WOFFORD BOUND—finding Terriers wherever you go
Every year thousands of people travel to Spartanburg, S.C., because Wofford College is their destination. About 1,650 students come for a premier liberal arts education. Alumni, parents and friends come to attend special events such as Homecoming, Family Weekend and Commencement. Others come to cheer on the NCAA Division I Terriers, take in a play, view an art exhibit or enjoy a concert. Scholars come for lectures, research presentations, study or conferences. In the summer, the campus is full of children from around the globe attending creative writing, language, leadership or athletics camps. Tours filled with prospective students and their families are common as well, and nearly 100,000 visitors arrive each summer to watch the NFL’s Carolina Panthers practice. Wofford College has become a destination, so keeping the college’s buildings and grounds in top condition takes a small army, careful use of resources, and considerable strategic thought and planning.

Along those lines, groups of college stakeholders just spent the past year taking the strategic vision and turning it into a “vision in action” plan. Some of the progress already under way includes new living learning communities and a student success quality enhancement plan that are transforming the first-year experience, as well as three major construction projects: the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts (complete spring 2017), the Jerry Richardson Indoor Stadium (complete fall 2017) and the new Greek Village.

Those individuals behind the scenes thinking and planning rarely receive the credit they deserve. Strategic visioning and planning, however, are vital to fulfilling the mission of Wofford College. We are fortunate to have many supporters — a wise board of trustees, loyal alumni and parents, faithful friends who have adopted Wofford as their own, support from the United Methodist Church as well as foundations and corporations, and committed faculty and staff. Above all, we appreciate our students who keep us inspired and considering fresh ideas that make the Wofford experience excellent, engaging and transformative. We value your partnership!

Plan your own visit to Wofford College soon. We are always eager to welcome you to our beautiful, historic campus.

Go, Terriers!

Nayef
It's Your World. Experience It.

This spring the Wofford community had a chance to walk in the shoes of hijabi Muslim women. In Her Shoes, an event designed to share information and allow students to try on different hijabs, was just one of the many activities designed to promote education and raise awareness during Women's History Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month.
A. SCHMUNK HONORED WITH SCICU TEACHING AWARD
Dr. Peter L. Schmunk, the Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Garrison Professor of the Humanities in the Department of Art and Art History. Schmunk teaches inside and outside the classroom. Schmunk teaches leadership and mentorship award honors his effective and other recognitions brought home the top award and other recognitions for language and cultural proficiency in the seventh annual Palmetto Chinese Star Competition, held on March 12. Rachel Dannler ’20 (far right), a native of Homewood, Ala., won the top prize with Vivian Tran ’19 (second from right) of Inman, S.C., named runner-up. From Spartanburg, will be traveling in Guatemala, Bolivia, Haiti, India and the Dominican Republic. Students help construct local habitat house Zoe Klotz ’16, an environmental studies major from Pickens, S.C., was one of the Wolford students willing to roll up her sleeves and get her hands dirty to help build a new Habitat for Humanity house about a mile from Wolford’s campus. Wolford students and other community volunteers worked alongside the family that is now enjoying their new home on Pierpont Avenue. Wofford wins award for literary excellence

The Psychology of Philosophy and Sugar Pills
Is the “placebo effect” in your mind or your body? It’s a question that gave Dr. John Lefebvre (left), chair of the Department of Psychology, and Dr. James Bednar, assistant professor of philosophy, the opportunity to combine disciplines to explore an answer. They co-authored a chapter on the topic, and in 2016 their research — “Glaucus and Consequences: From Research and the Placebo Effect” — was published. Singleton has written himself into good company once again — this time as the 26th recipient of the prestigious John William Corrington Award for Literary Excellence, presented by Centenary College in Shreveport, La. Past winners include Eudora Welty and Tim O’Brien. Singleton was recognized again — this time as the 26th recipient of the prestigious John William Corrington Award for Literary Excellence, presented by Centenary College in Shreveport, La. Past winners include Eudora Welty and Tim O’Brien. Singleton was recognized as the 2016 SoCon Freshman of the Year by College Court Voting; he tallied more than 90,000 votes in the championship round. Magee later was ranked third in the country in 3-point field goal percentage. In addition, Magee also ranked third in the country in 3-point field goal percentage. In addition, Magee also

F. THE PSYCHOLOGY OF PHILOSOPHY AND SUGAR PILLS

H. WOFFORD PROFESSOR EXPANDS VIRTUAL EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

Wofford has received a two-year grant to use virtual exchange to increase cross-cultural understanding and equip young people to participate in a global economy. The project, to be led by Dr. Courtney Dorroll (left), assistant professor of Middle Eastern and North African Studies at Wofford, will expand virtual exchange to students in Egypt and Lebanon. The grant was funded by the Stevens Initiative.

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Catherine Smith travels the world on a mission of inclusion, diversity and understanding.
The Wofford College men’s and women’s track and field teams recorded their best finishes in college history at the 2016 Southern Conference Track & Field Championships. Alexandra Burgess ’19 (pictured), who was named to the SoCon All-Freshman Team, won the triple jump with a distance of 12.17 meters to set a new college record. She also placed in the long jump and was a member of the women’s 4x100 relay team.

Photo by SoCon Sports
Behind every tree on Wofford’s campus is a story, and Stewart Winslow, the college’s director of horticulture and landscape design, knows all of them. Whether you’ve been away from the campus for years or just attended Commencement, take a walk with us through Wofford’s 162-year-old campus for a behind-the-scenes tour. It’s a master class in history, horticulture and planning, with a few rarely told stories in the mix. Enjoy!

NO ONE’S PAVING PARADISE — THE FRONT GATES AND FOUNTAIN

Each year after tossing their caps in the air, new graduates process beyond the crowd of proud families snapping photos to the front gates where college marshals lead them out into the world beyond Wofford. The front gates were donated by Thomas W. Smith, Class of 1871, in appreciation of his professors. Their august names are memorialized in bronze on the brick pillar as a tribute to the teachers, mentors and scholars who sat on the college’s first faculty.

The story behind the fountain at the main entrance offers a more down-to-earth perspective. According to Winslow, college officials were looking for ways to add more parking to the campus. They presented a plan to the board of trustees that extended the Admission parking area all the way to Campus Drive.

“Roger Milliken and other members of the board said that the college didn’t need an unsightly parking lot as the first impression, especially not at the main entrance,” says Winslow. Plans to add parking at the college entrance continued to resurface. “Finally, Mr. Milliken said, ‘Let’s put a fountain here so they can never put in a parking lot.’” Coincidentally, the same thing happened at the Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport where Milliken also was heavily involved in planning. Now the fountain stands as a tribute to Milliken’s persistence on maintaining the beauty of Wofford’s front door.

Framing the fountain are ‘Hasse’ and ‘Teddy Bear’ magnolias (‘Hasse’ was a Milliken favorite), Metasequoia, American yellowwood and Shawnee Brave bald cypress. This year the college planted a new tree near the entrance, a Swamp white oak ‘Beacon.’ The new oak was planted to commemorate Milliken’s birthday. Each year on his birthday, the college plants a tree as a way to remember his many contributions to the physical campus.

“We have the relationship we have with renowned horticulturists Dr. Michael Dirr and Dr. Allan Armitage because of Mr. Milliken,” says Winslow, who calls both Dirr and Armitage “rock stars” in the plant world. “Wofford has benefited so much from their expertise.”
A NEW PALLET — THE ROSALIND SALLENGER RICHARDSON CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Burr says the Rosalind Sallenguer Richardson Center for the Arts is on schedule. That’s great news for the students, faculty and staff looking forward to the spring 2017 opening of the building.

“The new center for the arts is tucked beside the Roger Milliken Science Center across the lawn from Main Building, placing it in the heart of the college’s academic commons. That sends a powerful message,” says President Nayef Samhat. “The center demonstrates our commitment to the fine arts as an integral part of the liberal arts experience.”

The Rosalind Sallenguer Richardson Center for the Arts will house the college’s theatre, art history, studio art and film programs. The 65,000-square-foot building will feature a material pallet of masonry, stucco and copper. Large areas of glass will connect the interior to the outdoors. The center also will include an outdoor sculpture garden.

Winslow is eager for the building to take shape so he can explore new landscape options that will blend with the rest of campus. To help college leadership understand his landscape plans, Winslow uses Photoshop on his computer and a special GPS-enabled app that allows him to do mobile landscape design from his phone. He’s a tech hugger as well as a tree hugger.

COMPETITION READY, FAN FRIENDLY — ATHLETICS FACILITIES

Because of the volume of public use, the college’s athletics facilities require constant upkeep, and the college makes an extra effort to make the fan experience family friendly as well as exciting.

“We are fortunate to have Andy Khal, director of athletics facilities, to keep the playing surfaces in competition condition,” says Burr. “Our connection with the Carolina Panthers also has made a huge difference in our athletics facilities.”

Winslow creates the landscape plan for the areas around the playing fields, developing special areas for tailgating, viewing and parking. Switzer Stadium and Russell C. King Field offer the ideal example of a facility that combines athletic functionality with fan comfort. From the rocking chair seating to the oak canopies down the first-base and right-field lines, fans can watch the game, spend time with their children or pets, and visit with Wofford friends at the same time.

“We’ve always looking around and saying, ‘What can we do to make it better,’” says Winslow. Sometimes that means trying new, harder plants such as the Chinese fringe trees or the ‘Patierview’ sugar maples near the Campus Life Building and Innsbrook Field.

