.randolphcollege.edu/association/update/. You can even add to the "Class Notes" directly by writing news about yourself. Surely you've noticed through College Bulletins that there are exciting changes and news to celebrate on campus. Sue Ott Rowlands was selected the 11th President of the College succeeding Bradley Bateman. She brings an impressive background in teaching and administration to the Office. There is a new Director of the Office of Alumnae and Alumni Relations, Ludo Lemaitre, Class of 2011 who steps into that role following the retirement of Phebe Wescott. He's been delightful and proactive to assist your Secretary. Emerging from the College's 2019 Strategic Plan significant effort went into establishing the Office of Diversity, Identity, Culture, and Inclusion (DICI) including hiring Keesha Burke-Henderson as Chief Diversity Officer, a senior leadership position. A programming budget goal was set at \$100,000 to be raised by end of FY 2021-22, and that immediately attracted a number of our classmates' attention. Judith Hall McBroom provided seed money and inspired a group of college friends she calls the "Golden Girls" to contribute. Soon a sizable challenge pledge was made by Susan Walton Carroll and the donations poured in - meeting the goal by the deadline June 30, 2022! You'll hear of more opportunities to participate in this important program in the near future. Maybe you saw an article in VITA and an email about The Judith Hall McBroom '64 Endowed Fund to Advance Racial Justice. This generous gift will support first-year bridge programs, including Summer Transition at Randolph (STAR), that are dedicated to helping high school graduates transition into college



(Left to right) Jennifer Sullivan Hubbard '95 and Judy Nicholson Frey '64 shared the stage at a Girl Scout awards luncheon recently. Jennifer received the "Courage, Confidence and Character" award while Judy was given a "Legacy of Leadership" commendation

life. It will also be used to bring in speakers and sponsor events focusing on racial justice. Both these efforts help Randolph foster a culture of belonging for people of diverse backgrounds, identities, and experiences. In Judy's words, "We are excited about this new opportunity to pay back for what we were so richly given and hope that you share that excitement too." A spur of the moment opportunity to travel with son and granddaughter took Julie Block Milstien to Peru in December. Ever the hiking enthusiast, Julie found the altitude at between 11,000 and 17,000 feet a bit challenging though she recommends the spectacular scenery, history and amazing culture and cuisine to us. Speaking of hiking, some of the R-MWC Hikers chose to cool their heels on the beaches of Edisto, NC in April - Jane Meredith Wolf '61 planned a restful reunion for Polly Cummings Hussain, Laura Alford Cotts, Judy Hall McBroom, Susan Walton Carroll, Nancy Burch Wilkinson, Janie Leigh Wall Carter, Sallie Crosby Smith, and Julie Block Milstien. Mimi Rich Bell's visit with classmates in NC mentioned in last Vita failed to mention that she lives in Medellin, Colombia. She also visited with Evelyn Kehoe Rollins in NYC as Lynn moved back to her NY apartment in 2021. At start of 2022 Polly Hussain, an avid photographer and a deep-space junkie, sent day by day details of the deployment of the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) to L2 (optimal location between Earth and Sun for the telescope). She writes of the precision dance of JWST's unfolding from its origami-like package in booster vehicle nose cone to its operational state resulting in magnificent pictures peering at the origins of the Universe. An incredible undertaking yet inspiring achievement of technology that bolsters us! Judy Nicholson **Frey** was honored in the spring by the Girl Scouts of Connecticut for her many years of volunteer



Agnes Fitts Marshall '64 stopped by Campus, en route to Staunton to see a granddaughter perform at Shakespeare Camp.



(Left to right) Linda Hackney Alexander, Marianna Anderson Busch, and Marilyn Lindgren at a mini 1965 Reunion in Houston

leadership in the organization. Judy has spent over forty years supporting Girl Scouts with her time, money and wisdom. According to Judy, "I was privileged to have a good upbringing and a good education, particularly at Randolph-Macon Woman's College. Along with my classmates, I knew I could do anything I wanted to do. And one thing I wanted to do was empower others to follow their dreams as I did." Isn't that just like a 'Randy-Mac' gal of our day, following dreams and giving back? So on that note, I wish you wonderful friends Happy 80th Birthdays!

#### 1965

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**Eleanor Pope Katz** of Mission Viejo, CA sent well wishes during their cancer treatments to **Calley Eaton Jones** of Port Gibson, MS, and **Eugenia Sykes Bogen** now of Keswick, Virginia formerly from Greenville, MS. The following is the interesting story Eleanor sent. It reads, "Dear Colley and Lanier, Living on the western coast for these many years, I rarely get to meet

any residents of our southern states. However, I did so while teaching in my college's semesters in Paris. I met several women from Texas and Mississippi, who were in an adult program at the same educational group where I worked. They were great fun, and together we would go to some of the beautiful fashion shows in Paris. While I have remembered Colley as a "whiz" at chemistry, I also saw in our Alum Class notes that [Calley] you went into fashion-and traveled widely. How very interesting! After our semester's program in early 2012, I had repaired to a nice hotel for a welcome respite. Paris hotels are very kind to their teachers from abroad. They seem to think we are pretty resilient, in our attempts to interest college students in all those great museums in the City. I arrived last at our hotel (Le Bristol), as I'd been out to Charles de Gaulle to see our U.S. students onto the plane home. While checking into the hotel, an Italian man abruptly reached over me to grab the desk phone, and he began to issue many orders in an urgent tone. Something about a BIG fashion show. When I turned to go to my room, he and his famous partner apologized very sweetly. His partner was Mr. Valentino, and there I was in my well-worn, Ralph Lauren skirt and blouse! Later I ran into Mr. V. in the garden restaurant, and he said they had approved of my battered RL attire, but I must really do something about my shoes! Over the many years, friends in teaching have had a good laugh at this story. Mr. Valentino also said we should all visit the Costume Muse at the M. du Louvre, which we promptly did. Hope this story will bring you a smile...." Linda Hackney Alexander of Houston invited Marianna Anderson Busch of Waco and Marilyn Lindgren of Austin to a week-long mini reunion at her home in Houston. They visited the Museum of Natural Science for the Ramses exhibit, the Museum of Fine Arts Houston, the Asia Society, Rothko Chapel for a Summer solstice concert, a Bayou Bend Home tour, the Houston Ballet, and a new theater piece, Noir, at the Alley Theater. They still had plenty of time to relax, swim in Linda's pool, and catch up on years of life experiences. They also exercised at the YMCA and did Zumba. Margaret Culp Levinsohn of Chapel Hill had an art show at the Jewish Community Center. Hunter presented a series of paintings entitled Ukraine. Ann Holsberry of Berkeley also had an art exhibit entitled Uncharted Waters at the David Brower Center. She created large silk cyanotype prints depicting sea kelp and its predators. Robbie Ann Willard Morris of Dallas treasures her time at RM even though she stayed only her freshman year. She and her husband split their year between Dallas and Flint Hill, VA. Their son and grandchildren live in the DC area. Robbie Anne keeps up with Mary Taylor Michel of Alexandria. Mary Brewer Guthrow of Lynchburg sent an email about a missing

was at R-MWC only one year, our senior year, and she lived on my hall. Dr. Quillian had met her when he went to India and invited her to come to the college. She was a delightful person, a beautiful dancer, trained in classical Indian dance. I remember that she took modern dance classes in our dance department, performed her classical dance in the spring dance concert, and was elected to the May Court. Linda Moroney kept up with her through the years, and Sudha visited her in Houston a couple of times. At Muffie's memorial service, Sudha spoke about her via video from India." Nancy Price Petersen reports that Ann Ratcliffe has dementia. She lived with her sister Mary in Columbia, MD until she needed specialized attention. Ann now resides in a nursing home. Nancy Price Petersen recalls that Ann was talented on the quitar, the ukulele and one year she played an unusual harp instrument. Together Ann and her sister Mary, who played the piano, regularly entertained at a home for the elderly. Frances Jones Giles had lunch with Eugenia Sykes Bogen at Pippin Hill Winery outside of Charlottesville. It was a beautiful day with a view of lush green hills. Lanier and husband Gene traveled to Lynchburg to lunch with Frances at her club. Alice Roop Webster of Sainte Catherine, Quebec has a new book "Autobiography of a Garden" published by McGill-Queen's University Press. It has 200 + color photographs. She also opened her summer garden 4 times for a fundraiser for a local conservation association. Over 1500 people attended. Pat's son, Andrew, and his family moved from Perth, Australia to Canada. He is the new Provost (head of all academics) at the local university. Andrew and his wife and 3 sons will live with Pat for a year. Rebecca Wall of Richmond stays in regular touch through zoom visits with Pat Harris Holden and Margaret Ray, who takes care of her late daughter's daughter and looks after a friend in a nursing home. Rebecca writes, "Thanks for sending Sarah's [Sarah Howe Hay] obituary. She and I were on the same hall, Second East. She was fun, interesting, delightful girl. We reconnected awhile back through a mutual friend." Sarah Howe Hay died December 10, 2021. **Nell Phillips Allison** died March 7, 2022. Her family wrote, "Nell lived a life of love and spreading cheer wherever she went." Carla-**Elaine Johnson** has added to her writings: www./wildhunt.org/2022/04/opinion-the-crownact-would-prevent-discrimination-against-blackhairstyles.html She recently gained tenure at Saint Paul College and became an ordained minister in 2013. Judith Wade Harrington died on April 9, 2022. She and Sarah Clark-Langager were good friends. Dick Larson, husband of Nellie Tiley Holt of Naples, Florida, died in July 2022.

classmate. It reads, "It's Sudharani Jagannath-

-we called her Sudha (pronounced SOODAH). She

Suzanne Wise Hawley of Naples is Margaret's best friend and business partner. Elizabeth Nicholson Wade lives at Trezevant retirement home in Memphis with her husband John, who is doing well at age 93. Dorsey volunteers many hours weekly at the Chapel at Trezevant. Elizabeth Thompson Rice's husband Jack died on March 3, 2022. Betsy stays busy serving in a public office in her county. Elizabeth Harris Prichard called Jeanne Wessendorf Mathieson of Port Orange, Florida as a part of our class project to find classmates' new emails. Jeanne said she does not have a computer, but does a zoom call every other week at 6 pm with a group of classmates including Mary Milam Whiteside-Lee, Mary Brewer Guthrow, Ellen Davis Shelton, Margaret **Luce Brown** and others. Please send Lanier your name if you are also a part of this group. We still need the correct emails of Renny Butterworth Cave and Mary Van Lear. Can you help with this?

1966

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Katharine Aspinwall Garland: In March, my husband and I visited on campus. Our guide from Admissions (which is housed in The Columns restaurant home) was fabulous. Remodeling of Main had erased my old room but the campus was full of memories. Proud that the College looked so well. Last weekend I traveled to Madison, Georgia to see my suite mate, Mary Tharpe Hall. She was hosting an 80th Birthday for a friend we share. Her pastoral farm with horses welcomed us to sit under an ancient tree and be glad to be alive. This October 13th, I am hosting an Atlanta welcome for our new President, Sue Rowlands. Hope to see some of you then! Judith Clements: Friends and I just completed wonderful travels to Portugal, Spain, Puglia (southern Italy) and Venice by combining two trips back-to-back that we paid for in 2020 but kept postponing. Everywhere we went was really wonderful, even if Lisbon, Seville, Cordoba and Madrid were really HOT. I've found that putting together trips with friends is a very nice way to travel; Eleanor Folbre McDonald, Carol Wood and Lelia Perkins Richardson were part of the group in Portugal and Spain. Now I am dreaming of Japan or Tunisia/Egypt or Colombia or Greece. June Rutledge Heintz: After being on the waitlist for four years, since the year after Frank died, my name rose to the top at Martha Jefferson House, a small private extended care facility right in the middle of the UVA campus, on a street with a Montessori School on one corner and a library on the other. I like it, because I will be able to go out through a door onto the porch instead of walking through a hallway, and I can walk to the Fralin Art Museum, where I am



1968 Classmates (Left to right) Judy Miller Frame, Barbara "Tooky" Faulkner Frolik, and Anne Hagedorn Avery recently met for lunch.

a docent. I'm in no rush since I have not been borrowing of Evan Connell, "with a good book you aggressive in passing along stuff since we moved never touch bottom." Send POST CARDS! Betsy from the Baltimore suburbs 13 years ago. But it is **Muhly Wetzig:** Life is full. To think that most of time to simplify, and I saw with my parents how my research really started in college and not just it takes a little more time to do everything. So, I in Dance. My newest product is a retreat at Bend will be selling this home that I mostly designed, of Ivy, near Asheville, North Carolina, March 23surrounded by lovely oak and hickory trees more 30, 2023; an in-depth experience from my 50+ than 100 years old. I plan to move the first week years of research. Sara Hill Lavelle '66 really of December, God willing and the creek don't helped me find the perfect retreat spot and to rise! Or worse, a tree don't fall on this house, explore Asheville art studios, and even the energy which happened to my neighbor up the hill in the Vortexes I'm using. So, if you're a searcher and first bad storm of the summer. No one was hurt, want to have eye-opening experiences of selfbut the cat didn't come out of hiding for three discovery with special movement tools which: release the locks and blocks of mind and body days. Granddaughter, Laurel, is a 2nd year at VCU in Richmond and continues as an EMT, spending (literally rejuvenating), improve your interactions one night a week at the firehouse, and is getting with others, mobilize your creative style, and a good slice of life in the city of Richmond. She render stress beneficial; you can make a new you, has had heart attack victims die in transit and was creative, enabled, and free, for a powerful, fresh hit in the face by a drunk woman who was out of start. Also at this time, with COVID lessening, I am her mind. She's a certified mountaintop rescuer getting to restart my workshops in the Canadian and a white water kayak rescuer. The University Vancouver Pilates Studio, while visiting my daughter and her family. Plus, my work is included has a big interest in outdoor adventure and she leads groups on the Appalachian Trail. Grandson, in the July, Forbes Magazine, Leadership article Alden, is on the tennis team of his high school, is by Ginny Whitelaw, co-author of my book Move first chair in the state orchestra in clarinet, and is to Greatness. Margaret Northam, Lelia helping his Dad restore a cedar fence around their Perkins Richardson, Madeline Hutcheson Ramsey, Betty Nichols Street, Eleanor Folbre house this summer. None of these talents are from me, but probably from two great grandmothers. McDonald, Judith Clements, Ellen Temple Cheryl Hoffman Marks retired from NIH late Brown, Mary Hull Gilkes, Nancy Baer in 2017. She and her husband spend winter and Hodges, Helen Dempsey Ramsey, Martha Jane Daniel Hudnall, Sara Hill Lavelle, summer at their home in Colorado. She was badly hurt while skiing in 2019 but is recovering slowly. Margaret Quinn, Louisa Smith McLeary, They moved to Charlottesville, Virginia in 2020 Elizabeth Gordon McCrodden, Sally Walker from McLean, Virginia and would love to have Lynch, and Sara Stukenbroeker Pellegrom visitors. She has enjoyed being associated with convened at Matt's Wrightsville Beach house for a

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We had an awesome turnout for our 55th reunion

fabulous week together. June Rutledge Heintz

would have come, but is busy with her coming

move.