“We like to focus on yellow and gold because of Wofford’s colors,” says Winslow.

Terrier basketball and volleyball fans can go online and watch the progress of the Jerry Richardson Indoor Stadium at wofford.edu/constructionupdates. Located behind the scoreboard of Gibbs Stadium, the new stadium will be completed in the fall of 2017.

To address parking concerns, Winslow and others are working to develop a new parking area off Jefferson Street that Winslow says incorporates expansive grassy tailgating spaces and nice shade.

“Keeping parking to the perimeter of campus makes the campus more attractive and pedestrian friendly,” says Burr. “It creates a healthier environment.”

According to Burr, all of the courts at the Reeves Tennis Center were resurfaced this year, and new windscreens were added, with huge Wofford logos on each. Half of the courts at the new Creek Village face the tennis center. The other half face Gibbs Stadium. The college hopes the prime real estate for Greek life near these facilities will encourage increased student participation and team spirit.

SHelter and sustainability — student residence halls

During the summer of 2015, Greene Hall underwent a major renovation. This summer the college will install a new roof and a new HVAC system in Marsh Hall.

“We plan to take the same approach as we did with Greene Hall,” says Burr. “It’s all part of a comprehensive renovation plan.”

The college also is planning ways to improve the interior, exterior and landscaping around Marsh.

According to Burr, the college’s board of trustees recognizes and supports replacement and renewal efforts, which have a direct impact on the beauty of the campus. Each improvement also is done with energy efficiency and sustainability in mind.

“As part of the $4.25 million Milliken Sustainability Initiative at Wofford College, we are in the process of hiring an energy manager for the campus,” says Burr. “We’ve also hired a full-time gardener. As far as I know, that’s a first for Wofford.”

Surrounding each residence hall are built-in gathering and recreation spaces for students.

“We’ve made an effort to add more of these on campus,” says Winslow. They offer students places that feel comfortable whether they are alone or in a group.

For example, Martha’s Garden, near Lesene and Wightman halls, offers a shaded, quiet place for students to talk or study. Shipp and DuPre halls are adjacent to the bower of Main Building, which provides an open lawn popular with sunbathers or students looking for a game of ultimate Frisbee. Winslow has developed a courtyard (above) between Greene and Carlisle halls with swings. Mined into the Village apartments are hammocks and Adirondack chairs, grills, sand volleyball and a mini amphitheater.

BATTling magnolias — Roger Milliken Science center

The entrance to the Roger Milliken Science Center is framed by Magnolia stellata, Nita Milliken’s favorite tree. According to Winslow, Roger Milliken was not as fond of the magnolia, but because of his wife they remain sentinel near the front of the building.

Across the sidewalk is another Milliken birthday tree, the Golden Metasequoia. Ricky McPhree ‘98 of Roebuck Wholesale Nursery and Landscape planted most of the Milliken birthday trees. He and his crew also planted the new beds of ‘Endless Summer’ hydrangea that curve around the building.

Next time you’re on campus, take note of the new ornamental plantings. More and more Wofford’s noble trees will share the spotlight with seasonal plants and flowers.

Keeping the college’s buildings and grounds in show condition takes a small army, according to Jason Burr ’04, associate vice president for facilities and capital projects.

“From the folks in housekeeping and preventative maintenance to the maintenance, mechanical or grounds crews, Wofford employs lots of great people who really treat this campus like it’s their own,” says Burr. “College leaders develop strategic visions and maintenance plans, but these are the people who get it done.”
ON A ROAD DIET — THE EVINS STREET CORRIDOR

Eighteen islands now stretch the length of Evins Street from Church Street to Cumming Street, and Winslow just spent 10 hours with Dirr exploring various options for the plantings that will fill those islands.

“It’s called a traffic or road diet,” says Winslow, “and it has a calming effect on drivers.” According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, road diets reduce vehicle speed and decrease traffic accidents. They improve pedestrian safety, something critical at a largely pedestrian college such as Wofford.

Giving a teaser to Wofford’s future road diet plan, Winslow says, “We’re doing stuff that’s totally different. There will be a wow at the first island, a wow in front of the Greek Village and a wow at Cumming Street. President Samhat has even called and made suggestions about the road diet plan.”

PAINT IT WHITE — PAPADOPOULOS, MAIN, OLIN (AND THE MAJORITY OF BUILDINGS ON CAMPUS)

Ever wonder why so many buildings on campus are white? According to Winslow, when the college was constructing the Papadopoulos Building, Milliken was impressed by how stunning the green trees were against the white background of the building. The Campus Life Building and the Burwell Building soon found themselves painted white, and other new buildings were designed with the same color scheme in mind.

GERMINATING IDEAS — THE SANDOR TESZLER LIBRARY

Kevin Reynolds, dean of the library, uses the life cycle of a plant as an analogy for the purpose of the Sandor Teszler Library. “We provide support as students enter the life cycle of information,” he says. “Students come to us with a germ of an idea. We connect them to the resources they will need for that seed to grow and create something, whether that be a paper, podcast, video or work of art. We support that activity, but that’s not the end. We also give them opportunities to perfect, present and preserve their work.”

Within the library is the college’s Writing Center, where students refine their creations. The library also now houses the Trey Kannaday Presentation Practice Room, donated in memory of Kannaday ’93, who enjoyed the library during his years as a student.

“I’m really excited about this space,” says Reynolds. “Students can reserve the space and video-record themselves practicing their presentations. They then replay the video to critique and improve their performance.”

Part of helping students present their work also means devoting space in the library for student exhibits. Finally, through the Digital Commons (digitalcommons.wofford.edu) the library preserves student scholarship so future students can benefit.

The physical bones of the library remain solid and interesting, but library staff have opened up the main floor and added more flexible space for collaboration.

“We really want to engage students and help them think critically,” says Reynolds. “We want to provide both physical and virtual spaces to facilitate collaboration in all its iterations.”

The remaking of the library inside out is working, and the use of the library is increasing. “During 2014-15 we had enough visitors to the library to fill Gibbs Stadium 10 times,” say Reynolds. “Virtual usage also is going up. We had nearly 200,000 uses of online resources during that same year.”

Reynolds says that while physical books are not being checked out as frequently, the use of e-books is on the rise. Reynolds is particularly pleased that the college is making an effort to work with faculty and students to secure and use special collections to enrich the research experience. For example, Dr. Kim Rostan’s class helped curate an exhibition of 3-D photographs derived from the college’s stereograph collection, and Dr. Courtney Dorroll’s Religion 362 class used the ancient Near Eastern pottery donated by David Robinson ’65 for research and study.

“In the long term we will need more physical space for archives and special collections that we would like to grow and support,” says Reynolds, “but for now we are using our spaces creatively and are happy to be at the heart of academic activity at the college.”
It has all the seeds and nuts Dr. Ana Maria Wiseman, retired dean of international programs, needs to make her homemade granola. It carries the Turkish figs Dr. Britt Newman, assistant professor of Spanish, likes to snack on while grading papers. Its hot bar is a favorite of Dr. Laura Barbas Rhoden, professor of Spanish, and her family. It’s an easy walk from Wofford’s campus, and it carries three times the local products of other grocery stores in the area.

It’s the Hub City Co-op, the state’s first cooperatively owned grocery store, and Wofford people worked to make it a reality and are still celebrating its spring opening.

“Wofford and Spartanburg have grown up together, and the college’s involvement in the co-op is an authentic result of that long relationship,” says Dr. Phillip Stone ’94, college archivist and another Wofford co-op member. “Wofford’s faculty, staff and alumni were among the first to see a need for this type of business in the community.”

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Barbas Rhoden, vice chair of the co-op board, explains that member-owners power co-ops. She says dozens of Wofford people helped raise the $2.7 million in local and national financing required to open the store. They lobbied, invested, donated, wrote news releases, answered email accounts, submitted copy for newsletters and served on the board.

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“The city is 100 percent behind this because it keeps the money local and it makes living downtown even more desirable,” she says.

While earning his Ph.D. at the University of North Carolina, Newman and his family spent a good bit of time in Carrboro. According to Newman, the hub of that community was a co-op grocery store.

“It was a nice mixing place,” says Newman. “I went because the people there interacted and engaged with their neighbors.”

Because Wofford is in the business of recruiting people to come to Spartanburg — about 450 each year in the incoming class as well as prospective faculty and staff from across the country — places like the co-op demonstrate Spartanburg’s vitality and diversity.

“We want our students to go beyond the campus,” says Newman. “Through the Hub City Co-op, they can learn about what’s going on in the community, appreciate the types of things produced locally and see a different type of business model.”

Newman is planning ways to take his students to Little River Roasting Co., owned and operated by Gervais Hollowell ’85, and he’s considering ways to incorporate a visit to the Hub City Co-op as well.

“It’s important to help students understand that they are linked to others through the production and consumption process,” says Newman. “We also teach our students through modeling a certain way of living. One way of living out an ethical life is by getting involved and by committing to those around us to make improvements in the world. The Hub City Co-op is one example of that kind of effort.”

For more information about the co-op, visit hubcity.coop.

BECOMING STRONGER AND HEALTHIER — WOFFORD JOINS COMMUNITY IN BRINGING STATE’S FIRST COOPERATIVELY OWNED GROCERY STORE TO SPARTANBURG

Stewart Winslow’s work can be seen all over Spartanburg County — evidence of his deep passion for his work as well as for his community through his decades of work in urban and rural areas, along roadways and sidewalks, in public parks and private gardens, around buildings, forests and waterways.

The Leadership Spartanburg Alumni Association recently recognized Winslow for these works and more with the 2016 Unsung Community Hero Award.

“Stewart’s landscaping planning and implementation are visible on most of the main thoroughfares in Spartanburg County, especially all the beautiful and welcoming interchanges on I-85 Business,” writes Lee Ann Maley of Girl Scouts of South Carolina-Mountains to Midlands, who nominated Winslow for the award.

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WINSLOW HONORED AS UNSUNG COMMUNITY HERO
OFF TO GREAT PLACES!

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89
CAROLINE WINN ’16
Art history and Spanish major with a business economics minor from Carlisle, Pa.
Destination: Catholic University in Washington, D.C.
Winn came to Wofford because of the welcome she felt from students, faculty and staff. Now she’s looking to use her Wofford experience as a springboard for graduate school at Catholic University, where she will study architecture. Winn studied abroad in India, Chile, Denmark and Spain and was heavily involved in the arts and Greek life as a member of Delta Delta Delta.

Derek Hirsch ’16
Physics major from Atlanta, Ga.
As a high school student Hirsch flew himself to his first official visit at Wofford. Now he’s returning to flight school at Fort Rucker to become a U.S. Army helicopter pilot. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant the Friday before Commencement.
Hirsch says he is grateful that Wofford gave him the opportunity to be on two great teams — baseball and ROTC — while earning a degree in physics.

SHIMAN “LOUISE” LU ’16
Accounting and French major from Beijing, China
Lu, who was a member of the Old Gold and Black newspaper staff at Wofford, will be a management controller doing financial analysis with Valeo, a French company in Hampton, Va. Lu completed an accounting internship with Valeo while she was studying abroad in China, and they offered her a job then. Lu also worked a summer at Wofford as a STARTALK instructor and administrative assistant.

Anna Aguillard ’16
English and government major from Baton Rouge, La.
Destination: Southern Living magazine, Birmingham, Ala.
Aguillard begins a yearlong editorial fellowship with Southern Living magazine. After experiences as president of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and other leadership positions on campus as well as investigative journalism work with the Old Gold and Black student newspaper, Aguillard wants to pursue a career in publishing.

Jonathan Franklin ’16
English and humanities major with a concentration in African/African-American studies from Columbia, S.C.
Destination: Northeastern University, Boston, Mass.
Franklin says that meeting some of the first African-American students who graduated from Wofford through the Black Alumni Summit was formative to his Wofford experience and future. Active in the Old Gold and Black student newspaper and a two-time Aspen Institute intern, Franklin will be pursuing a master’s degree in journalism in the fall.

Al Kelly ’16
Economics and finance major from Akron, N.Y.
Destination: Wells Fargo, Charlotte, N.C.
Kelly, who was the managing partner for the James Investment Fund at Wofford, joins Wells Fargo as a financial analyst. He was hired to work directly under Hunter Miller ’07, but Miller recently was promoted. Kelly considers the network of Wofford graduates in the company a good sign for his future.

Sara Futch ’16
German and psychology major from Lawrenceville, Ga.
Destination: Disney World, Orlando, Fla.
This summer Futch begins a six-month internship with the Animal Behavior Research Program at Disney’s Animal Kingdom. She says that the internship will give her the opportunity to make connections and help her find where she fits in the animal behavior and conservation field.

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ZACH MORROW ‘16
Economics and mathematics major with a concentration in applied math from Lancaster, S.C.
Destination: North Carolina State University, Raleigh, N.C.
Morrow was awarded the Provost’s Doctoral Fellowship and the University Graduate Fellowship covering full tuition for work toward a Ph.D. in applied mathematics at N.C. State. He was one point shy of a perfect GRE score, not a surprise after making a perfect score on the SAT in high school. He completed internships at Oxford University and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers while at Wofford.

KATHERINE WHISENHUNT ‘16
Government major with minors in economics and philosophy from Greenville, S.C.
Destination: The Capitol, Washington, D.C.
Whisenhunt, a member of the women’s soccer team, was awarded the 2016 William Moore Graduate Scholarship, a Southern Conference graduate award presented by McMillan Pazdan Smith Architects. She served as president of Wofford’s Edwin K. Hardin Pre-Law Society and completed three legal internships as a Wofford student. She will work with the Committee on House Administration for the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington before attending law school.

EMILY PAGRABS ‘16
French, government and history major with a concentration in world politics from Wilmington, N.C.
Destination: Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M
Texas A&M awarded Pagrabs a fellowship to study conflict resolution and human rights in international affairs. She studied abroad in Freiburg, Germany, and Rennes, France, while playing golf for the Terriers. According to Pagrabs, Coach Angie Ridgeway emphasized the student part of student-athlete and encouraged her to be a great golfer while taking advantage of all that Wofford had to offer.

ISAIAH ADDISON ‘16
A psychology major from Hartsville, S.C., will be teaching English in South Korea.

ASHLYN KEIGHTLEY ‘16
An English, German and theatre major from Hendersonville, Tenn., has been selected for a Fulbright Teaching Assistantship in Austria.

SUZANNA BRYANT ‘16
An English and environmental studies major from Clinton, S.C., will teach English through the United Methodist Church in Lusaka, Zambia.

CHARLIE WEDDING ‘16
A government and German major from Saint Augustine, Fla., will spend a year with the Japanese Exchange and Teaching program before going to law school.

LEANNA HERBERT ‘16
An English and Spanish major from Columbia, S.C., & MADDIE DUNKLE ‘16
a government major with a concentration in world politics, from Jacksonville, Fla., will teach English in Madrid.
DR. PAIGE WEST ’91

The professor of anthropology at Columbia University and chair of the Department of Anthropology at Barnard College returned to campus to deliver the college’s Commencement address.

CHARLIE GRAY ’72

The Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award winners were Yves Engelmann ’16 and Charlie Gray ’72 (pictured), who retired from Wofford in June after 43 years of service. The student recipient of the Mary Mildred Sullivan Award was Nancy Ford ’16. The non-student recipient was Judy Bradshaw.

TEACHING AWARDS

Dr. Charlotte Knotts-Zides (right), professor and chair of the Department of Mathematics, was recognized with the Roger Milliken Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Science. Dr. Sally Hitchmough (center), professor of English and co-director of the Gender Studies Program, was recognized with the Philip Covington Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Humanities and Social Sciences.

HONOR GRADUATES

Three honor graduates — all with 4.0 GPAs and all recently initiated members of Phi Beta Kappa — are (left to right): Colton Hunt Smith of Williamston, S.C. (degrees in Spanish and accounting, minor in history); Zachary Benjamin Morrow of Lancaster, S.C. (degrees in economics and mathematics, concentration in applied mathematics); and Julia Marianne Smith of Sumter, S.C. (degrees in intercultural studies and psychology).

HONORARY DEGREES

Honorary degrees were presented to M. Stewart Mungo ’74, a South Carolina construction and real estate developer; Esther Dyson (right), founder of the “Way to Wellville” movement; and Dr. John Pilley, professor emeritus of psychology at Wofford and owner and trainer of Chaser, the “smartest dog in the world.”
Honoring academic excellence, family and military service

Vietnam prisoner of war establishes the Dr. Kevin Dale Ballard '80 Endowed Scholarship Fund at Wofford

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

At 84 years old, Lt. Col. Arthur T. "Ted" Ballard Jr. (above), retired from the U.S. Air Force, would still be flying fighter jets if he could.

“I miss flying those combat missions,” he says, talking with his hands to show the climbs, dives and evasive maneuvers. “You took your life in your hands every time you got in the cockpit. The adrenaline was always flowing.”

Ballard flew 67 successful combat missions during the Vietnam War before being shot down over North Vietnam. He was captured and spent time in several POW camps, including the “Hanoi Hilton,” before his release. He was awarded military medals including a Silver Star, a Legion of Merit, a Purple Heart and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

His memoir, “From the Dungeons of North Vietnam, Return With Honor,” describes the experiences he and his fellow prisoners of war endured. It includes stories of torture and degradation, but also of faith, hope and camaraderie among the POWs under horrific conditions. His series of stories called “Christmas in the Dungeons of North Vietnam” provides a particularly moving picture of life as a prisoner of war. Read Ballard’s POW Christmas story at www.12tfw.org/christmasindungeons.pdf.
When Ted Ballard left for his assignment in Vietnam, his son, Kevin, was a 6 year old with a crew cut common on young boys in the 1960s. After almost seven years as a prisoner of war, however, Ballard returned home to a 13-year-old stranger with long blond hair who was as tall as his mother.

“[I] thought he was an escort officer when I first saw him standing with Ruth. I didn’t care for the hair, but I didn’t make him cut it,” says Ballard. “We got to know each other again, and I even sort of started to like the hair.”

Dr. Kevin Ballard ’80 graduated from Spartanburg High School, earned a National Merrit Scholarship and finished Wofford College in three years as the top chemistry student. Married to Dr. Elizabeth Johnson ’81, who followed along with an M.D. and Ph.D. from the Medical University of South Carolina and a distinguished career as director of analysis and toxicology for the National Medical Services in Pennsylvania, he was a nationally recognized expert in the field of forensic science and an expert witness in many high-profile criminal cases before his untimely death in 2009.

“Kevin was a mechanical genius. He could look at it and fix it,” says Ballard. “Ruth and I were both very proud of him. After his death we decided to change our wills. Kevin had a good experience at Wofford, so we wanted to donate a scholarship that would benefit a Wofford student.”