Mini 1968 reunion to celebrate Lindsey Massie Huddle's birthday at Mary Scully Riley's home in June 2022. (Back row, left to right) Barbara McCartney Kirkland, Mary Scully Riley, Page Shields. (Front Row, left to right) Lindsey Massie Huddle, and Marilyn Hicks Fitzgerald

the first weekend of June, despite a couple of last-minute cancellations for health and safety reasons. We were thrilled to celebrate Mandy Clark Fox's Alumni Achievement Award at the Saturday event - and let the audience know it! Our class meeting also celebrated our "sustaining" classmate, Susan "Sooty" Schearer Severn, who hasn't missed a reunion since forever. She truly has been our glue. Also lauded was Pat Harriss Holden who instigated and organized our gatherings on Zoom when the pandemic hit. What a game-changer that has been for us to stay in touch. We are continually amazed at what so many in our class have achieved and continue to achieve. As Martha "Mimi" Keever so beautifully put it: We are educators, teachers, professors, school, college, and University administrators and trustees, entrepreneurs, business women, financial advisors, priests, pastors, spiritual counselors, school counselors, psychologists, therapists, scientists, researchers, scholars, doctors, lawyers, foreign correspondents, diplomats, writers, artists, photographers, curators, archivists, cancer researchers, cancer survivors, health care professionals, civil rights activists, LGBTQ activists, environmental activists, animal rescue volunteers, equestrians, runners, athletes, philosophers, dog lovers, cat lovers, adventurers, daughters, mothers, grandmothers, and more. We are voters. We are the power of educated women.

**REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023** 

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**Lynn Hodge,** and partner Barbara, have now been at their retirement community close to 5 years. Lynn has increased her involvement in the community, serving as an area representative to the Resident's Association. She keeps active with tai chi, as well as regular walking and she and Barbara recently gathered in Ft. Payne, Alabama with family for lunch. Lynn is looking forward to

niece's wedding in Urval, France next July1st). But reading about all those places in Barry Holstan Lopez's "About This Life" journeys on the threshold of memory. Such an excellent reread. I love his 44

the Sunflower Initiative, a scholarship program

to support young women who attend women's

colleges. Her cell phone number and email are

unchanged. Louise Dickson Cravens: Haven't

been anywhere and no plans (maybe, maybe a



(Left to right) Roommates Sandra Vaughan Gilman '69 and Carolyn Burgess Featheringill '69 have always stayed close, and the lockdown gave them the opportunity to have weekly phone conversations.

our 2023 Reunion and sends all her best. Barbara McCartney Kirkland has recently moved to a retirement community in Charlottesville, Virginia and asks you to please take note of her new email address (barbara.kirkland46@icloud.com). That move coincided with the end of her job with the Virginia Department of Health, and she found herself unemployed for the first time since her first job after school in 1961! Retirement and moving are two very big adjustments and will certainly take some getting used to. Just before moving, Barbara took a wonderful 18-day trip to Turkey, visiting Istanbul, the Turquoise Coast, Cappadocia and a host of wonderful Classical ruins. Susan Henson Baker has been busy since our last update with a month in Belgium, having her portrait painted, garage renovations, visiting with all 3 of her children in Louisville, coping with COVID, and monitoring loggerhead turtle nests at their place on Bald Head Island, North Caroline. She too has placed our June 2023 Reunion on her calendar! We grieve with Kenan Keves Jones, whose husband Griff passed away in early June 2022 after more than 50 years of marriage, which they were able to celebrate in 2021. She was fortunate to be able to travel with son, Morgan, and his family to Ireland shortly after the funeral and be with loving family to commemorate the 51st anniversary of her marriage to Griff with them while in Ireland. At home in Little Rock Kenan enjoys Bible Study Fellowship, Mahjongg, and volunteering with the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute. Phyllis "Jody" Johnson Townley and husband David have turned into home bodies since COVID arrived and are careful to always mask around others. This allows them to visit their son, who was struck by a car and suffered a traumatic brain injury (TBI), and currently lives in a nursing care facility. They remain connected to the world via Zoom and use their quiet times for quilting (Jody) and stamp collecting (David). Anne "Page" Shields has also had to make some changes to her home, converting to one floor living, following a very



(Left to right) Sarah Rouse '71 and Karen Newman '70 in Paris

bad fall down the stairs by husband, Joe. He has recovered well and gets around with a walker, but remains a "fall risk" so Page also has the help of a caregiver for him several days a week, so she can get out. One of those outings included a trip to Winchester, Virginia to meet with Mary Scully Riley, Barbara McCartney Kirkland, and Marilyn Hicks Fitzgerald for a special birthday lunch with Lindsey Massie Huddle when she returned to her hometown for a family funeral in June 2022. Marilyn baked the cake, Mary fixed the lunch, and also planned several activities to help celebrate this wonderful sisterhood that is so special to the Class of 1968. Carolyn McEntire **Kingsnorth** celebrates her time at R-MWC and the history degree she earned by using it in her position as the Vice President of the Southern Oregon Historical Society, as well as the President of Historical Jacksonville. She creates programs and tours, posts social media, writes magazine articles, and edits materials and publications for both organizations. Carolyn says she has found a home in Southern Oregon - it's just the right sized pond for her! Elizabeth "Liz" Rust Masterson traveled to San Diego in June 2022 to visit with daughter Sarah Kahl Picollelli '00 where she was able to cheer on 5-year-old granddaughter, Grace, as she practiced her swimming, as well as visit the San Diego Zoo. Judith "Judy" Miller Frame, Barbara "Tooky" Faulkner Frolik, and Anne Hagedorn Averett had a post-Covid lunch together, laughing and laughing as though they had just graduated together. Karen Olsen Borek shared that her daughter, Catherine, wsd awarded the Teacher of the Year award for the Compton (CA) Unified School District. One item Catherine submitted for consideration was a short video showing her work with her diverse Drama students as they produced Compton's first play in 20 years. Catherine's husband produced a documentary of the play discussed in the video, which won the LA Film Festival that year, and was shown at the Toronto Film Festival to honor the memory of 9/11 on that event's first anniversary. Karen's classmates have heaped praise upon

Catherine and her work – the Class of 1968's love even spreads to the next generation! And together we also grieve the loss of **Jayne Riddle Phillips's** husband, Dick, who passed away in July 2022. **Nancy Cromwell Scott** also let us know of the passing of classmate **Jane Searle Frisa** in July of 2016.

1969

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Kathleen Moore Ronay retired from 46 years in public education in Kentucky in 2015. She divorced in 2014 and now lives on the same street she grew up on. She enjoys travelingfurthest was South Africa, Johannesburg and Cape Town. She has 3 sons and 2 grandsons. Her youngest, Matthew Ronay, is a world reknown sculptor. Mary Holland McCormick is reappearing after almost two years of medical issues. She headed east on April 5 and is excited, but anxious! Roommates from the class of '69, Sandra Vaughan Gilman and Carolyn Burgess Featheringill, have always stayed close, and the lockdown gave them the opportunity to have weekly phone conversations. That led to plans to get together at Carolyn's home in Birmingham in August '21 where they spent time with Becky Morrison Dunn '70, Evelyn Coley Puckett '70 and Isabeth Scripture Gannon '71. They repeated the process at Sandra's home in Ashland, Virginia in May '22 where they enjoyed lunch with Susan Knight '70. Both trips included visits with the hostesses' children and grandchildren as well as lots of laughter and reminiscing.

**1970** 

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Cheryl Abernathy (the longest serving 50th Reunion Chair in R-MWC history) is still recovering from her airport fall on the way to reunion, but her shiner is gone and her scar has healed! She had a grand 75th Birthday celebration which included a trip to French Lick, Indiana, with a stay at the West Baden Springs Resort. She said the Dome was spectacular and the food was even better and she had trouble believing that they weren't in Europe. This fall's travel plans include Door County, Wisconsin, and Jacksonville, Florida. Next year, Cheryl is taking a river cruise from Paris to Normandy and back, with several extra days in Paris. Her last trip to Paris was in 1973 with Faith **Davidson Sartoris**. They visited as many places as possible using notes from Jansen's History of Art from Art History class with Miss Williams. Cheryl wanted to give a special shout-out to **Linda** Bradshaw Gragnani for all of her support and

guidance over the three years in planning our 50th plus two Reunion. Marcia Hale Russell lives in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and their son and his family live only a few blocks away. They are thrilled that their daughter is moving to Raleigh from Dallas and that she will now be within driving distance. Karen Newman writes, "Needless to say, retirement hasn't gone guite as I expected given COVID, but we are beginning to make plans again and are coming to think we might be the last people without COVID left in the US. Karen's daughter, along with her husband and two children, moved next door in Gloucester to ride out the pandemic and decided to stay. Karen got to Paris this spring and saw Sarah Rouse '71 and her husband, Patrick. She is looking forward to seeing **Janie Ligon** this fall. Karen's basic feeling about retirement is that she is so busy, she wonders how she ever managed to work! Dana Daniels Nixon was so looking forward to our 50th to reconnect with people that she had not seen in years, but she wasn't able to make it to our third (and finally successful) attempt. Jennie McClellan Hyman and Tom finally made their Alaskan trip, which was planned for May 2020, in May of 2022. The scenery was incredible and an added bonus was being totally out of range of cell towers. They were on a small cruise ship and the crew and the guides were fantastic. Jennie also writes, "Tom and I also attended the 50th R-M reunion in June. While there weren't many of our class there, it was fun to see those who were, with the added bonus of seeing friends from '71 and '72. And, as always, the campus looked beautiful and the additions since we were there are fabulous." In June, they had a family trip to Isle of Palms, South Carolina and found it so wonderful to have both children and grandchildren together for the week, as it happens less and less often. Notes from your class secretary (that would be me, Katherine Ellis Baer). As I wrote in my plea for news, my youngest just moved back to the Triangle with her family and I am thrilled to have 2 out of seven grands within shouting distance. As I write this, my oldest and her family are visiting from New York and we are leaving tomorrow for a week on Bald Head Island. Shipley Dunn Jenkins and I finally had a chance to catch up and squeezed a lot of news into a short 4-hour lunch. If you get this bulletin but don't get my emails and would like to receive them, please send your email address to me at katbaer@gmail.com. I am fairly certain that my emails aren't that exciting, but I have warned others and am now warning you that I just might start making up "alternative facts" if I don't get enough news from you. On a final note, Suzanne **Lasher** was elected as the Chairperson for our 55th Reunion in 2025.

1971

Karen Russell and Debbie Ward Heritage 1971@randolphcollege.edu

Our 50th Reunion was lots of fun even though there were only 17 classmates on campus. The class meeting included several others via Zoom. Thanks to everyone who participated in the reunion chats and celebrations over the past two years! The campus was lovely, the presentations of new programs were impressive and the dinner celebration was delicious. Let's hope for a great 55th on campus! Deloris "Dee" Wooten Beggarly sent notecards with her watercolor "Rainy Day" and a heartfelt message for everyone at Reunion. After 35 years in Camden, Maine, Deborah "Debbie" Anthony Dodge and husband Jeff moved to Richmond, Virginia to be closer to family and close friend Susan "Susie" Witter. They look forward to learning new places to shop and eat and exploring who to hire for home repairs. The highlights of Reunion for Louisa Branscomb were going with Jean Stewart '72 to see her cousin's McGhee historic plate and spending time with former roommate Barbara Scott Bigham. Louisa is working on 3 manuscripts about songwriting and the soul. She held her first in-person workshop at her new farm "Lyric Mountain", in North Carolina. She would love to have visitors at the farm cottage questhouse. In May, Karla Forsythe and husband Jim Crane explored Turkey on a Rick Steves' tour. She was impressed with the thoroughly modern country. In Antalya, she bought a dress in a store where no one spoke English. To translate, a clerk phoned her sister in Virginia who lives in McLean one block where Karla grew up! Afterward they toured Greece for two weeks with a group and a professor of Ancient Greek Political Theory from UC Santa Cruz, Jim's alma mater. After 32 years in Portland, Karla is a certified "left coaster." She invites all to visit Oregon where she is an excellent tour quide and an enviable flower gardener. Julie Huston Ellis loved being in Lynchburg and sharing time with classmates from the three classes celebrating their 50th reunions. She hopes for our 55th collectively. She continues working as an attorney with wonderful clients. Her future includes babysitting grandchildren and travel. She sends hugs to everyone and encourages you to see the Elvis movie. Elizabeth Herbert Cottrell has published her long awaited book, "HEARTSPOKEN: How to Write Notes that Connect, Comfort, Encourage, and Inspire." It is available at Amazon in hardbound, softbound, and Kindle. Links for online ordering and getting bonuses and signed bookplates are at www.heartspoken.com She would really appreciate reviews and requests for local bookstores to carry it. If your local book club reads it, Elizabeth offers to join the meeting via Zoom. She hopes to inspire readers and give them the confidence to find their own voice and the right words when they are needed. There are tips for professional correspondence that can be helpful for businesses and nonprofits. After the death of her husband in 2020, Carolyn Muntz Crosthwaite decided she didn't need the big house and yard. She searched for 15 months to find just the right place and has moved to Morristown, New Jersey. Sarah Rouse Sheehan and husband Pat went to Paris in April and May after a two year COVID hiatus. They rented an apartment near Place d'Italie for several weeks where they walked everywhere and discovered new restaurants for lunch. She recovered some of her school French to the point she was once mistaken for a Belgian. She enjoyed attending Reunion via Zoom. In June, Sarah and Pat went to Montana to see ailing in-laws and enjoy some coldish fresh air in Glacier Park and southern Alberta, Sarah met the sister of a Randolph College student (identified by a college T-shirt) when she marched to the Supreme Court after the Roe vs Wade reversal. Laurie Groner Tillett and husband Ed have returned from a six-week transatlantic cruise/land excursion to the Mediterranean. She suffered a shredded meniscus 2 months before leaving, so sailed off with ice packs, knee compression sleeves, a cane and lots of ibuprofen. She managed to climb the wall of the old city in Dubrovnik and the Acropolis and to hobble through the Vatican. She lived in Germany for nine years in the 70's, but she had two toddlers, so European travel was limited. After two terms on city council, she is glad to be able to travel. The future includes visits to her 13 grandchildren, friends, and big adventures. Deborah "Debbie" Ward Heritage sailed up the west coast to Alaska in May and managed to see wild bears, whales and glaciers. She and Karen Russell helped celebrate her dad's 100th birthday in March. He was honored by the American Legion, a group of bike-riding veterans and close friends. They have visited several times as Karen recovers from a severely broken ankle. Cheryl Lindeman will be receiving the Wittenberg Alumni Achievement Award on October 1, 2022. LInda Pound Coyne is excited about her move to northern Virginia, where she hopes to see lots of friends from Randolph and enjoy the musical opportunities in the area. As always, please make sure your information with the College is up to date, especially e-mail addresses. We would love to hear from you.

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Ann Sturgis Coates always gets the prize for first

responder. At the Zoom gathering at Reunion, Ann encouraged anyone traveling north or south on US 113 to swing into Snow Hill. This so happened in June when Mark & Sarah Collier Heatwole '70 were traveling from Pennsylvania back to their new home in Florida. She and Mark were their next door neighbors 51 years ago in Lexington (where they lived in post-war veteran housing better described as "tar paper shacks")! Mark was a third year law student. Ann and Randy had only seen them once in 51 years, but it was immediate recognition when Ann saw them walking into Randy's office. As they were heading south on 113, they saw the sign for Snow Hill and had an "ah ha moment" that they live there. It was a brief, but nice reunion. Laura Bullock Crumbley and Jess are planning to go to Italy at the end of September. On Sunday, August 14th, there was a President's Open House. Laura and Jean Stewart made the party and were blessed with a break in the weather. It was a goodly turnout of 100 alums, staff and friends wandering all over the house! Laura said there is no doubt that Randolph is a good fit for our new President, Sue Ott Rowlands. She has an awesome art collection and wellappointed furniture-- Stunning actually. It is not hard to imagine her turning down other colleges because they lacked suitable accommodations. In 2027, we are going to have to get an invitation to the house for our class! In the meantime, Laura guesses there will be an article with many, many photos of the art and people and two fawns in the backyard! Anne Harrington reported that for several years now, she and husband Steve have been filling their free time with volunteer work, collecting unsold bread from local bakeries and providing meals for refugees and asylum seekers there in Brussels. They have also recently enjoyed the chance to do a little travelling again now that the pandemic, at least in her part of the world, is receding. They had a lovely holiday this summer in a tiny hamlet in Dordogne with their 3 adult children (Paul, Nora and Andrew), their partners, and their grandson Julian, who turned 2 while they were all together. At the time of her email, Mary "Mollie" Danforth had just made spicy ratatouille from veggies grown by Ellen Parkhurst. She is enjoying summer veggies at the river in Lottsburg, Virginia. Her grandchildren, Grace, Luke, Stephen, and David enjoyed swimming, kayaking, and paddle boarding for her birthday weekend thanks to some miracle that has almost eliminated jellyfish in her cove. Margaret Brooks Kelley felt connected to many of us in the planning of the Reunion. She transferred from R-MWC after her freshman year, and lost contact. She spent years busily raising her family (three children, six grandchildren) and working as a school psychologist and guidance counselor. She has now retired and values old friendships, so she



1972 classmates Peg Campbell Yelverton and Betsy Waters Harrison at Pawleys Island for a mini reunion with Cathy Lachicotte Kern

would love to reconnect with any classmates who are in the Georgia and North Florida area. She and her husband love to travel and presently also are raising their 13-year-old grandson for their daughter who lives in Africa. Juliette Ezzell **Grumley** had a wonderful time at reunion, she writes. She, Cathy Simmons Brookman, Martha Johnston, and Sandy Worth Page stayed together in the Craddock Terry Hotel. She especially applauds Laura Bullock Crumbley and Martha Delaney for the excellent farewell "chapel" service. She and Paul took a trip for their 50th wedding anniversary to Scandinavia. She says it was a joy to have beautifully cool weather after an extra hot Kentucky summer! Sandy Worth Page and husband Winston went on a Rhine River trip in June. It was with alums from UNC and colleges all over the US. The boat was new, and the weather was fabulous. Seeing the Matterhorn was the highlight! They ended in Amsterdam and then took the Eurostar to London and spent the last few days there. They met Dame **Debbie Carson** and husband George for dinner and the musical, "Tina." It was the most energetic, frolicking production ever. They ask the audience not to sing or dance in their seats, but to leave it to the professionals. Sandy and the Dame had a hard time containing themselves. The husbands stayed calm! The Dame and George looked great and it was a smashing ending to a fun trip! Pat Washington Parrish enjoyed herself at our Reunion and she says it was great to see everyone. At this point she is still working, but has plans to retire (for the second time) in September. Summer has been hot, but she's not complaining. Hopefully, for the next notes she will have some travel news, but right now she just plans to relax as much as she can and take care of her mother who lives with her. Martha Delaney says that it was great "being back behind the red brick wall" at R-MWC for our 50th Reunion. It was nice to catch up on all the news from fellow classmates who attended on campus and from those who participated in our Zoom Class Meeting. We all represented '72 as the new 50 very well. After

attending our 50th reunion, Martha stayed a few extra days in Virginia to visit with family and friends before she did the long drive back north to Connecticut. She is looking forward to her annual 2 week summer vacation with friends (and dogs) at a beautiful cottage located on the water on Mason's Island near Mystic. It will be the 10th year of renting the same house where they have lots of fun-fishing, kayaking, sailing, swimming, and, of course, eating and drinking lots of good food and drink. Cathy Lachicotte Kern was sorry that Peg, Betsy, and she could not make it to Reunion this year, but did have their own mini reunion at her Pawleys Island summer home. They busted historic sites in the low country, and just talked and laughed a lot. They had not seen each other in at least 25 years, but just picked up right where they left off! Betsy is retired and living on Cape Cod and loving gardening and making beautiful hooked rugs. Peg is still loving living on the water in Bluffton, South Carolina where she recently hosted her 3 children and 10 grandchildren. Cathy is still teaching 7th and 8th grade science, religion, and art at a wonderful Catholic school in San Francisco, but making the most of warm summers elsewhere. This year summer was split between Pawleys Island and Truckee, California. Peg and Betsy are happy, healthy and still very vibrant souls. It filled Cathy's heart to spend time with them this summer!! Stuart Tuggle Harkleroad wrote that her upcoming plans for fall are to knit, do artwork, and the usual daily things like paying bills and laundry. She says that she is going to recycle and clean out and maybe cook sometimes! Then, she will prepare for the holidays! Stuart sent three scarves she'd knitted in R-MWC black and gold motif to Reunion. One was given to the person in our class who had traveled the farthest and it was **Debbie Clark** from Maryville, Missouri. We gave one to President Bateman from our class and left one for President Rowlands! See photo of her modeling it, complete with our upside down '72 is the new '50 button!

#### REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 1973

Clare Portlock McAdams and Brenda Ray Martin 1973@randolphcollege.edu

Hello Class of 1973 R-MWC classmates ,

We have our first submission from **Elizabeth Bradford**, who attended R-MWC for two years. Since my co-secretary also attended R-MWC for her first two years, Elizabeth decided to write. I absolutely love her for doing so. Elizabeth writes, "I am finally able to be a full time artist and this past year enjoyed a solo exhibition at the Cameron Art Museum in Wilmington, North Carolina, where I saw Nelson Phillips for the first time in fifty years. I live in my great grandparents'

farmhouse near Davidson, North Carolina, and I'm restoring a 19th Century farmhouse in the New River Valley as a summer retreat. I have enjoyed reuniting with Sara "Sally" King Hall and Anne Ashburn Cianni. I also keep in contact with my cousins/graduates, Betsey Gordon McCrodden and Dr. Sarah Gordon who just published a(nother) brilliant book of poetry. I would love to tell you more about my co secretary and past roommate, Brenda Ray Martin. She too stayed two years and transferred to UNC, Chapel Hill completing her degree in Nursing. Brenda lived in Raleigh, North Carolina and still resides there. I visited often during our two years together. Her mother and brother welcomed me with open arms. I loved the city so much, I felt certain I would live there. Freshman year Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks were two weeks apart. Florida was enough of a distance for that short period that I was invited (I must have hinted) to spend Thanksgiving in Raleigh. Steffen Hays Bentley also went with her wonderful roommate, Phyllis Goodwin Neal to Apex, North Carolina. On the night before the big meal, the four of us decided to sample Mrs. Ray's homemade cornbread stuffing. Unfortunately, it was delicious and we lost all manners, restraint, and judgment! By Christmas, it was a case of the freshman 15-Just speaking for myself here. My mother immediately upon laying eyes on me put me on a Florida grapefruit diet. I recall gaining two more pounds. When it was time to separate for Christmas we four said goodbye from the Bell parking lot. I remember exchanging gifts and all of us breaking down in tears. Alas, we were family and we knew it. Isn't that a grand memory? It was Brenda who persuaded me to attend our 10th and 45th reunions. And again her idea that we become co-secretaries. Brenda is beautiful, intelligent, loves to laugh, always shows compassion, and has had many teachings from joys and sorrowsas have I. We are permanently bound in loyalty and love. Our 50th Reunion is June 2- June 4, 2023, and I can tell you the 45th was more than worth the trip. Apparently those celebrating 50th are treated as VIPs. Talk it over; I hope you'll come and you will have a meaningful experience. Love and Blessings to each one of you, Clare Portlock **McAdams** 

1974

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The Class of 1974 brings greetings to our sisters from R-MWC who have already celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> reunions and we are looking forward to ours in 2024. To stay strong and fit and cheerful for that momentous event, we present the following activities. [Drum roll] **Sandra Conner** suggests

sewing, quilting, enjoying a large backyard flower garden, mowing grass, and dodging the flash flood warnings and watches. Mary Borden Currin advises going to the gym four times a week for Silver Sneaker cardio/balance class, Zumba, and weight bearing exercises to keep joints and bones strong. For mental activity she suggests gazing at the river and relaxing to the sounds of the birds and wind and waves. Marguerite "Margie" Morris Dubay advocates a daily neighborhood walk with a partner - in her case, a hubby. They have improved their speed on the 1.1-mile course by 3 minutes since their first walk in Summer 2020 and have only missed for post-COVID vaccinations and COVID itself! She also recommends blasting late 1960's-1970's music in the house. Ray Smith Berry, having finally retired from teaching eighth graders, endorses reading, gardening, and re-ordering life! And if you are as lucky as Ray, you can dote on a new grandchild or attend your children's cello performances in NYC and Providence. Jean "Jeannie" Crawford-Lee recommends RVing. She and husband, Don, bought a small RV in 2020 and drove to see their sons on the West Coast, sightseeing along the way. (They are contemplating a move to California at their sons' request!) For newbies like them, it was challenging and exhilarating. Now they have downsized to a camper van and are planning more travels. On the home front of Maitland, Florida, she loves playing ukulele in the Joy Uke Club with a small group of women, the occasional mahjongg game, swimming, walking the dog by the lake, and freelance editing. Jeannie also wrote that 16 of the class's junior year Reading group have planned a third reunion (first was in 2017) in October at Wrightsville Beach and promises decent photos. Reunions always build new neural pathways! Kristin Rehder is playing competitive table tennis (of course she is), and highly endorses walking, picking a baritone ukulele, trying to cook like Julia, and learning Qigong. She wrote, "Life is still my greatest adventure." LiddyBet Campbell Rightmyer advises that water aerobics and gentle yoga are the mainstay of a healthy mind-body balance and considers volunteer work for various boards and organizations to be a satisfying service. By the way, did you know that the Happy Birthday song was written in Louisville? Stay tuned for an international announcement about a memorial to the magnificent Hill Sisters! Let's all bring our ukuleles to reunion and have a go at making some music memories in 2024!

1975

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Sally Gaede Clauss talks to Miguelita "Mig"

**Finn Scanio** regularly for a bird/ animal consult. "A Master Naturalist, she helps me identify birds and how to keep my dog, Bentley, in line. The summer heat in Naples Florida is overwhelming: you could fry an egg on the asphalt. I have to walk B early, after a rain or at night, or it burns his feet!" Sally attended a beautiful April wedding in Charleston and plans for another in Milwaukee this November. From Miguelita: "My husband, Stephen, and I recently purchased a condo in Highlands, North Carolina. I am so happy to be back in the Blue Ridge (escaping Texas heat) and invite any classmates nearby or vacationing in the area to get in touch. We plan to spend most summers and part of the Fall here." After the death of her mother in March, Laura Koiner Walters and husband Scott packed and moved, along with Laura's brother, 2 dogs and a cat, to Berkshire County, Massachusetts to be near son, Rain Olbert. They arrived in time to unload, shower, and get to Berkshire Botanical Gardens for Rain's graduation from his 4-year post-doctoral fellowship in inpatient psychoanalysis at the Austen Riggs Center. Here's a hint: "Now the first of December was covered with snow and so was the turnpike from Stockbridge to Boston. Though the Berkshires seemed dreamlike on account of that frostin' with 10 miles behind me and 10,000 more to go...." Yes, Austen Riggs: where J.T. (an all-time favorite) went many moons ago to dry out. A civil rights lawyer, **Zoleta Courtney** expressed dissent with recent decisions from the US Supreme Court. She is "working through "Mothers Against Greg Abbott" to derail his right-wing agenda and elect Beto O'Rourke! Walking to get out the vote for sanity! Elections matter. Save our democracy!" Margaret Wells Hayslip traveled for a month including the Netherlands and 6 days cross country to a family reunion and bike ride on the Virginia Creeper Trail. "I stopped by Spartanburg to see my stepmother and visit the farm that Dad built, where we spent my childhood weekends, but it just wasn't the same without him. My son, grandson, and I ended up getting on the road back to New Mexico. It was like saying goodbye, in a positive way, to that part of my life. My daughter and Dutch diplomat husband are moving to Senegal-thus, we are all working on our French. I've changed my travel-miles card from Southwest (for US travel) to Delta (for Europe and Africa). I learned a long time ago that life is a series of transitions. I am still teaching English online from my home in Albuquerque. I enjoy lessons and conversations with adults and kids around the world." Carole Collins Colley says their response to extreme heat in the UK was to keep windows open at night, closed during the day. She and husband Tim heard loud cheers echoing outside when the England Women's football/ soccer team won the European championship

against Germany! "With a long history of Germany beating England at everything, the hoots and cheers in the neighborhood are loud with all windows open. The women celebrated by stripping off team shirts to expose their sports bras (some of them penalized for this behavior)." Tim Colley was focused on the Commonwealth Games, a quadrennial, international multi-sport event. Lorraine Blanks Potter wrote that younger son, James Potter '15, married over the summer and moved to Washington DC. He'll teach at St. Stephens and St Agnes and his wife at Green Hedges School. They had been at Fredericksburg Academy, and both her parents and grandparents are in Falls Church, so that works out nicely--she is a peach! Lorraine's older son in Warrenton takes the metro to Georgetown. where he is finishing his PhD. His new fiancé is a Randolph College grad. Marsha Taylor Pepper and husband Steve enjoyed visiting with Dale Atkinson Stolldorf '74 and husband Scott at their home on Lake Norman, north of Charlotte. Marsha "discovered" Dale and Scott's proximity to Charlotte when her search for a new eye doctor found their son, Hunter Stolldorf, now her eve doctor! The Peppers spent a weekend with Lisa Cloar Sutton and husband David at their home in Simpsonville, South Carolina. Highlights included the dogs playing together, a trip to a peach farm, and Marsha's peach cobbler. Carole Collins Colley and husband Tim "beamed in" via Facetime for an entertaining chat. In July, Elizabeth "Lisa" Cloar Sutton and husband David sold the Sylva, NC cabin that they built 22 years ago, after spending the past 3 years renovating it. They love having one home and settling into the Greenville area. During the Peppers' visit, Marsha and Lisa uncovered a box of old letters exchanged during R-M days. It's hard to believe there was life without email or cell phones, but we have proof. What fun! Thanks to all who contributed news for this issue!

1976

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Nancy is the new Secretary for the Class of 1976! She looks forward to receiving your news for the next set of class notes at the above email address.