When Ruth died on Dec. 16, 2015, Ted Ballard established the Dr. Kevin Dale Ballard ’80 Endowed Scholarship Fund at Wofford in memory of both Kevin and Ruth. It will be awarded for the first time to a deserving student in the fall of 2017. Preference will go to top students who plan to pursue a career in science, technology or medicine. Other considerations include financial need, military service or Junior ROTC or ROTC participation.

“Ted Ballard is a remarkable man with an incredible story to share. We are honored by his service and the sacrifice he has made for the good of our country and the good of Wofford College,” says President Nayef Samour. “Remembering his son and his wife with this scholarship speaks volumes about his priorities and commitment to family and education.”

Ted Ballard always wanted to be a pilot. He was 8 or 9 when World War II started and remembers watching fighter pilots train at the downtown Spartanburg airport. He tried to enlist at the age of 16 but was turned away because he was too young. After graduation from Spartanburg High School, Ballard walked his way through an associate’s degree from Spartanburg Junior College and then entered Clemson University to study engineering. He left Clemson when he says he “ran out of money and ideas.”

“I had friends in Korea, and I wanted to be there with them,” says Ballard. “[I] checked out the Air Force and then decided to enter their aviation cadet school. I chose jet fighters.” He went on to pilot some of the first supersonic aircraft. “I had fun flying the F-86 through the Grand Canyon, and I was one of the first to fly the F-100 and F-104. It was beautiful.”

Ballard was flying the Republic F-101 Thunderchief, nicknamed the “Thud,” when he was shot down while on a combat mission in North Vietnam. He was captured and was a prisoner of war from September 1966 until March 1973. Because of beatings he endured as a POW, Ballard had to have a portion of his skull removed and replaced with plastic after he returned to the States. His medical treatment and recovery lasted until August 1973. “They grounded me after that.”

Both Ted and Ruth decided to finish their bachelor’s degrees after Ted’s return. Ted went on to earn his M.A. degree and served on the faculty of the USAF War College before retiring in August 1975. He and Ruth returned to live in Spartanburg, and Ted assumed the position of senior instructor for the Air Force Junior ROTC program at Gaffney (S.C.) High School, where he taught for 22 years, retiring in 1997.

Ballard continues to write and speak with groups who want to learn more about his experiences as a U.S. Air Force pilot and prisoner of war in Vietnam.

“I didn’t care much for speaking about it at first, but I did it anyway because the American people needed to hear it,” says Ballard. He now has given hundreds of talks.

Ted Ballard says most people ask the same questions about his experiences as a POW: What did you finally learn you were going home? What was it like to return home? Did you know you were in captivity? “One time I was talking to a third-grade class about it. When I asked if anyone had questions, 38 hands went up. They kept me busy for another hour!”

He answers questions with patience and always gives credit to Ruth for her service as well. She was an active member of the Wives of POWs until his return in 1975. He dedicates his memoir to Ruth, “who bore those seven difficult years with strength and dignity, while taking her place in the community. I am so proud of her and her accomplishments, and especially the way she raised our son, Kevin.”

Now Ruth’s contributions, Kevin’s brilliant career and Ted’s military and public service, as well as his teaching career, will always be remembered through the Dr. Kevin Dale Ballard ’80 Endowed Scholarship Fund and the generations of students who will benefit. What a fitting tribute.
FROM SPARTANBURG TO THE BIG APPLE
Old Gold and Black editors share experiences from New York Times workshop

Each year the New York Times invites 50 colleges to send two representatives to its Student News Editors Workshop to learn more about journalism from New York Times editors and reporters. The conference allows student editors to share ideas and concerns with their peers while granting them insight into how the industry works.

Old Gold and Black editors Addie Lawrence ’16 and Elaine Best ’16 attended the workshop, held in the Times’ New York City headquarters, and returned to Wofford with adventures to share, advice to impart and one more story to write.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
Editors invited to conference — thoughts before

Addie: Being invited to the New York Times is every journalist’s dream. It’s a huge name, a staple of the newspaper industry and an innovator in the field. Upon receiving the invitation, we jumped at the opportunity to learn from a top institution of journalists with students from across the country.

Elaine: As a small college newspaper in a big collegiate journalism pond, we planned to gather as much advice as we could. Since there are no journalism majors at Wofford, the workshop was the perfect opportunity to gain even more skills we could pass on to the current staff.

A JOURNEY BEGINS
Editors arrive in the Big Apple

Addie: After a canceled flight, a long delay and some quick maneuvering on the Delta app, I managed to arrive in New York City around midnight the night before the conference. I shuffled into a taxi — a quintessential New York experience — and watched the skyscrapers blossom into the horizon as I crossed into Manhattan. The city was marvelously alive with cars and people bustling on the bigger streets. It felt like a place of constant happenings, with news always around the corner.

Elaine: When I first arrived, the Big Apple felt rotten. Since Addie’s flight was canceled, I was now traveling alone, hopelessly trying to find the bus I was supposed to take to Bryant Park. Once I finally figured out where my ride was, I got off at the wrong stop and was immediately overwhelmed by the Jumbotrons of Times Square. I hit people with my bags as I hopelessly wandered down the street.

IT’S TIME FOR THE TIMES
Editors take on the conference

Addie: Seeing “The New York Times” spelled out in its iconic font above the doorway calibrated the significance of the moment. We entered the building, a wide-open, minimalist space, and joined the crowd of editors milling in the lobby.

Elaine: We still felt unsure but quickly started befriending other student editors. We walked into the large conference room to meet some of our idols.

Addie: Andy Rosenthal, the New York Times’ editorial page editor, opened the conference. Rosenthal delivered a revolutionary move by putting an op-ed, titled “End the Gun Epidemic in America,” on the front page instead of the editorial page, following the Charleston shooting at Emanuel AME Church. The article became the most-read piece on the site, topping out at 4.5 million views.

”What can we write about and publish that goes into a big conversation in the world?” Rosenthal asked.

Within two minutes, someone came up to me asking for money. Words didn’t come out as I shook my head and walked away, accidentally hitting the man with my bag. I ended up finding our hotel by accident. I figured Addie would have an easy time figuring out where it was — all she had to do was follow the trail of victims I had clumsily knocked to the ground.

Addie: When I finally made it to the hotel, the lobby was desolate, but Elaine was waiting for me 24 floors off the ground. We were so excited that we worried about falling asleep, but the long day of travel hit us hard, and we woke up the next morning over cups of coffee and jitters of anticipation.

Addie Lawrence (left) and Elaine Best at the New York Times Student News Editors Workshop.
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torials are also our most-read articles, and keeping them relevant and hard-hitting keeps the news- paper thriving.

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cult to discuss — we also strive to produce quality content and to provide trustworthy news.

Richard Jones, the associate editor of the New York Times, gave advice on the integrity of a newspaper.

“We sell credibility,” Jones said. He went on to say that journalists provide information to the masses, and therefore it is our duty to make sure that this information is reliable.

Part of that credibility includes fact checking, making sure that all statistics in an article are correct and that spelling errors are at a minimum. He gave an example of an article that misspelled “chicken dinners” as “chicken diapers.”

“We all have our ‘honey mustard chicken diap-
ers’ moment,” Jones said. “It’s okay ... you’ll get through it.”

A. Jones’ advice came with a talk on ethical dilemmas. All of us, as editors, were asked to contribute to the discussion. Would we interfere if someone’s life was in danger? What if we were too far away to help? Would we keep shooting? There are several famous cases in journalism, including a photo reel of a woman drown-
ing. The conference was split on whether the photos should have been taken. On the one hand, they’re powerful enough to stir up a storm could save future lives, but on the other, they’re powerful enough to stir up a storm.

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The Old Gold and Black, Wofford’s biweekly student-run newspaper, won 12 awards from the South Carolina Press Association for 2015, including first place in General Excellence out of 15 other college newspapers.

Addie Lawrence ’16 and Elaine Best ’16, co-editors-in-chief, were recognized with four awards, including first place for a column they co-wrote. In addition, five staff writers were recognized in the arts and entertainment, sports and feature story categories.

“Kourtney Hays ’18 was awarded third place for the publication’s website (woffordoldgoldandblack.com), and Sarah Madden ’17 took first place in Individual Use of Social Media, a new category.

“Our staff doesn’t write to get awards, but getting them is validation for something that a lot of people question,” says Lawrence.

“Newspapers are supposedly dying, and journalism is supposedly an unstable field. Having the awards to say, ‘We’ve accomplished something great in this field,’ is great.”

The Old Gold and Black broke its previous record of seven awards in one year. Best says the awards reflect the staff’s hard work.

“We’ve done such a great job as a staff this year producing the paper,” she says. “We’ve been receiving glowing comments from editors, professors telling us that this is the best they’ve ever seen the paper, so to be recognized at that level against other colleges was really nice.”

The co-editors say the strengths of the paper this year were the continuing development of the 2-year-old website, marketing via social media and the confidence and creativity of the writers.

“The stories that tend to win awards are the ones that take risks, in format or in style,” explains Lawrence. “I think Wofford student writers can be more creative, but still journalistic, pieces well. You can read the passion that they put into their work.”

Lawrence and Best say they are proud of the newspaper’s growing reputation, and they credit the progress made by past editors and staffs as well as the work of this year’s team.