**1977** 

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**Catherine Phillips Winslow** is still in Raleigh. She retired from teaching in 2020, but substitutes as often as possible. She is ready to start the next chapter of her life having placed her parents in a family care assisted living home. She

participated in the 25th Royal School of Church Music-Carolina Course at Duke. The lights of her life are 2 granddaughters and 1 grandson, age range 3 yrs-6 mos. After a 2 year delay, Carol Simpson Mohrman and husband Joel traveled to Germany to see the Passion Play in Oberammergau with a group from their church. They also visited Munich, Salzburg, Vienna, Prague and Budapest. Their group stayed healthy all 10 days, but she and Joel developed COVID upon return. They are thankful they only had mild cases! Cathy Murphy battled cancer for a year and a half before she was notified she was free of cancer! She sends many thanks to her R-MWC's friends for sending their positive vibes and prayers. The support was invaluable, as was the Emory Clinical Trial, testing an experimental drug referred to as Bond 007. After 12 unsuccessful BCG treatments, it was a relief to be told her good news after 12 clinical trial treatments! **Dawn Keogh** had a big scare about the return of her cancer, but it was a false positive. Reunion was great for her, only her second since one in the 80s. Diana Mitchell Smith said her '22 highlight was pulling off an in-person reunion in June. Lots of fun and catching up on campus, at The Virginian and at Rie's on Saturday night. Then she met Charlie's plane in Charlotte for 10 days of visiting family and friends (+ baseball) in South Carolina and Georgia. Edna Aguirre Rehbein and her husband took their first transatlantic cruise in April '22. They sailed from the US to Spain. Stops included the Azores, Cadiz, Malaga, and Barcelona. Jo Szymczyk Beverly completed a 6 month accelerated course with The Institute of Integrated Nutrition (IIN). She is now a certified Health Coach. She's excited to see where this takes her! June Bivins Baumoel and husband Jim had a wonderful trip to Milan and Bologna, Italy in April. They were glad to be abroad again and pleased to see Italians adhering to COVID safety precautions. Karen Campbell and husband Bob took scuba trips to South Caicos Island and Little Cayman Island after 3 years of not diving. They also caught up with folks visiting them at Smith Mountain Lake in the not-reallypost-pandemic world. Libby Dodd Slight and a friend visited another National Park on her bucket list in February, Death Valley! The trip included challenging hikes, amazing colorful rock and mountain palettes, incredible dunes, and mild temperatures. Even caught a huge dust storm. She saw Claudia Smith Payne and husband, Jud, a couple of days prior to their family beach vacation in July. Lisa Peniston Sieg's daughter will marry June 2023 in Lexington, Virginia. (Jean Widmayer Krafft is her godmother.) In July, Lisa and husband, Pat, traveled to New England, visiting their younger son in New York and older son and his wife in Boston, with a final stop in Newport. She is planning another year of art shows which continue both in person and virtually. This will be her 7th year as the VP/Exhibits Coordinator for the Rockville Art League in Maryland. Priscilla Edwards Englert and husband, Jack, plan to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on Aug 28th, spending a month in Greece. They went there on their honeymoon, and again with their kids for their 25th. Both were Classics majors, so Greece and Italy are special for them. Debbie Randall Bowie works very part-time with organizing clients. She flew to Boston with her father, 93, to visit family and enjoy the coast of New England. She also enjoyed a wonderful mini-reunion with Pattie Hallett on Hilton Head, South Carolina, and traveled to Abingdon, Virginia twice for Bowie family celebrations. Debbie Philips Close in semi-retirement continues as an Adjunct Professor at Rutgers teaching "Management of Technological Organizations." Spring 2022 was very challenging moving to online remote instruction at spring break. She and husband, Geof , are blessed to be together after 43 years of marriage. She is in regular touch with **Vivien** Caldwell Devins '74. Leigh Martin Lowe and husband, Henry, after spending part of the last three summers in Maine and loving every minute of it, decided to buy a home there on the Pemaguid Peninsula. The plan is to be there for 5 months of the year. Please update me with any email changes so we can keep in touch.

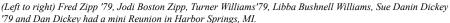
**REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023** 1978

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**Diane Ragland Russell** and husband, John, have moved back to Shreveport, Louisiana after about 7 years out west and are happy to be living near family and friends again! From Atlanta, **Beth Shinn Kempe** wrote, "I'm enjoying seeing Phebe when she comes to see

her son/daughter in law and baby Lane, who live around the corner from me! I just heard from Christie Powell, who is stoked for Reunion! Let's all get excited to go! My first two family weddings in October 2022 and April 2023-both my sons. Still working in residential real estate." Leighton Clarke Krips retired from Loudoun County Public Schools in June. This past summer, she and Jim traveled to Maine to meet part of the family near Acadia National Park for a week, and then continued to Nova Scotia, including Cape Breton Island. They were able to visit with all 8 grandchildren, 3 daughters and spouses while away. Patty Linger Beyer is still in Connecticut working 3 days a week and looking forward to Ted's retirement before long. "We are fine and have remained COVID free, even Mom at 101. She's still enjoying life but can no longer walk so







(Left to right) Susan Harrison '79 and Sue Danin Dickey '79 met in Lisbon, Portugal in the summer of 2022.

she's on the waiting list for senior housing, that's actually in the building where she and I both attended junior high! Gotta love small towns and deep roots." Lucy Gerald Cook sent news from Maine that in August she visited daughter Becky, husband and 2 daughters, including newborn, Maeve, in Santa Monica. Lucy added, "We are off to Cape Town and Kruger National Park in November with son Jeff, his girlfriend, and her family. Really looking forward to that!" Pat O'Connor Sollitto continues working remotely as a Project Manager/Business Analyst for a Reinsurance Co., and husband, Nick, is entering his last year of teaching Literature in Stamford, Connecticut. Stephanie Bussey-Spencer Patton is pastor of Oakland Presbyterian in Memphis. This past summer, she had "an amazing time" on a 3 month Eli Lilly granted Sabbatical to Europe finishing with a month at home. She visited Spain for 2 weeks with husband, Mike, next went to Scotland (Edinburgh, Glasgow and Iona), and London. Lastly, Stephanie's daughter, Mollie, and Julia Ragsdale Waddell '79 joined her in Paris and Provence, France. Anne Horton Sirnev sent news that she has remarried. "My wife is a microbiologist at the U of Alberta, so I have relocated to Edmonton. Canadian winters are an experience, for sure, but I've learned how to walk on the ice and how to dress properly, so my fears of freezing solid have been largely assuaged. I retired a few years ago and since then, have been working on a novel, which I am about three chapters away from finishing. I was in the first class to receive an MFA from Randolph and that brilliant program not only set me up for success, but rekindled a fire in me. I can't say enough about the faculty and administrators. Without them, who knows what I would be doing with myself instead of clacking away at my keyboard." In Scotland, Russell Willis Taylor is busy launching a community leadership program ("to train up people who are community leaders but never planned to be") for the Scottish government and also working on rural environmental matters

in the beautiful Highlands. Donna Stauffer continues working for the US government parttime on policy and leadership development for the Foreign Service workforce. She's received Master Naturalist training in Fairfax County, Virginia and volunteers for various environmental/ conservation groups. "This year has been great for travel- including a river boat trip on the Rhine and a trip to Tanzania to experience the great wildebeest and zebra migration in the Serengeti. My granddaughter starts college at UVa next week - makes one realize how fast time is passing!" **Donna Price Tibbs** and husband, EC, have also been traveling: an Alaskan cruise last May and a cruise in October to the Baltic Sea with Margaret Morrisette Nost '79 and husband, Eric. Donna and EC love living near Irvington, Virginia where they stay busy with their large garden and are active in their church. "We love spending time with EC's 6 grandchildren - I don't have any yet!" Kay Lewis-Wellman wrote, "My daughter Catherine was married April 10<sup>th</sup> in Bryan, Texas to Ryan Bollweg. She works for a Pharmaceutical company (just like I did) on Covid-19 vaccines, and Ryan is a software engineer. I am enjoying our garden and am volunteering for a local agency that provides rides to seniors for medical appointments and shopping." As for me, I've been busy here in Virginia with family. All 3 kids and 2 sweet grandkids were closeby for 2 years, but now our son has taken a job in California. Many of you have said you are attending our 45th reunion in June, and I hope many more will make plans to join us for the fun! For Info: Reunion - Alumnae and Alumni Association (randolphcollege.edu) See you there! Margaret

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Not much news to report this time! It's been hot and dry in central Texas this summer, but I've been able to have some beach time in Corpus Christi, Texas with my grandkids. Twins Travis and Elisabetta are 7 now, Teddy and Corry are both 4, and Julia is 1. Husband, Travis, and I are fortunate to spend so much time with them all. Janet Hansen Martinet has returned to work in a way, doing a lot of art administration this summer with a show at the Loft and group shows with art organizations. As the proud owner of several of her works, I can attest to her talent! Husband, Mike was thinking about retiring, but decided not to since the market went down. He changed jobs and is a lot happier now. Son, Mike is working for GSK and visits about once a month. Son, Henry is working for an HVAC company and seems to be doing quite well. He is thinking about learning computer coding now. which makes his dad very happy. Janet is just happy that he is gainfully employed with a good company! Sue Danin Dickey had a fun spring and summer with R-MWC friends. She met Susan **Harrison** in Lisbon Portugal for a fun, whirlwind, memorable night. Susan was with husband, Dave, and friends, and Sue was with husband, Dangolfing and seeing the sights of Portugal. They had a glorious dinner with lots of laughs. In July, Sue was excited to welcome Libba Bushnell Williams and husband, Turner, to stay with them in Harbor Springs Michigan. Polo matches, Mackinaw Island, boating and talk of dirt pudding was a blast. The couples dined with **Jodi Boston Zipp** and husband, Fred, who spend summers in Michigan, just 6 houses down from Sue. Sue had a wonderful summer playing a ton of golf. She still skis every year in Colorado, plays Maj Jong, and enjoys book club, studying the Torah and having fun with grandsons. Her big news is the birth of Eliza Rose, born August 11th to Sue's daughter Sarah. Congratulations! Cathie Martin just moved to Mount Pleasant, South Carolina to be close to two granddaughters, (3 months and 2 years). The 2 year old is a pistol, and her sister has a lot to say about it. Cathie is enjoying the southern cuisine and cool sea breeze. We were excited to hear from Lisa Manning Urban, who



(Left to right) Mary Catherine Carrington '82 and Grayson Carrington '22

left R-MWC after junior year. She married her UVa boyfriend. They were married 42 1/2 years before he died in February 2022 from COVID complicated by COPD. It has been an unsettling time. She has been living in Huntsville, Alabama since 1980. She taught 4th & 5th grade for 32 years in the city school system, until retiring in June 2019. Now she is interested to see what life presents. Please send news in for the next Bulletin; we love to hear what's going on with you!

#### 1980

In need of a Secretary. Email classnotes@randolphcollege.edu to volunteer or send your updates.

Judy Kennedy Elliott wanted to let her class know that she regretfully needs to step down from her role of Class Secretary due to health issues and other big life changes. She and her husband moved to an assisted living community in Connecticut, and she now lives much closer to her daughter and granddaughter. Holly Babb Brown '78 and Lenny stopped to visit Ellen McCarthy at Ellen's studio, a participating studio on the Maine Potter tour. They hope to go kayaking at Holly's once the weather is warmer. If anyone would like to step in for this important role, please email classnotes@randolphcollege. edu

#### 1981

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In March 2022, **Mary Hastings Cooper** led efforts for the 80th anniversary of MD Anderson Cancer Center. Over \$10.5 million was raised in a star studded event at Houston's Toyota Center featuring John Stomas as emcee with The Beach Boys, The Commodores, Todd Rundgren, Christopher Cross and Generation Radio.



Martha Nase Donovan '82 her husband, Kevin, and their son and daughter, John and Virginia

### Kevin, and their

Bonnie McMillan and Martha Nase Donovan 1982@randolphcollege.edu

Work home caretaker. In sandwich generation, Would rather travel - Charlsie Ceraolo Anderson, Lynchburg, VA. Daily swimmer, Dog lover, Living at the beach, Reads as much as possible, still - Trish McCall, Santa Monica, CA. Rocket City soul, Writes software, dances to blues, Loves her kids. YOLO - Janet Frederick Conklin. Huntsville, AL. Jane Hirst Green - lives in Altavista Virginia. "I've spent much of my summer getting the library in order for my 18th year as the elementary school librarian in my small town. After being out of the actual library for two years due to the pandemic, it's like starting over! Clean out and refresh! But in the last six months I've had the opportunity to travel with my daughters in CA, Nashville, and Atlanta, and NYC & MA with my brother - so lots of fun!" Julie White Forehand retired from teaching after 31 years. She enjoys living in Roanoke, Virginia with husband of 30 years, Randy. Now spends her time in competitive ballroom dancing. Also enjoys time with her four children, three grands, and traveling. Martha Nase Donovan convinced her husband. Kevin, to move back to her childhood home in Roanoke, Virginia right before Christmas last year from their home of 36 years near Princeton, New Jersey. Her sister, Hove Nase Duckworth '73 lives two miles away now. Her daughter, Virginia, is in graduate school at George Washington University in clinical adult counseling and son, John, a pension analyst, is moving to Charlotte, North Carolina in mid-October. Martha says geographic proximity to family and old friends (not to mention Lynchburg and Charlottesville) is wonderful. Janey Wallace Meynardie has spent a lot of time in the Commonwealth over the past four years! Her youngest son, William, graduated from UVa with a degree in astrophysics. Janey and her husband, John, went to many UVa football and basketball games, because William was a member of the UVA band.



Bonnie McMillan '82 and family

**Leslie Vercellone Tighe** will be celebrating the wedding of her son, Alex, on October 15, 2022 in Hampden, Massachusetts (pictures to follow in the next bulletin). R-MWC invitees include her sister, Rosanne Vercellone Kochanowicz '75, Amy Thornhill Talboy, Sarah Lemon Ludwig and Martha Nase Donovan. Mary Catherine Chernault Carrington had a great time at our Randolph College Reunion! She's so proud that her youngest son (Grayson) is a recent Randolph College graduate, class of 2022! She remarked that it's hard to believe that I just celebrated my son's graduation from college and then my 40th college reunion! Mary Catherine loves her job as Project Manager for Strategic Initiatives at Genworth. She also loves to volunteer at the College having served on Parent's Council, Reunion Planning Committee and now as a class ambassador to support our wonderful Class cosecretaries and Class co-agents! Jody Spiller **Ryan** - Geoff retired from ExxonMobil 3 years ago after 33 years and 9 moves. We have now settled in full time at our lake house on Badin Lake which is an hour east of Charlotte. Both of our boys and their wives live in Charlotte. Chris and Sara have Patrick (2 1/2) and Lizzie (6 months), and Matt and Breton have Nate (2) and are expecting number 2 in November. We see them all often and love being grandparents. Katie is in NYC working for JPMorgan and loving the city. We stay busy with the family, pickleball, golf, and volunteering. Now that we all are able to travel again, I hope to cross paths with classmates soon. Xoxo. Bonnie **McMillan**-I'm still enjoying a career in the Biotech (hematology/oncology) industry after 39 years! I live in Houston with husband Bruce Coffman, and some very goofy dogs and cats. Our son, James, is building rockets outside of Austin, and he and his fiancé Cassidy, will be getting married in October 2023. Our daughter, Claire, is in NYC pursuing a professional ballet career. COVID was devastating to the performing arts and artists, so we are all thrilled that our world is opening back up again - thanks to science! My trip to Lynchburg for our 40th reunion was so rewarding. I treasure all of you

and the memories we share. I hope to hear from you and hope we can continue to keep in touch. My email is optimist@gmail.com and you can call or text me at 713-628-7259. Xoxo Bonnie. Sarah Lemon Ludwig was so pleased to have more of our classmates attend our 40th Reunion in June than have been able to in the past. She hopes all of you will make attending reunions a priority. It is wonderful to hear stories about how life evolved for women we may not have known well during college. She added: "My husband, Kirk, and I live in Roanoke and have 2 daughters. Catherine lives in Northern Virginia and works in International Development Consulting. She has a 4 year old son and an infant daughter. Caroline is a 4th year OBGYN resident in Columbia, South Carolina and has an infant daughter. We love spending time with our daughters, their husbands, and our 3 grandchildren for whom we are part of the caregiving team. We are thrilled Caroline and her family will be moving to Roanoke next summer. I have done a considerable amount of driving every week as part of my caregiver role." A note from Bonnie and Martha - As your new coclass secretaries, our mission is to start a vibrant conversation between our members with no more blank spaces under 1982 in the Bulletin! So, what are the obstacles that keep you from engaging? If a "life update" is too much, let's mix it up a little! As you can see above, Charlsie, Trish, and Janet took the bull by the horns and decided to update using Haiku! Adgie Lou Dirom Davidson and her husband, Paul, relocated to Northern Virginia in July 2021 after living in Texas for 16 years. In November 2021, their eldest daughter, Lena, married a graduate of VMI, and they live nearby. In June 2022, Lena donated a kidney to Paul. The surgeries were performed at Fairfax Inova Hospital, where they both received excellent care! Your contribution doesn't have to be family/ career oriented. It could be a recent favorite recipe or vacation destination. It could be a book recommendation or a shout out to your favorite cause. For future updates, we are considering posing a question/topic that everyone can answer. Perhaps these conversation starters can be more fun and enlightening than sharing life events? Especially now so many of us are dealing with aging parents, COVID isolation etc. Maybe we could make it more conversational and less "newsy". What do you think? We love to hear from you! Also, we currently have 38 members in our Facebook group, R-MWC Class of 1982. Please join us if you haven't already! https://www.facebook. com/groups/775088685972640/. McMillan - Email: optimist@gmail.com Phone: (713) 628-7259. Martha Nase Donovan Email: mndonovan@norris-law.com Phone: (609) 937-1970. Cheers to our new Class Agents, Sarah and Trish and our Class Ambassador, Mary Catherine!

Sarah Lemon Ludwig – Email: sarahludwig60@ gmail.com Phone: (540) 312-5020. Trish McCall – Email: mccall.trish@gmail.com Phone: (917) 834-7612. Mary Catherine Chernault Carrington Email: marycatherine.carrington@genworth.com Phone: (434) 660-8455. And finally, many thanks and lots of love to our former wonderful Class Secretary – Adgie Lou Dirom Davidson!

REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 1983

Catherine Calcote Fischer & Robin Winford Daughtry 1983@randolphcollege.edu

THANK YOU to those who submitted news! Robin Winford Daughtry writes that she and husband, Hugh, recently spent a couple of weeks in Europe enjoying a Riverboat cruise from Amsterdam to Switzerland, then roaming around France for a while. Great people watching, terrific food and incredible scenery. Can't wait to go back. After 35 years in the industrial manufacturing & automation segment, I am hanging up my marketing hat to enjoy some well-deserved time off. Looking forward to more travel, relearning some lost golf skills, and overall just being a professional bum!! Maybe I'll just plan to bug Jamie and Bill more now that I know where they live!! She is speaking, of course, of Jamie Ledbetter D'Innocenzo. Jamie and Bill sold their house and are now homeless, at least until January or so. They are building a new home in Wilmington, North Carolina, where Robin's daughter lives, so the new house better have a quest room for Robin! Jackie Cambias Peer offered no details but submitted an adage that I believe a lot of us are beginning to relate to: getting older is not for the faint of heart. Caroline Kelly Buncick confirmed that adage as she reported that she and her husband "leaned into [the Pandemic] by riding bikes, hiking and enjoying the outdoors as much as possible to deal with the stress." That went very well until "I had a total knee replacement and then started experiencing increasingly painful back issues. Between January and April of 2022, I had three back surgeries. I realized I needed to retire because I just couldn't keep up the pace. It ended up that I had a slipped vertebrae sitting on my sciatic nerve! But the third one was a charm! I was relatively pain-free!" She sums it up with "I am starting my own business and will be able to chart my own future. Get ready- I may call you up some time and say I'm in town! Pickle Ball is on my bucket list as is as much travel as I can work in. I have a great family, a fantastic husband, a healthy future and I don't take this for granted." **Kim Keleher** is evidently planning on replacing some body parts as she writes, "After 20 plus years of being guarded by "interesting" Doberman

Pinschers, I'm ready for a change of pace. I loved them both, but at my age I want the nurses to be able to come into my home after hip replacement surgery or whatever is waiting for me in the next couple of decades." So, she is downsizing, dogwise and getting a black and tan cavalier King Charles spaniel puppy named Spencer at the end of this month. She writes, "The dog business is keeping me busy and happy. I'm only training little dogs. My biz, my rules. Every dog is so different. I'm learning that even the "easy" pups have their challenges. We can all bring our dogs to reunion, right?" I vote YES to bringing pups to reunion! Maggie Williams writes, "I am the most introverted class member, enjoying hearing about all friends' lives and accomplishments on social media. My excuse for not getting out more this year is the heat wave hanging over not just Texas but almost everywhere in the USA." She has plans to help out with the gubernatorial race this fall but most importantly she thinks I'm "a great editor with a wild sense of humor". Thanks Maggie, my new best friend! Margaret Davis Shields became a grandmother in April. Daughter Claire had baby Wade and he is wonderful! Margaret continues to work and travel and have many adventures everywhere she goes. And now for the real reason you read these Class Notes, here with the Opossum News, Nancy Kline reports "Not much happening in the opossum world since Clarissa and her babies went over the rainbow bridge back in April - it was very sad and there was nothing I could do at the time. I have had a gang of trash pandas (aka raccoons) over the summer, but thankfully they have moved on to greener pastures." Nancy sent an update on herself also, "I finally escaped the confines of my house and ran off to Crete for about 10 days. Lovely country, and I am looking forward to going back someday. I see Martha Frase and Kathy Fields fairly regularly and have visited with Elizabeth Dechert Boscovich, Anne Schoeffel Manley and Emily Maisch Ambrose this summer as well. Still doing the compliance contract work and making mosaics. I have focused a lot on new jewelry designs lately. Looking forward to seeing EVERYONE at reunion in 2023!" I didn't even pay her to say that but what a lead-in. EVERYONE make plans for spring 2023, our 40th reunion.

1984

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**Amy Heinbockel Burgoyne** writes that she is working at Optima Health managing large public sector groups. Amy and Bill's oldest son, Jack, graduated from Belmont in Nashville and twins Anna and Will are juniors at VCU and



1985 classmates Tina Pack McLane, Beth Ballard Kilgore, Megan Berryman Izykowski, Janet Lee Ahn, Cindy Fanning, Ann Cammack, Carolyn Somazze Fodel, Katherine Johnson McMahon, Nell Jefferson Fredericksen and Mary Ellen Clark



(Left to right) Tina Pack McLane '85, Mella Montague Grainger '84, Brenda Jones Oprisch '83, and Becky Perry Smith



Elizabeth McCain '86 is enjoying visiting friends and family, and exploring performance opportunities for her onewoman show, Porch Stories; OUTrageous Confessions of a Southern Lesbian.

Virginia Tech, respectively. Amy notes that she is thankful that her working time is somewhere in the single digit number of years and she looks forward to a reunion to celebrate 60th birthdays and 40+ years of friendship. Robin Luttrell has been living in Atlanta, Georgia since 1993. She started cycling a few years ago and says it reminds her of the joy of riding a bicycle as a child. She finds the bike routes around Serenbe, GA are a lot of fun and there's an added benefit to enjoying brunch and shopping after. Robin reports that she did a fundraiser bike ride through Madison, Georgia which was wonderful. I join her in finding cycling to be a delightful athletic adventure for us who graduated from college in 1984! Frances Swain Sterling reports on the wonderful news of having two COVID-19 weddings and gaining two wonderful daughters. Frances' first son was married "the day before the world closed, 3/14/20." And, her second son was married the day before the world started to open back up on 9/25/21. Frances and her husband are now proud grandparents to granddaughter, Charlotte Reina Sterling, born on 4/13/22. Frances has been a real estate agent for 10 years and, not surprising to any of us, has been recognized as a top producing agent for 3 years running. Mary "Pam" Weinacht works at global consulting firm Willis Towers Watson's Washington DC office (remotely) as a Total Rewards consultant, primarily with global insurance and media clients. She and husband, Michael, left the wonder of W. Franklin Street in Richmond's Museum District to be in a smaller house, minutes away from daughter, Turner, and son, Ballard, who just bought houses in the Bon Air part of town. Pam reports, ".....it's like moving to a new city, all new restaurants, movie theaters and a go-zillion places to wash cars. Who knew?" Hunter McKinley Sydnor retired in January and says that she is loving

being a consultant and playing more golf, being a grandmother to two beautiful granddaughters, and lots of traveling! **Carrie "Holly" Trimmer Buckley** reports that while they are not retired yet, they are "living in Florida like we are retired!" Holly is enjoying pickleball, golf, and of course, the beach. They "have 3 kids that are now through college (love the SEC - UGA, USC and Alabama), and they are all working, but scattered around the country from Kansas City, MO to MD to FL."

#### 1985

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The class of 1985 had a Gathering in June in Nashville, Tennessee. In attendance were Tina Pack McLane, Beth Ballard Kilgore, Megan Berryman Izykowski, Jenet Lee Ahn, Cindy Fanning, Ann Cammack, Carolyn Somazze Fodel, Kathrine Johnson McMahon, Nell Jefferson Fredericksen and Mary Ellen Clark. We laughed, toured, and shared secrets and stories. A grand time was had by all. In 2023 we will have our next Gathering in Essex, New York. For information, watch our Class of 1985 Facebook page! Carolyn Somazzee Fodel's mother, Eleanor Messick Somazze, died on July 20th. She will be missed greatly by her family and community. Cindy Fanning's mother, Alyce Feruolo Fanning, passed at the age of 99 on September 27th. May she Rest In Peace. Cindy is now looking to move to North Carolina in the upcoming year! Debbe Jones Benzur is entering her 27th and final year of teaching elementary school in Atlanta! It is Bittersweet! Michelle Logan Mazanec is now a Veterans Recruiter for Los Alamos National Laboratory and travels frequently. Mary Ellen Clark had a pandemic wedding on April 17, 2020 to Bobby Downie. Her

grandmother Jewel Tickle Clark '30, mother, Martha Bowman Clark '60, and sister Ginny Clark '86 all attended virtually with in town quest including cousin of the groom Lorraine Ausley participating in a drive by reception. Becky Perry Smith, Mella Montague '83, and Brenda Jones Oprisch '83 are having a mini gathering with Tina Pack McLane in Nashville in August. Our classmate Jeanet Lee Ahn became officially engaged at the end of July to Pete Eisert! Congratulations! Nell Jefferson Fredericksen is still a custom design goldsmith and potter at her studio Sugar Grove Studio (www.nellfredericksencom<http://www. nellfredericksencom>). She has also become the new ceramics instructor at Ferrum College. Mary-Huffard Kegley cares for her mother (MBC professor for 38 years) on the Kegley family farm in Bland Virginia. She works in policy for a Virginia state agency. I continue to enjoy retirement, grand and great grandchildren and water aerobics. I wish upon my class health and happiness till our next class notes and beyond! Natalie Fern's mother passed away on November 25, 2020.

#### 1986

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Greetings all! Well I sent out the clarion call for news and received only one reply. **Sandy Doran Rogelberg**, you get a gold star! Sandy writes, "I saw your call for "news" from our class. I have very little to report. We are pretty settled: We've passed the 19 year mark living in Charlotte. If I might take a moment to brag on my kids...Sasha is happily settled in Philly and has finished her first year as a journalist for the Philadelphia Jewish newspaper, the "Exponent." She won 2 national awards for a couple of articles! Gordon graduated from UNC,

Chapel Hill in May, with a degree in physics. He starts a PhD program in theoretical physics at Yale this fall! Life is good here." Alicia Lewis is a published author with the release of her novella, "Room Service." Congratulations Alicia, and I'm still trying to figure out a way to have you do some sort of book group/talk for our class! Most of you know that our sweet Cynthia Kramer Paris passed away in March. Amy Maffitt-Barkley, Mary Frances Jaap Bellman, Jan "Alison" Smith Kosnett, Ruth Moyers Hallman and I traveled to Louisville in April for her service. Susan Tremaglio Hill '88 graciously opened her house to our rag tag group and Jean MacLean '85 looked out for us. I don't know what we would have done without their care! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise over \$12,000 for a RISE grant in Cynthia's name. During Reunion weekend in June, we announced the first recipient of the grant. Many thanks go to the crew in the Alumni House and in Development who provided us with a beautiful setting for a memorial, despite having the first on campus reunion weekend in 2 years. Larkin Mott, Dorothy Chew Clark, Mary Frances Jaap Bellman, Jan "Alison" Smith Kosnett, Amy Maffitt-Barkley, Ruth Moyers Hallman, Christy Parker and I represented our class, with special guests Kathy Burke Annese; Cynthia's roommate in Reading and her twin sister Karen also with us. Afreen Yusuf Gootee and Sarah Lloyd from the class of 87 were also there. Christy started us off with a beautiful benediction and we all got to say a few words about Cynthia. Dolly Reigert Woodruff wasn't able to attend but sent the most moving tribute to Cynthia, truly capturing her spirit and why she is so loved. Cynthia's husband also made the trip with Cynthia's beloved dog and I can say that he was truly moved to see how much Cynthia was loved by us all and what an impact she had on our lives. After Lynchburg, some of us were able to continue on to Ruth's brother's house on the river to spend a few more days together and reminisce about Cynthia. Betsy Rawles Stanley was able to pop by for cocktails one night. She and husband, Colin, live not that far away and it was wonderful catching up! Betsy even came with great memorabilia- A freshman register, Skip Castro Boogie at Midnight and a Have a Randy Mac attack bumper stickers! Betsy's twin girls graduated from Foxcroft and are headed to college in the fall. After so many years abroad in fascinating posts with husband, Phil, Alison is now settled in the mountains of North Carolina. It was wonderful catching up with her and all of her experiences abroad and we are looking forward to seeing more of her now that they are retired! Alison recently lost her mother, and I know I speak for all of us in sending love and light her way. Ruth and Dorothy both saw their

youngest daughters (both Catherines) graduate from college in May. As for me, I finished radiation mid-February and my daughter got married in May. Julie Coxe (Kallie's godmother), Sharon Smith McClellan and Ruth were able to join in the festivities. After 3 years at Central Pension, my oldest son, Jonathan, has gone back to the private sector and is working for an investment group in Baltimore. For now he's working remotely 3 days a week and commuting from DC 2 days. Youngest, Andrew is starting his second year with Accolade Partners. Husband, Brian will be retiring from T Rowe Price in January after over 20 years in their Fixed Income group. Any suggestions on what to do with a retired spouse would be greatly appreciated! Don't forget, if you are on Facebook and haven't joined our Class Page let me know so I can add you to the crew!