“At this point we have built up the reputation of being a good source of news,” says Lawrence. “We have people from outside the Wofford community contacting and asking us to publish certain stories because they want us to represent them. This shows the trust we’ve been able to build up through the past few years. We are able to tackle the tough issues on campus because we’ve laid a foundation of trust and credibility.

The increased student participation also attests to the paper’s reputation within the Wofford community.

“We’ve wanted to be the platform for the student voice for a long time, and this year we’ve been able to achieve that,” says Best. “More people than we’ve seen in the past sent us op-eds this year. I think we’ll see more of those in the future. There will always be new events happening that people will have opinions about.”

While Wofford does not have a journalism major, Best believes the critical thinking and writing training students experience at Wofford provide an excellent foundation for investigative journalism.

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ized at that level against other colleges was really nice.”

The co-editors are proud of the work they accomplished this year and believe that with a commitment to innovation and confidence in approaching the harder stories, the newspaper will continue in a pattern of excellence. Lawrence says, “We feel good about where we’re leaving it. We know we’re leaving it in the hands of a good staff next year.”
For Memorial Champion
William McGirt,
Pga Tour Golf Is
A Family Affair

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington '89

On June 5, 2016, Jack Nicklaus, right, presented William McGirt '01 with the 2016 Memorial Tournament trophy. Joining in the celebration were McGirt's wife, Sarah Bagwell McGirt '03, and their children, Mac and Caroline.
**CELEBRATING ONE OF THE HARDEST WORKERS ON THE PGA TOUR**

It’s the Wednesday after winning the 2016 Memorial Tournament, and William McGirt ‘01 still has more than 350 congratulatory texts that he’s planning to return. That’s in addition to the hundreds of emails, Facebook messages, tweets and calls.

“It’s been a crazy 62 hours or so,” says McGirt. “It’s just now sinking in that I’ve finally fulfilled a lifelong dream of winning a PGA Tour event, and I did it in front of Jack Nicklaus, arguably one of the greatest golfers of all time.”

The win, on the second hole of a playoff against Jon Curran at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio, means a $1.53 million payday, $500 FedEx Cup points and a three-year exemption on the PGA Tour. McGirt also qualifies for the 2016 U.S. Open (June 16-19), 2016 PGA Championship (July 28-31) and 2017 Masters Tournament (April 6-9).

“Knowing that I have job security for the next three years is huge, but probably the best thing is knowing that Mac and Caroline will get to be with me as part of the Par 3 Contest at the Masters next year,” McGirt says of his children. “The most special part of all of this is being able to share it with my family.”

While McGirt was finishing the final few holes at the Memorial, his wife, Sarah Bagwell McGirt ‘03, was constantly updating the app on her phone that showed the scores. When she realized William had a good chance to win, she grabbed the children and made her way to the 18th green.

“Marshals escorted her right to Jack and Barbara Nicklaus. Barbara was awesome. She said, ‘Here, you and the children get in front so you can see,’” says McGirt. “It was pretty cool. I’m glad there are lots of photos, because it was a blur.”

As soon as McGirt’s ball dropped into the hole for the win, 3-year-old Mac made an end run around the press corps that closed in for photos and quotes.

“Mac was the star once the winning putt dropped,” says McGirt. “Sarah said if I would have had one more hole to play, I would have had to do it with Mac on the fairway with me. He was so excited. I could hear him yelling ‘Daddy, Daddy.’ That was the most special moment of the tournament.”

National journalists Craig Melvin ‘01 and Wendi Nix ’96 both sent McGirt messages after his first PGA Tour win.

“When I responded to Craig, I said, ‘Let’s be honest, neither of us ever dreamed of being where we are today when we left Wofford 15 years ago.’ It’s pretty unbelievable, but what’s even more unbelievable is how big this is not just for me. My family and friends, Wofford, my high school, the community — they’re celebrating with me, and this means a lot to them as well.”

When McGirt graduated from Wofford he didn’t have a backup plan. Playing professional golf was the only future he had in mind. “It’s one of those things you want to come true, but I’m not sure you ever expect it,” says McGirt, who played seven years of Tarheel and Nationwide tours before earning his PGA Tour card.

While he was following his dream, Sarah was working a steady job with Adidas. She only made it to one tournament during those years, but looking back, both say the sacrifices were worth it. Now six years later, McGirt continues to be one of the hardest workers on the tour, currently ranked 10th in the FedExCup standings, and Sarah, Mac and Caroline (8 months) are with him almost everywhere he goes.

“Sarah handles my travel, does the bookkeeping and taxes, and manages my calendar and marketing — the whole nine. I get to play golf for a living, and she makes it as easy as possible for me while managing two little ones,” says McGirt. “This could last three years or 15, but regardless I didn’t want to do it by myself. I wanted Sarah and our children to experience it with me.”

While McGirt is playing some of the best courses in the country with some of the best golfers in the world, Mac and Caroline go to the PGA Tour-sponsored daycare and school that follows the tour events. Sarah has formed relationships with the spouses of other PGA Tour professionals who are in similar situations.

“The moms get to watch golf and support their husbands, and the children love going to school. They’re meeting children from lots of different countries, and most importantly we’re together as a family,” says Sarah.

McGirt had only been playing golf for a few years when Dan O’Connell, coach of the Wofford men’s golf team at the time, recruited him to play for the Terriers. O’Connell offered him a nice scholarship, which drew a bit of skepticism, something that McGirt has become accustomed to during his rise from baseball player to college golfer to PGA Tour professional.

“William can give you a thousand reasons he shouldn’t have made it, but he works really, really hard,” says Sarah. “He works hard and plays smart.”

During the 2016 RBC Heritage in Hilton Head, S.C., the Wofford Alumni Office partnered with S.C. State Representative Doug Smith ’90 to throw an event for McGirt. McGirt’s Gallery of Terriers followed him around the tournament and cheered him on to a top 10 finish.

“It was pretty awesome,” says McGirt. “While I was playing it was hard to look up and take it all in, but it was nice to know that I had such a big group supporting me. Wofford fans are so loyal. I can be in Boston or Arizona and someone will hold up a Wofford flag or be wearing a Wofford cap. I remember during my rookie year a man placed a Wofford sticker on an envelope and hung it over one of the ropes. By the end of the day I felt like we were best friends.”

Because William and Sarah appreciate the support from the Wofford community, they seek opportunities to give back. “They are both faithful Terrier Club supporters, and Sarah is now serving on the Terrier Club Board of Directors. A few years ago they donated during the Terrier Ball an opportunity to caddy for McGirt during a practice round of a PGA Tour event. They’re continually expanding the opportunity so more and more Wofford supporters have the chance to be behind the ropes at a PGA event. McGirt also remains a big supporter of the Shriners Hospitals. “My dad was a Shriners patient when he was a child. He had bilateral club feet,” says McGirt, who has visited five different Shriners hospitals in the past 15 months. “It’s rewarding to walk in and put a smile on a kid’s face. Seeing children struggling to overcome burns or disabilities puts golf in perspective.”

The summer will be a busy one for the McGirt family. The PGA Tour season is in full swing, and McGirt now has several major tournaments on his schedule that he didn’t have earlier.

“All of a sudden all the doors have opened,” says McGirt. “It’s even looking like I’ll be going to the British Open.”

McGirt’s Wofford family will be watching.
Charleston, S.C., continues to find itself at the top of national and international tourist destination lists, and young Wofford graduates completely understand why. Recent Wofford alumni have found great success as students at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston and the Charleston School of Law, but they’re also blazing less traditional paths and in the process making their Terrier family proud.

“Once you visit Charleston you fall in love,” says Joseph Tecklenburg ’12, a commercial real estate broker with CC&T Real Estate and the former campaign manager for John Tecklenburg, his father and the first new mayor of Charleston in 40 years. “You walk the historic streets, eat the incredible food and you realize you want to be here. There’s always something going on, and the new mayor’s all right too.”

Tecklenburg grew up in Charleston, played basketball on two Southern Conference championship basketball teams and two NCAA Tournament teams at Wofford, and went on to earn a master’s degree in public administration from the University of South Carolina. He loves living in Charleston and says it’s always fun to run into other Terriers in the area.

“Whether it’s in a professional setting or socially, I’m always seeing Wofford people,” says Tecklenburg. “There’s even a Wofford men’s breakfast in Charleston that meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Mostly the guys get together and tell tall tales about their days at Wofford. I’m usually the youngest one there, so I don’t question whether their stories are true or not. Honestly it doesn’t matter. It’s just fun to get together and talk about Wofford.”
Raul Ceballos ’11 — A voice of Charleston

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington ’89

You’d never know Raul Ceballos ’11 is doing voiceover work by watching him read. His face contorts while his hands tell the story. He crouches and leans and twists as the voices change from Jack Black to Bugs Bunny to Robert De Niro. His voice may be making the money, but he’s still acting from head to toe.

“I do whatever I have to do physically to get the sound out,” says Ceballos. “Sometimes I have to get my whole body into it.”

Ceballos, whose voice is live on Pandora and Spotify, is also the voice of Bob the Shark for the South Carolina Aquarium in Charleston, one of his favorite projects so far. Bob is a stuffed animal and the imaginary friend of a boy named Miles. Together Bob, a crazy, wild, fun-loving and hyperactive shark, and Miles have fun learning about marine life and promoting the aquarium.

“So far this is the closest I’ve gotten to the animation voiceover work that’s my ultimate dream job,” says Ceballos. “I jump at the chance to do character work.”

Ceballos says the faculty in the Theatre Department at Wofford helped him learn to develop a character from the ground up.

“I’ve always been good with impressions, mimicking cartoon characters, celebrities and (he ducks his head) teachers,” says Ceballos, “but I didn’t really have the tools to create a complete, unique character until Wofford theatre.”

Ceballos works on both the front end (laying voice tracks) and back end (editing and filtering). He does most of his work from a home studio, and admits that he’s still surprised when he recognizes his work on the air.

His wife, Luisa Gonzalez Ceballos ’11, a school psychologist with Charleston County Public Schools, recently was working out, listening to Spotify, when she heard Ceballos’ voice on an ad for Mike’s Hard Lemonade.

“It’s always a surprise,” says Ceballos. “My mom will call and say, ‘Your uncle just heard you on the PetSmart commercial. He TiVoed it.’ It’s great. I’m fortunate that I have so much support from family and friends.”

Recently, Ceballos also has picked up some voiceover work in Spanish. He appreciates the new opportunity to use another skill he honed at Wofford and build a portfolio while earning a living doing something he loves.

Ceballos says his first memory of doing characters was when his parents would send him to his room for misbehaving as a child...

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When Blair Cadden ’13 graduated from Wofford she said that one day she would start her own theatre company. She just didn’t expect it to happen so soon.

A year after earning her degree in theatre with a minor in creative writing, she founded 5th Wall Productions in Charleston’s West Ashley area.

“We’re the only theatre company in West Ashley,” says Cadden, who serves as artistic director for the company. “We just announced our third season; it’s the second in our own space.”

In September, 5th Wall presents “Clue: The Musical.” November and March will feature world premieres of two new scripts. “One Bear Lake,” a comedy, comes to the theater in January, and in February the theater presents “V-day: An Evening of Monologues.” The season concludes in April with “Burn This,” a play that Cadden is particularly excited about because she’ll be back on stage.

“I’ve been waiting for the opportunity to play the part of Anna,” says Cadden. “It’s a challenging role because the character has strength but she’s in a really broken place.”

Cadden loves Charleston because of the established but growing theatre community. She says there’s a collaborative vibe that offers a lot of support for new work, and 5th Wall is definitely finding its niche.

“I select the shows and directors. I’m also responsible for establishing our brand,” says Cadden. “I prefer productions that ask questions rather than provide answers. After leaving a 5th Wall production, you can expect to have something to ponder or talk about on the way home, hopefully longer.”
Toward the end of their four years at Wofford, Justin Buchanan ’13 (right) and Jake MacDowell ’13 (left) started to question their traditional plans, investment banking in New York for Buchanan and law school for MacDowell. “Because we thought it would be useful no matter what we decided to do, we participated in a workshop on how to write a business plan through the professional development office at Wofford. That’s when we started to consider different options,” says MacDowell.

They wanted to do something they loved (microdistilling), and they wanted to love where they lived. “We Googled ‘Charleston, history and liquor,’ expecting bourbon to pop up,” says MacDowell, who was a business economics and Spanish major at Wofford. “Instead we learned that in the years preceding the American Revolution, Charleston was a huge rum port. Rum reigned.”

According to Buchanan, an economics, history and philosophy major, “Rum is one of the most loosely defined spirits. As long as sugar cane is involved, it’s classified as rum. Our rum is produced in charred barrels, just like in Colonial times.”

Once they landed on rum and developed a spirit, Buchanan and MacDowell built a story (now printed on the back of their bottles). They designed the shape of the bottle and hired an agency in Charleston to create a logo and label, all with a Colonial feel. The wax-sealed bottles, which add to the authenticity, are on shelves throughout South Carolina as well as in Savannah and Atlanta, Ga.

Although Buchanan and MacDowell only started Red Harbor Rum a year ago, the brand already is gaining momentum, but it’s still just a two-man operation. “The whole process — from molasses fermentation to bottling — takes about three months, and we do it all,” says Buchanan.

“We’re the salesmen, janitors, distillers, marketers and bottlers,” adds MacDowell. They’re also the process engineers and quality control technicians making sure that every bottle meets standards of excellence and that their process is as cost-effective as possible.

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1960
The United Way of the Midlands has given Hayes Mizell a Live United Volunteer Award for his years of service to the organization as a part of the Congressional Civil Rights Pilgrimage to South Carolina. Mizell was designated as a South Carolina Civil Rights Luminary.

1966
Haymes Callier, class chair
The University of South Carolina School of Law recently named recipients of the 2016 Complet Lawyer Awards. John O. McDougall was a recipient of the Platinum Award. The Complet Lawyer Award is the school’s highest recognition of professional development and civic leadership.

1969
Lt. Col. Craig Cox
a Super Lawyer for eight straight years.
Clawson and Staubes for 32 years and has been vice. He has served as the managing member of Lawyer Awards.

1970
Buzz Bob, class chair
Sam Clawson Sr. has been named a “Super Lawyer” by the Thomson Reuters rating service. He has served as the managing member of Clawson and Staubes for 32 years and has been vice. He has served as the managing member of Lawyer Awards.

1974
Jerry Calvert, class chair
Bob Sykson has left retirement to join Oak View National Bank in Virginia as a vice president and senior credit analyst. He and his wife, Catherine, live in Warrens, Va.

1975
John Moore, class chair
John F. Windley has been promoted to president and CEO of South State Bank, the largest bank headquartered in South Carolina. John and Nancy, his wife of 40 years, have two children.

1976
John Gandy, class chair
Attorney Daryl G. Hawkins recently was re-elected to the South Carolina Bar House of Delegates. This is his fourth term.

1978
Armando Llavervy, class chair
In April, Govstate.com featured Ben R. Hines and Lynn Spencer in the Entrepreneur’s Corner. Their company, Spero Hines Properties, located in Spartanburg, is the largest full-service commercial real estate firm in the county.

1979
Wade Ballard, class chair
Lawyers Weekly named John E. Curtino of Gollman, White and Boyd as honorée at its 2016 South Carolina Leadership in the Law event. Coldwell Banker Caine recently announced that Spero Curtino has joined its Greenville office as a residential sales agent. He and his wife, Rochelle, have five children and one granddaughter.

1980
Paul Kounte Jr., class chair
Jack Jackson recently was featured in myhouse.com for his support of revitalizing the Conway High School boys tennis team. When Jackson was in high school he competed on the Conway team that won the Class A state championship in 1975. Jackson also played tennis all four years at Wofford and was a member of the fencing team for one year.

1983
Scott Gantt, class chair
President and COO of the American Transportation Research Institute Rebecca Breaster recently was featured by FleetOwner as one of 12 outstanding women in the trucking industry. Among her awards is the 2013 Influential Woman in Trucking Award, given by the Women in Trucking Association and Navistar. She is a nationally recognized expert in traffic, incident management and currently serves as principal investigator for the U.S. DOT’s Integrated Corridor Management Opportunities initiative.

1984
Ken Kirkpatrick, class chair
Steven Ford is a certified financial planner principal with Alliance Wealth Partners in Spartanburg. He and his wife, Clare, have three children.

1986
Brand Still, class chair
Bank of America recently named David Hulse Jr. market president for Tallahassee, Fla. In May Greenville Water welcomed Rebecca West as the organization’s chief operating officer. West has 28 years of water utility experience and in 2015 was recognized as a fellow of the Water Environment Federation.

1987
Former pastor David Brannock has published a book for high school graduates titled “Choose: Fulfill Your Created Purpose.” His first book signing was in April in Greenville, Tenn, where he lives with his wife and daughter.

1988
Lane Glenn, class chair
A colonel with the U.S. Army, Reggie Rostic was selected as the deputy commander for Special Operations Command South in Homestead, Fla. SCOSOUTH plans, directs and executes special operations missions throughout Central America, South America and the Caribbean. His most recent assignment was as the special assistant to the assistant chairman of the joint chiefs of staff at the Pentagon.

1991
Leslie Houch Page, class chair
Living in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, David Junkin is a technical talent development manager at Texas Instruments.

1993
Sarah Sawicki, class chair
Paul Jackson is manager of The Vitamin Shoppe in Florence, S.C.

1994
Jerry Calvert, class chair
Former pastor David Brannock has published a book for high school graduates titled “Choose: Fulfill Your Created Purpose.” His first book signing was in April in Greenville, Tenn, where he lives with his wife and daughter.

1997
James Merklinger has been named vice president and chief legal officer for the Association of Southern Electric Cooperatives. He and his wife, Ashley, reside in Athens, Ga.

2002
Ben R. Hines
In May Greenville Water welcomed Rebecca West as the organization’s chief operating officer. West has 28 years of water utility experience and in 2015 was recognized as a fellow of the Water Environment Federation.

2003
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Class of 1966 celebrates reunion during Commencement
by Kelsey Aylor ’18
This year during Commencement weekend, members of Wofford College’s Class of 1966 came together for their 50-year reunion and led the newest class of graduates during the graduation ceremony. Since graduating 50 years ago, these men and women have gone on to accomplish great things in both their professional and personal lives.

As a testament to the well-rounded education that Wofford provides, members of the Class of 1966 have enjoyed distinguished careers in a myriad of professions. As a history major, the pre-med track who later received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina, Dr. Billy O’Dell has proven Wofford’s liberal arts environment allows for a broad exploration of topics. O’Dell later served in the Army Medical Corps and in post-graduate practices. Like him, many others pursued medical or law careers, a testament to Wofford’s ability to prepare its students for success.