**1987** 

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Dear Class of 1987, I'm grateful to have the delight of receiving your messages and sharing your news. A few of these notes were intended for the spring issue of 2022, but were just a bit too late to include, so I've tweaked the timelines a bit and included them in this issue. In my invitation to send in notes for this issue I raised the question of "what's saving you now." You'll see that some have offered a word or two towards that end in their reflections. Read on! We had a small but mighty group of classmates on campus for our reunion in June. An especially meaningful moment was joining other alumni in recognizing our very own classmate Sherrie Priesche, who was honored with an alumni achievement award. Mary Mullen Brinson (aka Bunny) wrote, "I loved being on campus and seeing our sweet classmates. A special treat was being at the Maier and seeing paintings we loved so well. I have a new job as the Marketing and Communications director at the American Heart Association in Jackson." Atlanta resident for 25 years, Kelli McCormick Bynum noted in her update, "I have 3 kiddos, two are at the University of Georgia and one is a high school sophomore. I am a practicing psychologist and I work at a school in Atlanta as the Director of Counseling Services. I continue to be so grateful for our years together at R-MWC." Becky Meisburg Healy, a Dr. Sears Certified L.E.A.N. Nutrition Coach and Qualified National Marketing Director with the Juice Plus+ Company, mused that she has found grace navigating the last 2 years through her faith, the delightful presence of her three grandchildren and the rich friendship she shares with her three children. Virginia Guth Josey and her husband, Ja, y have been living in Charlottesville for the last



(Left to right) Virginian Guth Josey '87 and Sara Smith Brown '87 at Reunion in June 2022

33 years. They have one son working in Seattle and the other moved to Richmond in August 2022 to begin his career as a high school history teacher. Virginia shared, "I still enjoy water skiing, reading, golf and all kinds of gardening-anything where I can put on my overalls and get really dirty makes me very happy." Gretchen Krug shared, "I have found my way back to Michigan after starting my public library career in Hilton Head, SC and later taking a giant leap of faith to live in amazing Anchorage, AK. Last fall my branch opened a brand new building about an hour north of Detroit. What is saving me now are good friends, kind neighbors who share their dogs with me, appreciative customers, and the hope for an eventual second act, trying something completely new." Sarah Lewis reported, "I have been in the Charlottesville (Crozet to be exact) area for the last 13 years. I am working full time in Private Practice again, (The Lewis Practice in Crozet), and I do a weekly podcast with 2 therapist friends, called Podcast Therapists (tune in anywhere you listen to your podcasts). I am sure you may pick up on my less than creative naming issues. My daughter is entering her Senior year of high school and verbally committed last fall to play lacrosse for Loyola University in Maryland. We are all doing well and have kept our heads above water during COVID." Another reunion goer Sarah Lloyd shared, "Life is getting semi-back to normal after the loss of my dad and our beloved home on Maui. I'm grateful for my career and am now in my 20th year of practicing as a Nurse Anesthesiologist. I've been accepted for my doctorate, but I'm questioning my rationale for doing so. And regrettably, I just canceled my summer vacation to the Adirondacks. My old yellow lab, Mia, is struggling this year. It just didn't feel right to leave her. So that said, if anyone is semi local, I am very much open to day trips and seeing college friends until I finish well with her... After that, travel awaits." Debbie Lombardi, who moved in recent



1988 classmates (Left to right) Ann Monroe Tuemler, Kate Goodman, Mary Pinck Wood, Ann Sanders Jennings, and Sara Dyck Taylor holding cards created by Susannah Raine '88

years to New Orleans to be near her mom has now transitioned into the role of caregiver moving her mother into a nursing home and tackling much needed house repairs. She is surrounded by supportive friends, an understanding boss and she swims regularly to keep herself in balance. She would love to connect with classmates who may be in the area. Amy Jo Wheeler Melvin was gracious to respond to my text for an update and shared that she is enjoying working remotely at her home in Roanoke as a Proposal Coordinator for By Light Professional IT Services. She has been renovating her childhood home with her son Kendryec (20), and in her spare time enjoys live concerts and ballroom dancing. She, Flo, and Pattie Wilson Martin (anchor for WSET Lynchbug's Good Morning Virginia show) enjoy catching up during their tricennial fall reunions. On the personal front, I (Flo Fisackerly Brooks), enjoy exploring area parks by foot on weekends and cultivating a practice of stitch meditation as a grounding creative outlet. I'm also a devoted student of Bowen Family Systems Theory and enjoy working with others to promote calmness, clarity and connection. Much joy to all of you in the days ahead! Message me your news and your thoughts. Also we have quite a few classmates who are not on my email list so if you are reading this and you are one of them, reach out to me. Thank you!

REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 1988

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Kathryn Falk was featured in "Virginia Business Magazine as one of Virginia's Women" in Leadership for her role as Vice President of Cox Communications, Northern Virginia. Emily Ayres and Maria-Teresa Powers Turner saw one another in Washington. Kate Goodman writes,

"I'm director of development for a local nonprofit that develops affordable, accessible housing for people with disabilities and low incomes. I've had a great summer with surprise visits from Tracy Ott Wallingford '90 who brought her son to see RC and H-SC, and Mallory Troxler Lehn and Dana Baker Esworthy, who were passing through and stopped at the college. Those were fabulous surprises and I hope everyone else who finds themselves nearby will give me a call. I spent a very nice long weekend in July with Sara Dyck Taylor, Ann Sanders Jennings, Ann Monroe Tuemler, and Mary Pinckney Wood. Libby Dorman Trampenau would have been with us if her family hadn't been cruising to Alaska! Allyson Finley Ey and I have gotten together twice in recent months and I hope to do that many more times. Ann Sanders Jennings is enjoying living and teaching kindergarten in Asheville, North Carolina. Her daughter was married in December 2021 and her mother died in June of 2022. Sara Dyck Taylor has celebrated her fifth anniversary as regional account director with FLOWER magazine. Sara and husband, Logan, are parents of a high school freshman and a high school junior. They're starting to think about college! Ann Monroe Tuemler is an occupational therapist with Marietta, Georgia city schools. Her eldest son, Ryan, is a graduate of West Point. Middle son, Paul, has graduated from Georgia State, as will her youngest, Caroline in December 2022. Mary Pinck Wood works in Sarasota and Philadelphia with Morgan Stanley. She and husband, David, celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary this year." Thanks for the updates on so many, Kate! Susannah Raine sells the lovely cards and her artwork at http://www. zouzousbasement.com/. I (Katie Shepherd McAllister) had the good luck of running into Teresa Witt Stanley and her husband, Jim, in Roanoke as we were both waiting for our cars at



Margaret Weatherly '88

the dealer. The time waiting flew by as we talked about the last 35 or so years.

I continue running. I had five races in the spring and ended up on the podium twice for my age group. I spend a lot of time at Hilton Head where I like to kayak, but no one gets more time paddling than Margaret Weatherly. She always shares great photos from her adventures and paddles along the NC/SC border. Margaret writes, "Libby Dorman Trampenau and I got together for lunch last October when she was in Charlotte for a family wedding. My son, David, was thoroughly entertained by her husband and his Navy adventures, although he still wants to join the army. (Which will never happen because of his disabilities, but Tim handled his questions like a champ.) Tim's mom also came along, and we had a delightful time." Please send notes anytime!

1989

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1990

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**Jill Kempenaar** is celebrating 11 years with BBN Technologies in Washington DC and last year transitioned to PM. She is enjoying it immensely and so proud of their research! She would love to connect with friends from 1986-87 before she transferred to Penn, where she majored in Russian, then Russian MA at Bryn Mawr and JD at Vanderbilt.

**1991** 

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#### 1992

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After 7 months in the UK, **Tina Kirk** returned to the US and is now working for Academic Programs International (API), a study abroad organization in Austin, Texas. Happily, she works remotely from home in Edmond, Oklahoma. During the past two years of no travel, rather than gathering in person Tina has joined regular Zoom calls with Rhoda Lea '92, Alis Dammeyer Priebe, Melissa Austin Anderson, Sonya Martin Spaulding, Lisa Squires, and Cecile Gunn Desmond. Tina also apologizes profusely to classmates Shannon Watts Sweetnam and Leslie Jones, both who sent notes to appear in a previous bulletin. Shannon turned 50 last year and took a wonderful trip with husband Bill to the Santa Ynez Valley. She did her own "Sideways" tour and visited the Santa Barbara Polo Club and Monty Roberts Ranch, both of which were on her bucket list. Shannon is still practicing real estate and has a full-time job as a Director of Development for a public health think tank. She continues to play polo, in addition to joining two new women's hockey teams and moving up a division. Shannon was inducted into the Daughters of the American Revolution and is glad to have looked into her genealogy and learned more about her history, including her Cherokee roots, which trace Shannon's family back to the area of Lynchburg. Virginia in the 1400s. Leslie Jones still works at Woodlake Animal Hospital; she was able to expand her building in 2019-2020 right before the pandemic. She then began building her own home and moved in September 2021 after staying 12 months with Stephanie Hart and her family. It was fun being "roommates" again for a year! Many thanks to the rest of her family who allowed me, my three dogs, and my three cats to move in... at one point that house had 7 humans, 5 dogs, and five cats.... It all worked out because Stephanie is simply amazing! Leslie also sees **Heather Jetton** regularly; she started her own optometrist practice in Midlothian and that is going well. Last August Leslie gathered in Detroit with other alumnae for the wedding of **Jennifer** Edwards Miller's first born daughter, Dani. It was a whirlwind weekend full of a lot of laughs celebrating a lovely couple. Like many other people, Leslie hopes to travel in 2022 with Turkey, Kenya, and France on her list of destinations.



(Left to right) Jennifer Greene '92, Stacy Reed '95, Amara Perez '92, and Anna Long '93

1994

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**Carolyn Norton** is still living in Atlanta working for the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation. She just bought a new place with plenty of room, if any of her R-MWC friends ever want to visit!

1995

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I hope that everyone is doing well. I love hearing from you so keep sending me your updates. In January, Tami Gaythwaite was promoted to CEO of Centerline Digital, a marketing company based in Raleigh, North Carolina. She has worked there for 17 years. Her daughter (12) and son (6) keep Tami on her toes. Alecia Sanders Gray and son, Ben, moved to Chico, California, because husband, BJ, was offered a permanent position with the Forest Service. Alecia continues to work remotely for the University of Montana although she did have to change jobs to make that possible (MT code doesn't allow for academic advisors to work remotely but allows IT personnel to telework). She's now an IT Business Analyst working on a project to transition paper and email heavy processes into streamlined online and automated processes whenever possible. Since starting at UM she's wanted to dig in and tackle the tangled messes and fix them to make life easier for staff and now that's her job. Good luck Alecia!! Ben is making friends and playing the trombone, which was tough in online school. He also plays video games every chance he can, while chatting with his MT friends. Emily Bentzen and Sarah Bailey Turgeon visited the VMFA in Richmond to see the Whistler to Cassatt: American painters in France exhibit. Emily also got together with Genia Livings Welburn



(Left to right) Nell Travis Campbell '95 and Bindu Vanapalli '95

in March to celebrate their birthdays with high tea at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond. They continue with their book club. The current book selection is "Under the Skin" by Linda Villarosa. Emily started her 22<sup>nd</sup> year of teaching in August. She continues to teach both high schoolers and in community college. Valerie Culver has had a year of traveling. Last September, she went to Maui, and took an Alaskan cruise last October. In January, she went skiing in Vermont. She even tried snowboarding while in Vermont and found it way harder than it looks. **Stacy Reed** had major back surgery in April, but her super huge news is that she married Lieva Whitbeck in July! They both had many college friends in attendance. For Stacy this included Anna Long '93, Jennifer Greene '92, and Amara Perez '92. This was the first time they were all together in 20 years. Long lasting friendship for the win! In March, Nell Travis **Campbell** and daughter lona visited with **Bindu** Vanapalli and partner Neville Wisdom while on a big college tour in New England. Nell and Iona were welcomed into Bindu and Neville's gorgeous riverside home in New Haven, Connecticut. It was a cold and wet adventure, but filled to the brim with warm hugs, delicious food, and delightful conversation. Cathy King Madsen was able to spend some time with Kelly McHugh Lucia '92 and her family. Kelly's youngest is the favorite play buddy of Cathy's daughter Charlotte. Charlotte starts first grade this year, and Cathy is not ready!! But it will be nice to get a break from the work conferences and photobombings. In other news, Cathy passed her 20th academic publication this year and kept right on going. Work has been busy. She gets to see **Ruthie Evers** '97 almost weekly depending on schedules and they're still as odd as ever. Apparently Cathy owes Valerie Ashanin Abshire a friendship bracelet, so Cathy's got a project for the next few weeks. Kerry Thomson has decided to run for Mayor of Bloomington, Indiana after 25 years of building community in



(Right) Suzanne Petinga Gragg '98 and Gregory Charles Gragg

various ways. She fell in love with Bloomington after first riding through on her bicycle the summer after graduating from R-MWC, and she's running to build bridges to solve complex social issues of housing, public safety, and community-centered growth. If you'd like to support Kerry or get more information on her campaign the website is https://kerryforbloomington.com/. The election is in May 2023.

1996

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Hello Class of '96! I hope everyone is doing well and had a good summer. I admit to collecting notes for this bulletin on short notice so hope to hear from more of you the next time with a little more time available. First, I want to send our condolences to Meg Hewes Walker whose father passed away suddenly this past May. She wrote that it was a great comfort to have Beth Critz Clark, Angie McDowell and Kristen Schlesser Henneke with her as she laid her father to rest. She is very thankful for the bond R-MWC gave us. Melissa Rusk Palotta shared that she began a new job in June as a case manager serving children and adults with disabilities. It has been a big change, but a positive one! Melissa also enjoyed a cruise with her family to Honduras, Belize, and Cozumel. She is excited to send her daughter, Chelsea, off to Converse University, a campus with strong Macon vibes! She and Vinnie will now be empty nesters and look forward to more adventures in this new phase of life. Stephanie Falwell Raymond wrote to say that she, her husband, and two daughters still live outside Atlanta. Last year she took a job teaching Middle School Life Skills at her girls' private Christian school. It has been a personally fulfilling and needed change that uses her corporate experience, personal experience with learning differences, and maybe a bit of that nearly completed Secondary Education major from R-MWC. Middle schoolers are such a fun age. A shout out of enormous gratitude to the



1998 classmates (Left to right) Perry Johnson Todd, Suzanne Petinga Gragg and Erin Hennessy

classmates who've been educating children for the last 25 years! Stephanie is also still in regular touch with Kristine (Davis) Hooker, Jennifer (Evans) LaFollette, and Amy (Reding) Andrews and would love to see updates from other classmates. Jennifer (Tucker) Bridgers shared that in November 2021, she joined the Pink Ladies, going through surgery in January 2022 and radiation in March. Recovery is going well and she is counting her blessings. Both kids are in high school this year - Abigail (16) is a junior and Matthew (14) is a freshman. Abigail has started driving, which is a big change (more time but more anxiety). She and her family are active in Scouts BSA and usually camp each month with the troop. She is working with Merck Sharp & Dohme, where she manages the medical writing contractors and vendors. Jen enjoys the variety of regulatory writing and business operations. Best wishes, Jen, for a continued recovery with your health! As for myself, I continue to work at ExxonMobil, and recently changed roles leading two global communications teams. My husband and I took a 20th anniversary trip to Maui in March, which was beautiful - first trip without kids! My son turned 16 over the summer so like Jen and George, we're adjusting to having an independent driver. My daughter (12) spent the summer swimming in multiple USA and summer league meets. Our family especially enjoyed spending a week in August with my sister, Adrienne Leo, '04, and her kids at the beach outside Galveston. We're now back into school routines with swim team, Boy Scouts, orchestra and more filling all of our free time. If you have an update for the next bulletin, please send it to me through the Randolph College email address above, alisonleo01@yahoo.com, Facebook Messenger or LinkedIn.

1997

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It was wonderful to see everyone who attended



Monique Walker '98

our 25th reunion in June! We had a lovely weekend enjoying the campus and catching up. We elected new class officers; Jilletta Davis Jarvis will be our Class Agent and I, Catherine Farish Tillery, will be our Class Secretary until our next reunion in 2027. Just a few people shared notes (mostly because I was extremely late getting out a reminder). I did get a few bounced emails, so if you think the College has your email, but you haven't been getting communications, please be sure to update it. We also have a class Facebook group, just search for R-MWC Class of '97. I promise to do better for the rest of my term. It really is nice to hear how people are doing! Michelle Le Floch Fernandez is serving on the Alumni and Alumnae Board as District Director for Florida & Georgia. Her daughter, Estelle, is a freshman at Randolph College (she's an even but we won't hold that against her). She's looking forward to spending weekends and breaks reliving old times. Lindi Kelly remains on active duty in the Air Force at JBSA Lackland, Texas in San Antonio and is planning for her next assignment to start next summer. Her daughter graduated from Bard College at Simon's Rock in May and her son is starting his senior year in high school. As for me, I live outside Denver, CO with my husband, Rick, and our dog Poppy. Jilletta Davis Jarvis was hired to help build a new training department for BusPatrol- a company saving lives of children by lowering car accidents around school buses through education and fines. The main office is in Virginia, so she got spend time with Sima Farra **Button** recently when she was visiting the office. I'm a Product Manager at a digital solutions agency, and have finally returned to the office a few days a week. It's been hard to get used to commuting again but it's nice to have the change of scenery. If you are ever in the area, please let me know!