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Other graduates from the Class of 1966 have pursued careers in music journalism, published multiple volumes of historical documents, worked as FBI special agents, grown prize-winning races, trained therapy dogs and given back to their communities through ministry and philanthropic organizations. During his 49-year teaching career, George “Rusty” Hudson Jr. even coached current Wofford professor John Lane in basketball at Cleveland Junior High. Although it’s been 50 years since their graduation, members of the Class of 1966 look back on their time at Wofford with great fondness.

Read the full story at wofford.edu/50for50
JAMES SCOTT NAMED PULITZER FINALIST
Author of acclaimed ‘Target Tokyo’ surprised by honor

Ray McGuire recently won the Nestle USA Chairman’s Operational Master Plan Award for Safety Excellence for the second consecutive year by achieving a 97 percent improvement in the faculty’s safety incident rate while working 3.3 million hours injury-free over 490 days. McGuire has been promoted to regional safety, health and environmental manager for the Nestle Regional of the Nestle Direct Store Delivery Division. He and his family have relocated to Phoenix from Kentucky to take on the new challenge.

1994
Alicia Truedall, class chair

J.P. Raffo is regional sales director for Swann Global Investments. He is responsible for broker-dealer relationships in the Mid-Atlantic area.

1995
Brandie Yancy Lorenz, class chair

A paraplegal at Wake Technical Community College in Raleigh, N.C., Kimberly M. Johnson is the president of the Eagle Club, the college’s booster club. She is actively engaged in efforts to innovate and enhance education for non-traditional students.

Patrick Ridgine is with the law office of Troutman Sanders in Charlotte, N.C. He is in the firm’s commercial real estate division.

1996
Curt Nichols, class chair

Charleston Southern University Associate Professor David K. Cross published papers in the MEFLC Review and The Latin Americanist. He also presented a paper at the 62nd annual meeting of MEFLC in October 2015. Cross teaches Spanish and Arabic and is continuing work on a master’s in teaching Arabic as a foreign language at the Middlebury College Arabic School.

Recently returned to South Carolina from Washington, D.C., where he served as the chief of war plans policy for the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, Lt. Col. Carl Young now serves the South Carolina Army National Guard as the commander of the 151st Signal Battalion in Spartanburg and as the director of strategy for the adjutant general. He lives with his family in West Columbia, S.C.

1997
Casey R. Moore, class chair

Ginger Groce Monroe lives in Southern Pines, N.C., with her husband, Dr. Edward C. Monroe, and their three children, Janie (8) and Hunter (4). A graduate of the Art Institute of Charleston, she enjoys life as a mom and interior designer.

Amanda Perkins is a research associate at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in Washington, D.C. She is a member of the U.S. Foreign Service.

Maureen Sweatman has launched Joyful Living Coaching, a new business that provides career and personal development coaching in the metro Atlanta, Ga., area.

Brooke Wagen has been admitted to the inaugural class of Dell Medical School at the University of Texas at Austin. The entering class of 50 was chosen from among 4,500 applicants.

1998
Zach Adamson, class chair

Josh Roberts and his wife, Katherine, welcomed baby boy Hayes Luck Roberts IV on Oct. 25, 2015. He joins big sister Berkeley (3).

Chris Shealy is principal and chief operating officer of e3, an employee benefits firm in the West Region of the Nestle Direct Store Delivery Division. He lives in upstate South Carolina with his wife and two beagles.

1999
Alicia Truedall, class chair

The Rev. Rebekah McLeod Hutto is pastor at the West Region of the Nestle Direct Store Delivery Division. She is a pastor with the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, where she has lived with her husband, Scott, and three sons, Tucker (7), Austin (5) and Bryson (3).

The University of South Carolina School of Law announced that Robert F. Goings is a 2016 Compleat Lawyer Silver Award recipient. He is the founder of the Goings Law Firm in Columbia, S.C., where he lives with his wife, Rebecca, and their daughters, Madeline, Grace and Grayson Middletown.

Kyle James has joined SmartBag Media, an inbound marketing and web design agency based in Newport Beach, Calif., as interactive manager. He lives in upstate South Carolina with his wife and two beagles.


Lisa Cameron McMillan became director of human resources for Greenwood Mills in September 2015. Lucas McMillan was appointed chairman of the board of the American Association of Public and Private Financial Statement Auditors. He is a partner in the Spartanburg law firm of Burt Turnure & Rhodes. Jeni Intefeld Strain and her husband, Butler Strain ’95, welcomed a second daughter, Catherine Anne Saunders Strain, on Jan. 7, 2016. She joins big sister May.

1998
Jenna Sheehan Bridgers, class chair

Rachel Harvey is the sustainable program manager for student housing at the University of California, Irvine. She received her Ph.D. in anthropology in 2011. She and her husband, Joshua Toney, have one child, Julian Joshua Toney.

1999
Yorke Gerrald, class chair

The Rev. Rebecca McLeod Hutto has published a children’s book, “The Day When God Made Church.” She is a pastor with the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, where she lives with her husband, the Rev. B.J. Hutto, and daughter.

The FIRST BOSS: CHARLEY BOULWARE ’67 AND THE LEGEND OF THE ‘TERRIBLE TERRIER’
by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington ’89
Legend has it that Charley Boulware ’67 would do just about anything when he was in college, which made him the obvious choice to be the college’s first Terrier mascot. During the mid-1960s, attendance was down at Wofford football games with students coming in late and leaving early. Dean of Students Philip Cottongen brought a Boston Terrier to the games, which sat patiently on its leash. Wofford ROTC commanders at the time, however, felt that the college needed more, and the “Terrible Terrier,” with Boulware beneath the mask, was born.

Boulware says the first mask was black and made of papier-mache by Converse College art student Winkie Ray. It was hot and didn’t have enough room for his nose.

“By the end of the games, the end of my nose would be red,” he says. “The word crazy has come up as a way to describe me, but everybody’s gotta have their niche. I guess this was mine.”

Boulware’s antics as the first Terrier have been recounted at reunions through the years. Dr. Jim Proctor ’76, professor emeritus at Wofford, remembers a game Appalachian State University played with the Terrier mascot was a big mountainer with a coon-skin cap and rifle. Somehow, Charley snuck across the field and got his rifle. The mountainer started chasing Charley, and Charley turned and pretended to shoot him. We lost the game pretty badly, so that scene was the highlight.”

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Beach, S.C., and lives with his wife and son in Charleston, S.C., was the setting for the wedding of Cameron and Justin Leyh on Feb. 27, 2016. Cameron is a property manager for the national Arthritis Foundation’s Crittenton Programs of South Carolina. The wedding was officiated by Lawyers Weekly at their 2016 South Carolina Lawyer of the Year Awards and featured law enforcement and protection to the community. It’s inspired by the letter Baldwin wrote to his nephew on the 100th anniversary of the Emancipation.

Sarah Katherine Johnson and James Wilson Douglas Jr. were married on Oct. 3, 2015, at The Yacht Club in Figure Eight Island, N.C. They live in Charlotte.

After receiving a Ph.D. in chemistry from Miami University, Kelli Rush Galloway is working as a postdoctoral researcher for the University of Ottawa in Canada. She is conducting research on how students learn in organic chemistry.

Pearce Tapp and Jon Jackson were married on July 11, 2015, in Durham, N.C. On May 6, Charlotte Van Hale graduated from the USC School of Medicine Greenville during the school's annual commencement. She has been accepted into Georgetown University's internal medicine residency program.

LIVING THE VALUE OF A LAW DEGREE

Smithe teaches, practices, speaks and acts for civil rights

by Jo Ann Mitchell Brasington ’89

Catherine Smith ’91, professor and dean of institutional diversity and inclusiveness at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, has racked up the frequent flyer miles during the past year. In Obergefell v. Hodges, the Supreme Court’s decision recognizing the right to same-sex marriage, the majority opinion cited an amicus brief that Smith co-authored on the constitutional rights of children of same-sex parents. Smith has traveled extensively discussing the brief and its impact — from Columbia University in New York and American University in Washington, D.C. to the Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Istanbul, Turkey, the Texas A&M Law School in Durham, N.C., and the University of Ottawa in Canada. She is currently traveling as a visiting lecturer and conference speaker, most recently as a presenter at the 2016 Critical Race Theory Conference at Yale University.

Now she’s off to France, where she and her daughter, Zoe, will co-present on a panel at American University in Paris at the 10th anniversary of the Emancipation.

“Smith teaches, practices, speaks and acts for civil rights,” says Smith. “I’m writing a letter to her, then she’ll respond to me with another letter or a poem. It’s inspired by the letter Baldwin wrote to his nephew on the 100th anniversary of the Emancipation.”

For her work, the American Association of Law Schools Minority Groups Section recently recognized Smith with the 2016 Clyde Ferguson Award. The award honors an outstanding law teacher who has achieved excellence in the area of public service, teaching and scholarship. She teaches torts, employment discrimination, sexual orientation and gender identity, and family law. Her research interests include civil rights law and critical race theory.

“To win the Clyde Ferguson Award is mind-blowing,” says Smith. “This is an amazing hardworking and dedicated group, and I respect everyone in it so much. I’m humbled to be one of them.”

Smith also is honored to follow in the footsteps of her father, Maj. Byrd Smith, who was an assistant professor of military science at Wofford during the 1970s. Teaching and service are in the family tree.
IN MEMORIAM

1943
The Rev. Dr. Harley Morrison Williams, March 4, 1966, Asheville, N.C. Williams retired from active United Methodist ministry in 1966 and moved with his wife to Lake Junaluska. He held numerous leadership positions within the church, including service as council director for the Western North Carolina Annual Conference. He was a 20-year member of Rotary International and a frequent speaker for naturalization ceremonies.

1948
Dr. Stephen Pierre Gibert, Feb. 1, 1966, McLean, Va. Gibert served in the Pacfic during World War II and was one of the first to occupy Japan and free 8,000 prisoners of war following surrender in 1945. He earned advanced degrees from Harvard and Johns Hopkins before joining the faculty at Georgetown University, where he served as professor of government for 48 years and for the National Security Studies Program, still the nation’s preeminent professional master’s of arts program devoted to security studies.

1949

1953
Ben Moore Tutum, April 12, 2016, Mount Pleasant, S.C. As a member of the Mount Pleasant City Council, Tutum brought awareness of the lack of services and access for citizens with disabilities. He was recognized in 1996 with the South Carolina of the Year award, in large part because of these efforts. Lake Ben M. Tutum City Park Pleasure Point was named in his honor. Tutum was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity at Wofford.

1959
Dr. Joseph Willard “Joe” Davis, Feb. 16, 2016, Laurens, S.C. Davis had a career in public education that included teaching and administration from the elementary to the doctoral level. He retired from Lander University as chairman of the Education Department. He also worked as a U.S. Army military policeman, a car appraiser manager on the Southern Railroad, an industrial engineer, and a photographer and proofreader for the Spartanburg Herald.

1960
Emesley Bankin, Feb. 12, 2016, Columbus, S.C. Bankin had a long, successful career in banking. After retirement, he enjoyed playing golf, hunting, fishing, and attending college graduations. He was also a city council member and a Democrat.

1961
Col. Marshall Willis Bredenl, Feb. 15, 2016, Las Vegas, Nev. Bredenl retired as a West Point football player and pursued a successful career in banking. He was also a Democrat.

1962
Frank Ray Malone, March 12, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. A U.S. Navy vet- eran, Malone was once owner of McDowell’s Restaurant.

1963
Thomas David McBryer, Feb. 26, 2016, Forest City, N.C. McBryer worked for many years in the fine furniture business. McBryer Furniture Co. until he established McBryer Motors, which he operated for 30 years. He was a member of the Forest City Town Council.

1965
James Stephen Rush, April 6, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. Rush spent his career in banking, most recently as a senior vice president of Carolina Alliance Bank. He served the community in a variety of ways, including as a member and past chairman of the Spartanburg Housing Authority Board of Directors. He was a co-founder of both the Eastside Rotary Club and the Palmetto Men’s Club and served as presi- dent of Spartanburg Regional Hospice.

1966
Jesse L. Cooks, April 3, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. A U.S. Army and South Carolina National Guard veteran, Cooks was a retired executive with Cockey Bank. He played basketball and football at Wofford and still holds the record for the most fumble recoveries in a single game. He served two terms on the Spartanburg City Council and was the recipient of the North Carolina Order of the Long Leaf Pine for his service during the Korean War. He retired as vice president of Lander University as chairman of the Education Department. He also worked as a U.S. Army military policeman, a car appraiser manager on the Southern Railroad, an industrial engineer, and a photographer and proofreader for the Spartanburg Herald.

1969
E. Frank Watts Jr., March 19, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. Watts worked in bank- ing and insurance and was president of Spartanburg National Bank. He was a Democrat.

1971
Charles Henry Neely, March 3, 2016, Roebuck, S.C. After retiring from RR Donnelly, Neely worked at Piedmont Farm and Garden. He was also a Republican.

1972
James Franklin Gore, March 19, 1916, Spartanburg, S.C. At Wofford, Gore was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and the Glee Club. He served in the Army National Guard and was in car sales and manage- ment for many years. He served 27 years as the choir director and an elder of Tizrah Presbyterian Church.

1973
Dr. Clyde Randall Neighbors, Oct. 2, 1952, Spartanburg, S.C. Neighbors was a dentist and active Shriner.

1976
Rumbard Breadows “Buzzy” Biggerstaff, May 3, 2016, Shelby, N.C. Biggerstaff retired from a long career with Cone Mills in Cliffsde, N.C. He served as chair- man of the board of trustees for Boiling Springs United Methodist Church and was a former chief of the Boiling Springs Volunteer Fire Department.

1978
Charles Lee Kellett, April 28, 2016, Greer, S.C. Kellett was the brother of John King Williams ’59.

1983
Miriam Elizabeth “Betsy” Roseman, May 2, 1962, Goldsboro, N.C. Roseman was the director of travel and tourism for the city of Goldsboro and worked passionately to advance the travel and tourism industry in Goldsboro and Wayne County.

Memorial Gifts
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1. Call the Office of Advancement at 864-597-4200
2. Visit wofford.edu/support/wofford
3. Mail a check made payable to Wofford College Office of Advancement 429 N. Church Street Spartanburg, S.C. 29303-3663

FROM THE ARCHIVES: LAYERS OF HISTORY AND POSTCARDS

IN MEMORIAM

1943
Francis Earl Williams, Dec. 22, 2015, Northridge, Calif. Williams served in the U.S. Navy Signal Corps in Europe as an interpreter in World War II. He was a retired elementary school principal. He was the brother of John King Williams ’59.

1943
Herman Lee Sims, Feb. 20, 2016, Rutherfordton, N.C. Sims came to Wofford after serving in World War II on the beaches of two Jima. He later served in the Korean War. An entrepreneur at heart, Sims also served on the boards of Ruth Elementary and R.S. Central High School.

1953
Gary Dean Burns, Feb. 24, 2016, Greenville, S.C. Burns retired as a controller for Jennings and Dill Inc.

1954
Joseph Harley Coffey, March 29, 2016, Kennerdale, N.C. After serving in the Korean War, Coffey worked in the petroleum industry for 30 years and in the transportation industry for another 17.

1960
James Edward Parris, April 15, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. At Wofford, Parris was a member of Kappa Alpha Order and sang in the Glee Club. He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a skilled craftsman who worked in car sales and manage- ment for many years. He served 27 years as the choir director and an elder of Tizrah Presbyterian Church.

1962
Don Vallentine “Tom” Read, May 3, 2016, Greenville, S.C. Read retired from active United Methodist ministry and served as council director for the Western North Carolina Annual Conference. He was a 20-year member of Rotary International and a frequent speaker for naturalization ceremonies.

1969
William B. Kellett, April 28, 2016, Greer, S.C. Kellett served in the U.S. Army and earned the Purple Heart during World War II. He was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity at Wofford.

1973
Caroline Lake, April 13, 2016, May, 31, 2000, Spartanburg, S.C. Caroline Lake was the recipient of the North Carolina Order of the Palmetto. Cooksey was among the many South Carolinians who contributed to the state’s development and served on the boards of Ruth Elementary and Dillard’s United Methodist Church.

1983
Miriam Elizabeth “Betsy” Roseman, May 2, 1962, Goldsboro, N.C. Roseman was the director of travel and tourism for the city of Goldsboro and worked passionately to advance the travel and tourism industry in Goldsboro and Wayne County.

1991
John David Abercrombie, May 16, 2016, Spartanburg, S.C. Abercrombie was a beloved teacher at Dormon High School, where he taught government/economics, worked with at-risk and special-needs chil- dren, and served as the voice of the athlet- ics department.

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A LETTER FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
NEW GRADUATES, WE’RE READY FOR YOU TO JOIN US

Congratulations to an incredible group of young men and women on your graduation from Wofford College! I am pleased that you have joined the ranks of some 16,000 plus alumni.

Wofford is a lifetime experience. My Wofford education and connections have afforded me a unique career in higher education, beyond any of my expectations, and I am thrilled to give back to the institution that started my journey. As president of the Alumni Association board, it is my mission to serve and engage alumni in a manner that honors the past, present and future of Wofford.

We continue to focus on our four main initiatives: Alumni Engagement, The Wofford Network, Student Recruitment and Development.

During your time at Wofford, you have educated yourselves and others regarding important issues that impact our world. As you continue into this new part of your journey, the Alumni Association hopes that you take all of the knowledge and resources you gained as a student and engage in meaningful action to promote equity and peace in our society. As you journey, we encourage you to actively participate in your Wofford Alumni Association to help promote our alma mater and strengthen alumni engagement.

The steps to take as you become actively involved in the Alumni Association:

• Activate your myWofford Alumni Portal (wofford.edu/alumni) so that you may stay up to date on all alumni happenings while staying connected with your classmates and the Wofford network.
• Keep your information (email address, mailing address, life changes, additional education) up to date via the Alumni Portal.
• Contact the Office of Alumni and Parents Programs for information on upcoming events in various areas and all the happenings around the college.
• Use social networks to keep up with and share news and events. It’s a great way to stay in touch with other Wofford alumni.
• Wofford Today, our alumni magazine, is also a great way to keep up with your fellow alumni and share your news.
• Share your thoughts by contacting me at vsutton88@gmail.com or complete the feedback form (wofford.edu/alumni/form) for the Office of Alumni and Parents Programs. The board is always interested in hearing from you, and we sincerely appreciate your valuable input. It is your Alumni Association!

Vickie R. Muller ’83
President, Wofford College Alumni Association
Charleston is hopping on the Terrier Trolley! Until Aug. 15, visitors to Charleston, S.C., can ride a CARTA Transit trolley covered in Wofford’s iconic Boston Terrier mascot. Snap a photo and post it with #TerrierTrolley.