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I am delighted to share so many updates! Erin

**Hennessy** (that's me!) and partner Scott recently traveled through Germany and Switzerland for two weeks, and we loved spending time in Munich as well as hiking in the Swiss Alps. I especially appreciated this time away after getting my dog through chemotherapy this year and prior to starting the school year teaching middle school English at the Elisabeth Morrow School in Englewood, New Jersey. Jasmine Guthrie **Hodgett** and husband, Geoffrey, plus their 4 kids and 13 pets, are finally feeling settled after relocating from Vermont to Princeton, New Jersey in August 2021. Geoffrey is working as a director at Firmenich, a flavor and fragrance company, while Jasmine is working as a reference librarian at Mercer County Community College. Carmella **Sheppard Whitehead** writes that she and AJ, "bought our dream home, and we welcomed our (canine) daughter, Ann Arbor "Annie" Whitehead, October 31, 2021. I've started psychoanalytic training based out of NYC; it's intense and very fulfilling. I still apply the foundations of higher education that I learned at R-MWC. Sandy Doran Rogelberg '86 and I often see each other walking our dogs and we've chatted for over a year, but it was tonight I found out she's an R-MWC alumnus. A fellow Even!" Paige Firestone Schnabel and husband, David, recently celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary, as son Leo turned 13. Paige shared, "His bar mitzvah was during the height of Omicron, and after he gave his speech about the importance of the Exodus plagues-while duly vaccinated and masked, to the few families attending and social distancing-he went home unusually tired and discovered he had COVID the next day!" Paige and family just finished a onemonth trip through Israel, France, Germany, and Italy. They have lived in Dallas for 20 years and visit family near Philadelphia often. In addition, Paige and David joined the great resignation last year: "after David sold his educational software company, we both guit on the same day and took a relaxing year off (during which time I also had a very needed cervical spinal fusion). Now we both are focusing on our favorite hobbies: fitness and, well... work. David invests in companies and I just jumped back in as head of marketing for a national healthcare company. We also have 2 dogs. One of my best friends from R-MWC, **Kudrat Virk** '01, is staying with me this fall - the first time we've seen each other in decades!" In February 2020, Kate Learning Goldberg successfully defended her dissertation titled "Adopting Analytics: A Framework for Nonprofit Organizations" and completed her doctorate in business administration at the University of Maryland Global Campus. In July 2021, Kate left Washington College and joined University of Maryland Global Campus as a full time collegiate faculty. She writes, "In addition to our masters



1998 classmates (Left to right) Natalie Rosenbaum Levine, Emrick Lordan, Jen Baptist, Perry Johnson Todd, Marlene Yesquen, Ginger Williford, Katherine Miles, Jessica Decker, Erin Hennessy, and Suzanne Petinga Gragg

degree in Data Analytics, we have created a new undergraduate degree in Data Science. I am creating the new courses, teaching, and supporting other adjunct faculty. I am also working on an immersive learning program where our students will wear an oculus and attend courses in our "metaversity"! In July 2020, my husband retired as a podiatric surgeon and we bought a small RV and went on four cross country road trips, most recently from Maryland to New Mexico. We have seen all 50 states and have seven state capitals still to see. In addition to traveling, my husband and I love to play pickleball. It's been a great way for us to exercise together and make new friends." Charlotte Martin Paris is teaching elementary music at Southside Elementary in Blairs, Virginia and stays busy with her kids and as a volunteer leader for Young Life, a non-profit Christian outreach for teens. She shares, "I saw Sarah Goyne Walls and Sarah Flory Willson this summer in Richmond for a little visit, and I miss all my Macon friends so much." Meredith Bunch Prokuski and husband, Tom, are looking forward to seeing everyone at our 25th reunion next summer! Meredith is currently working on her master's in industrial/organizational psychology and will be ready to celebrate properly. Lia Mercandetti Farrow arrived back home to Hong Kong after some time off. She writes "Both my kids have taken great pride in having eclipsed my height this year. My son, now 13, is gunning to surpass his sister, now 15, in height. When last we checked she was holding a 1cm lead, but at the rate he is growing he probably will soon! I am still working for Cathay Pacific, training our pilots how to fly all the Airbus Aircraft we have (A320, A330, A340), and recently I was promoted to deputy simulator training manager. In addition to teaching, I am now developing training material across fleets and managing both the Boeing and Airbus simulator instructors in our department. I had a laugh earlier this year as I dusted off my old EdPsych books from Dr Schimmoller's class and thought back to all my elementary education



(Left to right) Carmella Sheppard Whitehead '98 and Sandy Doran Rogelberg '96

classes at R-MWC. As I sit writing from our mandatory quarantine stint, we are hoping they will be removed soon to allow more freedom of movement. For now it negates any thought of being able to come for Reunion." Emily Farner Johns, husband, Chet, daughter, Maddie moved to Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania in 2020, taking a break from their careers in boarding school education. During this transition, Emily decided to learn massage therapy and is now a licensed massage therapist and certified meditation teacher in addition to supervising the student clinic and serving as marketing coordinator at the Lancaster School of Massage. Emily and a former colleague also started a new business, Gates and Paths, a company that creates community gatherings inspired by nature and designed to inspire curiosity, encourage personal inquiry, and engage in creative self-expression so a diverse group of people may cultivate authentic and joyful connections with themselves and one another. Jean Hazelwood is in her 9th year working in the marketing department at Devils Backbone Brewing Company; one highlight from 2022 was running their first-ever (regional) TV Super Bowl Commercial for an innovation drink, Orange Smash canned cocktail. Jean writes, "While most days I work remotely, I do travel to both our Lexington and Roseland breweries. Holler if you are in the area!" My apologies for the delay on this one: Suzanne Petinga Palmer became Suzanne Petinga Gragg on August 3, 2019, when she married Gregory Charles Gragg at Culzean Castle in Ayrshire, Scotland. Perry Johnson Todd and Erin Hennessy were in attendance, as well as the couple's six children, and close friends and family. The newlyweds traveled to Ireland and Scotland with their children immediately following the wedding. Suzanne and Greg recently purchased a new home on Lake Barcroft in Falls Church, Virginia. I can attest to this being a fantastic and special wedding! Finally, I also had the pleasure of spending time with Suzanne and Perry in Oct 2021 in Amelia Island along with Jen Baptist, Jessica Bearor Decker, Jean Hazelwood,



(Left to right) Anne Gilliam Blair '99 and Janna Forrester Sayer '99

Natalie Rosenbaum Levine, Anna Fortson Logue, Emrick Irwin Lordan, Katherine Sabalis Miles, Ginger Raymond Wiliford, and Marlene Yesquen for the triumphant return of our annual trip; we missed **Devan** Poffenberger Walker, who had to cancel at the last minute due to illness. Marlene recently moved her family to Portland to join the law firm of Hollander Lebenbaum Gannicott & Patrick as a partner practicing personal injury, and Devan was recently promoted to Director of Operations at Grand Image, Ltd. Congrats to you both! Jennifer Scott Spencer changed jobs during lockdown, writing "it was weird to leave a job without farewell margaritas! I'm now at an agency in downtown Raleigh called Brooks Bell where I'm the Director of UX Design. My husband, Nathan, who some folks met at Reunion 2013, is the Executive Director at WakeUp Wake County, fighting for better public transit, affordable housing, and climate change in our area. Eli is starting fifth grade which seems impossible to believe - I'm definitely not ready to have a middle schooler in my house. We had a wonderful picnic at the North Carolina Museum of Art this summer with Heidi Mulligan Walker '94 and her husband." Monique Walker shares that she has completed two degrees since R-MWC, an A.A.S. in Clinical Laboratory Science at George Washington University '99 and a BSN in Nursing from Old Dominion University in '04. She is now a forensic examiner with the U.S. Army, currently stationed at Ft. Benning in Columbus, Georgia, where she lives with her 10-year-old son, Benjamin and a crazy poodle named Cosmo. Monique has kept in touch with Yohnn Hairston. It is so great to hear from everyone. Keep the updates coming and hope to see you at Reunion in June!

1999

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We took as our prompt for this edition "Share a



Left to right) Jennifer Thompson Hovermale '99 and Julie Goldberg '99 at Red Rocks

favorite summertime activity". Kylie Warkentien Cuthbertson - I like driving just after dusk, just after it has started to cool off, with the windows down and the music soft so I can still hear the cicadas and frogs. I love the smell of sweet grasses and wildflowers. Something about it makes me feel young and free. Jessica Crittenden Pryor - I saw R-MWC people this summer!!! Heather Spears Beckford and Natalie Patrice Tucker came to Kansas for my 45th and I got to see **Kate** Coventry and Tiffany Quash '01 in DC. I believe that is the first time any alums have met my 12 year old kids. Nicole Raymond Milligan - I like waking up early, before the rest of the house is up, to open the sliding glass door and let the cool morning air into the house. Then, while it's still quiet I sit and enjoy the crisp air and have a coffee. Blythe Erlandson Allman - I like sitting in the still cold water of the lake near my parents' home listening to the laughter of kids who only see each other for a week in the summer but are fast friends. I was especially happy to be there this year after three summers without it. Eliza Parker - I'm loving kayaking these days. I'm also relieved to have gotten the entry level certification test over with to become an ASL Interpreter! If I didn't pass this time, I'll pass next time. (Good luck to Eliza!) Julie Goldberg - I'm currently enjoying a popsicle at dusk on my patio and that ranks pretty high for summer activities. I also love summer concerts at Red Rocks and managed to join Jennifer Thompson Hovermale - on her first concert there. Anne Gilliam Blair - These days, a favorite moment of mine is sitting on my porch at the end of the day getting a little sticky after being mostly in the AC all day with a yummy beer in hand! Today, excited to celebrate one year of Janna Forrester Sayer - living a few doors away and our daily morning walks. Stacy Sox Gross - I love every moment that we can spend at the beach, and especially early morning fishing with my babies. A close second was spending the



(Left to right) Ingrid Schmidt '00, Elizabeth-Ann Rowlison '00, and Vikki Guarisco Lucas '02

evening with New Kids on the Block last week. I felt like a teenager again. Looking forward to hearing more stories from everyone! Send your notes to krwcR-MWC@yahoo.com or find us on Facebook, R-MWC Class of 1999

2000

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Christine Willard Henley successfully completed homeschooling her son Patrick for kindergarten. Christine has been planning Patrick's very humanities-focused coursework for 1st grade-yay for incorporating so much of the liberal arts at a young age! The Henleys also added a new four-legged family member with the addition of Oona, who joins her canine brother, Woodrow. Elizabeth-Ann Rowlison and her husband visited the East Coast this summer. While in Annapolis and Baltimore, they caught up with Ingrid Schmidt and Vikki Guarisco Lucas '02. Elizabeth-Ann and I see each other occasionally in Denver, but definitely not as frequently as either of us would like! My family has had a busy summer with the kids in camps, playing with friends, exploring Colorado, and a very overdue trip to Maryland to visit my family. Denver-area alumnae, we're really hoping to organize a gettogether-please let me know if you're interested in meeting up! Class of 2000, please send your updates to me whenever you want throughout the year. Hope everyone is doing well.

2001

Laura Sherwood Email classnotes@randolphcollege.edu to volunteer or send your updates.

**April Mullins Mela** became the first recipient of Jessie Ball DuPont summer research project that spanned two continents. Her research



(Left to right) Tracy Proffitt '04, Sarah Anne Lasseter Kielczewski '04, and Amanda Adams Kusterer '04

was featured in the Melungeon documentary produced by the Turkish Ministry in 2012. English translation was added in 2021, and it was placed on YouTube in September 2021. Narrative is Turkish and Abraham Lincoln is featured prominently.

#### 2002

Margo Pretz-Pena and Vikki Lucas 2002cn@randolphcollege.edu

**Melissa Bradbury Coats**' son is about to turn 8 and just started 2nd grade. She has been practicing medicine for 14 years now in Scottsdale, AZ, and she really enjoys it. She hopes everyone is well. She hopes to visit campus again someday soon when she back here!

**REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 2003** 

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Hello everyone! Join me in congratulating Allison Sterett-Krause for earning tenure and promotion at the College of Charleston. Allison is now an Associate Professor of Classics and is happily beginning her sabbatical. She also joined the celebration of Professor Susan Stevens' retirement on campus and was happy to see Professor Amy Cohen, Addela Johnson Garboos, Shelby Lee, Susan Cole, Erin Prokopchak '05, Chris McLaughlin '12, Jenn Haas McLaughlin '05, Jennifer Lee, Via Baker '02, **Sarah Miller** '02, and many other alumnae. Katherine Flansberg Cabrera welcomed baby boy Luka Alexander Cabrera on June 8, 2021, and her family is doing well. Elizabeth Cole Schlackman also had a baby- Helen Susanna Schlackman joined her big brother Ben on November 24, 2021. Lindi Barton-Brobst and her family moved to Fort Mill, South Carolina in summer 2021. Lindi and Kaye Horstman met in Charleston recently- their first visit together since COVID began! Sarah Allen-Lloyd is going into her 15th year as a school librarian. She recently bought a new home for her kids and herself and they are happily settling in. Jenna Frank Morin



Kathryn Walker Manari '04 and daughter, Eloisa Manari

visited in the summer and they were also lucky enough to meet up with **Sarah Townsend**. Sarah Allen also went to New Orleans for Les Mills Live-a convention for Les Mills fitness instructors- and it was amazing to be with so many others who share her passion for fitness. **Jenny Hayden** was also fortunate in buying a house this past summer-her family is still located in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and they love their new neighborhood. **Meredith Mark Presente** was recently nominated as a finalist for the March of Dimes Heroines of Washington Awards. Thank you all so much for your updates and please let me know if you have any announcements you'd like to share!

#### 2004

Kathryn Walker Manari 2004cn@randolphcollege.edu

Amanda Adams Kusterer has won the Class of 2004 Reunion award with visits from 3 different members of our class! Sarah-Anne Laster Kielczewski flew from Scotland with her two sons to celebrate years of friendship with Amanda Adams Kusterer and Tracy Earley Proffitt. Everyone had a fantastic time reminiscing and making wonderful new memories with their families. Stephanie Leonard Moore flew with her three sons, Jameson, Kieran, and Declan to visit Amanda in Richmond, Virginia. Also, congratulations to Stephanie who was promoted to Director of Supply Chain at Elbit Systems of America. Liza Sutherland Primeau is now the Managing Director of Programs at Mother Cabrini Health Foundation in New York City. Kathryn Walker Manari and her husband, James, welcomed Eloisa Rose to their family; big brother, Dominic and big sister, Lyla are smitten!

#### 2005

Melissa Grant Zehner 2005cn@randolphcollege.edu



(Left to right) Jason Kusterer, Stephanie Leonard Moore '04, and Amanda Adams Kusterer '04



Vanessa Holden '05 with her new book

#### 2006

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#### 2007

Gessica L. Wright 2007@randolphcollege.edu

**Tabitha Wicker Pitts** moved to Portland, Oregon, so if anyone in my class lives nearby and would like to get together, please reach out.

REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 2008

Heather Wilson Crate 2008@randolphcollege.edu

Hello everyone! I hope you all had a good summer and start of the school year for anyone who went back to school or sent someone back to school. I sent two kids off to school this year in Kindergarten and Pre-K! It feels just like yesterday that we were showing up to campus for our first year. Can you believe it's been almost 15 years since we graduated? I can't believe our 15th reunion is just around the corner?! It really doesn't seem like it's been almost 15 years to me. I hope that many of you are able to join me in Lynchburg next June! In other news, **Dani Hansen Jamerson** came out to Colorado with her family to visit us. It was so nice to have some



(Left to right) Dani Hansen Jamerson '08 and Jennie Crate '06 during a fishing trip while their two families visited in Colorado



(Left to right) Devan Poffenberger Walker '98 met Penny McPeak '10 while attending a leadership conference.

time together and for our kids to get to hang out. We visited some fun spots around Denver and ended the visit with a trip to Mesa Verde National Park. I also wanted to share that I was recently accepted to the second cohort of the Diverse Executives Leading in Public Health program. It is a partnership between ASTHO (Association of State and Territorial Health Officials) and the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine, with funding support from the CDC. It is a year-long leadership program that was designed to enhance the capacity and strengthen the networks of governmental public health professionals from identity groups that are under-represented in public health leadership. Katie Stewart Page recently started a PhD program at University of Colorado for Healthcare Systems Research. She also co-authored an article in Journal of Midwifery and Women's Health on induction of labor practices that won Best Review Article of the Year and co-authored the ACNM Clinical Bulletin on Induction of Labor. I know I'm looking forward to Katie on her visits out to Colorado for class. Please continue to share your updates and news with us and I hope to see you in June 2023 for Reunion!

2009

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(Left to right) Dani Hansen Jamerson '08 and Heather Crate '08 enjoyed a trip to Mesa Verde National Park with their families in June.



(Left to right) Evan Horn '16 and Leah Hughes Horn '17 with their baby, Theo

#### 2010

Roxy Torres Medina 2010cn@randolphcollege.edu

**Katie Gregerson Pardon** and her husband welcomed their forest child, Annika Brett Pardon on May 12, 2022. She is also working on completing and publishing her first novel, so any helpful contacts would be appreciated.

#### 2011

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#### 2012

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REUNION JUNE 2-4, 2023 2013

Millie Olivia Symns 2013cn@randolphcollege.edu

Bennet Davidson was born in February 2022 to **Megan Hageman Davidson**.

2014

Lian Perez 2014cn@randolphcollege.edu

**Elizabeth Delery** was promoted to Director of Research Laboratories at Marian University



Now that they both work at Evolent Health, Hillary Peabody '08 and Carl Coffey '11 were able to meet in person for the first time since 2009.

College of Osteopathic Medicine, where she also serves as Assistant Professor of Microbiology/Immunology.

#### 2015

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**Pujan Shrestha** recently finished his doctorate degree and now has a PhD in mathematics. He is moving to Houston for post-doc at Texas A&M University.

#### 2016

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#### 2017

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to volunteer or send your updates.

Sarah Biegelsen earned her Masters in Public
History and just landed a job at the National
Museum of Toys and Miniatures in Kansas,
Missouri!

#### 2018-29

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#### 2020

In need of a Secretary.
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to volunteer or send your updates.

Jennifer Weigle will be graduating from Elon
University School of Law in December 2022.

#### 2021-22

In need of a Secretary. Email classnotes@randolphcollege.edu to volunteer or send your updates.

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Julie Huston Ellis '71

Dot Sutherland Etchison '51

C. Thomas Faulders

Carolyn Burgess Featheringill '69

Kathy Warren Girouard '81

Kathryn Heath Graves '76

Nancy Lumpkin Gray '52

Louanna Hill Green '61 Cathy Havener Greer '73

Carol Haley '70

Betty Jo Fite Hays '59

Lynn Hodge '68

Lucy Williams Hooper '73

Hank Hubbard

Gwen Felty Huffman '73

Tamara Jamerson '95

Margie Roberts Johnson '59

Lorena Kern '72

Holley Leventhal Kilcullen '63

Anne George Kime '58

Skip Kughn

Susan Lewis '67

Ginanne Graves Long '59

Elizabeth Maffey '83

Meg Green Maguire '65

Farah Marks

Agnes Fitts Marshall '64

Barbara Niedland McCarthy '73

Grey Holland McCormick '69

Adele Michal '74

Pat FitzHugh Michal '48

Genie Betts Miller '50 Margaret Delk Moore '73

Allison Gulick Muller '71

Cynthia Howe Murray '75

Katie Stewart Page '08

Karen Patterson '73

Stephanie Pope '75

Lauren Eaton Prescott '69

Charles W. Pryor Johanne Pryor '61

Margaret Quinn '66

Marianne Ramsey

Wendy Johnson Rodde '68

Sally Maier Rowe '67

Marc Schewel

Deanna Gasteigher Schwartz '99

Ginger Hood Scott '58

Harriet Wyche Scott '57

Ginger Muller Shapard '57

Catherine Tucker Slaterbeck '70

Robyn Smith '87

Spider Management

Caroline Stephens '96

Betty Nichols Street '66 and David Street

Laura Geisel Sullivan '74 Lisa Cloar Sutton '75

Fran Taber '71

Anne Tucker '67

Jane Forster Wacaster '63

Anonymous

Anne Hagerty Warner '57

Randall Johnson Watts '77

Genia Livings Welburn '95

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John Blake

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Catherine Young Cockrill '65

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Jane Neblett Tims '68 **Marianne Stafford Ramsev** 

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Phebe Williamson Wescott '78 R-MWC Friendship Group!

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Ashely Vrocher '92

Karen Russell '71

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John Sakolosky

**Peter Sheldon** 

Cat Mosley

Kim Sheldon '09 Cat Moslev

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Jean Stewart '72 Laura Painter Burns '72

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Ann Hepburn Webb '84

William L. Webb Phebe Williamson Wescott '78

Erin Hennessy '98 Stephanie Pack '90

Deborah Wooten '74

Dee Wooten Beggarly '71 Ginger Hill Worden '69 and Geoff Worden

#### Jane Patrick '69

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Courtney Brinkerhoff-Rau '86

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Katie Warfield Schroeder '85

Elizabeth Kehoe Sigmon '87

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Liz Suydam '86

Lisa Edwards Thomas '86

Libby Dorman Trampenau '88 Robin Tuttle '86

Kathleen Sheppard Wallace '86

Lois Smith Ware '86

Wanda Whitney '86

Beth Oast Williams '86 Rebecca Tanner Williams '86

Nancy Leese Wood '86

Dolly Riegert Woodruff '86

Katie Lenehan Wyckoff '86

Ann Henley Yauger '86

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Ida Welsh '77

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Bruce Koolage Forsberg '56

Martha Brickhouse Ruggles '50

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Ann Boon Rhea '51

Judy Mundy Shutt '62 Alexandra Holderness Davis '62

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Margaret Stewart Smith '70

Tally Jennings Brown '70

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Elizabeth Seward Deastlov '83

Margaret Stewart Smith '70

Martha Linkous Turner '70

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Patsy Harriss Holden '67

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F. Rogers Vaden Justine Rowe White '59

Martha White Paas '67

Jacqueline Curtis Whitmore '47 Lyndon Wimore '76

Sara Wood Wickham '56

Katherine Wickham-Sherburne '82 Barbara Williams

Libbie Williams Hall '09

Laura Hart Worsham '77 Leland Livingston '77

Elizabeth Hatcher Wright '54 Beth Perry Mouritsen '54

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Robert Dyck

**MARGARET WARD** 

Margaret "Martee" Morland, a former Poet Laureate of Virginia and the widow of the late

Kenneth Morland, the Charles A. Dana Professor of Sociology/ Anthropology, emeritus, passed away on Sept. 8 at the age of

99. She was the mother of Kathy Morland Hammitt '74, aunt of Caro Miguelez '86, and the sister-in-law

of Caroline Teague Ward '58.

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#### **IN MEMORIAM**

ALUMNAE AND			1959 1960	Virginia Sandidge Williams Barbara Gutai	8/8/2022 2/9/2022	1956		5/22/2021
ALUMNI DEATHS			1960	Meredith Gibson Robertson	8/5/2022	1957	Sister-in-Law of Ann Martin Rutland	10710000
	cludes notifications received		1960	Anna Claire Campbell Seymour	4/21/2022	1050		5/27/2022
by the College as of September 22, 2022		1962	Margaret Wilson Kepner	2/14/2022	1958	Son of Barbara Watson Deery Samuel Deery IV 3	/23/2022	
•	,		1962	Alice Kinkead	4/2/2022	1959	Spouse of Betty Lou Atkinson Newcomb	
1938	Anne Revis Grosvenor	5/27/2022	1962	Leila Keeton Martin	5/27/2022	1737		3/19/2022
1941	Sarah Love Douglass	3/23/2022	1963	Barbara Pates Frisbie	8/6/2022	1962	Sister of Juliana Westcott Kelley	0/19/2022
1944	Martha Ann Morris Heyward	1/11/202	1963	Libby McMann Southmayd	7/25/2022	1702	,	/29/2021
1945	Edna Bowers Cobb	6/13/2022	1963	Josephine Edwards Thweatt	6/1/2022	1963	Spouse of Alice Hurt Carr	./29/2021
1945	Mary Lee Richardson Hill	8/21/2022	1964	Sandra Garland Cecil	2/7/2022	1703	•	/21/2021
1945	Marcia McCathern Stille	3/30/2022	1964	Charlotte Thomas Churchill	2/5/2022	1963	Spouse of Martha Young Heafner	1/2 1/202 1
1946	Dorothy Ferguson	2/17/2022	1964	Dahlgren Kratz McElwain	9/6/2022	1703		1/8/2021
1946	Valonia Putnam Huebner	7/23/2022	1965	Nell Phillips Allison	3/7/2022	1964	Spouse of Elizabeth Lillard Simpson	1/0/2021
1947	Margaret Speas Bruce	6/30/2022	1965	Sarah Howe Hay	12/10/2021	1704		/18/2020
1947	Marie Robert Fisher	1/6/2022	1965	Joye Lett Quinn	5/7/2022	1964	Spouse of Rebecca Fuller Ward	110/2020
1948	Anne Richardson Brown	7/15/2022	1966	Madeline Miller	9/1/2022	1704		2/7/2020
1948	Shirley Carter Schell	1/24/2022	1968	Burwell Thorne Anthony	4/7/2022	1965	Spouse of Renny Butterworth Cave	21112020
1949	Martha Harold Breiden	1/25/2022	1968	Cynthia Ross Cockerham	1/16/2022	1703		/15/2021
1949	Sarah Bain Day	2/1/2022	1968	Elizabeth Yeates Coxe	4/28/2022	1967	Spouse of Carolyn Hardy Hopkins	11312021
1949	Elizabeth Marye Emerson	1/27/2022	1968	Mary Lee	4/19/2022	1707		2/7/2021
1950	Daisy Jenkins Fletcher	6/22/2022	1969	Diane Sander Clark	3/28/2022	1970	Spouse of Margaret Gardner	2///2021
1950	Helen Hester	2/19/2022	1969	Deborah Biggs Johnson	3/2/2022	1770		7/12/2020
1950	Jean Ogburn Miller	9/12/2022	1969	Margaret Harris MacLaughlin	12/1/2021	1983	Spouse of Beth Gilbert Lucas	,
1950	Martha Brickhouse Ruggles	7/1/2022	1972	Marion Ferriss Crumplar	3/9/2022			7/28/2020
1951	Myra Ann Speight Kelso	4/2/2022	1973	Julya Hodge	3/22/2022	1986	Mother of Laura Keaton Morrison	
1951	Lucy Byrd Pegau	5/4/2022	1975	Leigh Schlosser Diaz	12/19/2021		Dixie Keaton 8	3/18/2022
1951	Virginia Waldrop Powell	8/16/2022	1976	Rebecca Burruss	1/21/2022	1987	Father-in-Law of Margaret Johnson Tore	ell
1951	Virginia McConnell Walker	5/31/2022	1976	Cynthia Taylor Gilbert	12/25/2021			2/9/2022
1952	Suzanne Legum Barr	7/23/2022	1977	Marianne Burke	8/30/2022	1988	Mother of Diana Owens	
1952	Rosemary Blackburn Brockett	1/14/202	1978	Laura Megill	3/12/2022		Louise Owens	2/8/2022
1952	Nell Bryant Richardson	1/19/2022	1978	Stannard Preston	8/7/2022	1988	Father of Sue Mackay Roberts	
1953	Barbara Hunton Kinney	2/20/2022	1980	Leslie Sowle	2/8/2022		Roger Mackay	2/2022
1953	Carol Ingraham Redden	9/11/2022	1981	Julia Shaeffer	6/3/2022	1992	Parent of Nancy Wolters-Hamlin	
1955	Elizabeth Mulkey Cleary	7/3/2022	1983	Dea Shwab Vermilya	8/15/2022		Richard Wolters 7	//27/2022
1955	Pauline Harrell Tidman	8/2/2022	1989	M. Kellie Terrell	4/16/2022			
1956	Marilyn Parker Hankin	1/22/2022	1990	Lynn Isley	1/25/2022			
1957	Elizabeth Bost Pritchett	2/20/2022	2001	Tamara Gandy Laughlin	5/28/2022			
1958	Nancy Clanton Bain	1/31/2022	2006	Janet Jefferson	7/23/2022	CO	LEGE FAMILY	
1958	Ann Roark Dassler	2/7/2022	2015	Jensen Hoover	5/7/2022		LEGE FAIVIILI	

#### **ALUMNAE AND ALUMNI FAMILY DEATHS**

Listing includes notifications received by the College as of September 22, 2022

1951	Spouse of Mary Lou Miller Shaffer	
	Lee Shaffer	11/10/2020
1953	Spouse of Sandra Sims Carrington	
	Richard Carrington III	1/24/2022

#### **DEATHS**

Listing includes notifications received by the College between 1/10/2022 and 9/22/2022

Dennis Wright	12/1/2021
Rick Cobbs	5/6/2022
Barbara D. Barnes	6/12/2022
John W. Chandler	8/5/2022
Dorothy B. Etheridge	8/18/2022
Margaret Ward Morland	9/8/2022

#### **MADELINE E. MILLER '66**

Winifred Biddlecomb Delano

Martha Shotwell Hickson

Carolyn Brooks McConville

Polly Stewart Fritch

Gardner Orr Smith

Merla Keyser Elli

Luella Trogdon Stacy

Renie Ferguson Steves

Dorothy Harris Zehmer

Seleta Seaman Culpepper

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Madeline Eliot Miller '66 of Philadelphia, PA, died at age 77, on Sept. 1. A Randolph College trustee emerita and former board president, she served from 1978 through 1992 and was reelected for another five-year term that ended in 1997. She has also held volunteer leadership positions with the National Organization for Women of Boston, the Shipley School, and Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest. She attended Maury High School and earned a B.A. in English from R-MWC, where she discovered a sustaining community and a passion for learning. She earned her master's degree in library sciences from Simmons College and her M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. While working at Harvard's Widener Library, she became a lifelong feminist, ran her local chapter of NOW, and worked to try to pass the ERA in Massachusetts. She landed senior positions at The Boston Company and at Merrill Lynch in New York City. She was an enthusiastic mentor of other women and found many admirers in the business world. But she always followed her own star, and in 1990, she left business to attend Bank Street College, where she earned her third master's degree, this time in early childhood education. She moved to Philadelphia and became a kindergarten teacher which was, without a doubt, the job of her heart.

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8/10/2022

1/24/2022

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8/13/2022

7/21/2022

3/17/2022

5/5/2022

7/10/2022

9/23/22

#### **JOHN W. CHANDLER**

John Wesley Chandler, 98, of Williamstown, MA, died Aug. 5. John was a former trustee who served on the board for two terms (1985-1988 and 1990-1995). He enjoyed a distinguished career in higher education, serving as president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities from 1985-1990, president of Williams College from 1973-1985, and president of Hamilton College from 1968-1973. He earned his B.A. from Wake Forest University and his B.D. and Ph.D. from Duke University, where he also served as a trustee. He held honorary degrees from 15 institutions and was a Fulbright Fellow in India.

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